

## Commonwealth Newsletter



## February 2026



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## From the Pastor's Desk



### Constant Love

February invites us to reflect on love—not the fleeting kind, but the faithful, enduring love of God. Scripture reminds us, “We love because He first loved us” (1 John 4:19). In a season that can feel cold or uncertain, God’s love remains constant, surrounding us with grace and calling us to share that love with one another.

As we move through this month, may we be attentive to simple acts of kindness, words of encouragement, and opportunities to serve. These small expressions of love are powerful witnesses of Christ at work among us. Let us continue walking together in faith, trusting that God is still shaping our future with hope.

Grace and peace to you all.  
Rev. Pilar Pérez

## Prayer LIST

Reina Salinas, Carol Lowder, Bob and Jackie Samuels and Nadine Starnes  
If you know someone that needs to be added or removed, please let the church office know.



### 15th Newsletter Deadline

Please send anything you would like in the newsletter to the church office at [commonwealthumc@bellsouth.net](mailto:commonwealthumc@bellsouth.net) before February 15

### WE NEED HELP WITH OUR BUTTERFLY GARDEN REVITALIZATION



We need to revitalize our garden, and we need your help. We'd like to ask anyone who is willing and capable of raking leaves and small debris, putting out pine straw, and planting new flowers to contact us.

The North American Butterfly Association designated our garden in 2017 as a National Butterfly Highway and placed a sign in the garden to symbolize that.

We have scheduled a workday for Saturday, March 21, 2026, at 10:00 a.m. We will meet in our upper parking lot beside the church office. If you desire to help us in this effort, please bring any tools you have, such as a rake, shovel or trowel to use. There will be several yard waste paper bags on hand for our use.

If anyone would like to help us in this effort, please contact Phyllis Batts, our Lay Leader, at 704-517-2301

Thank you. Phyllis Batts



## February

12 Rachel Brinkhoff  
21 Grace Beaver

## March

15 Marie Rich  
19 Carol

## Stewardship and Attendance

### January 4, 2026

Offering - \$396  
Attendance - 24  
Offering - \$1,076

### January 11, 2026

Attendance - 23  
Offering - \$1,568

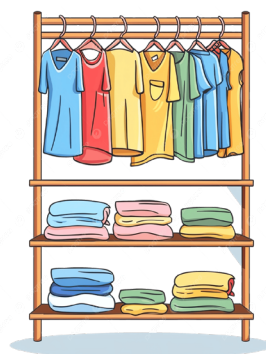
### January 18, 2026

Attendance - 25  
Offering - \$2,002

### January 25, 2026

Attendance - Cancelled  
Offering - \$2,595

## Clothing Closet



**10am-1pm**  
Saturday, February 14, 2026  
The Clothing Closet is FREE  
and open to  
anyone and everyone!  
Spread the word to anyone  
who has a need of clothing!

**Donations needed!**

## Honorariums

### For Phyllis Batts:

For Voluntarily  
Teaching the Sunday  
Class

**By:**

- John Beaver

### For: Luke & David Shepherd

For Their Gift of Music  
with their trumpets at  
Commonwealth UMC

**By:**

- Kay Helms

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**Steward: Leigh Beaver**

**Usher: Phyllis Batts**