



# The TIDINGS

Covenant Congregational Church

February 2026

Prayer is the heartbeat of any healthy church. A lot is said about various ministries and missions in any congregation. These are good works that impact people's lives and draw individuals into faith. But the undergirding of all good work is a people who pray. As Oswald Chambers wrote: "Prayer does not equip us for the greater work. Prayer is the greater work."

Prayer is simply conversation with God: connecting with him in relationship, leaning on his power, asking for help and rejoicing in the good of each day. Jesus modeled a life of prayer. Despite his special connection to the Father and the demands of his ministry, he is seen regularly going off for extended periods of prayer. For us prayer can occur in worship, but it is meant to go throughout our lives and each day. As Paul wrote: "Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you" (1 Thessalonians 5:16-18).

This winter our church will undertake a "week of prayer" from February 8th until the 14th. The focus of the week of prayer will be a needed one in our season of history—"one another." As our world turns increasingly to focus on MY needs and MY wants and MY desires and then turns "others" into people we disagree with; we stand with the scriptures to declare we all are meant to be ONE in Christ Jesus.

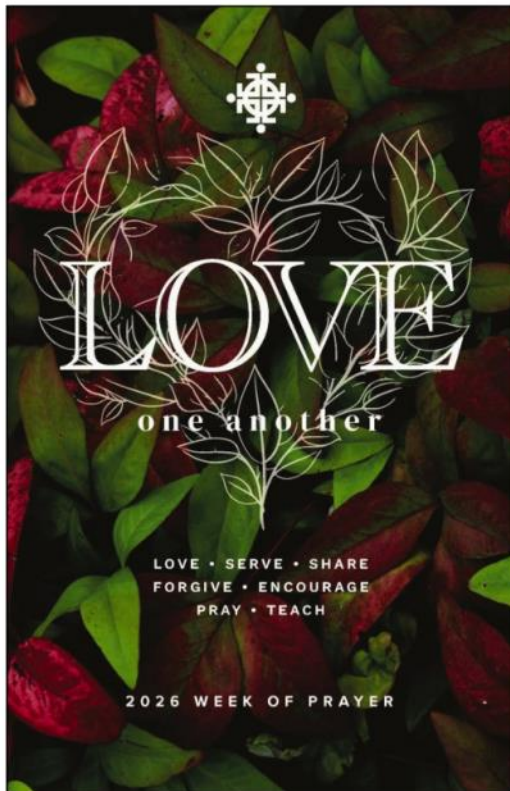
From the description:

"One Another: Throughout the New Testament, this simple yet profound two-word phrase appears more than fifty times, shaping the foundation of the early church. Like threads woven throughout Scripture, these words are an invitation to love, serve, forgive, pray for one another—and more. This call to interconnected living defined the early church, and it resonates today for us as we seek to embody Christ's radical love in our relationships with others."

So let us turn and begin to pray for our world, our nation, our towns, our church and our neighbors—to pray for one another. There will be a devotional available to read each day. Electronic copies can be found by visiting: <https://covchurch.org/prayer/> or you can look for paper copies available at church in early February.

May we be a people and church who turn to prayer and are transformed by it!

