

Holland Church Where you find family



Almost 230 years after Christ's death and resurrection our history experienced the mission and death of Saint Valentine. It is around 268A.D. and the Roman Emperor Claudius has made it a law that young men are not to marry. He believes that they will fight with more abandon in war (Battle of Naissus) if they don't have a wife and family to worry about. This results in a culture that becomes more and more vile. Polygamy runs rampant. What is a young Christian person who wants to "tie the knot" supposed to do? This is where the true history behind St. Valentine comes from.

St. Valentine secretly married and ministered to couples in discrete locations so the Roman soldiers would not find out. He put his life on the line to help unite men and women in marriage and keep them away from sinful lifestyles. He did this for years, all hidden from the eye of Emperor Claudius. Unfortunately, he was found out. Claudius demanded that he recant his beliefs and become a loyal Roman citizen, but Valentine stood strong and because of that was put to death.

Before he died, he sent letters out to his friends, many of which he had the chance to secretly marry, and asked them to pray for him and all the Christians in Rome. He urged them to keep their marriages sacred and focused on Christ. He closed each letter with these words, "Remember your Valentine." He was killed on the 14th of February in 270A.D. This is why we celebrate each year on that day. "writing from Peter Baye King of King Church Omaha with some corrections from Pastor Anthony." God Bless,

Pastor Anthony, Holland Church Sunday Worship is at 9:30

Wednesday Nights Alive meal at 6:10 p.m.

Wednesday: Bible Study for 3 years –12 grade 6:10-7:30 p.m. Youth Group meets. Men's Bible Study 7:30 –8:30 Prayer 365 Mondays at 6 a.m.

Bible Study Methods Sunday nights 6-7 p.m.



Join the Choir... You'll Be Glad You Did! CHOIR WILL REHEARSE ON FEBRUARY 16TH AT 9:00 A.M.

REHEARSE THEN SING ON FEBRUARY 23RD.



We will have Communion on February 2, 2025



- 2 Lisa Auman
- 4 Merle Auman
- 5 Audrey Godtel
- 6 Kevin Cramer
- 11 Aaron Knudtson
- 16 James Majorins
- 16 Joseph Majorins
- 18 Raelena Spencer
- 23 Anna Whaley



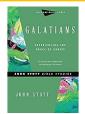
20 Ron and Julie Rosburg

1 Corinthians 13:4-8a is patient and kind; does not envy or boast; it is not arrogant or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; it does not rejoice at wrongdoing, but rejoices with the truth. bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things. *Love never ends*



WinGS (Women In God's Service)

Please join us on Tuesday evening, February 4, at 7:00, as Patty Peters leads the discussion on Chapter 2 in our new book, <u>Galatians: Experiencing the Grace of Christ.</u> In chapter 2, we will learn about Paul's "Radical Change" (the title of the chapter) as he received the gospel directly from Christ. Come join us as we talk about the possibility of radical change in our own lives. We will also finalize plans for our Soup-er Luncheon on February 23.



Our mission project for February is CenterPointe. Their website shares the following information: "**CenterPointe helps the people we serve get better, sooner, for longer.** Over the past 50 years, CenterPointe has grown to include over forty programs including mental health and substance use treatment, primary care services, rehabilitation, medication management, 24-hour crisis response, street outreach and housing."

Following are items for men and women that they will gratefully accept: new sweatpants (all sizes), new or gently used coats (1X and larger), new socks, hand warmers, thermal emergency reflective mylar or foil blankets (6 pack available on Amazon for \$6.98), portable snacks (non-refrigerated)





Announcing the Third Annual Soup-er Luncheon

Hosted by the ladies in WinGS (Women in God's Service)



Sunday, February 23

We have thought of several possibilities for using the funds raised at this event: new chairs for the fireplace area in the Fellowship Hall, supplemental heat for the Fellowship Hall restrooms, kitchen roasters, new white board in the choir room. You are welcome to offer other possible project ideas to any WinGS member.

Special February Days

February 2: Groundhog Day



February 17: Random Acts of Kindness Day



February 3: Feed the Birds Day



February 17: President's Day







