

The Weekly Update

FEBRUARY 6, 2026



TOWN HALL MEETING

FEBRUARY 15TH BETWEEN SERVICES

We will hold a Town Hall Meeting on Sunday, February 15, between services. All members are encouraged to attend and take part in the conversation.

We will be sharing 2025 year-end financial updates as well as an update from the Implementation Team regarding the painting portion of our This is Home special appeal campaign.

ROOTED SUNDAYS THIS SUNDAY!

- MUSIC
- BIBLE STORIES
- GAMES
- FOOD

THIS IS AN INTERACTIVE EXPERIENCE LED BY ONE OF OUR MEMBERS SHARING THEIR GIFTS WITH THE YOUNGER GENERATION. EACH MONTH OUR CHILDREN WILL EXPERIENCE THE BIBLICAL FOUNDATIONS THROUGH HANDS ON FUN ACTIVITIES.

Gift Share – What's It All About?



What is Gift Share?

This is a brand-new ministry at Cross & Crown, led by church member Sabina "Beanie" Bragg—and it's all about sharing gifts, creativity, and care.

Who is Gift Share For?

Gift Share offers adults with disabilities a welcoming space to build social skills, explore vocational interests, and express themselves through art therapy and gift basket assembly. The handmade gift baskets are then delivered to members of our wider community who could use a little encouragement and a reminder that they are cared for. Gift Share is open to any adult who may benefit from vocational exploration and creative expression!

Ready to Join in? Here's When & Where Gift Share Meets!

Tuesdays and Thursdays, 10:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m. in Room 105 downstairs

How Can I Help Make Gift Share Happen?

We would love volunteers with experience in art instruction, vocational training, or other helpful skills. Donations are also welcome—especially lightly used wicker baskets and extra ribbon. If you'd like to volunteer or donate materials, please reach out to bragg.sabina@gmail.com, or just click the button below! We'd love you to be part of this joyful, caring ministry!

Want to Learn More?

We will be having an information session on Sunday, following the 10:15 am service. We hope you will join us and learn about this amazing opportunity!

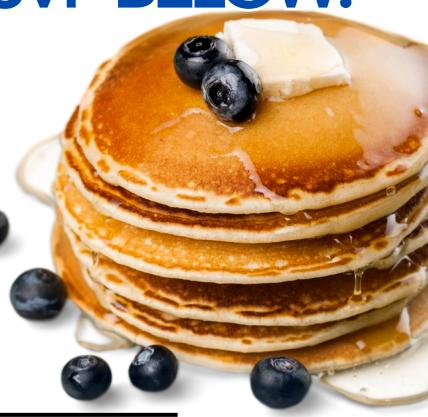
C&C Youth PANCAKE FUNDRAISER

RSVP BELOW!

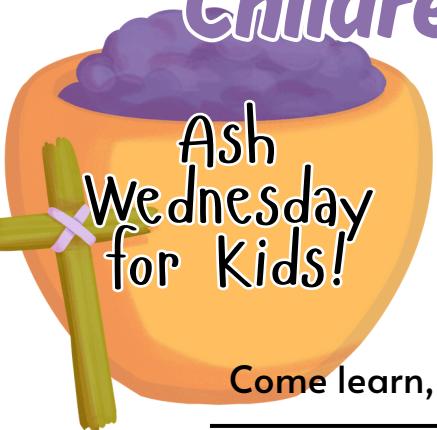
Enjoy a delicious stack of pancakes and celebrate with festive Mardi Gras spirit—all while helping our youth make a difference through service and outreach this summer. Join us for a fun and flavorful Mardi Gras-themed Pancake Dinner on February 17 at 6pm to support our youth as they raise funds for their Summer Mission Trip! Bring your family, invite your friends, and come hungry! Your support helps our youth grow in faith, service, and community.

February 17 6 pm

Gluten Free & Vegan options will be available!



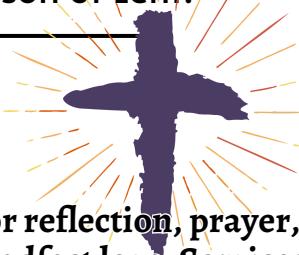
Children's Ash Wednesday Service



Ash Wednesday marks the beginning of Lent—but it can be a little tricky for young children to understand. That's why we're offering a hands-on worship experience designed especially for children and their families.