-Pastor Ryan

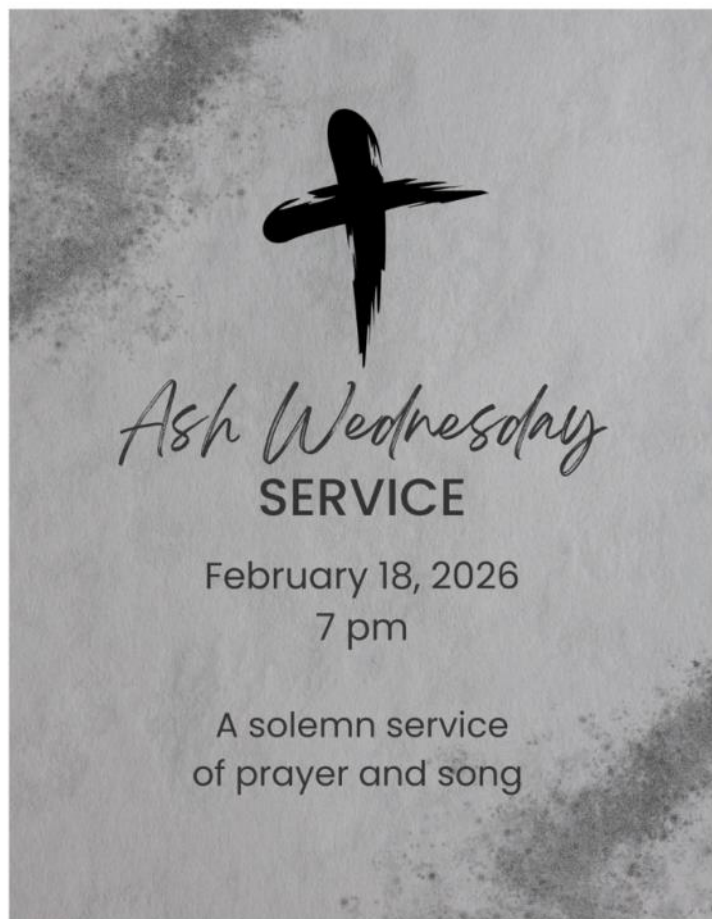


# 2026 Week of Prayer

February 8-14

Join us for a week of prayer as we reflect on the theme: “One Another.” Throughout the New Testament, this simple yet profound two-word phrase appears more than fifty times, shaping the very foundation of the early church. Like threads woven throughout Scripture, these words are an invitation to love, serve, forgive, pray for one another—and more. This call to interconnected living defined the early church, and it resonates today for us at Covenant Congregational Church as we seek to embody Christ’s radical love in our relationships with others.

Pick up a booklet in church or download one from the weekly email



## Potluck Lunch

Come together for a potluck lunch filled with laughter, connection, and mouthwatering dishes!



**Sunday, February 15** Immediately following morning worship

Please sign-up in the Narthex.  
All are invited and we hope to see you there!



# HMS

Heart. Mind. Strength.



FEBRUARY 28, 9AM-12:30PM

### Guiding Scripture

“Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength” (Mark 12:30).

Discovering the passions, knowledge, skills, and gifts each person brings to the congregation and beginning to uncover how those assets can empower mission.

*Church wide seminar. Special guests will guide our discussion. All are encouraged and welcome to attend.*

### WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Saturdays, 10:00 am in the fireside room

FEBRUARY 20  
6:30PM - 8:30PM

### Game Night

ENJOY A NIGHT OF FUN,  
LAUGHTER, AND  
FRIENDLY COMPETITION

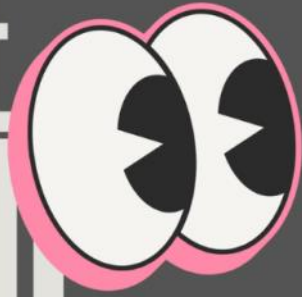
ALL AGES!

### Secret Sisters

Women supporting each other with prayer

Become a “secret” prayer partner with another woman in our church family. Look for sign-up info in the weekly email or bulletin.

SAVE  
THE  
DATE



VACATION  
BIBLE  
SCHOOL

WEEK OF  
AUGUST 10, 2026

AT  
COVENANT  
CONGREGATIONAL  
CHURCH

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Sunday Classes

during 10:30am Worship Service

**Wiggle Worship** Toddlers to Pre-K (volunteer and parent-led)

**Sunday School** grades K-8

Trailblazers Youth Group

(grades 4 - 6) 5:30-6:30

February 1<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup>

CAMP SQUANTO

register by March 1<sup>st</sup> for the early bird discount!  
[pilgrimpines.org/squanto-information](http://pilgrimpines.org/squanto-information)





**SAVE SHOES**

The Covenant Congregational Church is having a shoe drive.

Donate your gently worn, used and new -  
 Flip Flops, Sandals, Casual and Dress shoes, Sneakers, Cleats, Golf Shoes,  
 Boots, Rubbers, etc. (all sizes accepted).

Shoes must be in reusable (resale) condition.  
 We DO NOT ACCEPT shoes with holes (inside or outside),  
 worn or missing soles, cracked or peeling leather,  
 missing or broken buckles, etc.

Your donations Raise funds for our church,  
 Keep shoes from landfills and Supports families  
 of micro-enterprises in reuse economy.

Thank you for your support!

