



# eReminder

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**New  
Worship Time  
10:00am**

**Sunday  
Worship  
Service  
10:00 am**

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

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**SECURITY**  
**Feb 1st to 15th**  
**Mark Polk**

## February

- FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS**
- 4 Adree Anderson
  - 5 Ken Kluter
  - 5 Chuck McClain
  - 8 Karen McLaughlin
  - 16 Jennifer Huffman
  - 20 Mason Ridgley
  - 20 Lucas Ridgley
  - 22 Phil Inman

- FEBRUARY ANNIVERSARIES**
- 4 NONE

## Ponderings

Hey CrossRoads Family!

Is there something important happening this weekend? I feel like there is...but I just can't quite remember what is happening.... Hmmm...

It is Scout Sunday! Maybe that is it! I've had the pleasure the last two Monday evenings of coming and spending time with our Scouts who are being awarded a medal for completing a Bible based course appropriate for their age. I have learned about how Jesus is our friend, God made us unique, and God loves us so much that Jesus was sent to save us.

I hope you'll come celebrate with these youngins as they receive their special awards this week. I hear they have cookies waiting for us too, maybe that is what I was trying to remember! Hmmm....maybe that wasn't it...

I know! I am continuing our February sermon series "Love Life" this week by looking at the kind of love that represents our familial ties. That is something to look forward to too! But hmmm...maybe that isn't it either...

Oh, I got it! This Sunday we are collecting canned goods and pantry staples to join in for the competition our conference is in to see who can provide the highest weight of donations to local food pantries! That is definitely the most important thing happening on Sunday! I hope you'll join in the fun and bring what items you are able to provide, hopefully they are on the heavier side!

I might still be forgetting something, but oh well! Either way, this Sunday is going to be packed full of fun and worship and fellowship! I hope you'll join us for all of it and maybe bring a friend!

Oh, maybe wear some Chiefs gear too!

Peace and Blessings,

Pastor Erika

**February 9, 2025**

**Romans 12:9-21**

**Storge**

*Love must be sincere. Hate what is evil; cling to what is good. Be devoted to one another in love. Honor one another above yourselves. Never be lacking in zeal, but keep your spiritual fervor, serving the Lord. Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer. Share with the Lord's people who are in need. Practice hospitality. Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse. Rejoice with those who rejoice; mourn with those who mourn. Live in harmony with one another.*

*Do not be proud, but be willing to associate with people of low position. Do not be conceited. Do not repay anyone evil for evil. Be careful to do what is right in the eyes of everyone. If it is possible, as far as it depends on you, live at peace with everyone. Do not take revenge, my dear friends, but leave room for God's wrath, for it is written: "It is mine to avenge; I will repay," says the Lord.*

*On the contrary: "If your enemy is hungry, feed him; if he is thirsty, give him something to drink. In doing this, you will heap burning coals on his head." Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.*

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Our Kansas City Chiefs are playing in their third-consecutive Super Bowl and their fifth in the past six years this year. The opponent is the Philadelphia Eagles. They will play Sunday, Feb. 9, in New Orleans.

To celebrate the occasion the Missouri Conference and the Great Plains Conference are challenging the Eastern Pennsylvania and Great New Jersey Conferences to a food drive competition. To participate:

- We'll collect nonperishable food items at church this Sunday.
- We'll weigh the food that is donated (our Scouts are helping with that) and Cindy will report our total donated amount to the conference.
- We'll donate the food to our local food pantry, Heart n Hand.

# GO CHIEFS!

## WEAR RED OR YOUR FAVE CHIEFS GEAR THIS SUNDAY!

GROUP PHOTO AFTER CHURCH  
 And bring a pantry item for our collection for Heart n Hand for the MO Conference Sacking Hunger Challenge!