Join us **Tuesday, February 17 at 6:45 pm** for an interactive, welcoming service that helps kids explore what Ash Wednesday means in an age-appropriate way. This service is geared toward preschool through 3rd grade, with parents and caregivers invited to participate alongside their children.

Come learn, wonder, and worship together as we begin the season of Lent.

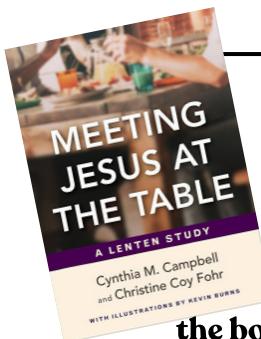


Ash Wednesday Worship

Ash Wednesday, February 18 marks the beginning of the season of Lent—a time for reflection, prayer, and renewal. Join us for worship as we remember our need for grace and God's steadfast love. Services will include scripture, prayer, music, communion and the imposition of ashes.

Noon & 7:00 PM Services

Whether you are beginning Lent intentionally or simply seeking a moment of stillness in a busy world, you are welcome here. All are welcome.



Congregational Lent Study: Meeting Jesus at the Table

This Lent, we invite you to gather around the table—both literally and spiritually—as we journey together through the season of Lent. Our congregational study will be based on the book *Meeting Jesus at the Table* by Cynthia Campbell and Christine Fohr, which explores the many ways Jesus meets people through meals, hospitality, and shared stories.

Together, we'll reflect on how these table encounters shape our faith and invite us into deeper community, grace, and discipleship. Whether you're new to Bible study or a longtime participant, this study offers meaningful conversation and thoughtful reflection for all. More information to come about all the Lenten offers. Pick up your book today at church (\$10) or buy it on your own.

Come hungry for connection, conversation, and spiritual nourishment as we walk through Lent together.

**Our mid-week Lenten services will begin at 6:45 pm,
Wednesdays Feb. 25, Mar. 4, 11, 18 & 25.**

Women's Spiritual Retreat 2026

Step away from the noise of everyday life and join us for a soul-refreshing weekend designed just for women. This retreat is a sacred space to rest, reflect, and reconnect with God and one another as we explore the truth of Psalm 139—that you are known, loved, and wonderfully made by God.

Scholarships and payment plans are available!

We don't want finances to be a barrier—please reach out for details.

Cost:
• \$200 per person – shared room
• \$350 per person – single room

Through worship, music, teaching, quiet reflection, and meaningful fellowship, you'll be encouraged to embrace your God-given identity and walk away renewed in spirit and purpose.

**Register by March 6, 2026 to reserve your spot.
Space is limited, so don't wait!**

Use the link below!

Pinkies Up, Ladies! It's Tea Party Time!

In celebration of International Women's Day, the C&C Women's Ministry will be hosting a special Women & Wine: Tea Party Edition with tea, scones, and refreshments! Join us, Saturday, March 7th from 2:00pm – 4:00pm at Cross & Crown in the Fellowship Hall. We'll enjoy fun trivia, conversation topics and there will be a door prize raffle! Because all the refreshments are provided there is no need for you to bring a dish or beverage to share; instead, we would gratefully accept a \$10 contribution which you can pay in advance or at the event. Please RSVP using the link provided so we can get an accurate head count for refreshments and also disclose any dietary needs you may have so we can ensure a proper assortment of goodies is provided.



PRAYER list...

MEMBERS:

JEANETTE ABBOTT KATHI & FRANK MACARINE
 JENNY BOOTH LORI MEATH
 JUNE BROOKS TILLER FAMILY
 JIM BURNS JOE & CRISS UCMAN
 DENNIS DOWNEY DAWN WATTS
 LINDA FARIES JD WINFREY

FAMILY & FRIENDS:

