



# THE PREVIEW

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## Lent Worship Schedule

Join us on **Wednesday, February 17, at 7:00 PM** for our **Ash Wednesday** worship service. There will be seating available for in-person attendance and the service will also be live streamed for attendance at home.

This year, **Lenten worship services will be on Wednesday evenings at 7:00 PM**, starting February 24. These services will also have the option of in-person seating and live stream viewing.

As you may have noticed this is a change from our usual Thursday evening Lenten services. We have made this change for a few reasons. First, Lent as a liturgical season is important for our church and we want as many people as possible to experience that rhythm. Instead of having multiple offerings of activities during the week, our plan is to have one Lenten service on Wednesdays that people can access in person and via live stream. This allows various groups who meet at other times in the week to worship together as a community.

Children's and youth ministries are already not in conflict with this schedule so kids can continue their activities and be available for worship with their families by the 7:00 PM worship time. Middle School will meet at 4:30 PM on Zoom, and SuperKids! meet at 5:30 on Zoom.

We do realize this is quite a change, and that can be difficult. We understand that there are some who have obligations on Wednesday evenings already, however, the services will be live streamed and available on YouTube for later viewing. Please be sure to subscribe to our YouTube channel and set it to send you notifications of new video uploads. That way, you will receive a message when the service is available online.

We look forward to worshipping with you this Lenten season.



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## Congregation Council

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## Pastoral Acts for December 2020

### Baptisms

Conlan Heaslet 1/2/21

### Weddings

None

### Memorials/Funerals

None

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## Could 2020 be a Sabbath Year for RLC?

From Pastor Steve, Lead Pastor



*I urge, then, first of all, that petitions, prayers, intercession and thanksgiving be made for all people—for kings and all those in authority, that we may live peaceful and quiet lives in all godliness and holiness. This is good, and pleases God our Savior, who wants all people to be saved and to come to a knowledge of the truth.*

- 1 Timothy 2:1-4

On the night of June 6, 1944, President Franklin D. Roosevelt addressed the nation on national radio asking them “to join with me in prayer.” The night before he spoke about the fall of Rome, but did not mention until his address on the evening of June 6, “at that moment that troops of the United States and our allies were crossing the Channel in another and greater operation.” As D-Day was first announced, Roosevelt led the nation in prayer.

Many people have urged that I call the Nation into a single day of special prayer. But because the road is long and the desire is great, I ask that our people devote themselves in a continuance of prayer. As we rise to each new day, and again when each day is spent, let words of prayer be on our lips.

A continuance of prayer! I wonder if this call to prayer is appropriate as we, this very week I write, inaugurate a new president? I wonder what our nation would look like if “we (rose) to each new day, and again when each day is spent, let words of prayer be on our lips?” Is this appropriate, would this prayer work?

In the Apostle Paul’s letter to his young pastoral apprentice, Paul says of first importance that he, Timothy, ought to be in prayer. All kinds of prayer, supplication, intercession and thanksgiving. And for all kinds of people, specifically “for kings and all those in authority.” I wonder why Paul singled out kings and those in authority?

According to theologian and biblical commentator, Philip H. Towner, though the immediate goal of prayer for kings and those in authority is, “that we may live peaceful and quiet lives in all godliness and holiness,” there exist two other prominent biblical reasons. One, “the state and human government are a part of God’s creative will.” Romans 13:1 reads, “Let everyone be subject to the governing authorities, for there is no authority except that which God has established. The authorities that exist have been established by God.” And two, “a submissive posture toward the state would lend the church credibility in the eyes of the world.” 1 Peter 2:13-15 reads, “Submit yourselves for the Lord’s sake to every human authority: whether to the emperor, as the supreme authority, or to governors, who are sent by him to punish those who do wrong and to commend those who do right. For it is God’s will that by doing good you should silence the ignorant talk of foolish people.”

Christian friends, we find ourselves in different, but no ‘so’ different, times than

Please pray regularly for all our country’s leaders.

## From Pastor Steve, Continued from Page 3

when Roosevelt gave his cry for prayer. If we're being honest, our country's "road" to healing and reconciliation, in its myriad forms, "is long and the desire is great." I implore you now, more than ever, to join me in prayer for our leaders and authorities that we may live peaceful and quiet lives in all godliness and holiness. And, all the more, because these leaders and authorities are there because God has established them. And, lastly, because our Christian witness to the world depends on it!