**2025 Lenten Book Study**

Our 2025 Lenten book study will begin on Mon, March 25th and Tuesday, March 26th. You may choose from three time slots as listed below. You may also order a book for self-study if the class times don't work for you. We will be reading Rob Burkhardt's "On the Road to the Cross" that allows you to experience Easter through the eyes of the everyday people who witnessed the triumphal entry, saw Jesus drag his cross to Calvary, and cried through Christ's last words. Each new perspective opens the door to a fresh consideration of Easter and its impact on their lives and ours. **Books are \$5.00 each.**

Monday, 6pm with Pastor Erika in Room #105  
 Tuesday, 10am, with Rev. Pam Ekey in Room #105  
 Tuesday, 6pm, with Pastor Erika, virtual via Zoom

[Sign Up Here](#)

**Connect Team**

You are invited to attend a Connect Team meeting on Friday, Feb. 7th, at 5:30pm, to plan our next upcoming event. The Easter Fair will be held on Saturday, April 12, probably from 10:30 to noon. So come help us brainstorm activities for that event on Friday, Feb 7th at 5:30pm in Room #105. Hope to see you there!

**New Small Group Coming Soon**

Join Pastor Erika for a small group opportunity focused on growing through asking questions, thinking critically, and digging deeper through others' voices. This group will begin in March; more information coming soon!

**Friday Morning Bible Recap**

The Friday morning Bible Recap meeting was moved from the church to Carnegie Village at the same time, 9:30am, so that Faye Wallace can participate. When the next DVD of "The Chosen" is released this spring, those viewings will resume at CrossRoads on Friday's at 9:30am in Room #105.

**February Craft Day**

Our next Craft Day is Saturday, February 15, 10am to 7pm. Bring your favorite craft and join in the fun. Cost - \$5 per crafter due day of event with proceeds going to the Angel Tree Ministry. Please register below to reserve a spot or contact Tracy. Hope to see you there!

[SIGN UP HERE!](#)

**February Craft Day**  
 02/15/2025  
 10am-7pm  
 \$5 entry

## Prayers

- PEOPLE IN NEED OF PRAYER**
- |   |                   |
|---|-------------------|
| Mickey Tabor  | Ken Kluter        |
| Faye Wallace  | JoAnn Arnold      |
| Carol Creach  | Betty Robertson   |
| Phil Gronemeyer                                       | Chris Harrleson   |
| Caleb Kormanec  | Holden Batchelder |
| Grayson Kormanec                                      |                   |
| Christina & Charleton Painter                         |                   |
| Jeanne Baker (Kala Handley's niece)                   |                   |
| Leo Lockard (Mark & Lyn Polk friend)                  |                   |
| Daniel Hood (Cherrie's friend Pat Hood's grandson)    |                   |
| Frank Sotosek (Nancy Jones' cousin)                   |                   |
| Mark Mikel (Nancy Jones' cousin's husband)            |                   |
| Tiffany Hedger (Joe Matson's friend)                  |                   |
| Gabe Clutter (Nancy Clutter's great grandson)         |                   |
| Don Jamerson (Tom Wiseman's nephew)                   |                   |
| Frank Medlin (Robert Berry family friend)             |                   |
| Andrew Bowman (Vickie Lawrence's S-I-L's friend)      |                   |
| Jake Minor (Vickie Lawrence's S-I-L's friend)         |                   |
| Melissa Shipman (Vickie Lawrence's family friend)     |                   |
| Robbie Robertson (Darren Rogers' friend)              |                   |
| Lacinda Hamilton Kramer (Dana's daughter)             |                   |
| Kayla Jackson (Vickie Lawrence's friend)              |                   |
| Dave McGill (Randy Kelly's friend)                    |                   |
| Dawn Maksimov (Angie Kormanec's friend)               |                   |
| Julie Reed (Angie Kormanec's coworker)                |                   |
| Brandi Price (Tracy, Penny, Vickie, & Angie's cousin) |                   |
| Amanda Brodfuehrer (Vickie's daughter's cousin)       |                   |
| T.J. Carr (Paul & Donna Carr's friend)                |                   |
| Gail Welchon (Sandy McNeil's friend)                  |                   |
| Charles Grimes (Joe Matson's friend)                  |                   |
| Thomas Pinckney Smith, Jr. (Gwen Roger's brother)     |                   |
| Roseann (Wanda Carroll's friend's daughter)           |                   |
| Dennis Matson (Joe Matson's brother)                  |                   |
| Lisa McBride (Nancy Jones' neighbor)                  |                   |
| Denise Wyatt (Wanda Carroll's friend)                 |                   |
| Linda Evans (Susie McClain's sister)                  |                   |
| Thelma, Joyce Noah (TOPS)                             |                   |
| Kim Kirschling (Cherrie Fleming's friend)             |                   |
| Greg Coy (Cherrie Fleming's friend)                   |                   |
| Shawn Burnam (Sharon Burnam's son)                    |                   |
| Sue Schindler (Sami Siems' mother)                    |                   |
- GROUPS**
- Lives impacted by the L.A. fire disaster  
 Gladden Staff & Students & Silver Angels  
 Health Care Workers  
 First Responders  
 Boy Scout 210 & Pack 4210  
 USA and United States Military

