Prayer for February

February is a month we often think about love—for our family, friends, and those we hold close. God calls us to love those we hold close and those we call stranger (or not yet friends). In this month where we focus on love, let us remember who gives us the greatest example of love!

Jesus, you are the author and originator of love. We only know love because you are love and you loved us first. You love us specifically and sacrificially. You love us in our sin and rebellion against you. You love us despite the pain we inflict on others. You love us in our mess. It is that love - that selfless, self-sacrificing love, which allows us to love others. It is an overflow of your love for us that allows us to love other people. Jesus, we ask you to make us better lovers of one another. Would you give us the heart and love to proclaim your love to those who need to hear it? Amen.