



## MEMORY VERSE FROM SUNDAY

We know that God works all things together for good for the ones who love God, for those who are called according to his purpose. (Romans 8:28)

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

SUNDAY	Romans 8:18-28	Suffering and hope
MONDAY	Romans 8:28-39	God's love in Christ
TUESDAY	Romans 10:1-17	Salvation is for all
WEDNESDAY	Romans 10:18-11:7	Rejection is not final
THURSDAY	Luke 7:1-10	Jesus heals the Centurion's servant
FRIDAY	Luke 7:11-17	Jesus heals a widow's son
SATURDAY	Philippians 2:1-11	Imitating Christ's humility

## THINKING ABOUT TODAY'S LESSON:

- What does it mean for us to be a part of creation that is in labor pains? How does that shape your understanding of suffering in the world?
- How does this image of the Spirit groaning with us reshape your understanding of prayer—not as polished speech, but as raw, vulnerable presence?
- Who is changed through prayer, God or us?

## NEXT WEEK:

Jesus for the skeptic, Philippians 2:5-11 and Luke 7:36-50

## THINKING ABOUT NEXT WEEK:

- If Jesus is “fully human and fully divine,” what does that mean to you?
- What parts of Jesus' humanity are important to you? What are the aspects of his divinity that are meaningful to you?

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR AUGUST 17 - AUGUST 24

### SUNDAY, AUGUST 17

9:30 a.m. Worship Service  
10:45 a.m. Multi-gen handbell rehearsal

### MONDAY, AUGUST 18

12:00 p.m. Bible Study

### TUESDAY, AUGUST 19

6:00 p.m. Leadership Meeting

### WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 20

12:00 p.m. Prayer Group via Zoom & Facebook  
6:00 p.m. Handbell Choir Rehearsal  
7:30 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

### SATURDAY, AUGUST 23

11:00 a.m. Young Lions Roar  
12:00 p.m. Community meal

### SUNDAY, AUGUST 24

8:30 a.m. Multi-gen handbell rehearsal  
9:30 a.m. Worship Service  
10:45 a.m. Baptism Class

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