



The Vision



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Good Morning everyone! Some have called the Month of

February, "The Month of Love". But the People of God know that every month, every day, our hearts should be focused on the Love of God. Indeed we should be overwhelmed that the God of all righteousness would love us in our sin and call us to repentance. God is GOOD!

If you are visiting with us today, you are our honored guest! Welcome! Sit back and relax. You are among friends. We are delighted to have you with us. If possible, I would love to connect with you before you leave today.

With you on the Journey,

Pastor John & Debbie



Servants

In His Service

February 19, 2023

SOUND SYSTEM-Chuck Richardson

DEACON-Ken McVey

Small Talk – Judy Thompson

(The previous week's attendance and financial status)

ATTENDANCE

SS-48

Worship-72

FINANCIAL NOTES

Monthly Need \$11,070.16

	Worship Service	Sunday School
February 5	\$2,862.34	\$ 30.00

Operating Fund
\$2,892.34

SPECIAL OFFERINGS

Love Gift - ABW-\$23.00, Bereavement Fund-\$18.00,

Deacon's Fund-\$50.00, Trash Bags-\$30.00

America for Christ-Mission-\$15.00, Zumba-\$400.00,

Total Receipts (February)

\$3,428.34

Weekly Need

\$2,700.18

A single mom's grocery money

Nancy was a single mother with young children. Her ex-husband sent her only a small amount of grocery money every week--so small it couldn't even feed 1 person, much less her family of 4. But Nancy decided to begin giving to God from her little bit of grocery money and trust Him to provide. Shortly after, she got a job with a cookbook company. The company paid Nancy to go grocery shopping and prepare meals so they could take photographs for their cookbooks. When they were done taking pictures, Nancy could keep the food she had purchased and prepared. Isn't that an amazing story of God's goodness? Nancy learned that even if you're poor, you still need to learn to give from whatever you have.

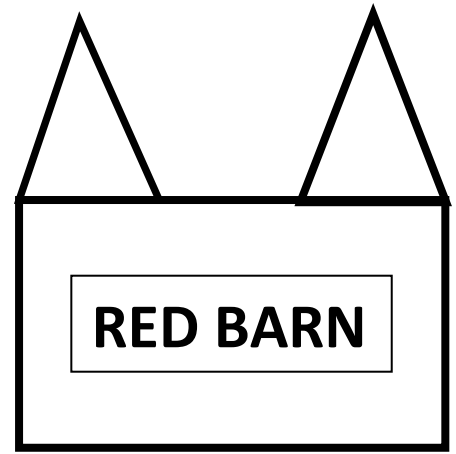


Your fellowship today is important to us. Please fill out the attendance pads at the end of each pew.

Radio spots by Brian Kluth of www.GiveWithJoy.org



Feb. 22 -----7:00 PM Ash Wednesday
 Feb. 23 ----- Lenten Lunch at
 St. Martin of Tours Catholic Church



On the first two Sundays of March there will be a Red Barn in the connector building to collect food for the Churches and Missions to help families in our area at Easter.

Here is a list of most used and needed items:

- Soups
- Mac & cheese
- Spaghetti & sauce
- Tuna
- Peanut butter & jelly

DID YOU KNOW?

Everyone is welcome for our Community Lenten lunches!
 Every Thursday during the season of Lent, a Church from the Martinsville area will host a lunch and provide a Lenten devotion.
 All lunches will be held in Sexton Hall on the St. Martin of Tours Campus, 1720 East Harrison St. Martinsville.
 Cost is \$5.00 per person and serving begins at 11:30am.
 Devotion talks begin at 12:15pm.
 We hope you can join us!

Lenten Luncheon Schedule

<u>DATE</u>	<u>HOST</u>
February 23	First Baptist
March 2	First Presbyterian
March 9	First Christian
March 16	Prince of Peace Lutheran
March 23	St. Martins of Tours Catholic
March 30	First Methodist



PRAYER REQUESTS:

Church Family:

The family of Sharon Loomis, Kathy Morris, Jack & Dona Clark, Lynn Williams, Rhonda Driscoll, Mary Jennison, Susan Polk, Tom & Norma Brown, Judy Thompson, Catherine & Bob Etter, Jim & Donna Abshire, Evelyn Denney, Brian Etchison, Bertha Marie Heiny, Dee Dee Kaufman, Betty Williamson, Bob & Dianna Jennings & our college youth.

Community: Pray for America,

our community, the leaders, our school boards. For children in school and those in need in our community.

Military Personnel:

Skyler Rynard, Dan Koong, Michael Pitz, Clint Plake and all military personnel serving at home and abroad.

Country:

Situations in the country and abroad, the President, cabinet, political leaders, military personnel, our nation, police, the US economy, firemen and medical personnel

World: Peace, Middle Eastern conflict, global financial situation, and those serving.



Thanks to America for Christ (AFC) Offering contributions, American Baptist Home Mission Societies (ABHMS) supported communities distressed by the devastation of COVID-19 last years, as the pandemic swept our country and Puerto Rico. We also helped families who lost homes to floods, wildfires, and storms, children living on the edge because of poverty, and seminarians preparing to devote their lives to sharing the Good News.

Please help us continue to bring healing and hope to communities, families, children, and Jesus' disciples in 2023 by supporting this year's America for Christ Offering.

