



## <u>\*NEW\* From Pastor's Corner</u> <u>February is Salem's</u> <u>Food Pantry Collection month!</u>

HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY!





Response Property

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#### " Sharing the Love of Christ "

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### Pastor's Corner

Greetings!

A couple of fun February tidbits. This is a leap year, so February has 29 days. Ash Wednesday is on Valentine's Day, February 14. It is also the month that The Oasis Shelter is getting set up to open and provide services to our community. Thank you all for helping to make this possible. We will be providing them with some of our Hygiene Kits, along with some blankets, ponchos, and socks. All of which we already have. When the need arises for more, I will let you know!

The Oasis Shelter is located at 1504 W. Austin Street. Donations for start-up and operations may be made payable to The Oasis Shelter. They can be mailed or dropped off at 331 Alcoa Dr., Port Lavaca, TX 77979.

February is also our Food Pantry month. The Pantry has a large need for peanut butter, canned tuna, canned chicken, or any canned protein. Goods are no longer received from HEB or Walmart. This means that fresh produce is very minimal. As some of you look forward to planting the garden, maybe plant an extra row for the pantry.

Blessings on you as you continue to be a blessing to our community.

Pastor



The church office will be closed on Friday, February 9th.



A new Altar Flower chart has been posted on the bulletin board in the Narthex. Please mark your special date and share your celebration with us!

Special dates open that need flowers: February 11th – Transfiguration Sunday



Save the date ... It's a Polka Party! Sunday May 5, 2024

# It is our turn!

food ite The Food Pantry

February is Salem's month for collecting canned goods or non perishable food items for the Calhoun County Food Pantry!

The food pantry is particularly in need of: Peanut Butter Canned Tuna Canned Chicken 1LB. bags of Rice We would like to thank Gail Wehmeyer for her loyal service as Council Secretary and continued leadership with our Clothing God's Children ministry.

Cheryl Caraway is our new Council Secretary and Dottie Caldwell is our new leader of our Nurture Ministry!

Next time you see any of these ladies – give them a hug and tell them THANK YOU!



Thank you for your charitable donations in 2023 to Calhoun Community Ministries Food Pantry and Emergency Assistance.

So many lives have been touched through your care and generosity.

Thank you for being an important part of our organization and helping us create positive change in the world.

Sincerely, CCCM Food Pantry

Treasuer's report January offering currently totals: \$ 16,600



Please call the office with corrections or additions to Birthday's and Anniversaries



Virginia Hahn; 2nd Dale Hahn; 3rd Michael Caraway; 8th Forest Canion; 9th Marshall Smith; 9th William Bales; 10th Sheridan Franke; 10th Logan Smith; 10th Brittney Rothmann; 10th Katelyn Rothmann; 14th Martha Caldwell; 20th Kelli Kurtz; 21st Dorthy Caraway; 26th Kristel Knipling; 26th Alfred Adame; 28th



#### "Sharing the Love of Christ" ATTENDANCE:

| SUNI | DAYS | of | Jar | nuary: |
|------|------|----|-----|--------|
| 07   | 14   |    | 21  | 28     |
| 37   | 48   |    | 47  | 55     |



Don't forget to pick up your copy of the 2023 Annual Report and the new 2024 SLC Telephone Directory! You can find the in the Narthex.

HEADS UP! February 14, 2024 is Ash Wednesday and the beginning of Lent.

On the Wednesday evenings of Lent, we will be holding the Holden Evening Prayer Service and will have a Soup & Sandwich meal at 6PM before worship.

Coming soon ...

SENIOR SENDING Do you know a graduating senior that needs to be recogonized? Please let Pastor know, or call the church office

### SALEM'S PRAYER REQUESTS:

| ANSWERED PRAYERS:   |  |                                 |  |  |  |
|---|--|---------------------------------|--|--|--|
| NEW PRAYER CONCERNS:  |  |                                 |  |  |  |
| Marvin Strakos  | Dorothy Caraway  | Wayne Caraway                   |  |  |  |
| Dustin Caraway  | Ruthie Boyd-Robertson  | Janie Garza                     |  |  |  |
| Chase Piwetz  | Kelly Tomlison   | Kathy Raven                     |  |  |  |
| Debra Harabis   | Billy Guenther   |                                 |  |  |  |
| <b>CONTINUED PRA</b><br>Bill Sturm<br>Tyler Tesch<br>Joyce Schaefer                       | YER CONCERNS:<br>Alma Wehmeyer<br>William Witt<br>Cecil Boyd | Craig Sturm<br>Nelson Scroggins |  |  |  |
| BETHANY SENIOR LIVING:  |  |                                 |  |  |  |
| MORADA SENIOR LIVING RESIDENT: Ruth Hahn  |  |                                 |  |  |  |
| THOSE SERVING OUR COUNTRY:  |  |                                 |  |  |  |
| <b>THOSE WHO HAVE LOST LOVED ONES:</b><br>The family of Johnny Ray Tomlison in his death. |  |                                 |  |  |  |

Please help us keep our Prayer list up to date and call the church office at 361-552-9379 with Answered Prayers, New prayer concerns or Continued prayer concerns.

Our Prayer list helps us focus on those with specific needs whether they are members, family or friends.