Grace and Peace,

Pastor Steve

## From the Council - Luther's Small Catechism

Diane Bonin, Council Secretary

A couple of weeks ago I was re-arranging some books and came upon a small well-used book with a biblical scene on the cover. My initials were written on the cover and I had doodled some shapes next to the biblical scene as well as on the blank pages at the beginning of the book. The title page read: **A Short Explanation of Dr. Martin Luther's Small Catechism, A Handbook of Christian Doctrine**, published by the Concordia Publishing House, copyright of 1943. I studied the book when preparing to confirm my faith back in the 60s.

As I thumbed through the pages, I could see notes made and underlining of key phrases (we did not have highlighters back then). The handbook gave instructions to the head of the family to teach his household the 10 Commandments, The Apostle's Creed, Lord's Prayer, Sacrament of Holy Baptism, Office of the Keys and Confession, Sacrament of the Altar, and how we should pray both in the morning and evening. Section 4 was comprised of Christian questions and answers for those who intend to go to the Sacrament. The remainder of the book detailed Luther's instructions concerning the chief parts of Christian doctrine with excerpts from the Bible as explanation.

As I reviewed the catechism, I began to remember why I kept the handbook all these years, its importance to my beliefs as a Lutheran Christian. I regret not referring to it within the last 50 years, but am glad I have now found it, to be used again, and treasured.

I invite you to re-visit Luther's Small Catechism. You can find a copy on the internet, download a copy from Augsburg Fortress as an app on your phone, or if you do not mind a slightly used copy with a young girl's doodling give me a call, I will be happy to loan it to you!

We also have a few copies here at the RLC office. If you would like one, just call or email Kelly Westlund.

## President's Message: Partnership at RLC

### From Sandy Steele, Congregation President

I mentioned in last month's article that Council and Staff will be gathering for a time of orientation and training to help us better serve Jesus...and you – albeit virtually. One of the topics we'll be discussing in our series sessions will be "partnership"; not **just** partnership but spiritual partnership (partnership in Christ) and what it looks like as compared to management. This is a topic Pastor Steve and I have talked about on more than one occasion; so, I thought it would be appropriate to share my thoughts here with you.

First, let's take a look at the definition of both. Management, simply defined, is directing and controlling a group of people or an organization to reach a goal. Partnership, on the other hand, is a relationship between equals who connect, develop, and grow. Specifically, a **spiritual partnership** is a partnership between equals for the purpose of growing in Christ. I would say it's like a marriage in many ways. Both parties are equal; one is no more nor less important than the other. We, as Council, are

prayerfully and intentionally assuming the role of, not just partners but, "spiritual partners" - with each other, with staff, and with you. We're all in this together and we serve Jesus Christ hand-in-hand together. It's the only way a truly spiritual partnership relationship can work – together.

When I was first introduced into the world of "management" (and in my early adult years), I didn't know this and, believe me, it was a rocky world for a while – for me and for those around me. I certainly didn't view my "manager's" role as a partnership, nor did I treat it as such. And, nor did I always treat my personal relationships as a partnership. It is only by the grace of God that I have come to learn and understand what "partnership" and, more especially, spiritual partnership is really all about.

A spiritual partnership, be it in your marriage, your work or personal life, or your church life, isn't really that difficult; at least, in my opinion, it shouldn't be. However, it does re-

quire prayer and intentionality remembering first and foremost that we're all **equal** and respect that equality; value others' opinions and their perspectives. Who knows? You may actually hear and learn something new. It also requires **trust** which is necessary in any relationship, particularly a spiritual relationship. After all, open honesty is necessary for a true partnership to succeed and that requires trust. And, of course, we need to **honor and respect** each other – always and in all circumstances. I find that when we set ourselves aside and consider the other person's views and perspectives, we learn and we grow.

In a partnership we work together as a team, not individually and "*not lording it over*" other(s); we learn from and trust in each other, leaning on each other's strengths; and we help each other. This is what our partnership is all about here at RLC. This is how we grow and this is your Council.

"Iron sharpens iron, and one man sharpens another."  
Proverbs 27:17  
ESV

## Financial Update

From Bill Peterson, Finance Officer

### January-December 2020 RLC Financial Snapshot

Income	Budget	Expenses	Gain/(Loss)
\$880,447	\$901,036	\$902,853	(\$22,406)

If you have any questions, please contact Bill Peterson or Lisa Wiegand

## 2020 Year-end Contribution Statements

**Year-end Contribution statements** have been mailed. Please review your statement carefully. It should reflect your contributions given between January 1, 2020 and December 31, 2020.

