



The Beacon

The Newsletter of
Pine Street Baptist Church
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Lent is the annual period of Christian observance that precedes Easter. The dates of Lent are defined by the date of Easter, which is a moveable feast, meaning that it falls on a different date each year. Lent begins on Ash Wednesday and its observance last 40 days, mirroring the 40 days Jesus spent fasting in the wilderness before starting his ministry. It can also be seen to mirror the 40 hours that Jesus spent in the tomb prior to his resurrection.

Lent is a penitential period, involving the dual disciplines of abstinence and fasting. During Lent many Christians commit to fasting or giving up certain foods, habits or luxuries - for example meat, cakes and sweets, alcohol, smoking - for its duration (the money saved is often then donated to charity). This is done both as a form of penitence and as a spiritual tool to tame the body and 'sharpen the spirit' for prayer, reflection and contemplation in preparation for the celebration of Easter.

Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper

February 13 @ 6:00 PM

\$6 per adult, \$12
per family



Ash
Wednesday
Worship
February 14
@ 6:30 PM



New Bibles for the Sanctuary Sunday, February 11



The church will be placing new Bibles in the sanctuary on February 11. The Bibles are a gift from Grace Baptist Church. The new Bibles are the New International Version and they are large print.

The current Bibles will be available if you would like one. The rest will be given to another church or organization that can use them in their ministry.

February Birthdays

- 3: Carissa Downer
- 6: Russell Walz
Jessi Vaught
- 8: Gerika Phillips
- 10: Rose Floyd
- 11: Hope Powers
- 20: Angie Hall Guill
- 21: Virginia Snellings

Anniversaries

- 25: Mr and Mrs. Raleigh Robinson



General Fund Budget Update through January 21.

Budget Needed to Date: \$7,929
Given to date: \$8,036



PHONE TREE



Gifted to Serve

Check out the new Ministry Board on the first floor to see how you can plug in and even create new ministries for the church. We are gifted and we are all called to serve!

The church has begun to use an automatic phone tree to contact its members. The service allows us to send one message to our members at the same time.

It will be used to share important information, closings, and emergency prayer requests. Your caller ID should display the call as Pine Street Baptist Church. It has already been used a couple of times. If you did not receive the call then please contact the church office.

