



eReminder

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Sunday Worship Service

10:00 am

Adult Sunday School
9:15am Explorers Room#105
9:00am Devotions with Randy
Room 208

Tuesday Fellowship Class

10:00am

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SECURITY

Feb 1st to 15th
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Feb 16th to 28th
Parker King



FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

4 Adree Anderson
5 Chuck McClain
8 Karen McLaughlin
11 Virginia Robbins
16 Jennifer Huffman
20 Mason & Lucas Ridgley
22 Phil Inman

Music for Sunday

Here is our opening hymn for Feb 15. Click below to listen & learn so you can sing along with us Sunday!

[This is Amazing Grace](#)

<https://youtu.be/MnpbDnEqH0c>



Thank You Scouts

Thank you to our Scouts for providing the delicious pancake breakfast for us last Sunday!



Bridge Over Troubled Water Pantry

The Bridge Over Troubled Water Food Pantry in Belton has helped many people in our community.

They provide a food pantry, supermarket style, which allows families to choose the foods their family prefers.

If you would like to make a donation to Bridge Over Troubled Water through CrossRoads, please make your check out to CrossRoads UMC and note on the memo line "BOTW". Thanks for your support in keeping this community resource up and running!

Missing Item

The TOPS Group had a Christmas Bingo game stored in their supply area upstairs that has gone missing. If anyone has seen it, please contact [Cindy](#) in the office. Thanks!

Pirate Pantry Ministry

We are currently raising funds for the Pirate Pantry to help students in the Belton School District who need food assistance.

Please consider donating today to provide proper nutrition so these young people can focus on their educational needs. Drop your check in the offering plate and note in the memo line that it is for Pirate Pantry or [donate online here](#). Thanks for your support!

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Be sure to "Like" our Facebook page!

Visit often and tag CrossRoads in your posts when possible. Help us show others how we Love people, Learn together, and Live in service to God at CrossRoads.

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Prayers

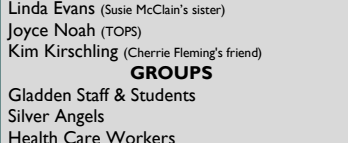


PEOPLE IN NEED OF PRAYER

Alissa Sallee	JoAnn Arnold
Annalou Streiff	Chris Harrelson
Stan Hedrick	Holden Batchelder
Sharon Hedrick	Phil Gronemeyer
Penny Kelly	
Ron Spencer	
Paul Carr	
Carol Creach	
Faye Wallace	
Kelly Isabel (Karen McLaughlin's niece)	
Dana & Joyce Johnston (Joyce's husband)	
Joel (Vicki Miller's cousin's son)	
Mark Lindsay (Lisa Kenslow's brother-in-law)	
Renee Eubanks (Vickie Lawrence's friend)	
Dusti Lawrence (Vickie Lawrence's daughter)	
Avis Wolfe (Snow removal contractor Steve's wife)	
Chelsea (Lawrence family friend)	
Rice Family (Toni Wiseman's niece & family)	
Guy (father of Angel Tree family recipient)	
Julie Reed (Angie Kormanec's friend)	
Dave McGill (Pastor Randy's friend)	
John Jerls (Cindy Keen's nephew)	
JR Alvarez (Karen McLaughlin's co-worker)	
Mary Jane Malmgren (Karen McLaughlin's sister)	
Patty LeCompte (Karen McLaughlin's sister)	
Michelle (Dick Brighthead's friend)	
Ronna Buchannon (Wanda Carroll's friend)	
Ruthie Weil (Sandy McNeill's daughter)	
Vera Glenn (Sandy McNeill's friend)	
Lorna Stinchfield (Cherrie Fleming's sister)	
Tessa (Angie Kormanec's friend)	
Daniel Hood (Cherrie's friend Pat Hood's grandson)	
Dennis Matson (Joe Matson's brother)	
Denise Wyatt (Wanda Carroll's friend)	
Linda Evans (Susie McClain's sister)	
Joyce Noah (TOPS)	
Kim Kirschling (Cherrie Fleming's friend)	

GROUPS

Gladden Staff & Students
Silver Angels
Health Care Workers
First Responders
Boy Scout 210 & Pack 4210
USA and United States Military



Submit Prayer Requests Here

Reflections

From Pastor Randy

LOVE

an intense feeling of deep affection
babies fill parents with feelings of love

a feeling of deep romantic or sexual attachment to someone

it was love at first sight

a great interest and pleasure in something

his love for football

we share a love of music

a person or thing that one loves

she was the love of his life

This week our focus will be on Love.

During our Christmas Eve service at Crossroads, we sang O Holy Night together. That is my favorite Christmas song, and yet as we sang it together, I heard a phrase in a new way this time.

"Truly He taught us to love one another; His law is love and His gospel is peace."

Let us reflect on what that Love looks like. How might we show the Love of Christ the Lord?

Pastor Randy

February 15, 2026

Matthew 22:34-40



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Hearing that Jesus had silenced the Sadducees, the Pharisees got together. One of them, an expert in the law, tested him with this question: "Teacher, which is the greatest commandment in the Law?"

Jesus replied: "'Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.' This is the first and greatest commandment. And the second is like it: 'Love your neighbor as yourself.' All the Law and the Prophets hang on these two commandments."

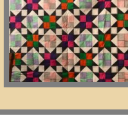
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Bake Sale Fundraiser

We are having a bake sale this **Sunday, Feb. 15**. Please remember to bring your checkbook or some cash to purchase these delicious goodies made by our talented CrossRoads bakers! Thanks for helping us raise funds to offset our recent unexpected expenses!

And our quilting ministry will be selling some of their goods as well to benefit our efforts to reimburse our foundation account. So be sure to check out their quilts and crafts a week from this Sunday.



