

# Mission Moments

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## PASTOR PULS' REFLECTION...SUPER-STRONG!

Many years ago, I played in a charity basketball game against several members of the New York Jets pro football team. Those men were huge, and massively strong. I remember trying to box out one gigantic offensive lineman, to keep him from grabbing a rebound. I pushed against him as hard as I could, but he didn't budge. Instead, he extended his forearm gently, and sent me flying. I couldn't believe how strong that man was!

I've met many strong people in my life. The strongest of them all, though, were not the pro athletes and the weightlifters. Even stronger were the faithful parents who were caring for a child battling cancer ... the addict's family members who drew boundaries and stopped enabling ... the folks struggling with depression who sought out help and treatment ... the single parents raising their kids the right way, despite every disadvantage ... the Christian teenagers who practiced sexual abstinence as a way of obeying God. These people are super-strong, in my view.

What makes a person strong? It's the ability to face up to life's difficulties, challenges, and temptations. It's the capacity to hang in there, to persevere, to keep doing what is right. Being strong isn't the same as being perfect. Even the super-strong people I described above had their moments of weakness, and they faltered now and then. We all do.

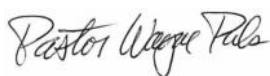
Where can we find the strength to face up to whatever it is life throws at us next? Most of us look within ourselves for strength. We rely on our own character, and we depend on our own powers and assets, most of the time. The Bible teaches us, though, that our strength can come from the Lord. Paul writes in Philippians 4:13, "*I can do all things through him who strengthens me.*"

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Philippians 4:13

God gives spiritual strength! God strengthens the weak, and supports those who are tired! God enables tired, worn-out people to do what seems impossible! The Bible is full of such stories, and I have seen God's power at work in the lives of many people, including the folks I mentioned above.

How can you tap into God's strength? Join us for a special sermon series at Hope this month, starting on April 9-10. We'll be exploring God's promises of strength, and we'll learn how God can make you strong enough to face your life's challenges. Start praying about the areas of your life where you could use God's help and strength!

In Christ, our Powerful Savior,



Pastor Wayne Puls  
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## WEEKEND WORSHIP SERVICES

Saturday at 5:30PM  
Sunday at 8:30AM & 11:00AM  
*Nursery and Children's Church provided at all services*

## SUNDAY CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Sunday School for ages 3 – grade 4  
Youth Bible Classes for grades 5 – 12  
Adult Bible Studies

*Nursery and beginning Sunday School provided for ages 2 and under.*

## WEDNESDAY NIGHT ALIVE

April 6 - May 4

5:30 – 6:15: Dinner  
5:30 – 6:30: Youth Praise Team  
5:50-6:25: Children's Choir  
6:00 – 6:30: Youth Handbells  
6:30-7:45: Adult Handbell Choir  
6:30 – 7:30: Children, Youth, and Adult Education  
7:45 – 9:15: Senior Choir

## SERVANT VOLUNTEERS

To all Hope's Servant Volunteers, we thank you for volunteering to assist with enhancing the worship services at Hope! We always welcome new volunteers and currently we are in particular need of Altar Care and Communion volunteers at the Saturday 5:30PM service and Altar Care volunteers at the 11:00AM service. Training will be provided.

Contact Carlin O'Brien, [cobrien@hopelutheranwf.org](mailto:cobrien@hopelutheranwf.org), 919-554-8109 to volunteer or if you have additional questions.

## LCEF WEEKEND

### April 16 & 17, 2015; Before & After Services

Hope Lutheran Church has its mortgage through Lutheran Church Extension Fund (LCEF), which provides us with competitive rates. As members we have the opportunity to support LCEF. Investments in LCEF serve a dual purpose: to earn a competitive rate of return for investors and to provide customized loans and support to LCMS ministries that seek to build God's kingdom. You can learn more about LCEF and pick up investment materials at our LCEF Weekend in April. Questions? Contact Steve Edwards at [steven.edwards33@yahoo.com](mailto:steven.edwards33@yahoo.com).

## UNION BOUND FILM BY HOPE'S BILL & PAM JAY

Hope members Bill and Pamela Jay have been instrumental in the creation of a new feature film, "Union Bound." Their film has been nominated for Best Picture in the Feature Film category at the International Christian Film Festival, which will take place in Orlando, FL, April 28-30. The movie will be released in theaters across the country on April 22, 2016. There is more information about theater locations and the movie at [unionboundthemovie.com](http://unionboundthemovie.com).