## Last Sunday's Service

02/02/25 CrossRoads UMC Wors...

*If you watch 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

<p><b>Friday, February 7</b></p> <p>9:30am-10:30am          5:30pm-6:30pm          6:00pm-9:00pm</p> <p><b>Saturday, February 8</b></p> <p>8:00am-5:00pm          8:00pm-6:00pm</p> <p><b>Sunday, February 9</b></p> <p>9:00am-10:00am          9:15am-9:45am          9:15am-9:45am          10:00am-11:00am          11:15am-12:00pm</p> <p><b>Monday, February 10</b></p> <p>9:00am-10:00am          9:00am-4:00pm          11:30am-12:30pm          6:30pm-7:30pm</p> <p><b>Tuesday, February 11</b></p> <p>10:00am-11:00am          5:00pm-7:00pm</p> <p><b>Wednesday, February 12</b></p> <p>5:30pm-6:15pm          6:15pm-7:00pm</p> <p><b>Thursday, February 13</b></p> <p>8:45am-10:30am          10:30am-11:00am          11:00am-4:00pm          2:00pm-4:00pm          6:30pm-8:30pm</p> <p><b>Friday, February 14</b></p> <p>9:30am-10:30am</p> <p><b>Saturday, February 15</b></p> <p>10:00am-7:00pm</p> <p><b>Sunday, February 16</b></p> <p>9:00am-10:00am          9:15am-9:45am          9:15am-9:45am          10:00am-11:00am          11:00am-12:00pm</p>	<p>Bible Recap Class at Carnegie Village          Connect Team Meeting (Easter Fair planning) in Room #105          Pinewood Derby Setup in the Multipurpose Room</p> <p>Pinewood Derby in the Multipurpose Room          Leadership Retreat Meeting in Room #201</p> <p><b>Scout Sunday</b></p> <p>Choir Rehearsal in Room #210          Devotions With Randy in Room #208          Explorers Adult Sunday School in Room #105          Worship Service in the Sanctuary          Staff Meeting in Room #103</p> <p>"The Chosen" DVD viewing at Carnegie Village          Creation Station in Room #205          UWF Lunch Bunch in the Multipurpose Room          Cub Scout Den Meeting in the Multipurpose Room</p> <p>Fellowship Book Study w/Pam Ekey in Room #105          CreativeITCHERS in Room #201</p> <p>CrossRoads Ringers Bell Choir Rehearsal in Room #210          Heavenly Bell Choir Rehearsal in Room #210</p> <p>TOPS Meeting in Room #201          Happy Feet Walking Group in the Multipurpose Room          Creation Station Quilters in Room #205          UWF Joy Group in Room #105          Scout Troop #210 Meeting in the Multipurpose Room</p> <p><b>Happy Valentine's Day!</b></p> <p>Bible Recap Class at Carnegie Village</p> <p>CrossRoads Crafters in the Multipurpose Room</p> <p>Choir Rehearsal in Room #210          Devotions With Randy in Room #208          Explorers Adult Sunday School in Room #105          Worship Service in the Sanctuary          Music Leadership Meeting in Room #105</p>
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