If you have any questions about what your statement, please contact Jenny Page (JennyPageRLC@gmail.com, 943-3164) as soon as possible.

Please check your statement as soon as possible!

## Regathering for Worship - Reservations & More

*Reservations may be made online through the link on the “Worship with Us” tab on the church website, Monday 9:00 AM–Friday 12:00 Noon. Or by phone (509-430-0050) Monday-Thursday, 9:00 AM-3:00 PM, Friday, 9:00 AM-12:00 Noon.*

**For a more complete list of details for our Regathering, please visit the church website and click “Announcements” or “Worship with Us,” or call the church (943-3164) and we’d be happy to mail a copy to you.**

## It Is A Great Joy

From Pastor Sam, Visitation Pastor

In mid-October, my wife and I went to a dog breeder who lives north of Spokane and brought home a Sheltie puppy. He was about 10 weeks old and was kind of shy and uncertain about what was happening to him; just as we were not entirely sure what was going to happen for us.

His name is Laddie, and it has been over two and a half months since we brought him home. His presence has brought us much joy. He is pretty active; he likes to play, he likes to sniff everything, he fetches and he seems to love running in circles in the backyard. The only sort of destructive thing he does is that he likes to gnaw on everything; he doesn't really destroy stuff but it just becomes wet.

It took a month or so but he is house trained. He is still learning how to come when called, how to sit, to stay, and the meaning of the word NO! Christy is taking him to dog training classes that are teaching him some of these things and over time he is beginning to learn those lessons. And one thing we learned is that when he is around other dogs, Laddie is quite the social butterfly.

We look forward to many years of his presence in our lives. It is our plan that he will go with us in our travels; Christy is now retired and I am semi-retired so Laddie will be with us when go to explore the Pacific Northwest.

It may seem odd but the joy that I find learning to be with this young

puppy reminds me of the joy that I find in this ongoing journey with God; which is the same joy I that each of you also find in your own life of faith. And even though our lives may not always be joyful, in fact sometimes our lives may feel the exact opposite, there will always be the hope and joy we find as followers of Jesus.

Our new puppy, this wonderful gift from God, has brought joy into our lives so my question for you is-what is God giving you that also brings joy to your own life? God fulfills our needs; and during this most trying time in all of our lives remember to seek the joy of Christ and the many gifts that he gives to each of us.

Blessings,  
Pastor Sam



Contact the RLC office if you, or someone in your family, would like to be contacted by an RLC Visitation Minister.

<b>February 2021</b>		
Sun	Mon	Tue
	<b>1</b> 12:00 PM Mary Martha Bible Study 5:00 PM Executive Committee	<b>2</b> 10:00 AM Staff Meeting 1:00 PM Food Pantry Distribution 6:30 PM Scouting Ministry Team
<b>7</b> 9:00 AM Good News Today—KVEV TV 10:00 AM Worship - In-person and Livestream 6:00 PM High School Youth Group	<b>8</b> 12:00 PM Mary Martha Bible Study	<b>9</b> 10:00 AM Staff Meeting 1:00 PM Food Pantry Distribution 7:00 PM Congregation Council
<b>14</b> 9:00 AM Good News Today—KVEV TV 10:00 AM Worship - In-person and Livestream 6:00 PM High School Youth Group	<b>15</b> 12:00 PM Mary Martha Bible Study 5:00 PM Deadline for March Preview Articles	<b>16</b> 10:00 AM Staff Meeting 1:00 PM Food Pantry Distribution
<b>21</b> 9:00 AM Good News Today—KVEV TV 10:00 AM Worship - In-person and Livestream 7:00 PM High School Youth Group	<b>22</b> 12:00 PM Mary Martha Bible Study 1:30 PM Biblical Stewardship MALT	<b>23</b> 10:00 AM Staff Meeting 1:00 PM Food Pantry Distribution 5:30 PM Christian Service MALT
<b>28</b> 9:00 AM Good News Today—KVEV TV 10:00 AM Worship - In-person and Livestream 6:00 PM High School Youth Group		

