



# NEWS FROM THE WELL

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## *Making A Difference In Our World In Christ's Name*



### **Souper Bowl of Caring**

Sunday, February 4 is Souper Bowl Sunday. We will be having a soup and sandwich lunch following our Worship Service in the Fellowship Hall. If you would be willing to make a pot of soup, dessert or drink it would be appreciated. You will have the opportunity to donate money and/or canned soup that will stay in Lee County. Let's work together to help feed those in need in Christ's name.

### **Women's Fellowship**

The Serenity Circle will meet on Tuesday, February 13 at 7:00 at the home of Carolyn MacDonald. There will be a grandmother shower (twins -boy and girl) for Pam Gunter. All women are invited to come and join them in fellowship.

### **Scout Sunday**

The Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts of Pack 953 will worship with us on Sunday, February 11. The Scouts will participate in various ways during the Worship Service.



### **Men's Fellowship**

The Men's Fellowship will meet on February 18 at 8:30 a.m. in the Multi-Purpose Room. All men of the church are invited to join them in fellowship.

### **Church Membership Class**

We are planning a Church Membership Class for late February or early March. This class is open to anyone who is considering membership at Shallow Well. We receive members on profession of faith in Christ as Savior and baptism, or by letter of transfer from another church. If you are interested in this class, please let Rev. Thompson know of your interest.

### **Lenten Season**

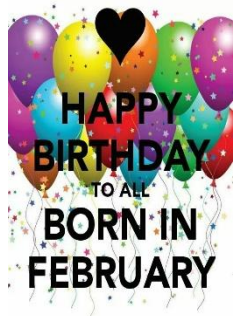


Lent is the period of 40 days which comes before Easter in the Christian calendar. Beginning on Ash Wednesday, February 14, Lent is a season of reflection and preparation before the celebrations of Easter. By observing the 40 days of Lent, Christians replicate Jesus Christ's sacrifice and withdrawal into the desert for 40 days. February 18 marks the first Sunday of Lent. We hope you will make plans to worship each Sunday during the Lenten Season to help prepare your heart for the Risen Christ.



## February Birthdays

02	Jimmy Maddox
02	Betty Williams
02	Charissa Johnston
03	Lynn Lemons
04	Lucas Rosser
05	Wilbur Thomas
10	Lily Currin
10	A.K. Griffin
11	Eddie Thomas
12	Donna Buchanan
13	Robert Thomas
13	Wanda Harrington
15	Dwayne Watson
16	Beryl Campbell
16	Nick Batchelor
17	Randy Gunter
18	Joy Murphy
18	Mary John Coggins
18	Kenneth Cotten
18	Renee' Ehlers
19	Glenda Douglas
21	Jada Holifield
24	Gary Watson
25	Kristi Collins
28	Debbie Scott
28	Lisa Matthews
28	Carolyn MacDonald



## Operation Christmas Child

During February we will be collecting toothbrushes, soap, and washcloths. Please pick up a few items and place them in the bin in the Narthex.

## Flower Calendar

There is now a flower calendar on the bulletin board in the Narthex. Sign up for whatever date(s) you would like to put flowers on the altar and then send the information for the bulletin to Mary Griffin by Wednesday before the date.

## Cemetery Impact

In conversations with DOT, it is apparent that they are looking at the graves to be moved. They are not concerned with the unused portion of the family plots. When DOT comes to talk with you about moving your family member(s), keep this in mind and discuss it with them. Should you have any questions, call Wayne Watson (919) 258-3618 and we will look at your situation.

## Bible Readings for February

1 - John 14:15-31
2 - John 15:1-17
3 - John 15:18—16:15
4 - John 16:16-33
5 - John 2:1-12
6 - John 2:13-25
7 - John 3:1-21
8 - John 3:22-36
9 - John 5:1-29
10 - John 5:30-47
11 - John 6:1-24
12 - John 6:25-59
13 - John 6:60-7:9
14 - John 7:10-31
15 - John 7:32-52
16 - John 8:1-20
17 - John 8:21-47
18 - John 8:48-59
19 - 1 John 1:1—2:6
20 - 1 John 2:7-29
21 - 1 John 3:1-24
22 - 1 John 4:1-21
23 - 1 John 5:1-21
24 - 2 John
25 - 3 John
26 - Leviticus 19:1-18
27 - Deuteronomy 6:1-25
28 - Matthew 22:34-40



## Youth News



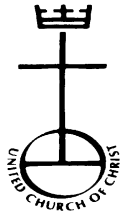
The Youth will be very busy during the month of February. They will start off by helping to prepare the sandwiches for the Souper Bowl of Caring on February 4. They will have a Kid's Night In on Saturday, February 10 from 5:00-9:00. They will start a new meeting time on Sunday, February 11 from 4:00-6:00. On Sunday, February 18 they will be going to the Carolina Hurricane's game. They will meet at the church at 3:00 for a snack before leaving at 3:45. They will have a regular meeting at 4:00 on February 25. Please sign up on Facebook if they are interested in any of the events.



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**February Ministry Assistants**



**Acolytes:** Feb. 4: Layton Griffin, Lily Currin; Feb. 11: Jensen Gunter, Calley Gunter; Feb. 18: Joshua Rosser, Lucas Rosser; Feb. 25: Ava Baldwin, Elyse Baldwin.

**Deacon on Call:** Feb. 4: Ken Herring; Feb. 11: Judy Watson; Feb. 18: Gary Bullock; Feb. 25: Dawn Morris.

**Greeters:** Alan Cox, Peggy Groce.

**Trustee to lock/unlock:** Eddie Thomas.

**Ushers:** Eddie Thomas, Allen McKenzie, A.K. Griffin, Greg Kelly, Jim Annis.

**Jr. Ushers:** Elijah Godfrey, Corbin Gunter, Macy Gunter, Kolby Harrison, Katie Kelly, Jada Holifield, Cortney Maness, Alex McKenzie, Thomas McNeill, Abby Thomas, Luke Thomas

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Jennifer and I had been dating less than a month when Valentine's Day came in 2002. I decided that I wanted to do something special for her (I really, really liked her), so I sent a dozen roses to her house. She was surprised and loved by them. I was surprised by how much they cost. For a poor seminary student, the cost of a dozen roses was quite large, but the response I got from sending them was well worth it. This was probably one of the best Valentine's Days ever.

Because I really liked her, I had no problems buying her the roses, but I did wonder why we celebrate this day, and who was St. Valentine. So, I looked him up. His story is amazing. Valentine was a priest in Rome at a time when Christians were still held in suspicion. Also, at the time, it was illegal for young men to marry (it was thought that they would not be good soldiers if they were married, their allegiance would be to their wives and not Rome.) St. Valentine disagreed and officiated marriages in Christ name. He was arrested and put into jail. He might have survived but put himself in jeopardy by sharing Jesus. He was sentenced to death by being beaten with clubs and then beheaded. While waiting for his execution, he became friends with the daughter of the jailer. Before being executed, he left a note to her, and signed it, "From your Valentine." The date of his execution was February 14.

This year, as you celebrate Valentine's Day with your sweetie (and please do – men go out of your way to make her feel special), remember the history of it. Remember that one man sacrificed his life by marrying young people and sharing Jesus. Make sure that this day is not simply about cards, chocolates, and roses, but about the love God has for us and the love that we have for others.

