

# Empire Church of the Brethren

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## Every Sunday

Sunday School: 9:45 am

Informal Worship in Song: 10:45 am

Worship 11:00 am

## February 2025 Church Calendar

*Fellowship Singers meets Thursdays at 4:15pm*

<b>Feb. 1</b>	Heaven's Bounty Open
<b>Feb. 4</b>	Emergency Food Pantry 9am-Noon
<b>Feb. 5</b>	Food Delivery Day 8am
<b>Feb. 7</b>	All Church Friday Luncheon 11:30am
<b>Feb. 9</b>	Coffee Hour
<b>Feb. 11</b>	Emergency Food Pantry 9am-Noon
<b>Feb. 18</b>	Emergency Food Pantry 9am-Noon Women's Fellowship 1:00 pm
<b>Feb. 20</b>	Church Board Meeting
<b>Feb. 21</b>	All Church Valentine Lunch 1:00pm
<b>Feb. 23</b>	All Church Sunday Luncheon
<b>Feb. 25</b>	Emergency Food Pantry 9am-Noon
<b>Feb. 28</b>	Shed Work Day 9:00am

**In this is love:** not that we loved God, but that He loved us and sent His Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. 1 John 4:10 MEV

## December 2024 STATISTICS

Average Worship Attendance:	<b>21</b>
Giving:	
Local:	\$5,554.22
Other:	\$329.20
Total:	<b>\$5,883.42</b>

## OUR SOCIAL MEDIA ADDRESSES:

**Facebook:** [www.facebook.com/EmpireCOB](http://www.facebook.com/EmpireCOB)

**Twitter:** [https://twitter.com/empire\\_cob](https://twitter.com/empire_cob)

**Instagram:** <https://www.instagram.com/empirechurchofthebrethren/>

Ben Baker

Normie Lutes

David & Evy Hurlbut

Steve Rash, Mary Kay Rash

Those affected by the fires

*Those in care facilities:*

Mary Raridan

Glenn Stanford

Phyllis Caudle



## February Birthdays

- 1 Lloyd Fullmer
- 2 Phyllis Caudle
- 8 Norma Lutes
- 11 John Vacca
- 15 Seth Lutes
- 17 Pat Benton
- 20 Johnathan Snyder
- 23 Evelyn Hurlbut
- Ivy Carter
- 26 Tanner Radcliffe
- Zachary Snyder
- 27 Joy Slaybaugh
- Lori Ward



## February Anniversaries

- 15 Phil & Pam Franklin
- 24 Don & Pat Benton

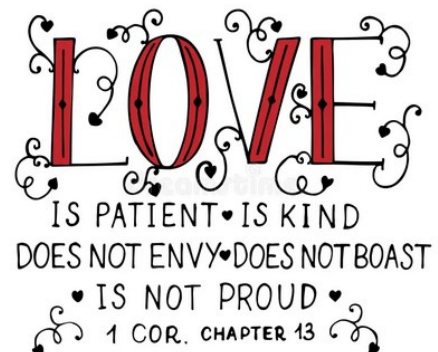
## Love Unconditionally

Love means everything to God. God loves us, and God wants us to love others.

Pray for the strength to love others as Christ loves you.

Practical tips for Loving Others:

- Showing compassion towards others
- Listening more than you talk
- Being patient with yourself and others
- Accepting differences without judgment
- Volunteering your time to help those in need



*Continuing the work of Jesus. Peacefully. Simply. Together.*



2025 Monthly Prayer Calendar (praying each Sunday morning for Pastor John)	
Remember as you pray for the folks listed to include their families, children & grandchildren	
Day	Pray for:
1	Gerald Allinson Alex & Cathy Arellano Candice Arellano
2	Molly Arellano Elaine Azevedo Ben & Jen Baker
3	Ken Barklow Don & Pat Benton Michael Best
4	Wanda Bollinger Earl Boyd Earleen Cadruvi
5	Ron Cadruvi Linda Carter & Ivy Phyllis Caudle
6	Arlene Cupp Deanna Dixon Chuck & Wendla Dyer
7	Jim & Sue Eikenberry John Elness Kenny Fox
8	Pam & Phil Franklin Kerby & Heather Frantz Lyndall & Lois Frantz
9	Lloyd Fullmer Jerry Goodman Thom & Patricia Guthrie
10	Clark Hartman David & Evelyn Hurlbut Kevin & Deborah Hurlbut
11	Jay Irizarry Sheryle Knott Mary Lou Lee
12	Chery Leib Baji Lutes Norma Lutes
13	Seth Lutes Gerri Masellis Ric Mason
14	Jose & Floriceta Merlos Hillary Merlos Suzanne Neptune
15	Kelly Olsson Clifford Parker Brad Parrish
Day	Pray for:
16	Tommie Parrish Daymon & Sarah Peterson Oscar Phan
17	Skip & Kathleen Powell Jeff Price Jeremy & Erica Price
18	Joel & Susan Price Hannah Price Sam Price
19	John Price Jonah & Morgan Price Nathan & Kim Price
20	Wyatt Price Kay Qualls Mike & Laura Radcliffe
21	Mary Rariden Lana Royer Keith Shafer
22	Vance & Maria Shafer Vern & Patty Shafer Troy & Joy Slaybaugh
23	Marilyn Snider Tony & Laura Snyder Glenn Stanford
24	Natasha Towe Carolyn Trent John & Sue Vacca
25	Jonathan Vacca Matt & Alexis Vacca Linda Vargo
26	Linda Ward Roger & Cynthia Welch Josh & Heather Winchester
27	Derek Wyatt Don & Susan Wyatt Donny & Erica Wyatt
28	Brad Modesto CoB Waterford CoB
29	Pastors/Churches in Pacific Southwest District Camp Peaceful Pines
30	Members of the Church Board Food Pantry Recipients
31	Heaven's Bounty Ministry

**BE FAITHFUL**  
in  
**PRAYER**  
ROMANS 12:12



# Women's Fellowship

All Women Welcome!



Historically, within the Church of the Brethren, most congregations had some kind of an organized group for women to participate in whose goal was to serve the church, it's members and the larger community. That is exactly what your local Empire Women's Fellowship does!

Some of its work includes:

- Organizing the Sunday Coffee Hours and lunches and providing the needed kitchen supplies
- Praying for the folks who make up our congregation
- Providing both encouraging and decorative touches to the fellowship hall and other spots around the building
- Putting together and delivering "goodie trays" to shut-ins, older members, single men and church staff at Christmas.
- Meeting together monthly for fellowship and working on the active projects
- Making blankets for kids that are given to the Modesto Children's Crisis Center for distribution

**Heaven's Bounty Thrift Shop**, open just once a month on the first Saturday from 9am-2pm, is an on-going project. In addition to the actual sale day, it requires a minimum of one work day, plus all the smaller amounts of time various folks put in throughout the month to make it successful. From the sale proceeds, a check for \$150 is written each month to the organizations listed below. Larger contributions go to church projects like tree cutting and carpet cleaning, along with additional monies sent in response to recent flood, fire and hurricane disaster needs.

January	Redwood Family Center- ~ Addiction Recovery
February	Salvation Army, Modesto
March	Cleansing Hope Shower Shuttle
April	Pacific Southwest District ~ Brethren Disaster Ministries
May	Empire Pool
June	Camp Peaceful Pines
July	National Night Out
August	Empire School Supplies
September	World Relief, Modesto ~ Refugee Resettlement
October	Modesto Gospel Mission
November	Food Initiative, Stanislaus County
December	Children's Crisis Center