## SPRING PAGEANT – IN THE BIG INNING!

### Friday, April 8 at 7:00PM

When the kids gather at the park near the church for a Saturday of baseball, they are in for a surprising glimpse at the Bible's "Hall of Faith" in Hebrews 11. They'll meet Moses, Noah, Abraham, and many more. The day leads to a climatic finish of "Jesus at the Cross" and the Good News of the Gospel is driven home with power!



All are invited to watch Hope's children celebrate the Good News of Jesus. There will be a concession stand (cash only) and a free-will offering, with all proceeds donated to the National Youth Gathering trip this summer.

Questions? Contact Beth Agner at [bagner@hopelutheranwf.org](mailto:bagner@hopelutheranwf.org) or 919-554-8109.





## 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Cupcake Challenge

April 16, 2016 ~ 6:30-8:00pm

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Do you make the BEST cupcakes EVER?  
Enter now to win the challenge at  
[www.hopelutheranwf.org](http://www.hopelutheranwf.org)!!

Not a baker? Bring the kids, & your appetite, to try the best cupcakes around. Eat as many as you want! Admission is \$5/person with a \$20/family maximum.

## SUPPORT MINISTRIES

### CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUP

Do you have or know someone that is struggling with Alzheimer's or Dementia? Do you often feel lost, lonely, and wish you had someone you could talk with? Please join the Caregivers Support Group to get support, ideas, and comfort from others who are going through similar issues. We can learn as well as get the support and encouragement that is needed around these diagnoses. Questions? Contact Ruth Lassiter at 919-270-9824 or [ruthlassiter@yahoo.com](mailto:ruthlassiter@yahoo.com). The next meeting is April 19 at 6:00PM.

### HOPE FRIENDS

"Lord, when were you lonely...and I visited you?" These special volunteers develop an ongoing caring relationship with shut-ins or residents in assisted living facilities. Please consider joining this rewarding group at Hope. The next meeting is April 14 at 6:30PM in the Conference room. Questions? Contact Lois Nielsen at [releniselsen@gmail.com](mailto:releniselsen@gmail.com) or 919-435-7492.

### CANCER SUPPORT GROUP

If you, or someone close to you, is coping with cancer, you are invited to connect with others facing similar challenges. The next meetings are Sunday, April 10 and April 24 following the 11:00AM service on the Adult Education Floor, room 300. Questions? Contact Don Yakopcic at [donaldyakopcic@earthlink.net](mailto:donaldyakopcic@earthlink.net).

### STEPHEN MINISTRY

Did you know, Hope is a Stephen ministry congregation? Stephen Ministers are members of our congregation who provide confidential one-to-one caring ministry to people experience grief, divorce, loneliness, job loss, hospitalization, and many other life difficulties. If you would like to speak with a Stephen Minister, contact Andy Barrett at [andy27609@yahoo.com](mailto:andy27609@yahoo.com).

The Stephen Ministry team is leading a Sunday morning adult education class, "Christian Caregiving," for those looking to learn more about providing Christ-centered care to others. See the details on page 4.

# ADULT EDUCATION

Sunday Mornings, 9:45-10:45am; Visitors welcome!

## THE GREAT DECEIVER

**Duration:** April 3 - 24 (4 Weeks)

**Location:** Adult Education floor, room 302

**Leader:** Mike Featham

Popular culture may portray the devil as a cartoon character in a red jumpsuit, or more recently, as a bored angel who gives up his place in Hell to take up life in the city of Los Angeles, as is the case in the new TV show, *Lucifer*. But these characterizations only muddy the waters.

Satan has been wreaking havoc and maligning mankind since he met Adam and Eve in the garden. Even though by the very cross that took Jesus' life, God conquered "the evil one" and sealed our redemption over sin and death by raising His Son from the dead, Satan is still trying his best to mess things up. Though defeated with his end certain, he is still on the prowl.

Spend some time getting to know him from the Bible's point of view and talking about his great deception in this video-based class from *Luther-Hour Ministries*.

## "CHRISTIAN CAREGIVING"

**Duration:** April 3 - 24 (4 Weeks)

**Location:** Adult Education floor, room 300

**Leaders:** Andy Barrett & Jerry Garlington

What does it mean to be bring Christ-centered care to others? Are there practical ways to relate to folks who are dealing with real-life issues? What does the Bible have to say? Join Andy Barrett and Jerry Garlington, two of Hope's Stephen Ministry Leaders, as they lead the discussion based on the book *Christian Caregiving- a Way of Life* by Rev. Kenneth Haugk.

