

The Seed of Joy

Wednesday Evenings
in February - 6:00 pm
East Fellowship Hall



Lent is traditionally a somber season. Easter, on the other hand, is obviously joyful. But in this Lenten series, we observe a joyful lent.

What does it mean to reflect on joy during the quiet melancholy of these forty days? Move beyond the surface assumptions and something beautiful emerges, richer and more nuanced than sheer happiness. A joyful Lent is not an oxymoron. As it turns out, joy is right at home during a minor-key season like Lent - and if joy is there, perhaps there are other seasons of life that joy calls home. Joy is a beacon that points us toward God's unfailing presence, even in the heat of fear and pain. Joy is a challenge to define.

Sometimes it is an emotion;
Sometimes it is a conviction;
Sometimes it is a practice;
Sometimes it seems far off.

This study will explore portions of Paul's letter to the Philippians, a letter that some call "The Joy Way." There we will discover that joy reveals itself in layers, adapting to different life circumstances: sometimes a shout, sometimes a "ho hum." Above all we will discover that joy is not confined by a single definition, assumption, or concept. Rather, we discover joy in God's presence.

Presidents' Day
Church Closed February 19th in observance of President's Day.



Chili COOK-OFF

FEBRUARY 25TH

February 25th following the morning worship service, AB Women will be sponsoring a "Chili Cook-off Fundraiser" to help raise funds for ABW Project. Every year AB Women take on a regionwide "Project" to raise \$30,000 for Central Region projects as well as for AB Women National. See back of this sheet for breakdown of what the funds will be used for this year.

So, you may be asking yourself, how can I be involved? Below is a list of ways to be involved and join in the fun. We would love for everyone to participate.

- Sign up at the Welcome Center or through the app.
- Buy Tickets
Ticket Prices – \$1 per ticket or \$15 for 20 tickets.
- Cost of Meal items
1 Taste = 1 ticket
Toppings = 2 tickets
Bowl of Chili = 3 tickets
1 Slice of Pie = 2 tickets
- Attend event and bring friends.
- Participate in silent auction day of event.
- Don't have a chili recipe, sign-up to bring pie.

If you want to sign up to bring both chili and pie, you are welcome to do both. Advance ticket purchase will begin on February 18th following the morning worship at the table in the foyer. The day of the cook off bring your prepared chili in a crockpot to the east Fellowship Hall. The top 3 chili's

with the most tickets will be awarded a prize on Sunday, March 3rd during worship. AB Women will be providing all toppings and a hot dog option in case chili isn't your "cup of soup".

AB WOMEN 2024 PROJECT

Recipients of Project Monies:

- \$15,000 Cordova Christian Center in Cordova, Alaska
- \$5,000 Redesigning the National ABW website.
- \$4,000 Young Adult Women's Advisory Team (ABWM National)
- \$4,000 ROOTED (Discipleship for Young Women in the CR)
- \$2,000 AB GIRLS of the Central Region

QUESTIONS??? Please see Robin Klein, ABW President.

Love Gift

Love is strong for Love Gift

AB Women's Ministries will emphasize February as Love Gift month. In the foyer you will find a special display, with a February Calendar which includes a fun way to collect Love Gift funds for each day of the month. We invite everyone to participate in this fun activity. In addition to the calendars, each Sunday School class has been invited to participate in a "Change War" with the adults classes against the kids classes. (At the end of the month your Love Gift offering can be returned to the church office or dropped in the offering plate. See Love Gift display in the foyer for Love Gift boxes, envelopes and brochures. Change war winners will be announced March 3rd.)



- 1 Jimmy Clay
- 2 Doris Perkins
Cyndi Peters
- 3 Howard Tuttle
Janette Perkins
- 4 Mary Mercurio
- 5 Stacy Henning
Robin Klein
- 7 Molly Brennaman
- 11 Bob Leath
- 18 Ryan Lingle
- 21 Shirley Keller
Mike Hill
- 24 Joe Slavens
- 25 Marisa Knight

Attendance Morning Worship

1/7	1/14	1/21	1/28
125	Canceled Weather	113	116

February 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 9:15 am - MOPS 6 pm - Finance Comm. Mtg. 7 pm - Pickleball	2 9 am - White Cross 9 am - Deacon Mtg.	3
4 Communion 9:15 am - Sunday School 10:30 am - Morning Worship 12 pm - Evangelism Tm Mtg. 12 pm - Fellowship Comm. Mtg. 4 pm - Youth Group 4:30 pm - Adult Choir Reh. 6 pm - Evening Worship	5 6 pm - Deaconess Tm Mtg 7 pm - Pickleball	6 5 pm - A.C.T.S. Prayer Group, Discipleship Team Mtg	7 9:45 am - Pickleball 5:15 pm - Wed. Evening Meal 5:40 pm - Kids Choir Rehearsal 6 pm - Kids Club, Lenten Bible Study/Prayer Mtg., GriefShare, Youth Group 7 pm - Adult Choir Rehearsal	8 10:30 am - La Leche League 7 pm - Pickleball	9	10 1pm - Game Day Group
11 9:15 am - Sunday School 10:30 am - Morning Worship 4 pm - Youth Super Bowl Party @ Brennaman's 6 pm - Evening Worship	12 9:45 am - Pickleball 7 pm - Pickleball	13 5 pm - A.C.T.S. Prayer Group 6 pm - Trustee Team Mtg.	14 5:15 pm - Wed. Evening Meal 5:40 pm - Kids Choir Rehearsal 6 pm - Kids Club, Lenten Bible Study/Prayer Mtg., GriefShare, Youth Group 7 pm - Adult Choir Rehearsal	15 9:15 am - MOPS 7 pm - Pickleball	16 9 am - White Cross 6 pm - Parent's Night Out	17
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