



TRANSFIGURATION CATHOLIC CHURCH

"Lord, how good it is that we are here."

March 15, 2026

Rev. Msgr. James L. LeBlanc
Pastor

Deacon John Tempesco

Deacon David Shinn

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Sunday Mass:

Saturday at 4:00 p.m.

Sunday at 8:00 & 10:30 a.m.

Daily Mass:

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday at
6:00 p.m. & Wednesday at 4:00 p.m.

Eucharistic Adoration:

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday
5:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Tuesdays

5:00 p.m. – 5:45 p.m.

Saturdays

3:00 p.m.–3:45 p.m. & by Appointment

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Weddings:**

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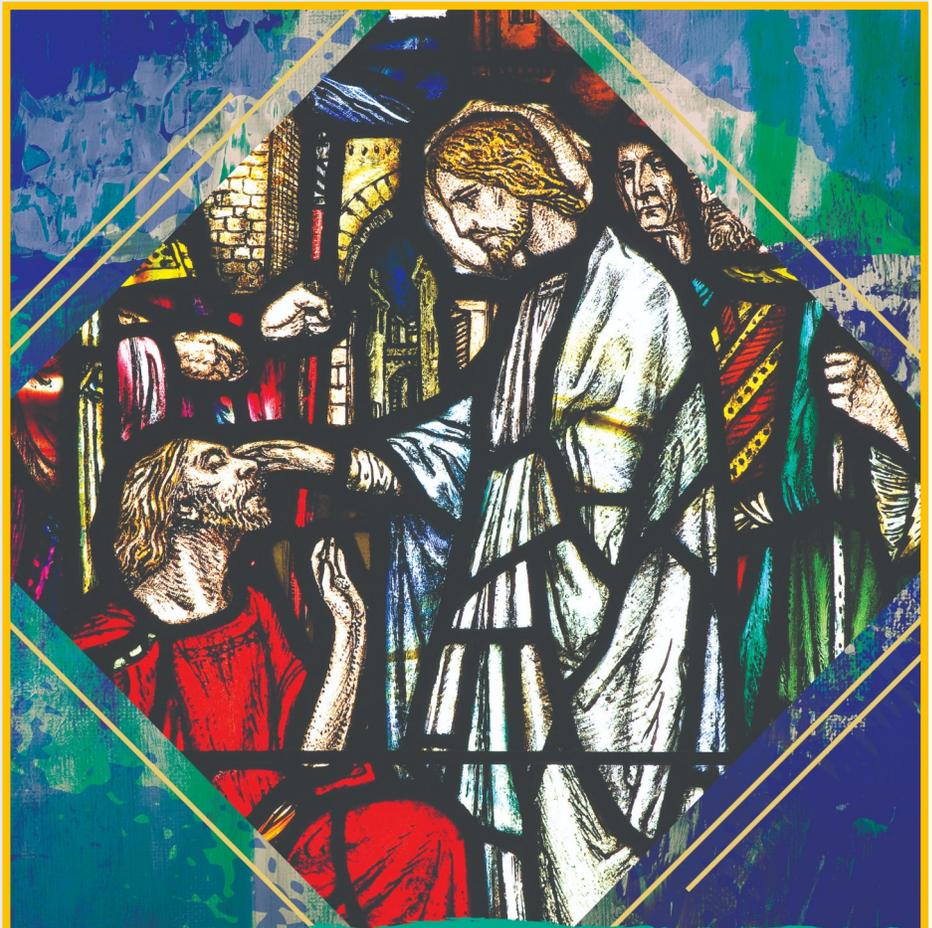
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4TH SUNDAY OF LENT

The Pharisees also asked him how he was able to see.
He said to them, "He put clay on my eyes, and I
washed, and now I can see." - Jn 9:15