Wednesday Evenings from 6:30-7:30PM

## POWER OF A PRAYING COUPLE

**Duration:** April 6- 27 (4 Weeks)

**Location:** Adult Education floor, room 300

**Leaders:** Tony & Brandi Wagner

Praying for our spouses sounds simple doesn't it? As a response to our gracious God, who provides for all our needs of body and soul and who blesses our marriage covenants, we pray for each other, trusting that God hears us. But how many of us fail to consistently remember our spouses in our prayers or fail to pray for anything specific? Join the discussion based on the books *the Power of a Praying Wife and Husband*, and learn how to pray for your spouse as well as some of the specific areas where you can daily lift them up in prayer to the Lord.

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## THANK YOU FROM THE JOSLYNS!

I would like to thank everyone at Hope for all their prayers, support, cards, meals, rides.... following my accident. Words just can't express how much I appreciate you all. I truly feel blessed to be a part of Hope.

# Wednesday Nights In April

Come to Hope for dinner, spring VBS, adult education, Confirmation, choir rehearsals, & fun!

## WEDNESDAY NIGHT ALIVE

April 6 - May 4

WNA is Hope's midweek ministry opportunity for all ages to gather for dinner, Bible study, Confirmation, fellowship, and fun.

### DINNER MENU

**Homemade, high-quality** dinners will be served Wednesday evenings from 5:30-6:15PM with themed activities for the kids. Sign up in the Narthex, online, or by calling the Church office at 919-554-8109. Cost is \$6/adults & youth 11 and older, \$3/children ages 5-10, children under 5 free (\$22 family max).

- **4/6 - Fried Chicken Picnic:** Fried chicken and all the picnic fixin's you want!
- **4/13 - South Of The Border:** Tacos, tortilla chips with salsa, sour cream, and Mexican corn.
- **4/20 - Italian Dinner Night:** Baked spaghetti and salad, served with rolls.
- **4/27 - Family Game Night:** Chicken fingers, macaroni & cheese, green beans, salad, and dessert. Come play your favorite board/card games and hang out with your Hope family!
- **5/4 - Spring Fling:** Hot dogs, hamburgers, chips, drinks, watermelon, and Lumpy's ice cream! There will also be bounce houses, games, and much more!

### MUSIC MINISTRY

5:30pm-6:00pm; **Beginner Handbells**  
5:30pm-6:00pm; **Youth Praise Team**  
5:50pm-6:25pm; **Children's Choir**  
6:00pm-6:30pm; **Youth Handbells**  
6:30pm-7:30pm; **Adult Handbells**  
7:45pm-9:15pm; **Senior Choir**

### ADULT STUDIES

**6:30-7:30PM**  
Power Of A Praying Couple  
(see the description on page 4)

### CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

**6:30-7:30PM**  
**Nursery** (0-2 yrs) in the Nursery  
**Kids Connect** (3-K yrs) in the Toddler Nursery  
**Kingdom Kids** (1&2 Grades), & **FLASH** (3&4 Grades) meet in the Children's Center for Spring VBS.  
See page 9 for description.

### YOUTH MINISTRY

**6:30-7:30PM**  
**Confirmation Group** various  
**Middle School Youth** (7&8 Grades) in the Youth Cntr.  
**High School Youth** (9-12 Grades) meet Sunday Nights

# SMALL GROUP MINISTRY

## PRIMETIMER EVENTS

### Miniature Golf and Lunch

**Saturday, April 30; 10:00AM followed by lunch**

Join the PrimeTimer Group (open to anyone in the 'prime' of life) for a fun day of mini golf at Adventure Landing on Capital Boulevard followed by lunch at Sweet Tomatoes Restaurant. The cost of golf is \$4/person. Interested in attending this popular outing? Contact Andy & Nancy Hoh at 919-562-9562 or nmhoh1943@yahoo.com.

### The Glass Menagerie

**Sunday, June 12 at 3:00PM; tickets will be purchased on May 15**

PrimeTimers will be attending the play, "The Glass Menagerie," at the Raleigh Little Theatre in April. Please contact Paul & Renee Hieter at 919-562-3775 or phieter@nc.rr.com if you would like to attend by Sunday, May 15. We are also planning to go for supper after the play - place to be determined at a later date.

## STRATEGY BOARD GAME NIGHT

**Thursday, April 7 from 6:30-8:30PM**

Everyone (including children 10 & older) are invited to join the Strategy Board Game Group that meets the first Thursday each month from 6:30-8:30PM in the Children's Center at Hope. Kevin Kirkendoll will introduce folks to fun strategy board games. Some of the games include: Istanbul, Settlers of Catan, RoboRally, 7 Wonders and much, much more!! Questions? Contact Kevin Kirkendoll at kevin@kirkendoll.com.

