WEEKDAY WORDS

Thursday, January 30, 2025

AS YOU PRAY

Today we wrap our prayers around the families of the victims of the airplane/helicopter collision last evening in Washington DC. May the victims rest in peace and rise in glory.

You may also pray for: Doris, Jean, Kathy, Paul, and those who are broken-hearted.

THIS SUNDAY

When Faith Formation begins at 9:30 AM, the theme is Jesus' blessing of the children.

PreK Jenelle Pedersen & Acey Sieffert; K–5 Kathy McKenna & Sheri Saddlemire Our adults will continue their discussion of Tracy Kidder's *Rough Sleepers*.

At 10:30, it is Communion Sunday. Cindy Stout and Stefanie Fellows are the Deacon and Trustee for February. Rev. Gary McCaslin has the children's time, and then Kathy Alvord and Claire Menard will provide nursery care. During the service, we will dedicate new leaders and give a cross to our newest Deacon, Ashley Cornwell. Scripture includes Jeremiah 4:1-8, I Corinthians 13 and the choir's anthem is "The Gift of Love". We hope you will stay afterward for coffee and conversation, hosted by Sheri Saddlemire and Susan Wilson. If you cannot attend in person, find our worship service live stream on Facebook, YouTube or at <u>www.homercc.com</u>

ANNUAL MEETING WRAP-UP

Our worshipful work began at 10 AM last Sunday. Highlights included:

- A look back at our ministry in 2024. Our God-given gifts were used well!
- We thanked our leaders who are moving off of committees, including Lori Schmidt who has been chair of the Deacons these last several years.
- The Trustees worked hard to care for our building and grounds, including the removal of asbestos in the basement. Many thanks to Russ Pedersen for coordinating the entire project.
- Budgets were approved ensuring our plans for children and youth ministry, a facelift on the RFR bathrooms, and continued outreach to the wider community.
- We are grateful to Moderator Jim McKenna, Church Clerk Kathy McKenna, and Parliamentarian Buzz Harrington.

Responding to the Wildfires

We continue to receive a special offering in response to the horrific wildfires in California. This will be our final Sunday to receive your gifts. Make your checks payable to Homer Congregational Church with "CA Wildfires" in the memo. Our Mission Committee plans to match our offering with funds from the Dorothy Jane Andrews Fund.

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

- 2 Lloyd Gmoser
- 3 Matthew Dentes
- 5 Miles Faulkenbury
- 6 Ron Musson
- 7 Julie Freeman

- 11 Jim Rogers
- 12 Sheri Saddlemire
- 15 Jaff Harris
- 28 Becky Jones