

WARNER ROBINS DISCIPLE



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Worship: 11:00am

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February, the short month, is upon us. During this month we honor love, two important presidents and complete the season of Epiphany. Yet within this short month, much will happen. Youth will go to the Youth Retreat at Epworth By The Sea, we will have a special night out for adults, we will prepare and respond to the needs of people suffering from disasters during the Week of Compassion, and we will learn about living as students of Jesus on Sunday mornings all during this short month.

Even in a short month, we are able to respond to the call of God to serve and love as God has served and loved each of us. Our call, our mission, is not limited to longer months or months with more things of importance. Rather, we are called to serve daily. Every morning becomes an invitation from God to love your neighbor, to care for those who suffer, to overcome our fears and step forth into the world God created. During February we will celebrate Valentine's Day which has become focused on romantic love, even though the name recalls Saint Valentine. There is not much that is reliable known about the first Saint Valentine (there were three by that name), but the oldest lived during the Third Century and was martyred for refusing to deny his faith. His devotion to following the love of God was well known. Therefore, the holiday we celebrate this month isn't about romance so much as devotion loving as God loves. Please do not think that I am telling people not to get cards or flowers or

to do something special with your spouse or partner. Rather, love everyone.

When you do anything this month, remember that we are challenged to love all we meet. Show compassion to all around you, whether they are someone you know, someone with whom you disagree, or a complete stranger. Remember that Jesus reached out to everyone who would listen and even those who didn't want to be loved.

Once February ends, don't set aside the focus on loving as we have been loved. Make it a life practice. Greet people with open warmth, smile at everyone, when you talk to someone focus on their words and not how you plan to answer their words, touch people with your hands, your heart, and your soul.

These are the things we are called to do. The community, the state, the nation, and the world could benefit from our sharing love with everyone in the name of the God who first loved us.

Shalom, *Darrell*

FEBRUARY ELDERS & DEACONS

Listed below are those serving in Dec:

Elders: Irv Shaw

Dale Barnickel

Deacons:

FEBRUARY SERMONS & SCRIPTURE



DW GRACE GROUP

The Grace group met on Thursday the 19th. We had a great devotion presented by Sharon-Kay and celebrated Judy Barnickel's birthday. In addition, we discussed the upcoming events.

We are having a Sweetheart Supper and Pie Auction on Feb. 18th from 6:30-8:30. This will be a fundraiser for our group. Bring your Sweetheart and come have dinner, dancing and lots of fun. We will have free Child Care for kids 8 yrs. and under. We have a DJ coming to entertain, and this event will include the pie auction in addition to the silent auction. The meal will include choice of meat, two sides, salad and a roll. The tickets are \$15 each. See the CWF members to buy your tickets. The silent auction event is sponsored by several local vendors. Come join us and celebrate your sweetheart.

We also discussed the upcoming Spring Retreat. We are considering going to Calloway Gardens and our program this year will be "Flutter By" by Julia Bennencourt. We will need a count of those wanting to go so we can make final arrangements. We are looking at the weekend of March 24-25. Please let us

know if you want to go. The cost is less than \$90 each. Final cost depends on the number of participants.

Finally, we have our annual Vendor Fair coming April 8th. This is a great event and showcases local private business women.

We closed with a look at several of the charities we have helped this year and read the wonderful thank you cards. (See the picture from the kids at Camp Wings). Thank you to all who help us with our ministries.

Jeannetta Stokes, President

KITCHEN SUPPLIES

Foam coffee cups	Paper Towels
39 gal garbage bags	13 gal trash bags
Small dessert plates	Kleenex
16 oz. plastic glasses	Dish Soap
Spray kitchen cleaner	Napkins
Divided oblong foam plates	

BATHROOMS SUPPLIES

Kleenex tissue	Bathroom Tissue
Liquid Hand Soap	Toilet cleaners

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Sunday Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday

<p>"February is the month of love. Both quotes allow us to look for the best in things, and find love in everywere we go and everything we do."</p>			1 <i>Ben Campbell</i>	2 <i>Amethyst Lamm</i>	3 <i>Lori Lamm</i>	4
5 <i>Mike Hurlbert</i>	6	7 Breakfast 8:00 a.m. Cracker Barrel Bible Study 7:00 <i>Gidget Hurlbert</i>	8 Lunch Bunch Golden Corral 1:00	9 Radio Club Meeting 7:00 <i>Jessica Hebenstreit</i>	10	11
12	13	14 Breakfast 8:00 a.m. Cracker Barrel Bible Study 7:00	15	16 DW Grace Group 7:00 <i>Curtis & Nadine Scaggs</i>	17	18 DW Grace Sweetheart Supper & Pie Auction 6:30-8:30
19 <i>Mary Jane Rogers</i>	20	21 Breakfast 8:00 a.m. Cracker Barrel Bible Study 7:00	22 Prayer Shawl meeting 7:00 p.m. <i>Tony & Barbara Hicks</i>	23	24	25 Bariatric Group Meeting 7:00 p.m.
26	27 <i>Brenda McReynolds</i>	28 8:00 a.m. Cracker Barrel Bible Study 7:00 <i>David & Ann Von Almen</i>	<p>"When it rains, look for rainbows. When it's dark, look for stars."</p>			

CAMP WINGS 2016



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