This morning, we look forward to celebrating the sacrament of baptism.

This Wednesday is Ash Wednesday, marking the start of the season of Lent – 40 days of focused attention to the sacrifice of Christ. We will start a new Lenten sermon series next Sunday.

Church Family

Please see printed bulletin or prayer chain.

Prayer Chain Please Email: prayerchain@escaloncrc.org

<u>Helping Hands Ministry</u>

Please contact one of the Pastors, Deacons or coordinator with requests.

Offering Schedule

<u>Today, February 11</u>

AM: C.A.R.E. - The Community Action Resources of Escalon Helps distribute food items to those in need in our community. *PM: Mission India* - Serves to equip India's Christians by planting reproducing churches.

<u>Next Week, February 18</u> *AM: Harvest USA PM: ThereforeGO Ministries*

> Weekly Calendar Sunday, February 11 8:45am - Sunday School 10:00am - Morning Service 6:00pm - Evening Service Monday, February 12 5:45pm - Meet & Greet Party 7:00pm - Council Meeting 7:00pm - Women's Bible Study 7:00pm - Cadets 7:00pm - GEMS Tuesday, February 13 10:00am - Women's Bible Study 1-7pm - Blood Bank 6:00pm - AA Bible Study Wednesday, February 14 9:30am - Senior Games 7:00pm - The Upper Room 7:00pm - Praise Team & Band 7:30pm - Choir Thursday, February 15 6:00pm - AA Meeting Saturdav. Februarv 17 6:00am - Men's Bible Study Sunday, February 18 No Sunday School 10:00am - Morning Service 6:00pm - Evening Service 7:15pm - Men's Bible Study •

Church Announcements

Blood Bank is here from 1-7pm on Tuesday.

Senior Games will be meeting on Wednesday from 9:30-11am in the Fellowship Hall.

There will be **No Sunday School** next week Sunday, February 18.

All widows and widowers are invited to the Pennings' for **coffee and fellowship** on Tuesday, February 20 at 10am. Singles of retirement age and older are also welcome to attend!

Volunteers are needed to help serve at the **Modesto Gospel Mission**'s Youth Center on February 28 from 5:30-7:30pm. Contact any member of the Evangelism Committee if you are interested or want more information!

A **2024 Directory** will soon be made available, but we need your help! To make sure we have the most up-to-date contact information, please proof your info in one of the copies located on the counter by the mailboxes, or the kitchen counter. You may write in corrections, or email them to *office@escaloncrc.org*. Please initial by your name if all information is correct as is.

Vacation Bible School will be June 24-28 this summer! Please watch the bulletin for more details to come.

Family Visitations will continue this week. We will be looking at Psalm 40:1-10.

Community Announcements

The **Happy Hymn Singers** will sing at Vintage Faire Residential Care, (3620 Dale Rd, Modesto) this Thursday, February 15, at 10am. Anyone is welcome! Any questions, please call Alice E.

Ripon Christian Schools will start enrollment for new families and students for the 24/25 school year starting March 4. If you have a new student entering grades K-12 in the Fall please email *info@rcschools.com* now to begin the admissions process.

Priceless Treasures needs your donations! Please consider dropping your treasures at the donation boxes at Immanuel, First Church, Almond Valley, Ripon Christian schools or Escalon CRC. We also do furniture pick up where possible. Please contact Priceless Treasures at (209)579-5513 with any questions.

The RC Close Up Club will be hosting a **Tri Tip Sandwich drive-thru fundraiser** from 12-5pm on Saturday, February 24 at the PAC parking lot. A second location will be at the corner of Main and Maple from 12pm until the end of the parade. Tickets are now available for \$12 and can be purchased from sophomore and junior students who are a part of the Close Up Club, or from the high school office. Please make checks payable to "Ripon Christian" and write "Close Up" on the memo line. Thank you so much for your support!

The Redwood Family Center invites you to their **Country For a Cause** Fundraiser on Saturday, March 23, from 4-8pm. Join in a delicious steak dinner with all the fixings, and hear personal testimonies from RFC clients, graduates, and staff that demonstrate how God is working in their lives to sustain long-term recovery. Tickets are limited and must be purchased by March 11. For more information or for tickets visit *redwoodfamilycenter.org/upcoming-events*