Parish Activities

Sunday, March 15	9:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 11:45 a.m. 11:45 a.m. 2:00 p.m.	Elementary Faith Formation (Blue & Tan Buildings) Adult Choir Practice (Small Classroom—PLC) O.C.I.A. (Large Classroom—PLC) Youth Group (Red Brick Building) Youth Group Music Practice (Red Brick Building)
Monday, March 16	11:45 a.m.	Confirmation Teachers Meeting (Office)
Tuesday, March 17	5:30 p.m. 6:30 p.m. 6:30 p.m.	Evans Cursillo Grouping (Small Classroom—PLC) Total Abandonment Study (Large Classroom—PLC) Care Team (Kitchen Conference Room—PLC)
Wednesday, March 18	9:00 a.m. 5:30 p.m. 5:30 p.m. 6:15 p.m. 6:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Total Abandonment Study (Large Classroom—PLC) Children's Choir (Small Classroom—PLC) Columbiettes Officers Meeting (Large Classroom—PLC) Adult Choir Practice (Small Classroom—PLC) Rosary (Sanctuary—PLC) Knight's of Columbus Social (Gathering Space—PLC)
Thursday, March 19	6:30 p.m.	Ladies Bible Study (Large Classroom—PLC)
Friday, March 20	6:30 a.m. 5:30 p.m.	Men's Prayer Group (Kitchen Conference Room—PLC) Lenten Fish Fry (Gathering Space—PLC)
Saturday, March 21	7:30 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 3:30 p.m.	COR Men's Group (Kitchen Conference Room—PLC) Children's Lenten Workshop (Large Classroom—PLC) Adult Choir Practice (Small Classroom—PLC)
Sunday, March 22	8:55 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 11:45 a.m. 11:45 a.m. 2:00 p.m.	Confirmation Class (Red Brick Building—PLC) Elementary Faith Formation (Blue & Tan Buildings) Adult Choir Practice (Small Classroom—PLC) Youth Group (Red Brick Building) O.C.I.A. (Large Classroom—PLC) Youth Group Music Practice (Red Brick Building)

Parish Directory

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Thank you for coming out to the Parish Workday!



We had 20 volunteers come to the annual Spring Parish Workday on March 7th! Special Thanks to Pat Brunette for providing breakfast and lunch! And to Francis Glenn for her special attention to the office flower beds!

We completed the spreading of pine straw around the PLC, Office, and Rectory. The Rosary Garden was renewed with fresh pine straw, garden soil and flowers. Trees in mowing areas were trimmed of low hanging branches. Leaves were raked around the tree line near the tractor barn and hauled away to the compost heap. The pressure washing of the Gray Building was completed.

Thank you, Volunteers, for keeping of Parish campus beautiful!

Fiscal Year 2025-2026

Offertory	Amount
Sunday Collection for March 8	\$9,347.90
Weekly Budget Needs	\$9,494.00
Fiscal Year-to-Date Total	\$345,987.10
Year-to-Date Budget Needs	\$341,784.00
Surplus/Deficit-to-Date	\$4,203.09
Second Collection	
Capital Campaign	\$3,594.36
Next Week's Second Collection: Parish Religious Education Programs	

**Penance Service Monday, March 23rd
at 6:30 p.m.**

One of the five precepts of the Church is to confess your sins at least once a year. Lent is a perfect time to fulfill that obligation so that you are in a state of grace to fulfill another precept of the Church, to receive Holy Communion at least once per year, especially during the Easter season. Most of us, no matter when we last visited a priest, would probably benefit from a good confession. Tuesday, March 24th, is a perfect time! There will be additional priests at Transfiguration to hear your confession and help you prepare to celebrate the glorious resurrection of our Savior, Jesus Christ. Come to the Living Water and be cleansed!



*You are Deeply and
Endlessly Loved*



Knights Notes—News and Happenings from Council #13713



Youth of the Month - Congratulations to our Confirmation Class of 2026. It was a pleasure to recognize these young men and women for their hard work and dedication culminating in their reception of the Sacrament of Confirmation from Bishop Jacques Fabre-Jeune. For the children and their families, this was truly a memorable milestone to be cherished for a lifetime. Accepting the honor for the Class of 2026 was Bailey, Paxton and Lennon.



Family of the Month - In a room full of smiles, it was a pleasure to present our Family of the Month to Bob and Jean Underwood. As long-time parishioners, Bob and Jean are involved in many Parish ministries. Bob is a Lector, Eucharistic Minister and Sacristan. He is inspirational and a leader within our Cursillo movement, leading the men's Grouping both here and at SJN. Jean



livestreams our Masses, bringing our Celebration into the homes of many. As part of the CARE Team, Jean keeps the communication flowing between the Team and those asking for assistance. It was encouraging to witness their unselfish support of others, especially during this last year. They are truly an inspiration to many and living examples of what it means to live our Catholic Faith with joy.