<b>February 2021</b>			
Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p><b>3</b></p> <p>2:00 PM RLC Family Chat                      5:30 PM Super Kids!                      5:30 PM Praise Team                      6:30 PM Middle School Youth Group                      6:30 PM Pastor Steve's Bible Study                      6:30 PM GriefShare</p>	<p><b>4</b></p> <p>10:30 AM Prayer for the Church                      1:00 PM Outreach Team                      3:00 PM COVID Safety Response Team                      5:00 PM Steele Small Group</p>	<p><b>5</b></p>	<p><b>6</b></p> <p>9:00 AM Food Pantry Distribution                      4:30 PM Missions Prayer</p>
<p><b>10</b></p> <p>2:00 PM Family Chat on FB Live                      5:30 PM Super Kids!                      6:30 PM Middle School Youth Group                      6:30 PM Pastor Steve's Bible Study                      6:30 PM GriefShare</p>	<p><b>11</b></p> <p>10:30 AM Prayer for the Church                      3:00 PM COVID Safety Response Team                      5:00 PM Steele Small Group</p>	<p><b>12</b></p>	<p><b>13</b></p> <p>9:00 AM Food Pantry Distribution                      4:30 PM Missions Prayer</p>
<p><b>17 Ash Wednesday</b></p> <p>2:00 PM Family Chat on FB Live                      5:30 PM Super Kids!                      5:30 PM Praise Team                      7:00 PM Ash Wednesday Worship</p>	<p><b>18</b></p> <p>10:30 AM Prayer for the Church                      3:00 PM COVID Safety Response Team                      5:00 PM Steele Small Group</p>	<p><b>19</b></p>	<p><b>20</b></p> <p>9:00 AM Food Pantry Distribution                      4:30 PM Missions Prayer</p>
<p><b>24</b></p> <p>2:00 PM Family Chat on FB Live                      4:30 PM Middle School Youth Group                      5:30 PM Super Kids!                      6:30 PM GriefShare                      7:00 PM Lent Worship</p>	<p><b>25</b></p> <p>9:00 AM Spiritual Growth MALT                      10:30 AM Prayer for the Church                      11:30 AM Worship MALT                      3:00 PM COVID Safety Response Team                      5:30 PM Steele Small Group</p>	<p><b>26</b></p> <p>TBD Apgar/Thompson Wedding</p>	<p><b>27</b></p> <p>9:00 AM Food Pantry Distribution                      4:30 PM Missions Prayer</p>
<p>Join us on Wednesdays at 2 PM on Facebook Live for <b>RLC Family Chat</b>.</p> <p>The video will be uploaded to YouTube afterward.</p>			

## Shalom Ecumenical Center (SEC) for Affordable Housing From Rich Barchet

Richland Lutheran Church is a member of the Shalom Ecumenical Center for Affordable Housing together with Lord of Life Lutheran church and All Saints' Episcopal church. The mission of this non-profit organization is to provide affordable housing for low-income seniors and disabled adults. Our congregation currently has three directors on the board including Rich Barchet, Warner Blyckert, and Erlan Leitz.

SEC has existed for over 22 years and has sponsored the construction of four facilities for low-income seniors (Tri-Cities Terrace East & West in Richland, Edison Terrace West in Kennewick, and the Hudesman House in Colville, WA). These facilities provide 156 apartments for seniors. SEC has sponsored two facilities for disabled adults (Tri-Cities Terrace South in Richland and Edison Terrace South in Kennewick), and has co-sponsored Kennewick Perry Suites with Modern Living Services. These facilities provide 42 apartments for disabled adults. All of these facilities were funded primarily by grants from HUD and the Washington State Housing Trust fund. There are boards of directors for each of the above facilities and Rich Barchet, Warner Blyckert, Rob Barr and Mark Underwood also serve on one or more of these boards. **SEC is are currently looking for more directors to serve from our congregation on the facilities boards, so if you are interested in learning more about these opportunities, please talk to one of the above.**

If you are interested in learning more, please contact Rich Barchet, Warner Blyckert, Rob Barr, or Mark Underwood.

One of the main activities of SEC in the last year was to look for land in Pasco to build a low-income housing facility for seniors. Because HUD has not issued opportunities for obtaining grants to finance the facility, we are beginning to look at alternative financing methods. In December of 2018, we made an investment of about one-half of our available funds in a Waddell and Reed Investment account. This account has increased in value about 25% since the investment was made. Funds from this account and our savings accounts will be used to purchase the land in Pasco after financing of the facility is secured.

The board has decided to support Catholic Charities of Eastern Washington (CCEW) to construct and operate a supportive housing facility for chronically homeless people in the Tri-Cities. This 50-unit apartment building would be called Pasco Haven and will be built in Pasco at the corner of Lewis and 20<sup>th</sup> Ave. The facility will be similar to several apartment buildings that CCEW has built and currently operates in the Spokane area. SEC's involvement will be to provide some operating funds if other funding sources are not sufficient. CCEW has recently obtained a Washington Housing Trust fund grant to provide some of the financing.