204 Center St. North Easton

## pilgrim pines



if you're interested in attending a retreat, contact the church for more info or visit [pilgrimpines.org](http://pilgrimpines.org)





## MISSION'S AND SERVICE MINISTRY



*Keep an Eye Out For Upcoming Opportunities To Serve  
Sign-ups are coming*

*Volunteer to serve a meal at the  
Smith Family Housing Resource Center*

*N.E. Seafarers visit to Boston to help with their mission.  
To directly sign-up go to [neseafarers.org](http://neseafarers.org) and click volunteers.  
There will be a calendar with times they need help.*

## Care Ministry

### Prayers of Petition

- Those dealing with addiction, isolation, financial trouble, and loss.
- The health of marriages in the church and for those who long to be married.
- Continued prayers for those with health challenges: Karen Bassett, Rebecca Carroll, Carole DesLauriers, Lynda Valenzuela, Kym Silva, Ginny & Jim Elson, Andrea Siciliano, Dana Morse and Pastor Devyn's father Jay Chambers.
- Please pray for our missionaries abroad: Grant & Miho Buccholtz (Japan), Rev. James Tang (Africa- South Sudan/Ethiopia) and for their families.
- For the conflict in Israel and Gaza, Ukraine and South Sudan. May God bring peace!
- That God would continue to provide the resources and volunteers needed to do his work at CCC.
- For individuals struggling with mental health challenges, domestic abuse and addiction.
- Please give parents wisdom and strength.
- Would we read and pray the Bible and trust that the Lord is with us.
- For the Whole Life Stewardship committee as they encourage the church in generosity this pledge season.
- For the Miller family as they grieve Janet Miller's passing and the Poirier family as they mourn the loss of Sally's sister Louise.
- For Jeffrey Endriunas of Easton who needs a life-saving kidney transplant due to a genetic kidney disease.
- For the upcoming Congregational Annual Meeting.
- For the pastor's as they travel to Chicago for the annual denominational Pastor's Conference.
- For winter youth retreats.
- For several fatal tragedies in town including a house fire and a car accident.

### Prayers of Thanksgiving and Celebration

- For God's provision for both finances and volunteers at CCC! We ended the year financially strong thanks to the congregation's faithful generosity.
- For meaningful advent and Christmas worship services.
- For an awesome Christmas Pageant!
- For the Wiggle Room renovations. Grateful for Vicky Papetti's design and for the Memorial Funds that are making it possible.
- For Alice Fu who has agreed to serve as our Interim Choir Director thru June 2026!
- For successful community events like the Messiah Sing at CCC and our participation in the town Holiday Parade.
- For the marriage of Tony and April Ivaldi.



# FEBRUARY 2026

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<b>01</b> 9:00 Choir Rehearsal-sanct. 9:15 Adult SS- youth lounge 10:30 Worship <b>Annual Meeting</b> following service 5:00 Confirmation-fireside 5:30 Trailblazers-gym/yl 5:30 Offsite: Connect Youth Group 7:30 Men's Basketball-gym	<b>02</b> 5:30pm Yoga (fireside) 7:00 Knitting (fireside) 7:00 Stephens Minister Training (youth lounge) 7:00 Offsite:Men's Bible Study <u>reserved</u> 7p-8 Gym, classroom 7p-9 Sanctuary	<b>03</b> 5:00 Worship + Music Meeting (zoom) 6:30 Choir Practice (sanctuary) 6:30 Missions + Service Meeting (zoom) <u>reserved</u> 5:30p-6:30 Gym	<b>04</b>	<b>05</b> 6:30pm Fundraising Committee Meeting (fireside) 7:30pm Prayer Hour (chapel) <u>reserved</u> 8a-11:30 Fireside	<b>06</b> 2:30pm Mahjong for Beginners-fireside	<b>07</b> 9:00am Getting to Know Covenant Brunch-fireside 10:00am Women's Bible Study - chapel 7:00 Sunday Prep-sanctuary <u>reserved</u> 11:00a-12:15 Gym
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204 Center Street  
North Easton, MA 02356

#### CCC AT A GLANCE

##### Sunday Mornings

10:30 a.m. Worship Service

(Online and In-person)

[www.ecovchurch.org](http://www.ecovchurch.org)

508.238.6423

##### Staff:

Pastor Ryan & Pastor Devyn Chambers Johnson *Co-Pastors*

Alice Fu *Choir Director*

Erin Gomes *Office Administrator*

Nick Zelinski *Church Custodian & IT Wizard*



##### *Our Mission*

To *Connect* the generations to Christ, to

*Grow* in our love for His Church, and to

*Serve* God in the greater Community