## CARDS AT HOPE

**BRIDGE GROUP - April 11 & 25, both at 1:00PM.** If you plan to come, please notify Betty McAlear at bmcalear@nc.rr.com or call 919-554-9081. New Players are always welcome!

**PINOCHLE GROUP - April 4 & 18 at 1:00PM at Hope**

Contact Darlene McKenney at 919-389-5422 or darmckenney@embarqmail.com or Peggy Koehler if you plan to play. All skill levels welcome!

# OUTREACH & MISSION MINISTRIES

## HABITAT FOR HUMANITY IN WAKE FOREST

As a partner church in the Northern Wake Coalition, Hope Lutheran has committed to providing volunteers for a workday at 322 Spring Street on Saturday, June 4. Habitat also welcomes any individual volunteers who have time to help with construction on Thursdays or Fridays. All volunteers must register at: <http://spring.habitatwake.volunteerhub.com/events/index>.

## HABITAT RESTORE IN WAKE FOREST

In addition to construction opportunities check out the Wake Forest ReStore. Volunteering in the Wake Forest ReStore is a great opportunity for folks who may not be comfortable on a construction site, but want to offer their time and talent to support Habitat Wake. Volunteers are always needed to organize merchandise in the store, greet customers and assist them in locating merchandise and other tasks as needed. Donations to the store are always welcomed. To volunteer, visit <http://wakeforestrestore.habitatwake.volunteerhub.com/events/index>.

Contact Shannon Janosko, [sjanosko@hopelutheranwf.org](mailto:sjanosko@hopelutheranwf.org), 919-554-8109 with questions or for additional information.

## HABITAT MISSION TRIP

**Information Session: April 3 immediately following 11AM service**

**Trip Date: May 3-7, 2016**

Assist Habitat for Humanity of Mitchell/Yancey County (in the mountains of NC) in building a 1,300 sq. ft. home. No construction experience required, guidance and support will be readily provided. Be prepared to; put in a good days work, share in the success of completing the daily goals, and experience the Christian fellowship of other Hope members. This is a joint project week with Pastor Cosgrove and members of his congregation. Questions? Contact Bonnie Petersilge at [bpetersilg@aol.com](mailto:bpetersilg@aol.com) or Don Yakopcic at [donaldyakopcic@earthlink.net](mailto:donaldyakopcic@earthlink.net).

## GUATEMALA MISSION TRIP

**Information Session: April 10 immediately following 11AM service**

**Trip Date: September 24 - October 1, 2016**

Our current international mission trip is to Guatemala to assist Groundwork Guatemala in "Seeking the Lost; Equipping the Found." This is achieved by listening, praying, encouraging, and sharing the love of God with the poorest of the poor. Translators will be present so no foreign language required! This year's team leader, Kim Nugent, will have an information meeting on April 10 at 12:15 for anyone interested in learning more about the trip. Please note that youth under the age of 18 must be accompanied on this trip by a parent.

## BROWN BAG MINISTRY

For the past few years a prayer group has been collecting aluminum for recycling. All proceeds have been donated to Brown Bag Ministries to defray the costs of the perishable food items. Brown Bag thanks all those who donated their recycling as well as the group that has been collecting! The fresh fruit, cheese, and meat items have been what makes our lunches so special for the children.

A new request by the collection agency asks that all cans be rinsed, labels removed, and all trays to be washed before acceptance. Please keep this in mind as you collect your aluminum. Collection will continue of aluminum and copper on the last weekend of each month.



# YOUTH MINISTRY

Youth ministry at Hope Lutheran focuses on friendships, faith, and service for youth in grades 5-12.

## 5-6 GRADES

### KNOCKER BALL

**April 24 from 2-3PM; cost is \$10 each**  
Smash your friends ...safely at Hope for this fun event!! See below to learn more about Knocker Ball. There is no need to register!

### CONFIRMATION

**April 6, 13, 20, & 27 at 6:30PM**  
Confirmation has started again! See the signs displayed or on Hope's website at [www.hopelutheranwf.org](http://www.hopelutheranwf.org), for specific weekly locations.

### SUNDAY SCHOOL

**Sunday mornings from 9:45-10:45AM**  
In April, the class will learn about "Old Testament Stories You've Never Heard Of." Students will enjoy these sometimes-odd, sometimes-surprising stories that remind us of the many ways God is at work in the lives of his people.

