

Sunday Worship 8:30am & 10am

FEBRUARY 2026  
NEWSLETTER

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## *A Letter From The Senior Pastor* BY REV. BOB KEMP-BAIRD

Dear Friends,

As we settle into 2026, we continue to see God at work through the ministry of the Drive In Church. What a joy and a blessing it has been to welcome so many during this "Snowbird Season," with visitors joining us from near and far. Your presence enriches our worship, and your support—especially your prayers throughout the year—means more than you know.

In the weeks ahead, we will enter the sacred season of Lent. Lent is a time of intentional spiritual preparation as we move toward the celebration of Easter, proclaiming the hope of the Resurrection and new life in Christ. For many, this season includes practices of letting go—through sacrifice—or taking on new rhythms of growth, all as a way of honoring Christ's sacrifice and deepening our walk with God.

This year's Lenten Worship Series invites us to reflect on **God's Covenant and Our Calling**. Each week, we will explore how God's promises and provision empower us to respond with a faithful and wholehearted "yes." Together, we will journey from the beginnings of covenant all the way to the cross.

You are invited to read and reflect on the following themes and scriptures in preparation for worship each Sunday during Lent:

- **February 22** - The First Turning - Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7
- **March 1** - A New Beginning - John 3:1-17
- **March 8** - Water in the Wilderness - Exodus 17:1-7
- **March 15** - Sight Restored - John 9:1-41
- **March 22** - Can These Bones Live? - Ezekiel 37:1-14

I look forward to journeying with you through this holy season as we prepare—heart, soul, mind, and strength—for the new thing God is doing in us and in our church. As the prophet Isaiah reminds us, "See, I am doing a new thing! Now it springs up; do you not perceive it? I am making a way in the wilderness and streams in the wasteland."

Blessings,  
Rev. Bob

## IMPORTANT DATES

2/16 Elders Meeting 6:30pm

2/18 Stewardship Meeting 4pm

2/18 Board Meeting 6:30pm

2/19 Youth Group 6:30-8pm

2/21 Bereavement Support  
Series begins 10-11:30am  
for 6 weeks

3/7 Birthday Lunch Bunch  
Texas Roadhouse 11:30am

3/8 Daylight Savings Time

3/8-27 Easter Candy Drive

MONTH OF FEBRUARY  
SOUP-er FOOD DRIVE

# LENT

*Fast*

*Pray*

*Give*

Begins 2/18/2026



# News you can use from your Associate Pastor

BY REV. MELISSA FRANTZ

As we prepare to enter the holy season of **Lent** this Wednesday, we're invited once again into a time of reflection, renewal, and re-commitment. Lent has always been a season that calls us to return to God with our whole hearts—to examine how we're living, to deepen our faith practices, and to offer ourselves in ways that bring life to others.

One of the most tangible ways we live out that call is through stewardship. We believe that stewardship—our giving to God—touches every part of life. It's more than financial generosity; it's the daily practice of offering ourselves fully to God and using all that God entrusts to us with gratitude and purpose. Giving is an act of worship, an expression of faith, and a pathway to spiritual growth.

As you consider your own Lenten practices this year, you might find that serving is one of the most meaningful ways to draw closer to God. Our congregation offers many opportunities to share your gifts, strengthen community, and bless our neighbors. If you're looking for a place to begin—or to begin again—here are a few ministries where your presence can make a real difference:

- **Hope Place Feeding Team** Join a dedicated group of volunteers who prepare and package a fresh community meal for 200–300 people on the first Wednesday of each month. To learn more, email [office@driveinchurch.net](mailto:office@driveinchurch.net) and Cindy will follow up with details.
- **Communion & Bulletin Prep Team** Each Thursday at 9:00 a.m. in Friendship Hall (Building E), volunteers gather to prepare communion for Sunday worship. It's a meaningful ministry of hospitality and new helpers are always welcome.
- **Drive In Church Choir** If you love to sing, consider joining the choir - all skill levels are welcome. Rehearsals are Tuesday evenings at 7:00 p.m. in the upper level of the Altar Building (Building A). For more information, contact our Music Directors, Paul Sowers ([glassmonkeyface@gmail.com](mailto:glassmonkeyface@gmail.com)) or Karen Jones ([karenlj32@gmail.com](mailto:karenlj32@gmail.com)).
- **Weed Warriors** For those who enjoy being outdoors, our grounds always need a caring touch. Stop by anytime to help keep our campus beautiful.
- **Sunday School Teachers** We're seeking caring adults who feel called to share the love of Jesus with our children and youth on a rotating schedule. If you sense God nudging you toward this ministry, call the church office and let's talk about it!
- **Worship Leaders** If you'd like to read scripture and lead the congregation in prayer during a Sunday service, you can sign up on our app or our website for a date that works well for you.

As Lent begins, may we each listen for the ways God is inviting us to grow—through prayer, through reflection, and through the joyful offering of our time and gifts. Thank you for the many ways you continue to support and strengthen the ministries of the Drive-In Christian Church. It is a blessing to walk this journey of faith with you.

## Lenten Sermon Series beginning next Sunday

*"Covenant & Calling"*

A Lenten journey through  
God's promises & our response



Daylight  
Savings  
Time  
March 8<sup>th</sup>

Renew Recovery Cafe's

**SHOE  
DRIVE**

**Donate your gently  
worn or new shoes  
to someone who  
could use them**

All sizes & styles welcome

Thru  
2/19



Drop into the box INSIDE  
the Friendship Hall Building

## All February Long!



*SOUP*er  
Food Drive



### ITEMS NEEDED

- **Canned Vegetables**
- **Canned Fruit**
- **Canned Soup**
- **Canned Meats**
- **Canned Beans**
- **Pork & Beans**
- **Spaghetti Sauce**  
(no glass jars)
- **Cereal**
- **Pasta**
- **Rice**
- **Boxed Mac & Cheese**
- **Peanut Butter**
- **Jelly or Jam**  
(No Glass Jars)

**Benefiting the Port Orange Food  
Pantry @ Grace Episcopal church**