



**The  
Compassionate  
Friends**  
*of Brushy Creek*  
Supporting Family After a Child Dies

**February 2026**

Our next in-person meeting will be February 10, 2026 @ 7pm.

*Location:*

Christ Lutheran Church

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**“For I am convinced that neither death nor life... nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord.” – Romans 8:38**

**The Compassionate Friends of Brushy Creek**  
**YOU NEED NOT WALK ALONE; WE ARE THE COMPASSIONATE FRIENDS**

## **Welcome**

We, of the Brushy Creek Chapter of The Compassionate Friends, offer you a warm welcome. Our in-person meetings are on the second Tuesday of each month at 7 pm.

The Compassionate Friends is a mutual assistance, self-help organization offering friendship, understanding and hope to bereave families. Anyone who has experienced the death of a child at any time, of any age, from any cause is welcome. Our meetings give an opportunity to families to talk about their feelings as they go through the grieving process. The purpose of this support group is not the cause of death but rather to focus on being a bereaved parent, sibling, or grandparent. There is no religious affiliation. There are no membership dues.

## **The Mission of The Compassionate Friends**

When a child dies, at any age, the family suffers intense pain and may feel hopeless and isolated. Compassionate Friends provides highly personal comfort, hope, and support to every family experiencing the death of a son or a daughter, a brother or a sister, or a grandchild, and helps others better assist the grieving family.

## **To Our New Members**

We recognize that it takes great courage to come to the first meeting, whether you are a bereaved parent, sibling, or grandparent of one month or many years. Please don't be afraid to come to a meeting. You are welcome to bring a friend or relative for moral support if you wish. Nothing is asked of you. You will find that it is alright to cry, laugh, share how you feel, or listen. You do not have to talk at a meeting if you do not want to. We welcome your participation, but it is not a requirement. To be fair to yourself, please consider attending at least three meetings before you decide whether TCF is right for you.

## **To Our Members Further Down The “Grief Road”**

Each meeting will have new parents, siblings, and grandparents. **THINK BACK** – what would it have been like for you at your first meeting if there had not been any TCF “veterans” to welcome you, share your grief, encourage you, and tell you, “Your pain will not always be this bad.” We welcome your presence and support!

## **Information Regarding Our Meetings**

This is YOUR group, and we are here to support each other. Everyone in the room has walked the path you are on now. We hope you will find our meetings and newsletters to be a comfort and a place where you find hope.

## Monthly Topic for Discussion

As we cover these subjects, some points may be made to help you cope a little better.  
We are open to suggestions for additional subjects you might like to see discussed.