Knight of the Month - It was an easy choice to honor Ed Hogue as our Knight of the Month. He is a man known and loved by many and who has gifted our community with his tireless efforts to serve our Parish and those less fortunate. For starters, he is a Sacristan, EM, Livestreamer and takes the Eucharist to the homebound. He organizes our Giving Tree, Christmas in July and 40 Cans for Lent bringing thousands of pounds of food to our local shelters. He led our Highway cleanup team and was our original Fish Fry Guy and Monthly Social Cook. He is a true leader and an inspiration to many men in the Parish. Next time you see Ed, shake his hand and offer him a big Thank You for his continuous and selfless gift of himself to our blessed community at Transfiguration.





The Columbiettes Corner



News and Happenings of the Transfiguration Columbiettes Council 13713

Visit the Columbiette Website: Columbiettes13713.org

Columbiettes Birthright Baby Shower Fundraiser

During Lent, from **February 28 - March 29**, the Columbiettes will host a Birthright Baby Shower and Fundraiser. Parishioners are invited to champion the dignity of life by joining in prayer, fasting, and almsgiving for unborn babies and mothers in need. In the Parish Hall, a baby crib is set up to receive baby gifts for mothers in need. A list of the most needed items for Birthright Columbia is provided. Financial donations are also welcome. Please make all checks payable to Birthright of Columbia. Let's come together this Lenten season to support Birthright's mission of offering alternatives to abortion, and empowering women facing unplanned or challenging pregnancies with the opportunity to choose life.



2026 Ladies Luncheon Update

Inspired by the magic of Beauty and the Beast, this year's theme, "Be Our Guest," promises an afternoon filled with charm, laughter, and a touch of fairytale sparkle. **Join us on Sunday, April 26, 2026, from noon until 3:00 PM** at the beautiful **River Center at Saluda Shoals** for a delightful High Tea fit for a queen! Please contact Alaina Sweeney (avpaxton@yahoo.com) or Kathy Paxton (kpax344@gmail.com) for your ticket today!

Ladies Luncheon Raffle Baskets Add Excitement and Fun for Everyone!

Did you know that you aren't required to attend to purchase Ladies Luncheon Raffle Basket tickets? Whether you're planning a relaxing evening or a lively family gathering, there's something for everyone. The "*Tennessee's Finest*" basket is perfect for those who enjoy bold Southern flavors. This basket includes a bottle of classic Jack Daniels whiskey, premium cigars, savory beef jerky, and crispy pork skins—everything needed for a laid-back evening with friends. Looking for something the whole family can enjoy? The "*Family Game Night*" basket is packed with fun and laughter for all ages. It includes popular games like Yahtzee, Sorry, and Catan, along with a beautiful wooden cabinet containing a 10-game family set. It's the perfect way to unplug, gather around the table, and make lasting memories together. ****Raffle tickets are just \$1.00 each or 6 tickets for \$5.00, **** giving you plenty of chances to win one of these fantastic baskets. Tickets will be available for purchase after all Masses in the PLC **beginning Sat., Apr. 11th**, so be sure to stop by, grab your tickets, and support this fun opportunity. Who knows—you might just walk away with your new favorite game or a taste of Tennessee's finest!



Ladies Luncheon Fundraiser

BE OUR GUEST

April 26th, 2026, 1-3PM

At River Center in Saluda Shoals Park. Tickets are \$55 each.

Contact: Kathy Paxton (803) 333-0997 Alaina Sweeny AVPAXTON@yahoo.com

Cathy Hogue is no longer collecting medicine bottle for charity. Thank you! to all who help collect them. No more bottles are needed! However, **Cathy IS collecting soda can tabs!** Leave your bags of tabs in the kitchen conference room or give them directly to Cathy.





Be a Volunteer at our Next Fish Fry!

