

# February 2021



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3 Youth Group 6-8pm	4 11 Zoom Bible Study	5	6
7 12:45 pm Virtual Coffee Hour	8	9	10	11 11 Zoom Bible Study	12	13
14  12:45 pm Virtual Coffee Hour	15	16 2 Martha CWF Zoom meeting	17 4-6 Youth Group 6-6:30 drive-thru Ash Wednesday	18 11 Zoom Bible Study	19	20
21 12:45 pm Virtual Coffee Hour	22	23	24 6-7 Youth Group Zoom Game Night	25 11 Zoom Bible Study	26	27
28 12:45 pm Virtual Coffee Hour						

## February Birthdays

Joyce Dart	2
Peggy Vorderstrasse	7
Jeff Elliott	13
Anna Marie Berryman	14
KJ Ullfers	16
Donna Lewelling	17
Jacob Sauls	28

## Anniversaries

Joey & Patti Vogt	13
Todd & Donna Lewelling	14





# Christian Caller

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### Greetings Church Family,

If this has been the longest Lent in recorded history, then maybe the start of this Lent could be the beginning of the end! May it be so! We continue to find ways to be church during the 11<sup>th</sup> month of a pandemic. One way to advance that goal is to begin a Zoom Coffee Hour at 12:45 on Sunday afternoons. This will be about a 45 minute time to check-in with one another, discuss the sermon, and visit together. I'll also remind you that Thursday, 11am Bible Studies will continue. Please speak to myself or Sharon Campbell if you want to participate in either of these but aren't sure how.

To kick start lent, there will be a walk-up and drive-thru Ash Wednesday event at 6pm on Wednesday, February 17<sup>th</sup>. The youth will do their regularly scheduled service project, then I'll be outside with prayerful music playing and ashes ready to impose from 6:00pm-6:30.

The other exciting thing I'm working on this month is to get some kind of Hymns and Hops event going again. I'm not sure if it will be completely virtual, or if we will run part of it out of Conversion or another public venue, but keep your eyes open for information about that event. In Christian Love,

Pastor Zane Ridings

Zane Ridings is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: Virtual Coffee Hour

Time: Sundays starting at 12:45 pm

Join Zoom Meeting at

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/7639584201>

Meeting ID: 763 958 4201

One tap mobile

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Dial by your location

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### Scriptures & Sermon Titles:

February 7<sup>th</sup>: Mark 1:29-38 "From Sick to Serving"

February 14<sup>th</sup>: Mark 9:2-9 "Transfiguration"

February 17<sup>th</sup>: Ash Wednesday Imposition of the Ashes

February 21 Mark 1:39-45 "Choose Healing"

February 28<sup>th</sup> Mark 2:1-12 "Rooftop Access"

### Worship Service

**Inside the Sanctuary—11:00 AM**

**Live on Facebook—11:00 AM**

**If you miss either you can find the service on**

**YOUTUBE by 12:30 pm**



### Virtual Bible Study

**Every Thursday at 11:00 AM**

**Please join us!**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/7639584201>

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Pastor Zane, the Church leadership and the congregation would like to thank **K.J. and Myra Ullfers**, and **Julie Verbeck** one more time for the hard work they put in to paint the accent walls in the sanctuary. Thanks again for your love and investment!



Wednesday February 3<sup>rd</sup>: Youth Group, 6-8pm. We'll have a meal, a lesson, play some games, and check in together.

Wednesday February 10<sup>th</sup>: We're going to try not meeting the second week again, and focus on one good Zoom together at the end of the month.

Wednesday February 17<sup>th</sup>: Soup Kitchen Service Project, 4-6pm. That day is Ash Wednesday, and I'll be setting up a drive-thru/walk-thru ash Wednesday service for after soup kitchen outside. The youth are free to stick around, or go through the line with their families.

Wednesday February 24<sup>th</sup>: Zoom Game night, 6-7pm!

A Letter from Kennedy:

**Hello Church! It's lovely to be writing this end of semester update for y'all!**

I am happy to report that my first semester went amazingly well! I ended the semester with a 3.6 GPA, made amazing friendships and went on fun adventures! A blessing about having four out of my five classes online was that I was able to travel to Arkansas for a long weekend and go hiking which was super neat! I also did a lot of church hopping throughout my time in Texas. It was really neat to see all sorts of preaching styles and different ways different church communities worship. I've attended two Bible Churches--one of which is specifically for college students in a coffee shop that is converted for worship on Sundays, two Baptist Churches, and a Catholic Mass. I haven't been able to attend any Disciples services in person, but I have watched one online. However, I have been going to Disciples on Campus Club events. I've really enjoyed expanding my perspective of Christianity through observations at different church events, conversations with friends of all sorts of Christian backgrounds and through my Religion classes. I learned a lot from my Biblical Texts and Ideas class as well as my Faith and Social Movements Honors class. It's been really neat to explore different concepts of faith and how our understanding of certain Biblical aspects have changed throughout the years as we've uncovered more context. Another notable piece of my time in Texas is that my roommate isn't a super religious person--she didn't really grow up with a strong faith influence in her life. So, it's been really neat to discuss my beliefs with her and explain how my faith influences my life. It always made me smile that even though religion wasn't super important to her, she clearly saw that it had an impact on my life and personal peace as she would always ask me to pray for her before a big test. Seeing these small seeds planted in her heart of the care for our lives and the power our God has makes me happy.

Additionally, since being back from Texas, I've been working on finishing up a project I've been working on for a year now. I am happy to announce that I have now completed the project and have successfully independently published my very own 60 Day Christian Devotional Book titled, "Perfectly Unqualified." It can be found on the Amazon online marketplace by searching: "Perfectly Unqualified by Kennedy Alexis" or at this link:

[https://www.amazon.com/Perfectly-Unqualified-Devotional-Imperfect-Redeemed/dp/B08R689VTG/ref=mp\\_s\\_a\\_1\\_1?dchild=1&keywords=perfectly+unqualified+kennedy+alexis&qid=1609295492&sr=8-1](https://www.amazon.com/Perfectly-Unqualified-Devotional-Imperfect-Redeemed/dp/B08R689VTG/ref=mp_s_a_1_1?dchild=1&keywords=perfectly+unqualified+kennedy+alexis&qid=1609295492&sr=8-1)

Wishing you all an abundance of blessings in the New Year and praying for health and safety for all of y'all!

Much love,  
Kennedy

**IN OUR PRAYERS:**

Cathy Johnson	Vila Adkins	Ronita Slayden	<b>Pray for our World, our Church, our Ministers, the Soup Kitchen, and our Regional Ministers.</b>
Steven Morgan	Earl Hunter	Gertrude DeButts	
Jesse LeSeur	John Stolsig	Diana Hoover	
Rod Phillips Family	Jerriane Stolsig	Baby Ella	<b>If you know of any updates or corrections to this list, please let the office know in writing or by email.</b>
Arlene Breckel	Addy Opel	<b>Service People:</b>	
Del Eggert	Diana Johnson	Sgt. Scot Noss	
Myke Eggert	James Lenfesty	Cpt. Tory Petersen	
Betty Lou Rockwell	Clint Evans	1st Lt. Kellen Peterson	
Ruth Moss	Gary Brown	Marine Capt. Pete Brawn	
Millie Patterson	Shelley Alsdorf		
Judy LeSeur	Joe Adkins		