

January, 2017 | Monthly Newsletter of Hope Lutheran Church | Wake Forest, NC

PASTOR PULS' REFLECTION....WHERE ARE YOU FROM?

A common question in our area is, "Where are you from?" As you know, a huge percentage of Wake Forest-area residents have moved here from other parts of the country. Many of our Hope members are North Carolina natives, but a tremendous amount of our congregation members come from the Northeast, Midwest, and other sectors of our land.

Where are you from? Maybe your accent gives you away. Or your food preferences. Or your sports team allegiances. Often, a previous place of residence makes a major impact on a person's life, and shapes the way we function day-to-day.

There's an interesting parallel in all of this for Christian living. Where are you from, spiritually-speaking? It's the Lord God's desire that our daily living reflects our spiritual origins. He calls you and me to live our lives daily as if we are his children. He forgives us, loves us, and promises us eternal salvation through faith in Jesus Christ. But God also equips us -- and challenges us constantly -- to glorify him, to obey him, to make him our top priority.

As his beloved people, we go out into the world each day to honor and represent our God. And **where we're from** should have a major impact on how we go about our daily business. We're coming from a place of grace. We're coming from a spiritual home where we're loved and nurtured. We're coming from a personal identity that's been shaped by the Spirit of Christ himself. We're coming from a faith that trusts God in all circumstances. We're coming from a Bible-based perspective on the world that reminds us that God is always in control, and always on our side.

So ... where are you from?

In Christ,

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WEEKEND WORSHIP SERVICES

Saturday at 5:30PM Sunday at 8:30AM, 10:49AM, & 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

January 4 - February 22 5:30 – 6:15: Dinner 5:30 – 6:30: Youth Praise Team 5:30 – 5:50: Chimers 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 Thank you from the entire Hope staff for the wonderful cards, gifts, and home baked goodies received in December. Also, thank you for the congregation's monetary Christmas gift.

It is such a privilege to serve with the people of Hope and we are blessed by your continued support and kindness!!

NEW FAMILY SERVICE!

January 8 at 10:49AM in the Children's Center

The service is specially designed for families with children and youth. It will feature weekly communion, and will use the same Scriptural themes and sermons from the other services. There will also be a lively mix of contemporary Christian music, familiar hymn, and children's songs being sung. Stop by the Children's Center to join this new and exciting service on Sunday mornings!

CONGREGATIONAL ASSEMBLY

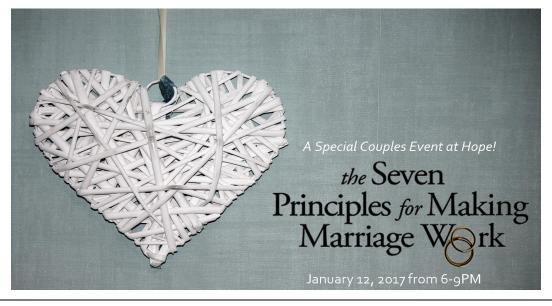
January 29, 2017; from 3:30-5:00PM

You're invited to attend Hope's Congregational Assembly on Sunday, January 29. The agenda will include a "State of the Church" report featuring God's blessings in 2016, membership growth, financial reports, and more! Please plan to attend as the congregation embraces the challenges and opportunities of 2017!

COUPLES EVENT AT HOPE

January 12, 2017, from 6-9PM; cost is \$30/couple

Join local Licensed Marriage and Family Therapists, Shelly Hummel and Carole Cullen, as they lead an exciting and informative session for couples based on the book, *The Seven Principles for Making Relationships Work* by John Gottmann. Each registered couple will receive a copy of the book and dinner! Childcare will be available. Registration is open, visit www.hopelutheranwf.org.





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

The Men of Hope serve family-oriented dinners using the freshest food available, with ample servings, in a happy and friendly atmosphere. Dinners are served from 5:30-6:15PM. 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).

Dinner Menu:

- January 4: Hot dogs and hamburgers with all the trimmings, coleslaw, macaroni and potato salad, baked beans, and cake for dessert.
- January 11: Spaghetti and meatballs or sausage with garlic bread, salad, and Italian ice for dessert.
- January 18: Baked parmesan-crusted chicken served with mashed potatoes, salad, bread, corn, green beans, and cookies.
- January 25: Tacos with chips & salsa, Mexican corn, and Ice cream for dessert.
- February 1: Salisbury steak, potatoes, vegetable, salad, bread, and cupcakes for dessert.
- **February 8:** Homemade chicken strips, salad, vegetables, and ice cream for dessert.
- **February 15:** Baked spaghetti with meat sauce, iceberg & Romaine salad, garlic bread, and cookies for dessert.
- **February 22:** Hot dogs and hamburgers with all the trimmings, coleslaw, macaroni and potato salad, baked beans, chips and Italian Ices for dessert.

