



**Sunday:** 02-11-2024  
9:30 AM Worship (*nursery with Jeremy & Samantha Morris*)  
Communion  
5:00 PM Trustee Meeting

**Tuesday:** 02-13-2024  
7:30 AM Men's Bible Study at the VW Hospital Cafeteria  
7:00 PM Women's Bible Study

**Thursday:** 02-15-2024  
Noon Van Wert County Prayer Meeting at Good Shepherd Nazarene Church, 1145 W. Main St., in Van Wert.

**Sunday:** 02-18-2024  
9:30 AM Worship (*nursery with Michael & Lindsay Breese*)  
10:45 AM Session Meeting

**Announcements:**

John Lloyd has moved to room 13 at the Hearth and Home Retirement Home.

Please sign up for the new **2024 Flower Calendar**.

**St. David's Day** will be celebrated on March 3<sup>rd</sup>, and it is requested to wear yellow during the service.

For our offering to the Salvation Army in February, they have requested **canned meat**.

Please take photos and contribute recipes, thoughts, and ideas for the **March newsletter**. Submit them to [secretary@saalemchurch.cc](mailto:secretary@saalemchurch.cc).

**Upcoming Birthdays**

12 <sup>th</sup> Madison Pugh	13 <sup>th</sup> Audrey McCollow	15 <sup>th</sup> Gabrielle Lloyd
16 <sup>th</sup> Jeff Lloyd	16 <sup>th</sup> Scott Lloyd	18 <sup>th</sup> Marylin Foust

**Upcoming Anniversaries**

15 <sup>th</sup> Brian & April Ellerbrock	15 <sup>th</sup> John C. & Anne Morris
22 <sup>nd</sup> Dave & Ann Ree	



**2<sup>nd</sup> Kings 2:1-12**

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**Prayer Concerns:**

Josh Archinal (recovering from car accident)  
Cindy (Davis) Barnes (liver transplant)  
Sara Beeks (heart)  
Charles Boroff (heart issue)  
Jason Boyd (terminal cancer)  
Dave Burnett (heart issues)  
Kim Coil (foot surgery)  
Pastor Tom Emery (long Covid healing)  
Marjorie Eutsler  
Corbin Evans (car accident)  
Ellen Friesner  
Shana Fryer  
Stephanie Gamble (eye issues)  
Jane Harter  
Jerry & Elizabeth Holscher  
Pat Hunt (breast cancer)  
Barb Kimmet  
John Lloyd  
David Morris (Zeb)  
Patti Poling (pancreatic cancer)  
Paul & Doris Price  
Ann Rees (in Van Wert Hearth & Home)  
Kristy Ringwald (adenoid cystic carcinoma)  
Evelyn Schwartz  
Derek Sellers (Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy)  
Phillip Winfield (brain tumor)  
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### TEACHING POINTS

*First. We should live for the life to come.*

*Second. We have a present life to live.*

*Third. We should live in the face of death.*

### THIS WEEK'S MEMORY PASSAGE

*<sup>11</sup> As they were walking along and talking, suddenly a chariot of fire appeared, drawn by horses of fire. It drove between the two men, separating them, and Elijah was carried by a whirlwind into heaven (2 Kings 2:11 NLT).*

### ACTION POINT

In conducting his duties, Elijah had no fear of death, and when his time had ended, God received him into heaven without dying. He reappears later in scripture on the Mount of Transfiguration and in the Book of Revelation as one of the two Chapter 11 prophets calling for repentance before God's coming judgment. The chariot event was a preview of the later resurrection of Jesus Christ. Just as Jesus ascended to heaven with His body and soul, so we believers will also be raised as promised by Christ: "I tell you the truth, anyone who believes has eternal life" (John 6:47 NLT). The prophet's cloak was not merely a piece of clothing, but it was also a symbol of a prophetic task still to be completed by Elisha. We, too as followers of Christ, also have a mission to do for God during our lives; that mission is to live as Christ followers and to tell the world about Jesus' free offer of eternal life.

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