## 7-8 GRADES

### WEDNESDAY YOUTH NIGHTS ARE BACK!!

**April 6, 13, 20, & 27 at 6:30PM**  
Come down to the Youth Center for weekly games, food, fun, and devotions. Friends are welcome!

### KNOCKER BALL

**April 24 from 3-4PM; cost is \$10 each**  
Hit it...blast into it...and roll around with Knocker Ball at Hope! See below to learn more about Knocker Ball. There is no need to register!

### SUNDAY SCHOOL

**Sunday mornings from 9:45-10:45AM**  
Come to the Christ Café for some baked goodies, Bible study, and life-related discussion topics. Located in the Youth Center. See you there!

## 9-12 GRADES

### HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH NIGHT

**Sunday, April 10 from 6:30-8:00PM**  
Sunday night, join friends in the Youth Center for games, food, fun, and devotions. Friends are welcome.

### SUNDAY SCHOOL

**Sunday mornings from 9:45-10:45AM**  
In April, the class continues with dragons and demons, horsemen and plagues, antichrist and Armageddon, millennium and rapture... Revelation is one of the most mysterious, confusing, and downright terrifying books in the Bible. Join us over the next few weeks as we learn basic rules to understand and interpret the difficult passages of Revelation.

### KNOCKER BALL & PICNIC

**April 24 from 4-6PM; cost is \$10 each**  
Life-size, inflated craziness followed by a cookout at Hope. See below to learn more about Knocker Ball. There is no need to register!

## WHAT IS KNOCKER BALL?!?

Knocker Balls are large round chambers of air, that cover most of your body in order to have some really exceptional fun. Each ball comes with inner handles and straps and it is made in such a way that it can allow roughing it up with some friends or just playing around. You will not get injured, even if you come into contact with an opponent!

Friends are always welcome!! These events will be held at outside at Hope Lutheran.







## WEDNESDAY NIGHT VBS!

April 6 - April 27 from 6:30-7:30PM

Children's Ministry will have a spring VBS, "Pets Unleashed," where kids learn how Jesus cares "fur" them!

Register online at [www.hopelutheranwf.org](http://www.hopelutheranwf.org), selecting "Get Involved, Children." See you there!!

## CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

At Hope, there are many different ways for children to get involved, grow relationships, and build upon their faith foundations developed at home.

Register for any of these events at [www.hopelutheranwf.org](http://www.hopelutheranwf.org), selecting "Get Involved - Children."

### KID'S CONNECT AT HILLRIDGE FARMS

**April 10 at 2:00PM; cost is \$10/person**  
All children ages 3 - Kindergarten are invited to meet at Hillridge for an afternoon of fun. Cost includes admission and 2 activities.

### KINGDOM KIDS BROWN BAG SERVICE PROJECT

**April 2 from 11:00AM-12:30PM**  
All 1 & 2 graders and their parents are invited to participate in Brown Bag Ministry in April! You will see God working through each of you by feeding those in need, both nutritionally and spiritually.

### FLASH BOWLING EVENT

**April 23, 3-5PM; Cost \$7/game & shoes**  
All 3 & 4 graders are invited to meet at Brooks Street Bowling in Wake Forest for an afternoon of fun.

### XPLORE TRACK OUT CAMP

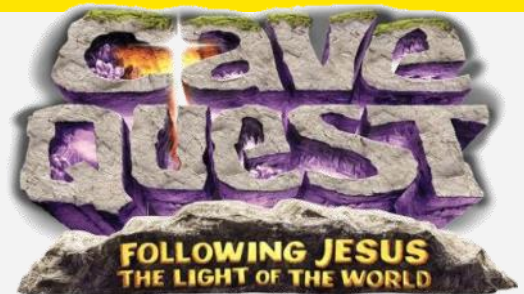
There is a whole lot of fun to be had at Hope's Christ-centered camp this April. Themes include: Digg'n' Nature, Fear Factor, Mad Science Lab, & Animal Planet. To register, learn more about pricing and discounts, visit [www.hopelutheranwf.org](http://www.hopelutheranwf.org). Questions? Contact Billie Kay Roland, Xplore Director, at 919-554-8109 or [broland@hopelutheranwf.org](mailto:broland@hopelutheranwf.org).

### SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS

are needed for grades preschool-4th grade during the summer to give the school year teachers a much needed break! Sunday Curriculum is provided to all teachers. Email Beth Agner at [bagner@hopelutheranwf.org](mailto:bagner@hopelutheranwf.org) to volunteer.