Kenneth Ackerman, Larry Pool's brother-in-law
 Kristi Alary, Julie Moffat's sister
 Sidney Ames, Susan Arcuri's sister
 Scott Anderson, friend of the Ucmans
 John Bailey, Russ Bailey's father
 Andrew Bernauer, son of Wayne & Rosemary Bernauer
 Jim Carty, Suzy Wleznak's brother
 Joann Church, Behzad Vaqar's mother
 Drude Corbet, Angelina Corbet's brother
 Ruth Deal
 Rick, Debbie & Jason Eldridge, friends of
 Vivian Farland
 Reid Evans, friend of Barbara Maillet
 Brad Faries, Barry & Linda Faries' son
 Owen Farr, Julie Wright's grandson
 Lily Ferrulli, Joann Ferrulli's granddaughter
 Dorothy Henke, Lisa Roth's mother
 Portia Hutchinson, friend of Felicia Eybl
 Will Jacobs, friend of the Macarine's being
 deployed
 Jim Kozlinski, Cathy Kozlinski's husband
 Jan Knutson, Jerry Putnam's sister
 Mark & Ellen Kramm, friends of Jill Jurgensen
 Helen Laatz, sister-in-law of Leslie Laatz
 Randy LaMere, Jennifer LaMere's father
 Madsen family, friends of Joe & Criss Ucman
 Marylou, friend of Annette Downey
 Jeanne Maylor, Denise Bratschie's friend
 Ted Meiss, Christine Meiss' husband
 Alice Louise (Lou) Miller, Criss Ucman's cousin
 Gary Mintz, friend of David & Debra Cox & Felicia Eybl
 Matt Moulton, Tom & Janis Dorsey's nephew
 Fred Olafson, friend of the congregation
 Brian Orton
 Nga Pace, Yen Forsblom's sister
 Olivia Reardon, daughter of Barry & Linda Faries' friends
 Sameer Saproo, Teri Strom's nephew-in-law
 Nancy Scholhammer, friend of Susan Arcuri
 Derek & Smith & family, Roger & Debbie Black's
 daughter & son-in-law
 Sherrill & Patricia Tucker, Donna Tucker's parents
 Joanne Varnum, friend of Joe & Criss Ucman
 Haley White, Barbara Maillet's granddaughter
 Lucas White, Barbara Maillet's grandson

Anyone else
 ready for
 Spring?



CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Monday: 8:30 am - 2 pm Thursday: 8:30 am - 2 pm
 Tuesday: 8:30 am - 2 pm Friday: 8:30 am - 2 pm
 Wednesday: Church Office closed, phone lines & office email is
 open & replied to between 8:30 am - 5 pm.

2025 CHURCH COUNCIL MEMBERS

Felicia Eybl- President Todd Atwood
 Chris Frisina- Vice President Katie Goode
 Jason Roberge- Secretary Jerry Putnam
 Ann Whitener

Happy Birthday

Davoren Kirk	FEB. 6
Jennifer La Mere	FEB. 7
Lori Meath	FEB. 8
Dagny White	FEB. 10
Peggy Downs	FEB. 12
Garry Rudolph	FEB. 12

Oops! Did we miss your birthday?
 Please let us know so we can add
 you to our list!



February 11

Ham & Swiss Casserole

A hearty, comforting casserole made with savory ham, melted Swiss cheese, and a creamy baked sauce.

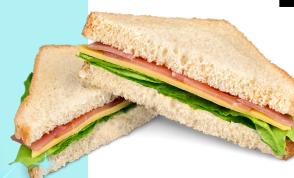
Sides: Garden Salad, Rolls & Dessert



Wednesday Night Happenings

Good food, good conversation,
 & community!

Single \$7
 Kids (ages 4-10) \$3
 Families \$25
 (AGES 0-3) FREE!



Operation Sandwich

February 15th
 following the late service
 ALL ARE WELCOME TO HELP!

Collection for Our Furry Friends

In February, Community Care is collecting pet supplies for the Humane Society of Charlotte!

Drop off dog or cat beds, food, toys, collars, treats, and more in the Narthex bins. Kids are invited to bring quarters to "feed" the dog and cat banks (earned through chores or good deeds), and adults can join the fun too! The banks will be out after the 10:15 a.m. service throughout February. All supplies and donations will be given to the Humane Society.



Our last collection Sunday
 is March 1st.

Coming up this week...

Monday, Feb. 9. - 7:30 pm- Women's Bible Study
 Tuesday, Feb. 10- 9 am- Squares of Love Quilting
 12 pm- Staff Meeting
 6:30 pm- Table Talk
 Wednesday, Feb. 11- 6 pm- Wednesday Night Happenings Dinner
 6:45 pm- Handbells
 7:30 pm- Choir
 Thursday, Feb. 12- 7:45 am- Men's Bible Study
 7 pm- Miriam Circle
 Friday, Feb. 13- 4:25 pm- Walking Club