

# Ayden Christian Church NEWSLETTER

2023  
FEBRUARY

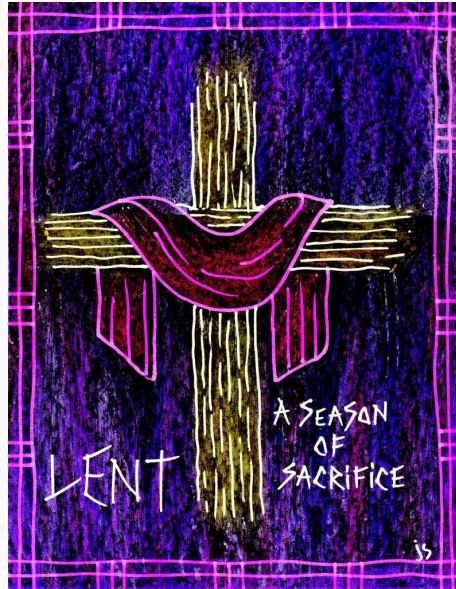
Wednesday, February 22

From the Pastors

**Faithful Obedience -  
Jesus is tempted.**

**Matthew 4:1-11  
The Temptation of Jesus**

“Then Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. He fasted for forty days and forty nights, and afterwards he was famished. The tempter came and said to him, ‘If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread.’ But he answered, ‘It is written,



“One does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.”

Then the devil took him to the holy city and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, saying to him, ‘If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down; for it is written,

“He will command his angels concerning you”, and “On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.”

Jesus said to him, ‘Again it is written,

“Do not put the Lord your God to the test.”

Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendour; and he said to him, ‘All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me.’ So Jesus said to him, ‘Away with you, Satan! for it is written,

“Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him.”

Then the devil left him, and suddenly angels came and waited on him.”

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**Pastors’ Office Hours:**

**Sunday**

**11am-1pm**

**Church Office Hours:**

**Monday - Thursday**

**8am-2pm**

**Friday**

**8am - 12pm**

**Link of the week:**

**Week of  
Compassion**

**[https://  
www.weekofcompa  
ssion.org/2023.html](https://www.weekofcompassion.org/2023.html)**



Questions to ponder; Are we willing to sacrifice ourselves for Christ? How will we fight? What armor will we wear? Jesus gave us a roadmap. He was tempted by Satan so many times. Yet he was steadfast and unmovable. As we enter into this season of Lent, we often give up certain things. Whatever they are, pray when you are tempted, and remember Christ's sacrifice. Remember his words, "it is written man shall not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God." When I am tempted, I pray these words:

Guide me, O Thou great Jehovah,  
Pilgrim through this barren land;  
I am weak, but Thou art mighty,  
Hold me with Thy pow'rful hand.  
Bread of heaven, Bread of heaven,  
Feed me till I want no more.

Lord, please prepare our hearts for this Lenten season; to be thankful, to reflect, to repent, to be hopeful, and help us renew our relationship with you. Amen.

God has your hand dance with him! Guidance = God U I DANCE

**Blessings,  
Pastor Marilyn**

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## Thank You

Dear ACC,

We cannot thank you enough for your kindness and generosity during the loss of our loved one. Our meal was absolutely delish and we will forever be grateful for your LOVE. ♡

Wainright Family

*Thank  
You*

## Women's Conference - A Day Apart Retreat

There will be a women's conference at Camp Caroline on March 10-11. Registration Deadline is March 7. (flyer attached)

## Online Donations

ACC is now able to accept online donations through Zelle. Send to email address [aydencfinance@gmail.com](mailto:aydencfinance@gmail.com). See Emme Wainright for questions and assistance.

**Zelle:** <https://www.zellepay.com/>



## Offering Envelopes

McDaniel Envelope Company estimates the 2023 offering envelopes will arrive sometime this month.

# Opportunities This Week

## Ash Wednesday Service

Wednesday night, we will have a combined Ash Wednesday service at Red Oak Christian Church. For those who signed up for the Pancake Supper, it starts at 5:30. The service begins at 6:30, with Mike Goff preaching. Join us for a time of fellowship and reflection.



## Adult Sunday School

The adult Sunday School Class invites you to join them on Sunday morning at 9:00 am in Johnson Hall.

## Sunday Morning Worship Service

Come worship with us Sunday morning at 10am! For those who are not able to attend, find us on Facebook for a live stream.

## Youth Church

We welcome all youth in grades K-8 to worship the Lord in a "youthful" setting after Children's Minute during the regular church service.

## Week of Compassion Offering

As the relief, refugee, and development mission fund of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), Week of Compassion works with partners to alleviate suffering throughout the world, with a vision of a world where God's people transform suffering into hope. We will accept offerings Feb 19 and 26. We have offering boxes available for pickup at the back of the sanctuary.



## Choir Practice

Choir practice will follow the worship service on Sunday. Come sing with us!



## Prayer and Bible Study Group



The Prayer & Bible Study Group meets on Tuesdays at 1:00 pm in Beland Hall. Everyone is welcome.

## Dates to Remember



## February

- 22 - Tommy Stencil
- Ash Wednesday Pancake Supper and Service at Red Oak CC
- 26 - Week of Compassion Offering ends

## March

- 5 - Kolby Wainright
- 6 - Nathan & Shannon Wainright
- 10 - A Day Apart Retreat day 1
- 11 - Greg & Cindy Rhue
- A Day Apart Retreat day 2
- 12 - Board Meeting
- 20 - Thomas Tyson
- 22 - Elizabeth Gunst
- David & Melissa Johnson
- 24 - Phyllis Newman
- 25 - Linwood Allegood
- 27 - Steve & Becky McLawhorn
- 31 - Roy & Patty Richardson

*Please submit all items for next week's newsletter no later than Tuesday at 12 pm.*

# Serving Schedule

*If you are unable to serve, please find a replacement and let the church office know. We like to have the correct names in the bulletin.*

## **This Week (February 26)**

- \* A/V: Sadie Horton, Trey Horton
- \* Acolyte: Reed Hardee
- \* Children's Minute: Lou Anne Sutton
  - \* Scripture: Matthew 4:1-11
  - \* Title: "Faithful Obedience - Jesus Is Tempted"
  - \* Keep it 5 minutes or less
- \* Elders: Linwood Allegood, M.C. "Bear" Baldree
- \* Greeters: Gaye Morgan, Emme Wainright
- \* Mic Runner: Marena Ausbon
- \* Minister: Rev. Marilyn Williams
- \* Worship Leader: Sarah Taylor
- \* Worship Rep: Steve McLawhorn

## **Next Week (March 5)**

- \* A/V: Sadie Horton, Trey Horton
- \* Acolyte: Easton Ausbon
- \* Children's Minute: Jennifer Hardee
- \* Elders: Marena & Todd Ausbon
- \* Greeters: Reed Hardee, Ryan Hardee
- \* Mic Runner: Steve McLawhorn
- \* Minister: TBA
- \* Worship Leader: Lou Anne Sutton
- \* Worship Rep: Tommy Stancil

## **Service Chairs for February**

- \* Alice Huggins, Denelle Roberson

## **Service Chairs for March**

- \* Brooks Buck, Sandy Spence