### SPRING PAGEANT - IN THE BIG INNING!

Come see the show on **Friday, April 8 at 7:00PM**. Also, don't forget the last dress rehearsal is April 3 from 1:30-4:30PM.



VBS @ Hope ~ June 20-24, 2016

### VBS REGISTRATION OPENS ONLINE APRIL 1 AT 9:00AM!

**Daytime Session: 9:00AM - Noon**  
**Evening Session: 5:30-8:00PM**  
Must be 4 by 8/31/16 & potty trained

Gear up for an over-the-top underground adventure! Kids will spend each day spelunking through activity stations with their Cave Crews. There is no cost for VBS; however, a free-will donation will be received during the closing program. T-Shirts are available for purchase (optional) during registration. Questions? Contact Beth Agner, Director of Christian Education and Children's Ministry at [atbagner@hopelutheranwf.org](mailto:atbagner@hopelutheranwf.org).

#### EXTEND THE FUN!

When registering for VBS, indicate your interest to extend the fun with either Xplore Camp (K-5th grade for \$100) or Preschool Summer Expressions (3-4 year olds for \$90). Hours are from noon-5:00PM with optional early & late care available.

# HOPE LUTHERAN PRESCHOOL NEWS

The preschool celebrated **LUTHERAN SCHOOLS WEEK** in March. The children learned all about “God’s Amazing Love.” They dressed in different ways each day and enjoyed daily chapel lessons and fun songs. They also really enjoyed the special snacks throughout the week that were provided by the parents. Thank you parents!

**PARENTS’ NIGHT OUT** is back! Bring your children **ages 18 months to 12 years** to Parents’ Night Out on Friday April 15 from 5:30–8:30PM. The cost is \$15 per child and includes dinner and age appropriate activities. Childcare is provided by Preschool staff. Information and registration forms will be located in the preschool lobby and on the Welcome Desk in the church foyer.

## SUMMER EXPRESSIONS

**Registration is now in progress** for Hope’s half day and full day summer program for rising 2 year olds through rising kindergarteners. Summer Expressions will be held each week from May 31 through August 12. Spaces are limited. Questions? Contact the Preschool at 919-453-0388.

## HLP END OF YEAR CELEBRATION

Join us Wednesday, May 25 from 9:00AM - noon. We will have food, games, bounce houses, and more. Cost is \$10 per family. Contact the preschool for more information at 919-453-0388.

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Erin Tighe, 4/1  
Landon Hubbell, 4/2  
Bill Jasper, 4/2  
Marcie Rush, 4/2  
Lee Backstrom, 4/3  
Joe Beaman, 4/3  
Trina Harrell, 4/3  
Matt Slaybaugh, 4/3  
Agnes Van Alstyne, 4/3  
Valerie Wilson, 4/3  
Tony Dubiel, 4/5  
Doug Hoy, 4/5  
Sawyer Law, 4/5  
Pepper Peterson, 4/5  
Taylor Friend, 4/6  
Ben Koziel, 4/6  
Claire O’Neill, 4/6  
Beckie Randall, 4/6  
Mandy D’Ugo, 4/7  
Effie Draetta, 4/7  
Crissie Hoelzle, 4/7  
Ben Kris, 4/7  
Christine Ames, 4/8  
Bill Brunkhorst, 4/8  
Abbey Lockhart, 4/8  
Anita Rutter, 4/8  
Debra Desha, 4/9  
Julia Mulnick-Arout, 4/9  
Ryan Bloomer, 4/10  
Jarrod Dunne, 4/11  
Dan Johnson, 4/11  
Karen Brevig, 4/12  
Darren Dunne, 4/12  
Joseph Loomis, 4/12  
Andrew Peacock, 4/12  
Barry Agner, 4/13  
Ben DeRose, 4/13  
Connor Hughes, 4/13  
Richard Emanuele, 4/14  
Gretchen Hitchcock, 4/14  
Susan Roseman, 4/14  
Gabi VanSickle, 4/14  
Luke Farlow, 4/15  
Rebekah Scheuerle, 4/15  
Zach Webb, 4/15  
Nick Loeffler, 4/16  
Conrad Watson, 4/16  
Emilie Case, 4/17  
Tracy Gentry, 4/17  
Kennedy O’Donnell, 4/17  
Rick Pfendler, 4/17  
Carson Rogers, 4/17  
Jenn Boney, 4/18  
Nicholas Horsley, 4/18  
Sue Joslyn, 4/18  
Lori Kannan, 4/18  
Emory Matthews, 4/18  
Conor Murphy, 4/18  
Kathy Trusch, 4/18  
Nicholas Whitmer, 4/18  
Amy Elder, 4/19  
Sean Wilson, 4/19  
Jeremy Dunne, 4/20  
David Kramer, 4/20  
Lee Mahaffey, 4/20  
Richard Scheuerle, 4/20  
Vincent Schunke, 4/20  
Jan Wilczynski, 4/20  
David Wilkerson, 4/20  
Kaden Gentry, 4/21  
Janet Hubbard, 4/21  
Jannelle Merritt-Pizzola, 4/21  
Anna O’Neill, 4/21  
Mary Roberts, 4/21  
Tracy Zwickis, 4/21

