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## Serving Schedule

February 16, 2020

### Worship Leader

Kay Gilbreath

### Children's Moment

Doris Chlastak

### Communion Prayer

Mark Richardson

### Offertory Prayer

Kathy Richardson

### Van Driver

Jack Maxwell/Mark Richardson

### Communion Preparation

Jack Maxwell

## Serving Schedule

February 23, 2020

### Worship Leader

Gleta Gorman

### Children's Moment

Pastor Frank

### Communion Prayer

Gleta Gorman

### Offertory Prayer

Kay Gilbreath

### Van Driver

Jack Maxwell/Mark Richardson

### Communion Preparation

Jack Maxwell



## Service

Wednesday, February  
26th, 6:00 p.m.

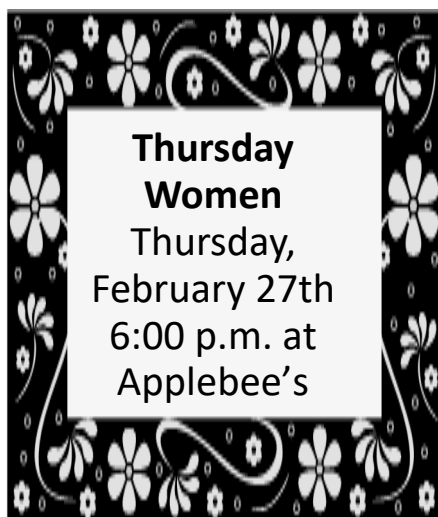


Friday, February 14



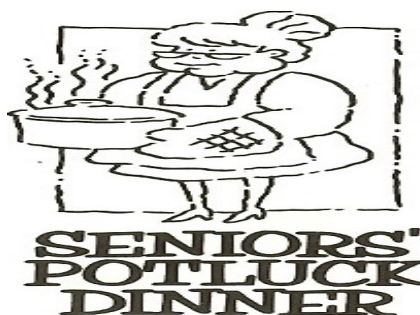
## Men's Fellowship

Thursday, February 27th,  
6:00 p.m. at Colton's  
(This has been changed from  
the previously scheduled  
restaurant for February).



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change please let the  
church office know  
as soon as possible.

If we have return mail on the  
Bluff City Christian it cost the  
church \$0.61 cents per news  
letter. Thank you



Tuesday, February 18th  
in the Fellowship Hall  
Please bring a dish to  
share.

## Christian Women's Fellowship

Thursday, February

20th 1:30 p.m.

