



1 John 4:19 ~
We love because He first loved us

JESUS  **LOVES YOU.**

February 2026

- ◆ **Sunday, February 1 ~** Sunday School 9:45 AM, Church Service 11:00 AM, Observance of the Lord's Supper, No Evening Service
- ◆ **Wednesday, February 4 ~** Prayer Meeting/Bible Study 11:00 AM
- ◆ **Sunday, February 8 ~** Sunday School 9:45 AM, Church Service 11:00 AM, No Evening Service
- ◆ **Wednesday, February 11 ~** Prayer Meeting/Bible Study 11:00 AM
- ◆ **Saturday, February 14 ~** Deacon's Widow/Widower's Valentine Lunch 2:00 PM
- ◆ **Sunday, February 15 ~** Sunday School 9:45 AM, Church Service 11:00 AM, Children/Youth to Orlando's, No Evening Service
- ◆ **Tuesday, February 17 ~** WFC 10:00 AM
- ◆ **Wednesday, February 18 ~** Prayer Meeting/Bible Study 11:00 AM
- ◆ **Sunday, February 22 ~** Sunday School 9:45 AM, Church Service 11:00 AM, No Evening Service
- ◆ **Wednesday, February 25 ~** Prayer Meeting/Bible Study 11:00 AM

HAPPY
Valentine's Day

From The Pastor's Pen

Following the driveway, it was an eighth of a mile to the mailbox. It was less out across the pasture if one drew a straight line. The water line lay in a straight line. That water line! It lay just a few inches under the surface. During the 100-degree-plus summers, the water was too hot to drink! We would learn to use ice — all the time.

Nevertheless, on that cold March morning in 1979, the lack of water was not a good omen. At first, I thought a pipe had frozen, but it was just in the high thirties. I got into the truck and drove down through the pasture. Near the gate, I could see the water puddling and running off. I got out and turned the water off at the meter. Then I called the water co-op.

They got there about an hour later and reported that “The leak was on my side of the meter.” Said the man, “It looks like a cow stepped on the concrete housing and broke the PVC pipe at the meter.” That was precisely what had happened. I called another seminary student who knew what he was doing, and together, we fixed the line.

So many things can stop water from flowing to a house. Pipes can certainly freeze — if they are not protected from cold weather. Some of you have experienced that. Pipes can corrode and eventually stop up. Others of you have experienced that. Cows can step on the line or the meter box — and break the lines. (I'll bet that few of you have experience with that!) Unfortunately, I have had that happen three times through the years!

When you became a Christian, among the many blessings that you received was a “prayer pipe line” to the Father. Through it, you can speak with the Father and listen to him. Unlike any steel or PVC pipe, it will NEVER break. It can clog up, however. “How?” you may ask.

It can clog up with sin. Big sins and little sins — they're all the same. Suppose they are allowed to remain. When they are allowed to collect, they hinder our prayer life. When a water line clogs, we must call a plumber to unclog it—or replace it. In the “prayer pipeline,” all we need to do is to ***“Confess our sins to Him. He is faithful and righteous to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.”*** [See 1 John 1:9] That's GREAT news for us.

The sad part of this is that many fail to realize that unconfessed sins really do hurt and hinder us. Many have the mistaken idea that just a little sin doesn't really hurt.

But it does.

Pastor Calvin



February Birthdays

Abram Salinas	February 10
Pitty Torrance	February 25
Mary Snider	February 26
Ron Waddle	February 26

