



February



What flower is February?

Iris and Violet

February Birthdays are represented by violets or irises, flowers that suggest loyalty and faithfulness. The three upright petals of an iris bloom can indicate courage, faith and wisdom, or friendship, hope and compliments.



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Amazon Smile

Dear customer,

In 2013, we launched AmazonSmile to make it easier for customers to support their favorite charities. However, after almost a decade, the program has not grown to create the impact that we had originally hoped. With so many eligible organizations—more than 1 million globally—our ability to have an impact was often spread too thin.

We are writing to let you know that we plan to wind down AmazonSmile by February 20, 2023. We will continue to pursue and invest in other areas where we've seen we can make meaningful change—from building affordable housing to providing access to computer science education for students in underserved communities to using our logistics infrastructure and technology to assist broad communities impacted by natural disasters.

To help charities that have been a part of the AmazonSmile program with this transition, we will be providing them with a one-time donation equivalent to three months of what they earned in 2022 through the program, and they will also be able to accrue additional donations until the program officially closes in February. Once AmazonSmile closes, charities will still be able to seek support from Amazon customers by creating their own wish lists.

As a company, we will continue supporting a wide range of other programs that help thousands of charities and communities across the U.S. For instance:

Housing Equity Fund: We're investing \$2 billion to build and preserve affordable housing in our hometown communities. In just two years, we've provided funding to create more than 14,000 affordable homes—and we expect to build at least 6,000 more in the coming months. These units will host more than 18,000 moderate- to low-income families, many of them with children. In one year alone, our investments have been able to increase the affordable housing stock in communities like Bellevue, Washington and Arlington, Virginia by at least 20%.

Amazon Future Engineer: We've funded computer science curriculum for more than 600,000 students across over 5,000 schools—all in underserved communities. We have plans to reach an additional 1 million students this year. We've also provided immediate assistance to 55,000 students in our hometown communities by giving them warm clothes for the winter, food, and school supplies.

Community Delivery Program: We've partnered with food banks in 35 U.S. cities to deliver more than 23 million meals, using our logistics infrastructure to help families in need access healthy food – and we plan to deliver 12 million more meals this year alone. In addition to our delivery services, we've also donated 30 million meals in communities across the country.

Amazon Disaster Relief: We're using our logistics capabilities, inventory, and cloud technology to provide fast aid to communities affected by natural disasters. For example, we've created a Disaster Relief Hub in Atlanta with more than 1 million relief items ready for deployment, our Disaster Relief team has responded to more than 95 natural disasters, and we've donated more than 20 million relief products to nonprofits assisting communities on the ground.

Community Giving: We support hundreds of local nonprofits doing meaningful work in cities where our employees and their families live. For example, each year we donate hundreds of millions of dollars to organizations working to build stronger communities, from youth sport leagues, to local community colleges, to shelters for families experiencing homelessness.

To celebrate and honor what UMCOR (United Methodist Committee on Relief) does, we are planning on getting our **hygiene kits** out again! Here's how you can help:

We need **TRAVEL** sized items for personal Care! (**Please, no used or full-sized items**) Consider purchasing or asking stores/companies/dentists to contribute. Consider stores like Dollar Tree, 99 Cents, Walmart, Target, hotels/motels, and so on. We will get this started on February 5th and go through UMCOR Sunday on March 19th.

1. **February 5:** Start at the Top!

- shampoo and rinse (or the combo kind)
- small combs/brushes
- **February 12:** Smile!
- toothpaste, toothbrush, floss, mouthwash
- lip balm (or travel sized Vaseline)
- **February 19:** Keeping It Clean!
- small soaps
- cleansing wipes
- **February 26:** Moisturize and Deodorize!
- lotion
- deodorant
- **March 5:** Keep the Germs Away!
- antibiotic ointment (like Neosporin)
- hand-sanitizer
- **March 12:** Hydrate!
- bottled water (not individual bottles, but a pack/case (think "Costco"))
- **March 19:** UMCOR Sunday!
- Get caught up and bring anything you missed or found that can be used.

Jennifer Hampton



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On January 15th, we had our monthly church council meeting. Here's a summary if you weren't able to attend (remember, anyone can attend!!! To vote, you must be an official member of SPRC, Finance, Trustees, the pastor, or the lay leader):

Upcoming special days and Sundays were discussed. Some highlights are:

- Boy Scout Sunday on 2/12
- Lent begins on Ash Wednesday on 2/22. A special service was discussed, including the possible time of 12 noon. It will be in person.
- UMCOR Sunday on 3/19
- Season of Lent including 4/7 for Good Friday and Easter Sunday on 4/9 (with Holy Communion)
- Native American Sunday on 4/23

It was reported that the scouts have completed the painting of rails! Thank you, Boy Scout Troop 202!