Church Parlor

### Hostess:

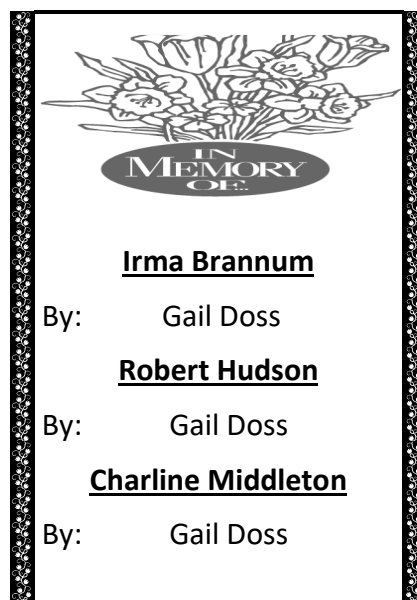
LaVerne Matthews

### Program:

Mary Grobe



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WILL BE CLOSED  
MONDAY FEBRUARY  
17TH FOR PRESIDENTS  
DAY



### Irma Brannum

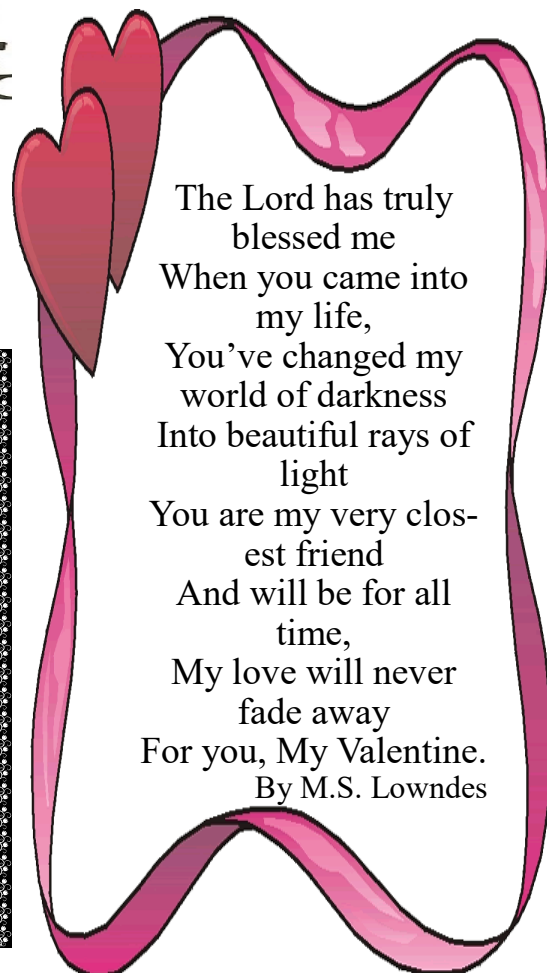
By: Gail Doss

### Robert Hudson

By: Gail Doss

### Charline Middleton

By: Gail Doss



The Lord has truly  
blessed me  
When you came into  
my life,  
You've changed my  
world of darkness  
Into beautiful rays of  
light  
You are my very clos-  
est friend  
And will be for all  
time,  
My love will never  
fade away  
For you, My Valentine.  
By M.S. Lowndes

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ATTENDANCE REPORT	ATTENDANCE REPORT
January 26, 2020	February 2, 2020
ATTENDANCE:	ATTENDANCE:
Worship.....40	Worship.....52
Children's Church.....	Children's Church.....6
TOTAL WORSHIP.....40	TOTAL WORSHIP.....58
SUNDAY SCHOOL	SUNDAY SCHOOL:
Elementary A/B.....5	Elementary A/B.....7
Homebuilders.....6	Homebuilders.....5
Men's Class.....5	Men's Class.....7
Total.....16	Total.....19



SIGNS ALONG THE WAY

Every year Fat Tuesday comes to an abrupt end at mid-night. New Orleans police shut down the Mardi Gras festivities promptly at 12 am in reverence for Ash Wednesday.

The stroke of midnight is the moment Bourbon Street revelers must give it up.

We always think of “giving up” something for Lent.

Some people give up meat. Others give up sweets, or alcohol, or television or social media.

If you want to face a real Lenten challenge try giving up your cell phone for forty days.

But even that might be enough to get you in a true Lenten mood.

Preacher Kimberly Long tells this story at the beginning of one of her Lenten sermons. Entering church on Ash Wednesday, Nora Gallagher encounters a friend who, when asked what she is giving up for Lent, quips: “Anne’s giving up drinking, Terri’s giving up chocolate, and I’m just giving up”

Ever feel like that? “Just giving up”?

“Just give up” was the Pharisee’s advice to Jesus. Herod is after you. He has you marked for death. Get out of town quick. Give up your mission here.

When Jesus heard this warning, he surprises those Pharisees by both disregarding and embracing their message. Jesus dismisses the threat of Herod with a flip and a quip. Herod is nothing but a “sly fox,” Jesus quips, forever plotting but powerless against God’s mission in the world.

Jesus has his own schedule, his own agenda, his own mission to fulfill, and the time-frame has already been divinely determined.


But Jesus also asserts he will give up. Jesus will give himself up. Jesus will travel to Jerusalem and meet head on the traumatic tradition of that city captured in the phrase, “Jerusalem, the city that kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to it.”

In God’s on time, Jesus will give up everything, his very life, in order to fulfill his eternal mission of salvation.

Jesus will “give it up” in order that we might “get it all”

See you Sunday!

Pastor Frank



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Robert Gilbreath, Becky Guerra,

Betty Jackson, Kenny Lack,

Janis Martin, Charlotte McNece,

Roy Parton, Sharon Parton,

Charles Roush, Butch Shackleford,

Dave Skiles, Ramona Sutton,

Norma Stevenson

[Names will remain on our Prayer

Concern list until the Church

Office is notified to remove them.]

Sunday School Perfect

Attendees

January 2020

Pastor Frank

Margie Champion

Doris Chlastak

Bill Clanahan

Gail Doss

Pat Fowler

Kay Gilbreath

Gleta Gorman

Ed Lewis

Jack Maxwell

Lilly Oliver

Eva Kay Smith

