SHELTON MEMORIAL CHRISTIAN CHURCH

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**February 2025\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**OUR PURPOSE:**

***“Embracing the love of Jesus through ministry, mission & witness”***

***“Be lost in her love forever.”***

by: Pastor Casey Chapman

Faithfulness is not well practiced in our world today. Marriage was instituted by God to reflect His desire for a relationship with His creation. Because of this the church is often called the Bride of Christ, yet the church has been unfaithful. His Bride has lingered where she should not have, and she has swayed when she was not supposed to. In everything Christ has always been faithful.

Praise the LORD that Jesus is faithful when we are not! Valentine’s Day reminds us of the love of God towards us, us towards Him, and our love for our spouse. Marriage is enjoyable. How happy it is to share life together with someone special. God wants to share life together with you.

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In marriage to your spouse or in our relationship to God the Bible reminds us to be faithful. Proverbs 5:15-19 says to *“[d]rink water from your own cistern, water flowing from your own well. Should your springs flow in the streets, streams of water in the public squares? They should be for you alone and not for you to share with strangers. Let your fountain be blessed and take pleasure in the wife of your youth. A loving doe, a graceful fawn – let her breasts always satisfy you; be lost in her love forever.”*

Are you lost in God’s love or is He a second thought? Why would your spouse be a second thought? If they are, then there is something wrong with the relationship. If God is a second thought, then there is something that needs addressed. Proverbs 5:20-21 says, *“Why, my son, would you be infatuated with a forbidden woman or embrace the breast of a stranger? For a man’s ways are before the LORD’s eyes, and He considers all his paths.”*  Do not be infatuated with anyone but your spouse, and do not find yourself chasing the world rather than God.

On this Valentine’s Day, this month of love, rekindle the intimacy with your spouse. Declare your love before God in the marriage vow. Let God’s love enter into you by accepting Jesus as your Savior. Talk to Him again. Share your thoughts, hopes, desires, needs, struggles, and doubts with Him. God is our love. Let us love Him.

Finally, the Bible says in Proverbs 22-23, *“A wicked man’s iniquities entrap him; he is entangled in the ropes of his own sin. He will die because there is no discipline, and be lost because of his great stupidity.”* Love has a warning, that we love no other. Be disciplined in your marriages, and be disciplined in your walk with God. Let there be no other.

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS**/\*ANNIVERSARIES**

01 – Deanna Hull

02 – Alexandria Alcala

04 – Josh Hickman

05 – Chase Phelps

07 – Jordan Dawson

10 – Hunter Dawson

10 – Mark Goehring

14 – Jason Rundell

16 – Spencer Chapman

18 – Jean Teeter

18 – Stacy Figgins

20 – Dustin Covey

20 – Josh Flores

20 – Kenzi Sena

23 – Januea Sena

If your special day has been missed, please contact the church office. 620-356-2305

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***Scheduled to Serve in February*:**

**Elders:** Monty Teeter, Thelma Bortz

**Deacons:** Shelley Phelps, Kyle Smyth

Leona Smyth, Jan Goehring

**Communion:** Kim Klein/Kelly Rae Howard

**Worship Leaders**:

02: Robyn Nordyke 16: Thelma Bortz

09: Kelly Rae Howard 23: Tamra Rundell

**Greeters:** Deacons for the month

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SMCC cares about you! You are loved and prayed for when you’re here and when you’re NOT here. AND YOU ARE MISSED!!!!! Remember, this is your home away from home!

**General Offering to SMCC thru January**

**$ 12,729.59**

**Thank you, God, for the generosity of this**

**Community of Believers and may their love for you and each other be an inspiration to reach out to those who are in need of knowing You and believing in your love, peace and grace.**

*If there is someone who is not on the prayer list but needs to be, please let the office staff know. We do want to pray for those in immediate need!! So, keep us updated, PLEASE. Rhonda*

**REMINDER**

If you have a loved one in the hospital, please let the church office staff know (620-356-2305).

**Known Prayer Concerns & Joys:**

Robert Annis, Larry Bortz, Rhonda Brady, Kim Klein, Pam Annis, Paizley Zook, Dorothy Zellers (Knee surgery), Roger Kohler (Kelly Rae’s uncle), John Lysinger, Gary Brady, Jamie Clodfelter, Karen B. (Cherri’s friend), Norma Fischer (Barb Trotman’s aunt), Catherine Fowler, Rebecca Giesbrecht, Jerald & Sharon Phelps, Kim McGaughey (knee), Jay Coleman (lungs), Harriet Arnett (Lovella’s friend), Raul Velasquez (cancer), Linda Kepley, Baby Owen Heinrichs, Sherry Whitehead (cancer), Rudy Perez, Mary Fowler, Tammie Hensley, Sherie Riley, Carol Rider, Don Dennett, Evelina Velasquez (cancer), Adam Heinrichs, Greg McHenry (Linda Post’s brother), Meredith Drees (friend of Lana Anderson), Larry Daniels, Brad Bevan, Nancy Grace, Ron Limper, Bob & Lorine Myers, Dave Taylor (friend of Monty), Linda Metcalf, Norma McCauley, Bob Moore, Sara Watson, Kasich Smyth, June Mason, Titus Smith.

Prayers for those who have recently lost loved ones!

**Pray for our Armed Forces:** Maison Wiginton,Dylan Carroll,Canyon Collum,Adam Lambing, Corey Ungles, Lacy Rundell.

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**Regular Monthly Schedule**

**Sunday 9:30 A.M. –** Christian Ed Classes

***Odds & Ends* – “Isaiah”**

**10:30 A.M. –** Worship Service

**LIVE ON FACEBOOK**

***1st Sunday* 9:00 A.M.** – Elder’s Meeting

**Wednesday 6:00 P.M. –** Bible Study

**7:00 P.M. – Choir Practice**

***3rd Wed*.**  **6:15 P.M.** – Special Wednesday

Prayer Meeting w/Elders (No Bible Study Group)

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**Monthly Schedule for FEBRUARY 2025**

**Feb. 2nd – 9:00 A.M. Elder Meeting**

**10:30 A.M.** Worship Service

Message by Pastor Casey Chapman

**Feb. 5th – 6:00 P.M.** Bible Study led by Pastor

**Feb. 6th – 6:30 -8:00 P.M. Sons of Thunder**

@ Bear CreekCoffee

**Feb. 9th –10:30 A.M.** Worship Service

Message by Pastor Casey Chapman

**Feb. 10th – 5:00 to 7:00 P.M.** UMA Soup supper

South Room of Civic Center -Pie Auction at 6:30 P.M.

**Feb. 11th – 7:00 P.M.** Board Meeting

**Feb. 12th – 9:00 A.M.** CWF Meeting

**Feb. 13th – 6:00 P.M.** Prayer and thanks for

Rain/Snow - in Memorial Park across

Main St. from the hospital.

**Feb. 16th –10:30 A.M.** Worship Service

Message by Pastor Casey Chapman

**Feb. 17th – OFFICE CLOSED -President’s Day**

**Feb. 19th** **–**  **6:15 P.M.** Prayer Mtg in Sanctuary

led by the Elders

**Feb. 23rd–10:30 A.M.** Worship Service

Message by Pastor Casey Chapman