There are two more Fish Fries: March 20th & 27th
Thawing on March 19th & 26th

If viewing online, click the link below for the Sign
Up Genius:

[https://www.signupgenius.com/
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Or contact Brenda Mulero by texting at (803) 549-
7166 or emailing at palenaka69@gmail.com



Lenten Food Drive

40 Cans for Lent

The Service Committee is collecting food items for CAB (Christian Assistance Bridge) for the Lenten season. The food drive has already begun and will continue until Easter Sunday.

Food collection baskets are

located in the Gathering Space. Below is a list of the most needed items requested by CAB to support the Blythe-wood community. The goal is 40 cans per family. *Thank you for your support!*

Boxed Items:

Cereal
Grits
Mashed Potatoes
Pancake Mix

Canned Meats:

Chicken
Spam
Tuna
Vienna Sausages

Canned/Bottled Items:

Canned Carrots
Gravy
Jelly
Pancake Syrup
Pasta Sauce
Peanut Butter

Cold Items:

Butter



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Retrouvaille (pronounced retro-vi with a long i) simply means 'rediscovery'. The program offers the chance to rediscover yourself, your spouse, and a loving relationship in your marriage. For confidential information about, or, to register for the program beginning with a weekend on May 1 - 3, 2026 in the Charlotte area, contact Bill and Lyn Folsom at (727) 343-6701 or email billynfolson@gmail.com (3 L's in a row) or online at www.HelpOurMarriage.org



Cor (Heart) sessions currently being prepared by the Cor Team will be offered soon.

The sessions are currently planned to be held Saturday mornings 7:30AM to 9AM in Transfiguration Church.

The Cor team has been meeting Saturdays preparing for inviting and captivating sessions utilizing an organized framework of prayer, formation and fraternity. The sessions are focused on MEN – providing space, time and content to help each of us enrich our spiritual lives by becoming more Christ-centered in our daily lives!

Please talk to any of the Cor team members to learn more and all are welcome to attend any team meeting as we prepared sessions that will help each of us grow spiritually.

Questions/interested in learning more? Please contact Bob Wagner: (803) 629-2978 or rswag1971@gmail.com

Cor Team Members: Bo Bowman, Dan Wallick, Kyle Reeves, Marcus Johnson, Mark Bowman, Vincent Camissa and Bob Wagner.

Inviting All Children of the Parish

Ages 4 – 11 to the Children's Lenten Workshop
Saturday, March 21, 9:00 AM - 1:30 PM



We will follow Jesus as he enters Jerusalem until Easter Sunday through stories and activities. At 1:00 the children will walk the Stations of the Cross. Parents are invited to join us.



Please find the Lenten Registration Forms on the tables in the PLC Gathering Space.

If you have any questions, please contact Patty Evans, DRE at pevans@charlestandioocese.org or call (803) 729-4625

This Lent... not only walk with Jesus...



VOLUNTEER!
*and come walk
with the children.*

**Children's
Lenten Retreat**

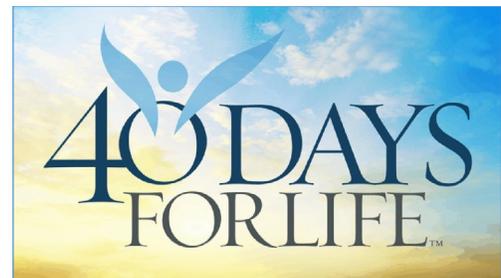
Saturday, March 21, 9:00 AM – 1:30 PM

Patty Evans is looking for both Adult and Teen volunteers to help the children grow closer to Jesus in their Faith Journey this Lent.

If interested, please contact Patty Evans: (803) 729-4625
pevans@charlestandioocese.org

*"Christ has no body on earth but yours.
Yours are the eyes with which he looks
compassionately on this world. Yours are
the feet with which he walks to do good.
Yours are the hands with which he blesses
all the world. Christ has no body now on
earth but yours!" - St. Teresa of Avila*

**The 40 Days for Life Transfiguration's
Day of Prayer at Planned Parenthood
is coming up on Friday, March 27th,
7:00 am -12:00 pm**



Gather a group of friends, fellow parishioners or family and spend an hour in prayer to show your support for the sanctity of life.

