

# Weekly Oakletter

Oaklette United Methodist Church

February 26 2023



Oaklette UMC will meet in person and on Facebook Live at 11:00 am on Sunday, February 26, 2023. The sermon title is "The Prodigal Son: Grace for the Lost." The scripture is Luke 15:11-32 (CEV).



Cynthia West – February 28  
Eric Nathan – February 28  
Kelly Bailey – February 28  
Kady Grace Bailey – March 1  
Grayson Basnight – March 2  
John Gallop VI – March 2  
Bob Bailey – March 3  
Judy Litten – March 3  
Linda Gallop – March 3  
Charlotte Walton – March 4  
Jessica Weifert – March 4



UNITED WOMEN IN FAITH  
WILL MEET AT THE CHURCH  
MARCH 11, 2023 AT 11:00 AM.  
THEN TO  
GOLDEN CORRAL  
FOR LUNCH AT 12:00 PM  
SIGN UP WITH JUDY LITTEN.

## PRAYER CONCERNS

Tyrone Armstrong  
Hannah Bailey  
Elizabeth Bergesen  
Jeanne Barlow & family  
Trudy Bennett  
Don Branstetter (friend  
of Dr. Etheridge)  
Kendall Brodie (8-yr old  
friend of Mrs. Hickman's  
grandson with cancer)  
Sandy Carraway  
Chris Carroll  
Bob Carter  
Judy Carter  
Kent Carter  
Len Carter  
Amy Denton (Erica's  
Friend)  
David Freeman  
Patricia Guthrie (Mildred  
Walling's sister-in-law)  
Doris Wolfe Harlan  
(Phyllis B. Wolf, mother-in-  
law)  
Hope Hodges' family  
Richard Hodsdon

Earl Jenkins (Erica's dad)  
Pat Johnson  
Connie Jones  
Dennis Krupp (friend of Randy  
Story)  
Ann Lee  
Kristie Masters (friend of  
Ethel Hickman)  
Carla McDonald (Ann &  
Jimmy's daughter-in-law)  
Kneeland Nesius (friend of  
Ethel Hickman)  
A. J. Panis (Ethel's friend's  
son)  
David Roach (friend of  
Joann & Randy Story)  
Roman Roughton (Stella  
Price's great grandson)  
Carolyn Smith  
Loretta Smith (Amy's son's  
girlfriend's mother)  
Tara & mother (friend of  
Nancy Helsel)  
Betty Whitehurst  
Monica Whitehurst  
Our Pastor  
Nation, World

### Nursing Home & Long-Term Care Residents

Billy East, Joyce Richwine  
Our Homebound  
Pat Grover, JB McCrickard,  
Jackie Munden, Mamie Whitehurst



To experience genuine human love, to be part of a  
community of love is to experience the presence of  
God.  
- John J. McNeill

**Calendar**

**Sunday, February 26**

9:30 am Sunday School  
(Children's Class Kindergarten & Older)  
To join Dr. Tim's class via Zoom:  
Join Zoom Meeting

<https://zoom.us/j/9274947336>

Meeting ID: 927 494 7336, Passcode: 273082

9:30 am SOTM  
11:00 am Worship in Person & Facebook Live  
(Nursery – Jane Basnight & Linda Tandy)  
3:00 pm Double Dutch Club

**Monday, February 27**

10:00 am-12:00 pm Food Pantry  
(Duane Johnstone & Emma Beggs)  
1:00 pm Green Thumb, History Room  
7:00 pm HRM Band

**Tuesday, February 28**

**Wednesday, March 1**

6:30 pm Choir Practice

**Thursday, March 2**

10:00 am Bible Study  
6:00 pm Friends of Indian River, History Room

**Friday, March 3**

**Saturday, March 4**

**Sunday, March 5**

9:30 am Sunday School  
9:30 am SOTM  
11:00 am Morning Worship in Person  
and Facebook Live  
3:00-5:00 pm Girl Scouts



**WHAT IS WORLD DAY OF PRAYER?**

**Informed prayer. Prayerful action. Imagine Christians from over 170 countries coming together in spirit, uniting on a common day to pray for relevant issues affecting women and children. The World Day of Prayer is celebrated on the first Friday of March.**

**The World Day of Prayer is a global ecumenical movement which brings Christians of many traditions together to observe a common day of prayer each year. Through preparation and participation in the worship service, we can learn how our sisters of other countries, languages and cultures understand the Biblical passages in their context. We can hear their concerns and needs and can join in solidarity with them as we pray with and for them. In this way, it is possible to enrich our Christian faith as it grows deeper and broader in an international, ecumenical expression.**

**The motto of the World Day of Prayer movement is Informed Prayer and Prayerful Action. Through our participation in the World Day of Prayer, we affirm that prayer and action are inseparable and that both have immeasurable influence on the world.**

**PROVE IT!**

**In Jesus Christ Superstar, King Herod mocks the bound prisoner who's brought to his courtyard. "So you are the Christ. You're the great Jesus Christ" he sings. "Prove to me that you're no fool: Walk across my swimming pool!"**

**Likewise, the Pharisees demand evidence that Jesus is speaking for God (see Matthew 12:38). It's easy to poke fun at them, but have you ever faced a tough decision and thought, "If only God would give me a sign"?**

**Jesus tells the religious teachers about the "sign of Jonah," a metaphor for his upcoming death and resurrection. Though it's meant to be a sign for all, not everyone accepts it as truth. Luke 16:31 notes that if the rich man's brothers weren't predisposed to listen to Moses and the prophets, then "they will not be convinced even if someone rises from the dead" (NIV). Signs are useful only to people who accept their messages and act accordingly.**

**- Adapted from The Wired Word**