**February** – Taking care of your health during grief.

**March** – Spring renewal and remembrance

**April** - Grief and the Pressure to “Heal” in Spring



**“Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.” - *Matthew 5:4***

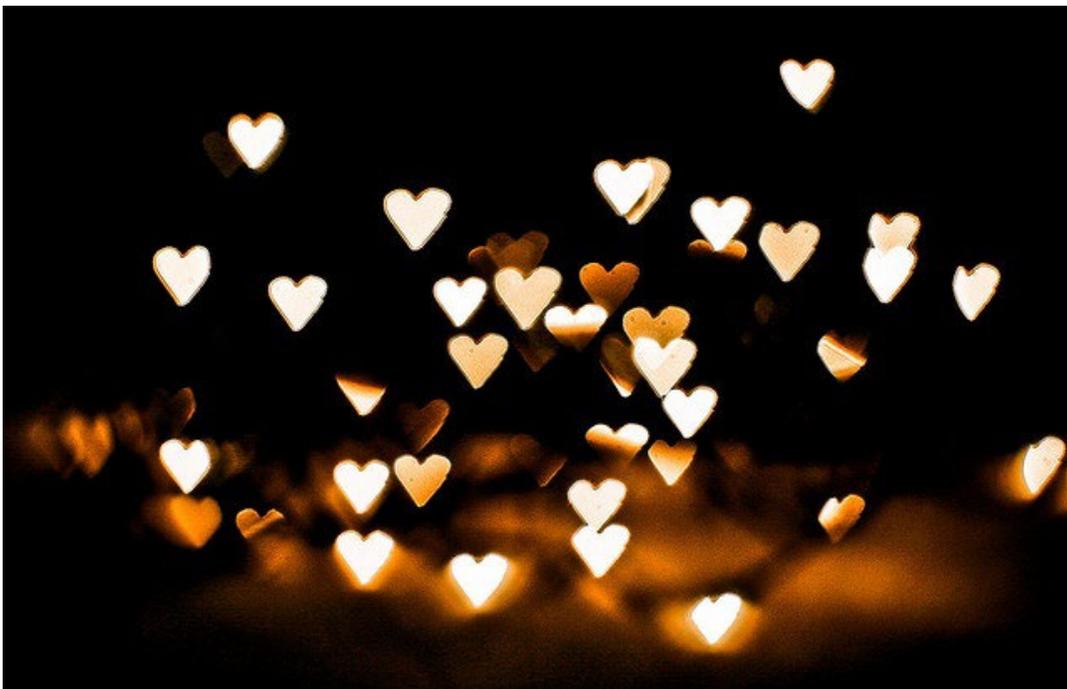


## ***Birth Date***

Alicia  
Marcus  
David  
Madison  
Caden  
Dmitziy  
Nathan  
Gabriel  
Brandi  
Leilani  
Jack  
Jack  
Jack  
Jack  
Scott

*Sister of*  
*Son of*  
*Son of*  
*Daughter of*  
*Son of*  
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*Daughter of*  
*Daughter of*  
*Grandson of*  
*Nephew of*  
*Son of*  
*Brother of*  
*Son of*

Meghan  
Erin  
Suzy  
Amber  
Stephanie & Jeremy  
Oleg & Larisa  
Toni  
Michelle & Gabriel  
Lin  
Denise  
Joyce & Todd  
James  
Elisa & Rodger  
Walter & Gene  
Tam & Sandy





## ***Angel Date***

**Jake  
Cedan  
Brandi  
Aaron  
Kaylin  
Kaylin  
Brian  
Shane  
Jackson**

***Son of  
Mother of  
Daughter of  
Son of  
Daughter of  
Sister of  
Son of  
Son of  
Son of***

**Rebecca  
Casey  
Lin  
Nona  
Ellen  
Payden  
Jim & Janice  
Kim  
Ed**



## February Message

February is often a tender and difficult month for those who grieve. As the world around us focuses on love, relationships, and celebration, our hearts may feel the weight of loss more deeply. The absence of our children and loved ones can feel especially close during this season.

As people of faith, we are reminded that love does not end with death. Scripture assures us that nothing—not even death—can separate us from love. The love we hold for our children is eternal, and we trust that God holds them even more securely than we ever could.

If this month feels heavy, know that God is near to the brokenhearted. You are not expected to “be strong” or have all the answers. You are invited to bring your grief, your questions, and your tears before Him. Here, within The Compassionate Friends, you are surrounded by others who walk this same path and who understand both the pain of loss and the hope found in faith.

May you feel God’s gentle presence guiding you through each day of February, and may you find comfort in knowing you are never alone.

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## From the Heart – February Reflection

Grief and faith often walk hand in hand. While grief can challenge our understanding and test our hearts, faith offers us a place to rest when the pain feels overwhelming. At The Compassionate Friends, we honor both the sorrow you carry and the hope that sustains you.

There is no timeline for healing and no expectation to grieve in a certain way. God meets each of us where we are, offering grace sufficient for every moment. Whether you feel strong or weary, hopeful, or uncertain, you are welcome here.

This community exists to walk beside you, offering compassion without judgment and faith without pressure.

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## Article One: Love That Continues Beyond Loss

The loss of a child or loved one changes us forever, but it does not end the love we share. That love continues—deep, enduring, and sacred. Many grieving parents and siblings struggle with the idea of “moving on,” when what their hearts desire is to move forward while still honoring that love.

Faith reminds us that love is eternal. Though our loved ones are no longer physically present, they remain part of our story, our hearts, and our prayers. Remembering them, speaking their names, and honoring their lives are acts of love and faith—not signs of being stuck in grief.

At The Compassionate Friends, we affirm that holding onto love is part of healing. Your grief is meaningful because your love is meaningful.

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## Article Two: Trusting God Through Triggers and Difficult Days

Certain days, dates, or moments can bring grief rushing back without warning. A song, a holiday, or even a simple conversation can reopen wounds we thought had begun to heal. February, with its emphasis on love and family, can be especially challenging.