FREE Lenten Devotional Booklet

We have obtained copies of the devotional "**40 Days with Jesus: Celebrating His Presence**" by Sarah Young (author of "Jesus Calling") for all who would like to join us in reading this on your own throughout the Lenten season. Written from Christ's viewpoint, this compilation of bite-sized devotions from Young's "Jesus Calling" and "Jesus Lives" will draw you closer to our Savior as you travel with him through Lent, mourn his death, and celebrate his resurrection.

Copies will be available Sunday morning so please pick one up and you will be able to begin the daily devotionals with us beginning on Ash Wednesday, Feb 18.

Tuesday Morning Fellowship Group

United Methodists believe that we are called to be active participants in our world. John Wesley believed that faithful living involved a combination of personal and social piety. The most recent General Conference adopted a revised statement of Social Principles to guide the denomination's response to many issues in the world today.

The Tuesday Morning Fellowship Group will begin a study of the United Methodist Social Principles starting on February 24 at 10 a.m. Come find out what is the church's official stance on marriage and family, climate change, science, poverty, civil disobedience, and more.

Please sign up so we know how many booklets to prepare. There will be a sign-up sheet on the info table on Sunday morning or you can sign up online right now.



Sign Up Here

Letter from DS Rev. Robin Bell

February 9th, 2026

Dear Friends,

While my time with the Northwest District has been way too short, and the many dreams are still waiting to come to fruition, I am going to retire August 4th, 2026.

While on my time of renewal, I reflected on what joy ministry is; the stress of the times when it is not; and especially what it means to be a well-rounded human being. All my life I have tended to make work, including ministry, my love if not my idol. Now it is time to live differently.

Whoever is the next District Superintendent will be different, but I am sure will want to support and strengthen you, your churches, and your ability to be Christ to the mission field in these turbulent times.

I am so grateful to each of you, and glad to finish 'on home turf.' Just know I am going full speed till my last day!

God's Peace and Presence for you all.

Robin

February Craft Day

Saturday, February 21, 10am to 7pm! Bring your favorite craft and join in the fun. Cost - \$5 per person. Proceeds go toward our Angel Tree Ministry. Please register to reserve a spot or contact Tracy. Hope to see you there!

REGISTER HERE!

Cass County Veterans Coalition

Connecting Veterans with community resources and support

Next Meeting
Date: Feb 26th, 2026
Time: 6:00-8:30 PM
Location: The Ranch KC
17207 US-71, Belton, MO 64012

Stop by if you just want to network with a bunch of Cass County Veterans, or if you would like to be a resource to help our local veterans.

Objectives of our Organization
-Promote Veteran owned businesses
-Veteran advocacy
-Networking
-Job search assistance
-Resume Workshops
-Interview preparation
-Homeless outreach
-Mental health outreach
-Community Leader engagement
-VSO referrals

LinkedIn Facebook

"One-stop shop for veteran resources"
Questions: Contact Steve Baker @ 816-265-1107
CassCountyVeteransCoalition@yahoo.com

Last Sunday's Service



If you watched our service online either on Facebook or on YouTube, please either comment on the video to let us know or let [Cindy](#) know to record your attendance.

CrossRoads Calendar

Friday, February 13

NONE

Saturday, February 14

NONE

Sunday, February 15

9:00am-9:30am
9:15am-9:45am
10:00am-11:00am
1:45pm-3:30pm

Bake Sale

Devotions With Randy in Room #208
Explorers Adult Sunday School in Room #105
Worship Service in the Sanctuary
Chaplain Memorial Service

Monday, February 16

9:00am-10:00am
9:00am-4:00pm
6:30pm-7:30pm

Presidents Day

"The Chosen" DVD
Creation Station in Room #205
Cub Scout Den Meeting in the Multipurpose Room

Tuesday, February 17

10:00am-11:00am
5:30pm-6:30pm
7:00pm-9:00pm

Fellowship Book Study w/Pam Ekey in Room #105
Staff Meeting in Room #105
Scout Parents Club Meeting in the Multipurpose Room

Wednesday, February 18

5:30pm-6:15pm
6:15pm-7:00pm

Ash Wednesday (no service at CrossRoads)

CrossRoads Ringers Bell Choir Rehearsal in Room #210
Heavenly Bell Choir Rehearsal in Room #210

Thursday, February 19

8:45am-10:30am
9:15am-9:45am
6:30pm-9:00pm

TOPS Meeting in Room #201

Creation Station Quilters in Room #205
Scout Troop 210 in the Multipurpose Room

Friday, February 20

5:00pm-9:00pm

Scout Crossover Ceremony in the Multipurpose Room

Saturday, February 21

10:00am-7:00pm

CrossRoads Crafters in the Multipurpose Room

Sunday, February 22

9:00am-9:30am
9:15am-9:45am
10:00am-11:00am

1st Sunday of Lent

Devotions With Randy in Room #208
Explorers Adult Sunday School in Room #105
Worship Service in the Sanctuary

Upcoming Events

Bake Sale, Sunday, Feb 15, Sanctuary
Ash Wednesday, Feb 18, Begin reading devotional booklet
Scout Crossover Ceremony, Monday, Feb 20, 5:00pm, Multipurpose Room
CrossRoads Crafters, Saturday, Feb 21, 10:00am, Multipurpose Room
Don't forget to Spring Forward, DST, March 8
UWF Lunch Bunch, Monday, March 9, 11:30am, Multipurpose Room
Leadership Board Meeting, Tuesday, March 10 5:30pm
UWF Joy Group, Thursday, Feb 12, 2:00pm

Questions or comments? Email us at cjones@crossroads-umc.net
To remove your name from our mailing list, please [click here](#)