SEC also supports another affordable housing project in the Tri-Cities, Elijah Family Homes. Some of our directors also participate in the WA Affordable Housing Conference. Finally, SEC is supporting Modern Living Services, which is building a disabled adult care facility that will be called Carmina's Place on property adjacent to Edison Terrace West and South.

## Missing Your Church Family? Get on the Phone!

Are you missing your church family, or the couple who usually sits next to you on Sunday mornings? Chances are, they miss you, too! Why not grab your phone and give them a call? Spend some time catching up and reconnecting. We think you'll be glad you did.

If you don't have their phone number, simply log in to your Church Community Builder account and put their name in the search bar. You'll be able to find their number and get connected in no time at all.

If you haven't logged in to our CCB database/directory yet, check your email for a recent email from Jenny with your username. Or, contact Jenny Page and she will help you. (jennypagerlc@gmail.com)

Let's reconnect and stay connected as best we can!

If you need someone's phone number to call them, log into your CCB account and search their name. You'll be able to connect in no time!

## Helpful Tips from Rich Barchet

If you are eligible for the COVID vaccine, here are some helpful tips to get yours:

Go to: [https://prepmo.doh.wa.gov/client/registration?clinic\\_id=39](https://prepmo.doh.wa.gov/client/registration?clinic_id=39) Scroll down to see all places that are administering the vaccines until you find a location that still has available appointments. Then click on the blue "Sign-up for an appointment" button and follow instructions. If there are no locations with available appointments, try again later or on another day. The prime time to sign up is between 5 PM and 7 PM. You may need to check back several times because updated schedules are posted irregularly. Once you are scheduled, if your appointment is at the Fairgrounds, arrive about an hour before you are scheduled. You will probably get your vaccination ahead of your scheduled time. After being vaccinated, you'll need to wait 15-30 minutes to be sure you experience no adverse reaction to the vaccine.

## Online Giving

During this unusual time of congregational life, where we are worshipping mostly via live stream, and holding meetings and gatherings through virtual connections, you are encouraged to give digital giving a try. Visit the church website ([www.RichlandLutheran.org](http://www.RichlandLutheran.org)) and click on the black "Giving" box located on the front page. It takes just a moment to create an account. You can make a one time gift or set up a recurring transaction for your tithes and offerings. The most frequently used ministries that receive designated gifts are listed for your convenience, so you're still able to give those special offerings for things like the Food Pantry, GNMM, the Foundation, Operation Christmas Child, and more!

Of course, you're always welcome to still give your tithes, offerings, and special givings via check or cash in your offering envelopes by mailing them to the church or dropping them by the church office during normal business hours.



**Pushpay**

Questions? Contact Lisa Wiegand or Jenny Page in the church office.

## Activities for Kids



# Super Kids !

Super Kids! meets on Wednesday evenings at 5:30 for about an hour! This year, we're studying the Fruit of the Spirit (Galatians 5:22-23). We meet via Zoom (please contact Jenny Page for the room ID — for security purposes, we will not post it here).



February 3 - Fruit of the Spirit - Peace!  
 February 10 - Fruit of the Spirit - Patience!  
 February 17 - No Super Kids - Ash Wednesday  
 February 24 - Fruit of the Spirit - Kindness

**Super Kids will continue to meet weekly via Zoom for the foreseeable future.**

And, Super Kids, you're always welcome to call or FaceTime Miss Jenny or Chadder on the phone if you'd like to chat!

For more information, please contact Jenny Page

For more information about activities for kids, contact Jenny Page!

## RLC Families Facebook Page



Families, are you on our  
**RLC Families  
 Facebook Page?**

If not, search "**Richland Lutheran Church Family Ministry**" and request to join.

We need connection and community right now, maybe more than ever! Come join the conversations!

## Activities for Middle School and High School Youth

### Middle School Youth Group

**is meeting on Zoom  
on Wednesday's!**

**(\* Except February 17 \*)**

**6:30 PM - 7:30 PM**

**\*Stay tuned for info about a different time  
during Lent!\***

Meeting ID: 801-602-3197

There is a waiting room, so please make sure your name is  
recognizable!

If you have any questions  
contact Amanda Daniels

For more  
information about  
youth and family  
activities, contact  
Amanda Daniels!

