



This Week - March 1- 8, 2026

- Sunday - Second Sunday in Lent**
Worship Services, 8:30 & 10:00 a.m. (10:00 live-streamed)
Faith Explorers & Team, 10:00 a.m.
Create Resurrection Gardens, 11:15 a.m.
- Monday -** Coffee Conversations with Cheryl, 10:00 a.m.
Church Council, 7:00 p.m.
Women's AA, 7:00 p.m.
- Tuesday -** Exercise with Dale, 9:30 - 10:30 a.m.
CT River Valley Symphonic Band Rehearsal, 6:00 - 9:15 p.m.
Lenten Bible Study, 6:00 - 7:00 p.m.
- Wednesday -** Service of Healing & Peace, 6:00 p.m.
Chancel Handbell Choir Rehearsal, 7:00 - 8:30 p.m.
- Thursday -** Shoreline Soup Kitchen, 5:00 - 6:00 p.m.
Sr. Choir Rehearsal, 7:00 p.m.
AA Meeting, 7:00 p.m.
- Saturday -** Guiding Eyes for the Blind, 8:30 - 11:30 a.m.
- Sunday - Third Sunday in Lent**
Worship Services, 8:30 & 10:00 a.m. (10:00 live-streamed)
Faith Explorers & Team, 10:00 a.m.
Board of Christian Service Meeting, 9:15-10:00 a.m.
Confirmation Class, 11:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Deacons on Duty for March 2026

Dave Baucum is Deacon on Call, **Art Robbins** is Sanctuary Rep., and **Jane Syme** is arranging for **Lay Readers and Flowers**.

The flowers are given by **Jim Caronna** in loving celebration of his wife, **Pastor Cheryl's** birthday, on **Saturday, March 7th**.

Our **Ushers** this morning are **Bruce & Susan Lighty**.

Thank you to **Jim Caronna & Sally Marston** for doing the **live stream** today.

Jim Caronna will host **Family Fellowship** following both services to celebrate **Cheryl's** upcoming birthday.

Please let Kris know if you are interested in learning how to livestream our Sunday services. Our present volunteers will be pleased to have you observe and learn. You may join them in the sound booth on any Sunday 10:00 a.m. worship service.

PRAYERS FOR FEBRUARY 25, 2026

Steve (recovery from stroke)
Tom (brain tumor-chemo)
Family of Bill Krick (passed away in Georgia)
Peggie Eddington at Aaron Manor
Cody (difficult time)
Steve (dementia) & Sharon (caregiver)
Bill & Gail (continued prayers)
Jay (heart attack)
Sam Wollschleager (surgery on Wed., 3/4)
Baby Sabrina (gaining weight & may come home in two weeks)

PRAYERS FOR FEBRUARY 22, 2026

Dante (recovering at home)

Harry's cousin Sharon (cancer treatments)

Family of Bruce Ley (Karen West's dad-service was Friday)

PRAYER REQUESTS FOR February 15, 2026

Kim Ferraiolo Family (her father-in-law & mom passed away)
Family of Scott Paulson
Family of Doreen Jordan
Tim Carlson (5 brain tumors & spots on his lungs)

Long Term Requests:

Claire Rider, Art & Lori, Ed Bushnell, Mark Bruscoe, Linda & Dan Cotton, Matt Peno, Robert (Russ brother), Mary Karam, Doug LaFaille, Nancy S., Jean Morrow, Kathy Geraghty, Bill Paulsen, Bob Santaniello, Carol Sheridan, Noah Krebs, Aimee, Donna Sheldon, Tim Visel, Melissa McNeeley, Dick Bogart, Austin (pain), Heather, Zayden Campbell, Thord Bengtsson

All those affected by addiction
All those families grieving the loss of a loved one
All those affected by natural disasters, violence, war, gun violence, & political unrest
ALL Health Care & Essential Workers, First Responders
Our troops, Veterans & National Guard
Residents in nursing homes
Those that are homeless
Children caught in sex trafficking situations
Those dealing with mental illness

All who are dealing with cancer

Sylvia Tiezzi, Vickie, Marissa, Corinne, Sandi Lunn's sister, Nancy Sprigg, Careen, Mark, Baby Hazel, Debi N, Debi Z, Kurt, Rich (colon cancer)

Birthdays This Week

Martha Beaudoin, Mercedes Peno (Today); Dan Grohs, Andrew Norris, Erin Gregor (2); James Spallone, Emily Rankin (3); Spencer Sacrey, Linnea Miron, Jayson Rankin, Karen West (4); Robert Larson, Joshua Ross (5); John Giannini, Jr. (6); Tim Haut, Cheryl Caronna, Logan Burdick, Ted Mackenzie, Max Paulson, Susan Smith (7).

Youth Worship Service This Sunday!

This Sunday, our **Faith Explorers** and **TEAM** classes will gather in the **Upper Room at 10:00 AM** for a **Youth Worship Service**. Immediately following the service, we'll head to our classrooms for religious lessons. We're excited to see everyone there and share this meaningful time together!

ST. PATRICK'S DAY CELEBRATION

We're celebrating St. Patrick's Day in style Sunday, March 15! Sybil & the BoCE will be hosting both coffee hours with a delicious spread of Irish delights to include: Homemade Irish Soda Bread with Irish butter, Irish tea served in teacups, Irish coffee, & Festive shamrock shakes. Be sure to join the fun—and don't forget to wear something green or come dressed in your best St. Patrick's Day attire!

SAVE THE DATE - SUMMER FAITH ADVENTURES

Our Summer Faith Adventures program will be held June 29 - July 2 this year. **ANCHORED - Deepening Faith in God** will be our theme. Be sure to save those dates! More details to follow!

Board of Christian Service Clothing Swap!

You are invited bring spring and summer clothing (MUST be CLEAN and READY TO WEAR) from March 1st through 12th during church office hours.(9-2). Items can be left in Chelsea's office or behind the couch in the Upper Room. Infants to adult sizes are welcome.

On March 14th between 9-12, those people who brought clothing in may come in and will be given shopping bags to choose items in exchange. This is open to the community as well. 92 million tons of textiles end up in landfills yearly so this is great for our planet and our wallets. All leftovers will be donated.

Blood Drive Volunteers needed

Board of Christian Service is sponsoring a blood drive here on **Friday, May 8 from 12:45-6:00 p.m.** Please let Andrea or Kris know if you can help.

RaiseRight Announcement - Treat your Little Leprechauns!

Adams & shopping cards for your own personal use, friends and relatives are available for birthdays, anniversaries, or other upcoming celebrations, like **St. Patrick's Day!** You can earn money for the church by ordering gift cards for various brands from the RaiseRight program. Plan ahead for only **one** order will be sent per month. We also have **Adams Gift Cards** readily available in \$25, \$50 or \$100 increments for your groceries or as gifts and DRCC earns 5% of the card value. Call Elizabeth Root (203-430-1426) or email Sybil at ChristianEd@deeprivercc.org for more information or to place an order.

There are still a variety of nuts available for snacking and baking. See Claudia or any member of the bell choir in Family Fellowship on Sundays or stop in at the church office to make a purchase.

FLOWERS FOR WORSHIP: If you volunteer to place flowers in church on a given Sunday, and you do not wish to take them with you, Elizabeth Root has offered to pass them on to shut-ins from our church when she makes her visits.

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Support Groups at Our Church

Mondays at 7:00 p.m. - Women's AA

Thursdays at 7:00 p.m. - AA

Shoreline Soup Kitchen

Thursdays, 5:00 - 6:00 p.m.