

THE NEXT TWO WEEKS

Sunday, February 11

9:30 AM – Worship, Sanctuary
 10:00 AM – Resident Worship, Julian Estates
 10:45 AM – Coffee Hour, Fellowship Hall
 11:00 AM – Choir Rehearsal
 11:30 AM – 1:00 PM Confirmation Class
 1:30 PM – Resident Worship, Bonaventure
 5:00 PM* –Worship, YouTube

Tuesday, February 13

9:30 AM – Church Board, Fellowship Room
 10:00 AM – Women’s Ministry Meeting

Wednesday, February 14

***** No Living Way Bible Study This Week *****
12:00 PM – Ash Wednesday Chapel Service
 3:00 PM – Cutoff for Lifeline Information
6:00 PM – Ash Wednesday Service

Sunday, February 18

9:30 AM – Worship, Sanctuary
 10:00 AM – Resident Worship, Julian Estates
 10:45 AM – Coffee Hour, Fellowship Hall
 11:00 AM – Choir Rehearsal
 1:30 PM – Resident Worship, Bonaventure
 5:00 PM* –Worship, YouTube

Wednesday, February 7

10:00 AM – Living Way Bible Study
 12:00 PM – Prayer @ Noon
 3:00 PM – Cutoff for Lifeline Information

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***Always the goal, but may be impacted by technology issues beyond our control**

ASH WEDNESDAY

Ash Wednesday is February 14.
 Please see details on next page.

Full Lectionary for February 11, 2024; Transfiguration of Our Lord

First Reading	2 Kings 2:1-12	
Psalm	Psalm 50:1-6	
Second Reading	2 Corinthians 4:3-6	
Gospel	Mark 9:2-9	Parament Color: White

Full Lectionary for February 14, 2024; Ash Wednesday

First Reading	Joel 2:1-2, 12-17	
Psalm	Psalm 51:1-17	
Second Reading	2 Corinthians 5:20-6:10	
Gospel	Matthew 6:1-6, 16-21	Parament Color: Black

Full Lectionary for February 18, 2024; 1st Sunday in Lent

First Reading	Genesis 9:8-17	
Psalm	Psalm 25:1-10	
Second Reading	1 Peter 3:18-22	
Gospel	Mark 1:9-15	Parament Color: Purple

LIVING WORD LEANING INTO LENT

LENTEN SERVICES

Ash Wednesday is February 14th, marking the beginning of the Lenten season. Christians throughout the world collectively observe 40 days (46 minus the Sundays) leading to Easter, reflecting on the suffering, sacrifice, death, burial, and resurrection of Jesus Christ. Many Christians use these six weeks for self-examination to either give up something or add a new discipline into their lives. Fasting reminds us that nothing can fill the void in our lives except Jesus. A new discipline does the same, ultimately drawing us nearer to God. So how will you use this season to grow spiritually? Here are a few suggestions:

- Attend weekly Lenten worship services
- Increase ministry involvement at church
- Fellowship with someone you do not know well at Lenten soup suppers
- Add 15 minutes to your daily devotion and prayer time
- Reduce personal spending and increase gifts to ministries
- Join a Bible Study

The Lenten season at Living Word offers several activities to help you savor the sacredness of the season.

ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICES, FEBRUARY 14

EVENING SERVICE begins at 6:00 PM

CHAPEL SERVICE

For those who can't make the Ash Wednesday evening service, there is another opportunity at noon on February 14. It will be a short, chapel-like service which includes imposition of ashes.

HOME VISIT

Pastor Eric is available from 8:00am – 11:30am for those who are homebound or have transportation issues. Please contact the pastor directly for scheduling by Saturday, February 10 if you are interested.

LENTEN SERVICES

EVENING SERVICES begin at 5:00 PM on Thursdays followed by SOUP SUPPERS

Host Schedule:

February 22	Worship & Music/Choir
February 29	Finance/Human Resources
March 7	Christian Education/Property Maint./Bldg. Use & Décor
March 14	Men & Women's Ministry
March 21	LWLC Board/Evangelism/Stewardship

You do not have to serve on a ministry team to help with **soup suppers**, in fact, we encourage it. To sign up for soup, bread, butter, crackers, or rolls, add your name to the signup sheet in the Narthex.

LENTEN DAILY BIBLE READINGS

Pastor Eric has a daily Bible Reading Schedule for Lent and will make that available. It starts on Thursday, February 15th and ends March 30th.



WHAT HAPPENS IN PREPARATION FOR COMMUNION?

There are four people assigned to prepare and assist with communion each Sunday. Two people fill the cups with red wine and white grape juice in two trays. They also cut the communion bread into bite-sized pieces. Red wine is poured in the chalice that is on the altar, along with bread and gluten free wafers on what's called the paten (small plate) that is also on the altar, each covered with a white cloth. The tray with bread/gluten free wafers is used by Pastor to serve communion. One person is assigned to assist the Pastor by serving the wine/white grape juice. Another person remains by the credence table behind the pulpit to replace the empty wine/white grape juice tray for the assistant. The communion bread is made by several church members. There is a special recipe used in making the bread, however it is not difficult to make. *Note:* On Maundy Thursday communion is served with a sour wine in remembrance of the wine Jesus was given when on the cross.

If you wish to assist with communion set-up, be an assistant, or a bread baker, please contact Ardis Kilber. Additional communion workers are always welcome!

CHILDREN'S SERMON



There is a signup sheet on the table in the Narthex if you are interested in giving a children's message or in assisting.

PRAYER ROOM

“Is anyone among you suffering? Let him pray. Is anyone cheerful? Let him sing praise.”
James 3:18 (ESV)

Watch over those who put themselves in harm’s way to protect us and grant peace of mind to the families who love and miss them. We praise you for continuing to protect:

Andrew Thompson (Griswold)
Josh Jepsen, USAF Jordan
Richy Vollmer (Vollmer)
Evan Gregory Blodgett
Devlin Durkin (McKenzie)
Elijah Lundberg, USMC Yuma, AZ

Seth Hearl
Michael Elliott
Chris Berentson
Ivan Daubenspeck, USMC Okinawa (Owen)
Owen Daubenspeck, USAF Qatar (Owen)

Comfort those who are bereaved, having lost loved ones recently:

Tom and Lonna Groce on the passing of his mother
Kaye Sims on the passing of husband Dick
Family and friends of Carole Williams

Relieve pain for all who suffer in any way and restore them to good health of body, mind, and spirit. Encourage them and strengthen their caregivers:

Maurice Hedlund
Jon Zavadil
Al Auge
Terry (and caregiver Ron)

Harold Lawrence
Al Luberts
Jeff Brennan
Richard Mitchell

Rosalynn Gallagher
Amy Cruver
Carolyn Martin

Grant discernment, wisdom, and courage to leaders within the church and world. Raise servants to accomplish Your will. May Your will be evident in all decisions and actions.

Living Word Members
Victims of War in Ukraine and Israel

Living Word Leaders
Elected Government Officials

Persecuted Christians

Prayer and praise for healing and continued recovery:

Katie
Savvy
Debbi Zavadil

Amy Braafladt
Errol Lynne Marsh
Toni Sherman

Darlene Luberts
Ryan
Reuben Sturdivant

Diego Huber
Steve Vonderau

Rachel Harder

Thank you, LORD, for hearing and answering our prayers – even when you do so differently than we would prefer. We pray in the holy and mighty name of Jesus, our LORD. Amen

Names in Bold are new additions. Please let the office know if you wish your request to remain on the list. Otherwise requests are removed after a month.