Alan Barker Jr., 4/22  
Michael Case, 4/22  
Jenny Farmer, 4/22  
Nicolette Fritz, 4/22  
Emma Kirkendoll, 4/22  
Faith Moran, 4/22  
Joe Rousseau, 4/22  
Brayden Flanagan, 4/23  
Jim Mink, 4/23  
Alissa Carroll, 4/24  
Eamonn Duensing, 4/24  
Heidi Howard, 4/24  
Bruce Ohle, 4/24  
Amy Wilkerson, 4/24  
Susan Baker, 4/25  
Andy Barrett, 4/25  
Amy Lee, 4/25  
Gary Long, 4/25  
Colleen Puls, 4/25  
Joelle Weltzin, 4/25  
Kayla Hayes, 4/26  
Olivia Holt, 4/26  
Kayla Merrill, 4/26  
Miriam Whitmer, 4/26  
Hilary Tew, 4/27  
Judy Cooke, 4/28  
Frank Dreier, 4/28  
Wolfgang Isaacson, 4/28  
Reid Johnson, 4/28  
Danielle Allen, 4/29  
Amanda Bachand, 4/29  
Blair Bowling, 4/29  
Dwight Collinson, 4/29  
William Hunter, 4/29  
Caroline Murphy, 4/29  
Jeff Rom, 4/29  
Hunter Bowling, 4/30  
Carissa Rosonke, 4/30

## HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

Ed & Jan McCluskey, 4/2  
John Pizzola & Jannelle Merritt-Pizzola, 4/2  
Richard & Claudia Lucic, 4/4  
Dennis & Beverly Mecum, 4/6  
Marilyn & Kevin Marr, 4/7  
Ed & Judith Spinola, 4/8  
Jack & Molly Milani, 4/10  
Larry & Debra Verny, 4/10  
Michael & Jenny Case, 4/11  
Bruce & Laurie Green, 4/11  
Jerry & Liz Garlington, 4/12  
Nick & Melanie Loeffler, 4/12  
Sandra & Charles Ollivier, 4/12  
Richard & Myra Emanuele, 4/14  
Kevin & Ann Bower, 4/17  
Tim & Tammie Merrill, 4/17  
Mark & Sue Foster, 4/18  
Dwayne & Judy Cooke, 4/19  
Mike & Diane Copeland, 4/20  
Michael & Karie Cook, 4/21  
Mark & Cathy Foil, 4/21  
Todd & Angie Meyer, 4/21  
Rick & Lanette DeRose, 4/22  
Conrad & Lynda Watson, 4/24  
Jay & Renee Jolly III, 4/25  
Rick & Bonnie Pierce, 4/25  
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Paula & David Reeves, 4/26  
Sue & Eric Hardee, 4/28  
Mark & Brenda Berkland, 4/29  
John & Kimber Mahoney, 4/29  
Kristy & Spencer Rogers, 4/29  
Jonathan & Lauren Habers, 4/30