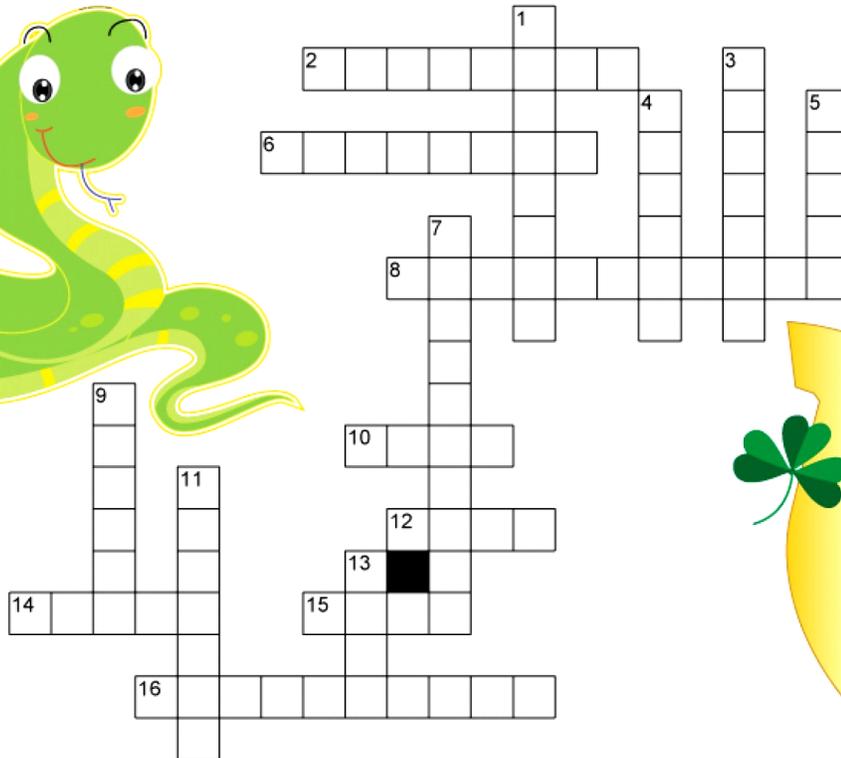
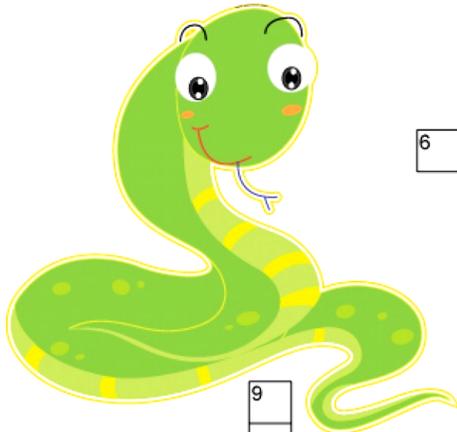
Don't have an hour? Any amount of time that you can contribute matters. Let's show that Transfiguration supports the lives of unborn babies!

Need a ride?
Contact Karen Hanson at (803) 318-6452

The prayer vigil location is **2712 Middleburg Drive** in Columbia off of Forest Drive.

There is a sign up sheet on the faith table or sign up at <https://www.40daysforlife.com/en/columbiase>

St Patrick's Day Crossword!



Across

2. A short, usually humorous poem that is five lines long.
6. A green three or four leafed plant used as the national emblem of Ireland.
8. March ___ is St. Patrick's Day.
10. Good fortune or success apparently brought on by chance.
12. A large wire-strung instrument that is shaped much like a triangle.
14. The color associated with St. Patrick's Day.
15. Metal money.
16. Salt cured meat from a cow, usually served with cabbage.

Down

1. Playful misbehavior that is typical of leprechauns.
3. A north Atlantic island nation where St. Patrick was considered a patron saint.
4. St. Patrick banished these reptiles from the island of Ireland.
5. The month in which St. Patrick's Day occurs.
7. A mischievous elf found in Irish folklore.
9. Another name for a violin, especially when used to play folk music.
11. An arch of colors formed in the sky by rain and sun.
13. A yellow precious metal that is very valuable.