### High School Youth Group

**is BACK in person! (Pandemic style)**

Sunday nights - 6 PM - 8 PM

Prince of Peace fellowship hall

- \* Come in through the narthex doors \*
- \* Masks required \* Social distancing followed \*
- \* Temperature checks upon entry\*

We are so excited about (safely) gathering again!  
If you have any questions about high school ministry contact  
Amanda Daniels

## Operation Christmas Child: February



108 boxes sent in 2020!

This month, we are looking for **NEW** Toothbrushes (no toothpaste), wide tooth combs, hair accessories, adhesive bandages (i.e. band aids®), non-liquid lip balm, nail clippers, nail files, compact mirrors, stick deodorant, other personal hygiene items.

Thank you for your partnership in this ministry!

For more information contact Jenny Page ([JennyPageRLC@gmail.com](mailto:JennyPageRLC@gmail.com))

## How Can We Pray for You Today?

Did you know? The staff prays for congregation members regularly at our weekly staff meetings. The Prayer Team prays over all the prayer requests we receive on Thursday mornings at 10:30 AM. We consider it a gift and a privilege to lift YOU, and your loved ones, up in prayer to our Lord.

How can we pray for you today?

Send your prayer requests to [officeatrlc@gmail.com](mailto:officeatrlc@gmail.com), or go to the website or our new CCB site and submit them there. You are also welcome to call the church office - we will most likely pray with you right then and there, over the phone, as well.

## RLC Prayer Groups

Our RLC prayer groups meet once a week. The Thursday morning group prays for our congregation's specific prayer requests, our ministries and our community. We meet at 10:30 AM via Zoom.

Our Mission prayer group meets on Saturday afternoons at 4:30 PM to pray for all of the various mission efforts RLC is involved in. We pray for our missionaries, Mike and Julie Penley, for the missions and mission partners in Estonia and Lodge Grass, Operation Christmas Child, for missionaries Caleb and Emily Arnold in Mexico; and for our local mission efforts such as the food pantry, the block party and others.

Scripture reminds us often that God calls us to pray regularly, persistently, and constantly. It is a blessing to lift up others to God in prayer and it is especially sweet to know that God hears us when we pray. Won't you join us? Please contact the church office for Zoom meeting information.

"And pray in the Spirit  
on all occasions with  
all kinds of prayers  
and requests. With  
this in mind, be alert  
and always keep on  
praying for all the  
Lord's people."  
Ephesians 6:18

## Anniversaries



**February 5**  
Gary & Eunice Weible

**February 8**  
Bill & Lynn Clarke  
Bill & Corinne Kaiser  
Todd & Marie Riensche

**February 10**  
Robert & Teriesa Pleyo

**February 14**  
Dennis & Kristi Heffron  
Mark & Penny Marinaro

**February 16**  
Wally & Wallapa Hendrickson

**February 17**  
Ken & Bonnie Harris

**February 21**  
Matthew Sterkel &  
Heather Colburn

**February 22**  
Trenton & Jenna Worcester

## Birthdays

**February 1**  
Julie Gearheard  
Loren Schmid

**February 2**  
Peggy Pilger  
Lauri Whitney

**February 4**  
Jean Loss

**February 5**  
Edwin Dalpiaz  
Breckan McDaid  
Marge Hogue  
Betty Quinn  
Laura Stevens  
Henry Solbrack  
Alan Tindell

**February 6**  
Whitney Taasevigen  
Chloe Thorson

**February 7**  
Daniel Britton

**February 8**  
Jeff Johnson  
Todd Riensche  
Natalie Scherer  
Patrick Schroeder  
Hudson Schumacher

**February 10**  
Bob Riggers  
JoAnn Rosscup

**February 11**  
Sallie Huebner

**February 12**  
Lil Solbrack

**February 14**  
Joseph Granda  
Roy Gunter  
Adam Pilger  
Loris Schmidt

**February 15**  
Olivia Benjamson  
Miriam Palmblad

**February 16**  
Alisha Bettinson  
Sophia Taft

**February 17**  
James Brede

**February 18**  
Norene Erlandson

**February 20**  
Arline Berthelot  
Bonnie Harris  
Nick Spinato

**February 22**  
James Fulton  
Katie Schmid  
Margie Steinwand

**February 23**  
Ginnette Ernst  
Marie Thompson

**February 24**  
Greg Kelly  
Kyia Miles  
Michael Pardini  
Sam Webster

**February 25**  
Michelle Peterson  
Tracey Stuenkel

**February 26**  
Robert Pleyo

**February 27**  
Jon Erlandson

Praying for God's  
blessings on each of  
you as you celebrate  
your special day.





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