## PRAYER REQUESTS FROM MARCH 6

**Praise and Thanksgiving for...** Simon Nugent & Joey Sakowski's birthdays; the birth of Brody Dean, grandchild of Conrad & Lynda Watson; a daughter in solid recovery; **Comfort for...** Kenna Martin's family, friends of Caroline Vukovich, dealing with the loss of their mother; a friend of Jazmyn, mourning the death of his grandmother and also a family pet; DeAnn Melhinch and family as her mother, Christine Blackwell, nears the end of her earthly life; Brian Raynor, grieving the loss of his grandfather; Joseline Kirkendoll's friend, Adnan Hayat and family, whose father is hospitalized and also mourning the loss of his mother, both victims of a robbery; **Strength and Healing for...** Rita Kaess' sister, Jean Happle, recovering from surgery; Don Wall, diagnosed with cancer & recovering from surgery; Dewey Jordan, diagnosed with cancer; Joshua Hutton's friend, Jay Jay; Roberta Thieding, Sara Zinck's mother, as she continues cancer treatments; Antoinette Vecellio's friend, Nancy Koballa, who suffered a stroke; Jim De Hamer, hospitalized; youth at a conference who got sick; Olivia, that she will have minimum side-effects during treatment; Jean, as she undergoes testing for cancer; Amanda Turner's parents as they continue to have health issues; Sherri Hall's grandfather suffering from heart issues & a cousin who had a stroke; Don Williams, grandfather of the Harris Family; Jay Harris, brother of the Harris family, for peace and serenity; those struggling with depression and hopelessness; Judy Houchens, friends of the Sharpstene's, dealing with a hip replacement; the Holzschuh family, especially Dennis' sister and Shirley's daughter, Terri Holzschuh Fournet, for good test results. Prayers also for Troy Holzschuh, brother of Dennis and son of Shirley, having cancer surgery on April 12; Ron Warwick, friend of Bill & Deborah Winiewicz, hospitalized.

## PRAYER REQUESTS FROM MARCH 13

**Praise and Thanksgiving for...** good test results for Terry Holzschuh Forunet; Sue Corlis, friend of the Hummel's, who was unharmed from a car accident; Matt & Renee Stokes and the birth of their child, Seth; **Comfort for...** the Melhinch, D'Ugo, and Baldwin families grieving the loss of DeAnn's mother, Christine Blackwell; Joe Langmead and his family during his last few days in hospice; family of Rev. Dean Herberts of St. Paul's Ridgeway, on the death of his mother; Michael Case and family, at the sudden death of his cousin; Michelle Daniel's friend, whose 6 year old child died; Comfort for Lester Deming at the death of a former pastor's son; Anne Hall and family, grieving the loss of her

cousin; **Strength and healing for...** Michelle Tracey's grandmother, Erma Hensley, recovering after surgery; Nels Sandstrom's brother, Richard, having cancer surgery; Caydence Borker, friend of Debbie DeSha, experiencing fevers since dental surgery; Brandi Hughes, diagnosed with cancer; Jeff Koehler, recovering from a severely broken ankle; Barb, friend of Conrad and Lynda Watson, diagnosed with Alzheimer's; Ron Warwick, friend of the Winiewicz's, recovering from pneumonia; Isaac Hall, having surgery on his hand to repair a nerve and tendon; Pam Harrell's friend, recovering from cataract surgery; Ava Williams' sick friend, Cora Henkel; Sandy Ham, friend of the Winiewicz's, hospitalized; a friend's marriage; Anita Reiss' friends battling flu and other illnesses; son of Kevin Murphy's co-worker, Ean Goff, experiencing health issues related to a bad reaction to medicine; **Guidance, support, and safety for...** Samuel Volstad for a safe trip while in China, friend of the Sujat and Turgeon families; the United States of America; all the animals.

## PRAYER REQUESTS FROM MARCH 20

**Comfort for...** the Pierre family, mourning the loss of Frank A. Pierre; Robert Gehring's friends, the Holton family, grieving the loss of a family member; the family of Roy Pringle, uncle of Betty McAlear, who died after a battle with cancer; **Strength and Healing for...** Kevin Murphy's mother, hospitalized; Eli Ames, recovering from a severe allergic reaction; Dennis DiMartino's aunt, May Pawelko, suffering from bone spurs; Dennis DiMartino's mother, Angelina DiMartino, recovering from pneumonia; Melissa, the wife of Melanie Barker's co-worker, battling cancer; Brenda Duensing, dealing with multiple health-related issues; the Scheuerle's aunt, recently diagnosed with cancer; a friend's grandfather having surgery; Joseline Kirkendoll's friend in Pakistan who is struggling with safety issues, loss of a mother, and recovery of a father; a mother recovering from a fever; Kaaren Kayser, recovering from the flu and minor surgery; Sharon DiMartino's niece & nephew, Alexander Kernbaum and Amanda Kern, for good test results; Jody Harris' friend, whose mother was diagnosed with cancer; Brandi Hughes as she begins cancer treatments this week; Jonathan Cosgrove, son of Pastor and Jackie, recovering from multiple burns on his arms and legs; Nita Roberts, Deb Winiewicz's mother, having surgery on March 23; positive surgery and test results; Randy Struve, son-in-law of the Haske's, who has developed more health issues; **Guidance, Protection, and Safety for...** all those seeking work; to trust timing; unity and peace for a family.



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5:30PM

Sunday Worship

8:30AM & 11:00AM

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