Worship, Intentions & Prayers



Fourth Sunday of Lent

Sunday, March 15

8:00 a.m.	<i>Lord's Day Mass</i>	Intentions of Denise Rudell	by Patty Evans
10:30 a.m.	<i>Lord's Day Mass</i>	Intentions of the Parish	

Monday, March 16

5:00 p.m.	<i>Eucharistic Adoration</i>		
5:40 p.m.	<i>Evening Prayer</i>		
6:00 p.m.	<i>Daily Mass</i>	John Davies+	by Patty Evans

Tuesday, March 17—*Saint Patrick, Bishop*

5:00 p.m.	<i>Reconciliation</i>		
5:00 p.m.	<i>Eucharistic Adoration</i>		
5:40 p.m.	<i>Evening Prayer</i>		
6:00 p.m.	<i>Daily Mass</i>	Intentions of Mary Matthews	by Kathy Cunningham

Wednesday, March 18—*Saint Cyril of Jerusalem, Bishop, Doctor of the Church*

3:40 p.m.	<i>Evening Prayer</i>		
4:00 p.m.	<i>Daily Mass</i>	Intentions of Dan Medina	by Daneen Sherman
5:30 p.m.	<i>Daily Mass at St. Theresa</i>		

Thursday, March 19—*Saint Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary*

5:00 p.m.	<i>Eucharistic Adoration</i>		
5:40 p.m.	<i>Evening Prayer</i>		
6:00 p.m.	<i>Daily Mass</i>	Healing of Briana Lotan Hobbs	by the Shealy Family

Friday, March 20

3:00 p.m.	<i>Eucharistic Adoration</i>		
3:30 p.m.	<i>Stations of the Cross</i>		
4:00 p.m.	<i>Daily Mass</i>		
5:00 p.m.	<i>Lenten Fish Fry</i>	Healing of Carly Ogletree	by Sam & Nadine McDonald

Saturday, March 21

3:00 p.m.	<i>Reconciliation</i>		
3:00 p.m.	<i>Eucharistic Adoration</i>		
4:00 p.m.	<i>Vigil Mass</i>	Intentions of the Parish	
6:00 p.m.	<i>Vigil Mass at St. Theresa</i>		

Fifth Sunday of Lent

Ez 37:12-14; Ps 130:1-8; Rom 8:8-11; Jn 11:1-45

Sunday, March 22

8:00 a.m.	<i>Lord's Day Mass</i>	Nicholas Buzzetti, Jr. on his 1st Birthday	by the Buzzetti Family
10:30 a.m.	<i>Lord's Day Mass</i>	Gary Alan Martek+	by the Knights of Columbus

Please Pray for the Healing & Safety of Our Loved Ones

Prayer Line Ministry—Jessica Sisco Moore - (803) 477-6255 or jesskah.moore@gmail.com



Prayer for Service & Safety

Lord, we thank You for those who serve daily whether here or abroad and ask that You protect them from harm, give them courage to persevere, and bring them home safely. Amen.

For the healing of... Tom Aiken, Dave Anderson, Larry Avins, Bryan Blaze, Princey Blaze, Fred Branham, Molly Branham, Alex Bringle, Amy Brown, Enrique Caballero, Jr., Mary Cammisa, Bill Campbell, Mr. Clark, David Coble, Frank Daresta, Jr., Marvin Davant, Janice Dillon, Jack Eson, Ofc. Quas Jon Flowers, Barbara Gamble, Jack, Wendi & Morgan Griffith, Sherry Haggerty, Kristyne Hall, Janet Hargrove, Kenny Jackson, Kristi Jarvis, Becky Jones, Zachary Komen, Naomi Lambert, Noah Langan, Dr. Melanie Ledo Barone, Amy Leonard, Boyd Marivittori, Kenny Martin, Ava Claire Mates, George Mori, Lib & Ernie Neumeister, Sherri Nichols, Joe Ondracek, Therese Parthania, Jimmy Phillips, Joe Raimondi, Travis Spires, Dave Strominger, Dick Strominger, Rex & Beth Taylor, Deborah Thomas, Bob Underwood, and the Wallick Family.

For the safety of.... Kayla Francisco, Robert Furgal, Drew Gatzke, Rachel Graham, Mark Greenwood, Jr., Dominick Laibly, Reuben Paul, Alex Piccuolo, Earl "Tony" Sales, Will Smarr, Gavin Zamora, all first responders, law enforcement, missionaries, military personnel and their families.



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