

Remember in prayer this week:

Sun., Feb. 28	our sister congregations in Circuit 2 and throughout the Southeastern District of the LCMS —their pastors, deacons, teachers, lay leaders, and members — that our Lord continue to gather them together around Word and Sacrament and strengthen their outreach efforts so that they might bless their surrounding neighborhoods with the Good News of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.
Mon., Feb. 29	construction workers, carpenters, painters, masons, plumbers, electricians, carpet installers, mechanics, road crews, demolition experts, and all tradespeople, that they might be fairly compensated for the work of their hands, that God might bless homes, communities, and cities with their unique skills and abilities, and that they would build their lives on Christ the chief cornerstone.
Tues., March 1	those who are affected by natural disasters in our country and around the world, that God might sustain them as they rebuild their communities, that He would heal their memories of trauma and devastation and comfort them in grief and loss, that He might bless the work of relief agencies and all those providing emergency assistance, that He would stir us to give whatever aid we can, and that He would keep our hearts focused on their needs, even after the crises are over.
Wed., March 2	a personal desire to read the Holy Scriptures daily, not out of dread or obligation, but from a Spirit-given longing to meet the Word of God within its words, that we might find guidance as His followers in this world but not of it, and that we might grasp and hold onto the blessed hope we have in Christ our Savior.
Thurs., March 3	those who protect and care for the environment and our natural resources, that those few areas still untouched by human beings be preserved for future generations, that polluted and endangered ecosystems be restored to health for the well-being of all species, that God give us wisdom to keep a proper balance between commerce and conservation, and a renewed awareness of the responsibility we all have as stewards of His creation.
Fri., March 4	those diagnosed with any form of cancer ... that as they absorb the news they might find knowledgeable and compassionate doctors and surgeons who will guide them through the medical options best for them, that they are surrounded by families and friends who will continue to support them throughout their illness, that God would restore them to health, give them an extra measure of strength and perseverance when their energy lessens, and fill them with an increased awareness of His loving presence throughout their treatments.
Sat., March 5	all who are suffering the injustice, confusion, humiliation and pain of abuse – sexual, physical, emotional, psychological, and spiritual— by men and women who have betrayed and violated their trust, that our Lord’s perfect love would drive out fear and anxiety in the midst of their distressing circumstances, that He would give victims the support and courage they need to reveal their struggles, seek out help, and break free of harmful relationships, and that He would grant survivors of abuse hope, healing, and justice.