





**Jim & Marcia Fletcher on the loss of son Nathan; Bert Blackburn (Bea Lyons' sister); Dewayne & Sue Renfro; Bill Dowell; Edward Everett (Gayle Mingledorff's cousin); Phyllis Bishop (Scot Crosslin's mother); Chuck Martin; Journey Manis (Barbara Kirby's daughter-in-law's niece); Jack Barker; Jim & Barbara Northcut; Catherine Shutters; Dennis Daniel (Uncle of Angie Cass); Amanda Mealer-McArtor & Sophie McArtor; Steven Lyle; Cheryl Bingham; Mai "Mike" Nary; Angelita Sedigo; Shawn Baldwin; Lyndsay Wells (Bill Allen's Step-Sister); Rona Gary; Mary Gifford (Mary Davis' sister-in-law); Jill McPhail DeVore (Kate Gilliland's mother); Erick Griggs; Daniel Tomanelli; Gary Goforth; John Black (Barbara Voss's brother); Leroy Lewis (Bob Lewis' brother).**

*Contact the church office to add or remove someone on the prayer list, 267-4506.*

## **FUTURE DATES TO REMEMBER**

**Feb 17, 24:** Mosaic Class Special Series

**Feb 22-24:** Koinonia Class Retreat to Lake Guntersville, AL State Park. Dr. Christal Williams is scheduled to be the retreat leader.

**March 6:** Ash Wednesday; Lent begins

## **THE WEEK AHEAD**

### **Sunday, February 17**

- 9:30 am Door Greeters; Cov. Group 2 (S. Baldwin/ P. Shoun)
- 9:30 am Christian Education for all ages
- 9:30 am Choir Practice
- 10:30 am Coffee & Conversation; Crane Lounge
- 11:00 am Worship; Sanctuary - Week of Compassion Special Offering
- 12:00 pm Sanctuary Clean Up; Covenant Group 2
- 4:00 pm Literary Krewe - see page 3

### **Monday, February 18**

- 11:00 am Staff Meeting; Conference Room
- 7:30 pm NA Meeting; Fellowship Hall

### **Tuesday, February 19**

- 7:30 pm NA Meeting; Fellowship Hall
- 8:00 pm The House Worship; Sanctuary

### **Wednesday, February 20**

No Activities Scheduled

### **Thursday, February 21**

- 7:00 am Men's Group; Bluegrass Grill

### **Friday, February 22**

- 3:00 pm Community Kitchen Volunteering
- 7:30 pm NA Meeting; Fellowship Hall

### **Saturday, February 23**

No Activities Scheduled

### **Sunday, February 24**

- 9:30 am Door Greeters; Covenant Group 2
- 9:30 am Christian Education for all ages
- 9:30 am Choir Practice
- 10:30 am Coffee & Conversation; Crane Lounge
- 11:00 am Worship; Sanctuary - Week of Compassion Special Offering
- 12:00 pm Sanctuary Clean Up; Covenant Group 2
- 12:30 pm Lunch/Youth High Point Climbing Event

**March 1-3 | Grades 6-12 Youth Retreat**  
<http://tndisciples.org/bethanyhillscamp>

## FROM THE TABLE

The church needs its prophets, but so does the world.

We'll be concluding our "Eyes That See" Sermon Series on Contemporary American Prophets with a look at Fannie Lou Hamer, an activist and lay preacher from Mississippi. She worked to secure voting rights for African-Americans in the South, worked for food security in poor communities, and to bring the issues facing poor people across the South to the attention of politicians and the general public.

She was a force of nature, and she used the language of Jesus to speak up for those who had no voice themselves. In a speech she gave in Indianola, MS, she framed her motivation to work against Jim Crow era restrictions on African Americans in spiritual terms:

*Every night of my life that I lay down, before I go to sleep, I pray for these people that despitefully use me.*



*And Christ said, "The meek shall inherit the earth." And he said before one tenth of one dot of his word would fail, heaven and earth would pass away, but his word would stand forever. And I believe tonight that one day in Mississippi, if I have to die for this, we shall overcome. "We shall overcome," means something to me tonight. ... And one day, by standin' up, goin' to the courthouse try to register and vote, that we get people this concerned about us.*

Hers is a voice we need. Not only for remembering in her historical context, but for helping us move toward a better future.

Come and see what we can learn from her together.

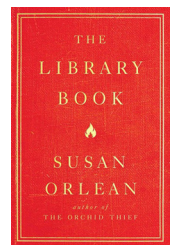
Also, If you read *American Prophets* by Albert J. Raboteau, don't forget to join us on March 3<sup>rd</sup> in the Faith Collective Room at 4 pm for a discussion of the book and sermon series!

*Grateful to be in ministry with you,  
Rev. Brandon*



**Youth Climbing Event**  
**Sunday, Feb. 24**  
**After Worship**  
**Lunch at Church**  
**Then, let's rock at**  
**High Point!**

Literary Krewe will meet Sunday, Feb. 17, at 4 pm, at Panera's on Gunbarrel. We will discuss *The Library Book* by Susan Orlean. Everyone is welcome. Buy the book, read it, and let's talk.



Happy Valentine's Day!



**-FEBRUARY**

- 14 Justin Givens
- 15 Ava Grisham, Kit Hanley
- 18 Sherry Baldwin
- 20 Joni Sharpe
- 22 Dreema Adkins
- 23 Jilly Fulgham, Laura Richie
- 24 Bryce Lee Wynn
- 25 Rachel Allen
- 26 Matthew Hamilton
- 28 Ed Turner

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