

The white rose this week commemorates the life of: William Smith, brother of Diana Whayland.

Covenant members: Mike Jordan.

Covenant friends & extended family: Arland Patrick Griffin, grandson of Bob and Jane Pearson, great-grandson of Mary King; Beverly P., friend of Peggy Bugg; Henry Veith, Rachel Aune Veith father-in-law; Tom & Jill Fontaine, son of Mary Fontaine; Rick Bartz and family; Peggy Corp, friend of Nancy McCulley; Jacquelyn Broberg, aunt of Brad Schmidt; Darren Webb, nephew of John and Linda Daly; Bill Webb, friend of Polly Guequierre; Gary Schuster, brother of Tom Schuster; Tim and Matthew Reiland and family, father-in-law and husband of Abbey Cohn, Deb Cohn's daughter.

Covenant family & friends mourning the death of: Jennifer Jarosik, friend of Betsy Erickson; David Deike, cousin of Cindy Blewett; Wayne Glowac, friend of Gary Pivotto; Frankie Leisering, Covenant member; Daryl Schoenfeld, brother-in-law of Lonna Peterson; David Broberg, uncle of Brad Schmidt; George Campise, close friend and brother-in-law of Larry Dubisz; Montee Robinson, friend of the Whayland family.

Your continuing prayers are appreciated for: All people affected by the war in the Middle East; Lonna Peterson; Megan Whittow, niece of Jane & Peter Kolakowski; Alice Kirby, daughter-in-law of Peter & Jane Kolakowski; Ken Turner, father of Chris Turner; Marilyn Butz; James, father of James McGregor; Paula Swansonrasanen; Dennis Eft, brother of Lori Voss; Robert N. Mayer, friend of Marcy Carlson & Tim Smeeding; Noel Pearson; Joann Pivotto; Lee Narans; Cindy Blewett; Stephen Resan; Jack & Joannie Carter; Jan & Tom Schuster; Sandi Thompson-Royer, Covenant friend; Troy Griswold, nephew of Lori Voss; Mark Middleton; Sally Nesser; Bill & Susan Wood; John Wedberg; Nancy McCulley; Larry & Barb Larsen; Evelyn McMillan; Virgil Landry; Joseph Hack; Eve Casta; Dick & Jan Schaefer, family of Bob & Nan Schaefer; Tim Wade, father of Janna Doney; Jorge Asencion, Covenant friend; Gary Van Ess & John Van Ess, brothers of Vicki Alexander.

World Mission: People of Guatemala and congregations of Monte Hebron Presbyterian Church in Santo Domingo and Monte Horeb Presbyterian Church in Coyolate, Jed and Jenny Koball PC(USA) in Peru; Medical Benevolence Foundation in Haiti; Eric Miller in Kenya.

Our elected local leaders: Gov. Evers and Mayor Rhodes-Conway.

Pray for our country, and if you feel inspired, contact your elected officials:

Senator Tammy Baldwin 30 West Mifflin Street, Suite 700 Madison, WI 53703 (608) 264-5338	Senator Ron Johnson 5315 Wall Street, Suite 110 Madison, WI 53718 (608) 240-9629
President Donald Trump 1600 Pennsylvania Ave Avenue NW Washington, DC 20500 (202) 456-1111	Rep. Mark Pocan 10 E Doty St #405 Madison, WI 53703 (608) 258-9800

Birthdays

Adam Brigham, Becki Kurtz (9/20); Tom Bauer, Jim Jordan, Gavin Lanphear (9/22); Lisa Cantrell, Skye Doney, Eric Eikenberry, Sydney Parker, Joseph Rayzor (9/23); Sara Joy Lovell, Lonna Peterson; Leslie Dent (9/24); Katie Barden, Ella Olmsted, Steve Veazie (9/25); Ian Hokanson, Marcia Lund (9/26).

Names will stay on the prayer list for five weeks. If you would like to remain on the list longer, please contact the church office at 608-233-6297 or info@covenantmadison.org, Pastor Charlie Berthoud, Pastor Megan Berry, Pastor Jess Scholten, or Melissa Hinz.

Our prayer today is from **Ted Loder's, *Guerrillas of Grace***.

"Breathe Restlessness Into Me"

Thank you for all I forget are gifts,
not rights,
Forgive me for all the grievances
I remember too well.
Save me from the self-pity,
the self-seeking,
the fat-heartedness which is true poverty.

Guide me, if I'm willing (drive me if I'm not),
into the ways of sacrifice which are just and loving.

Make me wide-eyed for beauty,
and for my neighbor's need and goodness;
wide-willed for peacemaking,
and for the confronting power with the call to compassion;
wide-hearted for love
and for the unloved,
who are the hardest to touch
and need it the most.

Dull the envy in me which criticizes
and complains life into a thousand ugly bits.
Keep me honest and tender enough to heal,
tough enough to be healed of my hypocrisies.
Match my appetite for privilege
with the stomach for commitment.
Teach me the great cost of paying attention
that, naked to the dazzle of your back as you pass,
I may know I am always on holy ground.
Breathe into me the restlessness and courage
to make something new,
something saving,
and something true
that I may understand what it is to rejoice.