



Church of the Brethren
Prayer Calendar for the Seasons of Epiphany and Lent 2012

Prayers for the month of February

February 5

Take a moment to flip through your congregation's directory. Count how many people serve in the life and worship of your community. Pray for each one in the course of this week, asking for the wisdom and strength of the Holy Spirit to be with them in their service.

For other Service Sunday resources go to: <http://www.brethren.org/resources/?occasion=service-sunday>

February 12

This week inevitably stirs conversations about love. As you are making preparations for Valentines Day take a moment to reflect on all the people who have lovingly nurtured you. Consider how you might share the story of one of these loved ones with a friend. As you remember these persons ask God to reveal someone who is in need of Christ's steadfast love.

February 19

Some of us will consider giving up something in this season of Lenten preparation. The practice is not so much about self sacrifice, but about fasting and reframing our attention to the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus. Pray this week that your journey in Lent will reveal the places where you have turned your attention from God.

February 26

Adding another day each year brings with it a number of traditions. Take a minute to go through your closets and count how many extras you have- extra coats, extra shoes, or even extra food. How might you share your abundance with those around you? Pray that as you share these many gifts with others that the love of Christ might embrace and comfort them.

*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*