When difficult moments arise, consider:

- Pausing to pray or breathe, asking God for peace in that moment.
- Giving yourself permission to step away from situations that feel overwhelming.
- Reaching out to someone who understands your grief.
- Remembering that God's grace is enough for today.

Leaning on faith does not mean the pain disappears—it means we do not face it alone. God walks with us through every valley, even when the path feels uncertain.

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## Article Three: Finding God's Comfort in Community

Grief can feel isolating, especially when others do not understand the depth of your loss. One of the blessings of The Compassionate Friends is the faith-filled community where grief is honored and stories are shared without fear or judgment.

When we gather—whether in meetings, prayer, or quiet conversation—we reflect God's love to one another. Shared grief creates sacred space where healing can begin, and where hope slowly takes root again.

Healing does not mean forgetting. It means learning how to live while carrying both sorrow and faith, trusting that God continues to work even in our brokenness.

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## February Monthly Prayer

*Heavenly Father,*

We come before You with hearts that ache and spirits that long for comfort.

Wrap us in Your peace when grief feels overwhelming.

Give us strength for the difficult days and rest for weary souls.

Help us trust in Your promises when our faith feels fragile.

Remind us that our loved ones are held in Your eternal care and that Your love surrounds us now and always.

Guide us gently as we walk this journey of grief and healing, and let us feel Your presence in every step we take.

*Amen.*

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## Grief Support Resources

- **The Compassionate Friends** – [www.compassionatefriends.org](http://www.compassionatefriends.org) - Faith-respectful support for families grieving the death of a child or sibling
  - **GriefShare** – [www.griefshare.org](http://www.griefshare.org) - Christ-centered grief recovery groups\
  - **What's Your Grief** – [www.whatsyourgrief.com](http://www.whatsyourgrief.com) - Articles and tools for navigating grief with honesty and compassion.
  - **988 Suicide & Crisis Lifeline** – Call or text 988 (U.S.) 24/7 confidential emotional support
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## Closing Thought

“Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.”

May God’s comfort surround you this month, and may you find peace in knowing you are held—in faith, in love, and in community.





## **The Compassionate Friends Credo**

**We need not walk alone. We are The Compassionate Friends. We reach out to each other with love, with understanding, and with hope.**

**The children we mourn have died at all ages and from many different causes, but our love for them unites us. Your pain becomes my pain, just as your hope becomes my hope.**

**We come together from all walks of life, from many different circumstances. We are a unique family because we represent many races, creeds, and relationships. We are young, and we are old. Some of us are far along in our grief, but others still feel a grief so fresh and intensely painful that they feel helpless and see no hope.**

**Some of us have found our faith to be a source of strength, while some of us are struggling to find answers. Some of us are angry, filled with guilt or in deep depression, while others radiate an inner peace. But whatever pain we bring to this gathering of The Compassionate Friends, it is pain we will share, just as we share with each other our love for the children who have died.**

**We are all seeking and struggling to build a future for ourselves, but we are committed to building a future together. We reach out to each other in love to share the pain as well as the joy, share the anger as well as the peace, share the faith as well as the doubts, and help each other to grieve as well as to grow.**

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## ***Still Loved, Still Here*** - Author Unknown

February comes with hearts and flowers,  
With words of love the world displays,  
Yet grief walks softly through our days,  
In quiet, tender, unseen ways.

We walk a road we never chose,  
Carrying love that has no end,  
Holding close the ones we lost,  
Our children—forever part of us then.

The world speaks joy and closeness now,  
While absence echoes deep and true,  
But love does not end with goodbye,  
It lives on strong in all we do.

In sacred space we speak their names,  
Where tears are met with gentle care,  
No one asks us to move beyond  
The love we still and always share.

And though this month may feel so hard,  
With every heart-shaped sign in view,  
We stand together, not alone—  
Still loved. Still here. Always

## The Compassionate Friends Resources

Stay connected:

 Email: [info@compassionatefriends.org](mailto:info@compassionatefriends.org)

 Facebook: [Compassionate Friends Official](https://www.facebook.com/CompassionateFriendsOfficial)

 Website: [www.compassionatefriends.org](http://www.compassionatefriends.org)

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