We are looking to hire someone to be our fill-in audio-visual person on Sundays when Kim Few is unable to at church.

The trustees are aware of a leak in an upstairs room. They will also be doing a walk-through with the fire department to re-check our exit signs.

Much more was discussed. If you'd like to get a copy of the minutes, please contact the church office and a set will be emailed to you.

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February Calendar

February 2 is **Groundhog Day**—the day we find out whether winter will last six more weeks or call it quits early. How did this quirky tradition get started? Find out [the meaning of Groundhog Day](#).

February 12 is **Abraham Lincoln's Birthday**. The 16th president of the United States was born in a one-room, 16x18-foot, log cabin with a dirt floor.

February 14 is always **Valentine's Day**. Heads up, lovebirds! Today, the holiday is celebrated with love, flowers, and chocolate, but how did this holiday get its start? [Learn all about Valentine's Day](#).

February 15 is **Susan B. Anthony's Birthday**. How much do you know about this women's right leader?

- **February 15** is also **National Flag of Canada Day!**

February 20 brings **Presidents' Day**, a federal holiday also known as Washington's Birthday that is celebrated on the third Monday in February. (George Washington's actual birthday is February 22!)

February 21 is **Mardi Gras**, (aka "Fat Tuesday" or Shrove Tuesday), which is the final feasting day before the Christian tradition of Lent begins on the following day, Ash Wednesday.

February 22 is **Ash Wednesday**, which marks the start of Lent.

February 27 is **Clean Monday**. Also called Pure Monday, this day marks the beginning of Great Lent for followers of the Eastern Orthodox Christian Church. This day is similar to Ash Wednesday of the Western Church.

February is **African-American History Month**. The Library of Congress, National Archives and Records Administration, National Endowment for the Humanities, National Gallery of Art, National Park Service, Smithsonian Institution and United States Holocaust Memorial Museum join in paying tribute to the generations of African Americans who struggled with adversity to achieve full citizenship in American society.

(According to Google)

Thank you Kim and Cory for the Beautiful decorations for The Lunar New Year celebration. Like always everything Was delicious and so pretty. Thank you again for all you do.



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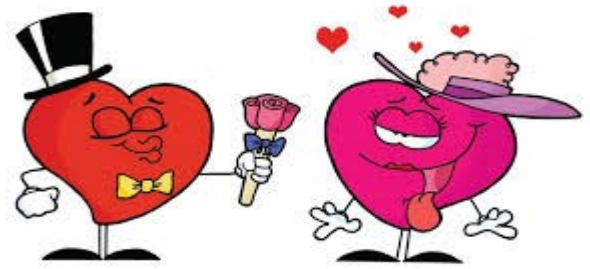
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1	2	3 Friday Fellowship 7 p.m.	4 Crocheting & More 9 a.m.
5 10:30 a.m. Worship 5th Sunday after the Epiphany Communion	6 M & M Group 10 a.m.	7	8	9 Bible Study 10 a.m.	10 Friday Fellowship 7 p.m.	11
12 10:30 a.m. Worship 6th Sunday after the Epiphany Boy Scout Sunday UWF Meeting in the Parlor	13 M & M Group 10 a.m.	14 <i>Happy Valentine's Day</i>	15	16 Bible Study 10 a.m.	17 Friday Fellowship 7 p.m.	18 Crocheting & More 9 a.m.
19 10:30 a.m. Worship Transfiguration Sunday Church Council Meeting	20 M & M Group 10 a.m.	21	22 Ash Wednesday Lent begins	23 Bible Study 10 a.m. Happy Birthday Kim Few	24 Friday Fellowship 7 p.m.	25 Happy Birthday Bettye Corum and Michele Houska
26 10:30 a.m. Worship 1st Sunday in Lent	27 M & M Group 10 a.m.	28				
Please call the church office if you have corrections or additions.						



23rd Kim Few

25th Bettye Corum

25th Michele Houska



Notes...

Ash Wednesday

We will have in person service on Wednesday

February 22nd (TBD)

We will send out information on the time.

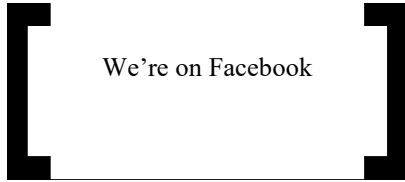


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The next *Tidings* deadline is Wednesday February 22nd. Please email articles to Chino umc@yahoo.com or leave them in the church office. Thank you.

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