MUSIC MINISTRY

5:30pm-5:50pm; Chimers (grades 1 & 2) 5:30pm-6:30pm; Youth Praise Team 5:50pm-6:25pm; Children's Choir 6:00pm-6:30pm; Youth Handbells (grades 3-8) 6:30pm-7:30pm; Adult Handbells 7:45pm-9:15pm; Senior Choir

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY 6:30-7:30PM

Nursery (0-2 yrs) in the Nursery Kids Connect (3 yrs-K) in the Nursery Kingdom Kids (Grades 1&2) in the Preschool FLASH (Grades 3&4) in the Children's Center

YOUTH MINISTRY

6:30-7:30PM

Confirmation Group on the Adult Ed. Floor Middle School Youth (Grades 7&8) in the Youth Cntr. High School Youth (Grades 9-12) meet Sunday Nights

ADULT STUDIES

6:30-7:30PM Joel See page 6 of this newsletter for a course description. January 21 & 22: Donations accepted

January 26: Volunteers needed to sort clothing. Come anytime after 5:00pm

January 28: Volunteers needed to help guests shop from 9:00am-Noon



This ministry offers free clothing and housewares four times a year, with all items donated by the people of Hope. Please consider donating your gently used clothing (babiesadults, men & women) and small housewares are needed.

Items go directly to people who need them most in Wake Forest and surrounding communities.

BROWN BAG MINISTRY

The Brown Bag Ministry Team meets year round to provide nutritious lunches and smiles to people in Wake Forest. Also included in each lunch is a Bible verse for spiritual health. Join us January 7 or January 21 outside the kitchen. We will make sandwiches and assemble lunch bags starting about 11:00AM. After praying over the lunches, we head out to two locations in Wake Forest about 11:45AM. Volunteers are welcome for either (or both) activities.



JANUARY TRI-AREA FOOD COLLECTION

The Feeding the Faith Small Group is collecting cereal and canned soup for the month of December. Please place items in the donation bins in the café area.

OUTREACH & MISSION MINISTRIES

ALTAR CARE "UN-DECORATING"

Thursday, January 5 at 9:30AM

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It's the chore no one likes to do, but the beautiful Christmas decorations, wreaths and Christmas trees must come down. Altar Care Team Members and Men of Hope Members invite you to join them. If you can volunteer, it will be appreciated!

- The Altar Care team is responsible for the preparation for worship services. Contact Carlin O'Brien at cobrien@hopelutheranwf.org to learn more or join the team!
- The **Men of Hope** meet once a month for breakfast and a meeting. The group is responsible for providing Wednesday Night Alive dinners and contribute to many projects around the church. To join, contact David Van Hook at dvanhook@yahoo.com.

LIVE NATIVITY THANK YOU!

A big thank you to all the volunteers who lead a successful Live Nativity this

year! From the set designers and painters, to the organizers, actors, and everyone who brought cookies to enjoy!

Although a bit chilly, it was so much fun to enjoy the story of Christ's birth together, as a church family.



OUTREACH & MISSION MINISTRIES

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY PROJECTS

MLK DAY OF SERVICE – LOCAL HOME PRESERVATION PROJECTS!

January 16, 2017; 8:15AM-4:00PM

Hope will participate in a MLK Day of Service in partnership with Habitat working on several local home preservation projects. The day will begin at Olive Branch Baptist Church (326 E Juniper Ave, Wake Forest), walking to various work sites, returning to Olive Branch for lunch and a service program, then finishing projects until 4:00PM. Register now online at www.hopeluthernwf.org.

Can't volunteer, but still want to contribute? Watch bulletin for opportunities to donate items for the lunch. Contact Shannon Janosko at sjanosko@hopelutheranwf.org if you are interested in helping.

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

Spring 2017

New construction volunteer opportunities for with Northern Wake Faith Coalition are coming in April. Let's join together to help a local family obtain a home of their own. Shannon Janosko at sjanosko@hopelutheranwf.org.



February 10, 2017 6:00-9:00PM

Night to Shine, sponsored by the Tim Tebow Foundation, is a wonderful Prom event that celebrates God's love for people with special needs. Last year 44 churches in 26 states and 3 countries participated. Hope was the only Lutheran church on the list. Worldwide, there were 15,000 volunteers and 7,000 honored guests joining together to celebrate.

Hope Lutheran will be a host church again, and plans are beginning! If you would like to be a part of the planning team, please contact the church office at 919-554-8109.

Please mark your calendar to volunteer during the event. Volunteers are needed to host guests, work a station, set/ clean up. Registration will be open January 3, visit www.hopelutheranwf.org.

Questions about volunteering can be directed to Bonnie Petersilge at BPetersilg@aol.com.

RE-GIFTING UPDATE

Thanks to generous donations, Hope House Homework and Mentoring children were able to provide gifts for their parents and other adults in their lives. The children enjoyed fellowship, dinner, selected their gifts and wrapped them, listening to the Christmas story, and finished the evening with Christmas caroling sing-along. Remaining gifts were donated to Hope House's annual Angel Tree.







Thank you from the children of the Hope House Homework and Mentoring group!

ADULT EDUCATION

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

BEING LUTHERAN

Date: January 8-February 26

Leader: Pastor Lew; Location: Adult Education Floor, room 301

When it comes down to it, being Lutheran is really very simple. It's about following Jesus. We go where Jesus goes, we listen when Jesus speaks, we trust when Jesus promises. And we live because Jesus lives. Whether you are a lifelong Lutheran, a new Christian, or someone in between, you are invited to learn more about Lutheran thinking and practice.

EPHESIANS

Date: January 8 - 29

Leader: Vicar Mark; Location: Adult Education Floor, room 300

Paul's letter to the Ephesians articulates general instruction in the truths of the cosmic redemptive work of God in Christ; the unity of the church among diverse peoples; and proper conduct in the church, the home, and the world. Sounds a lot like what we still need to hear today, doesn't it?

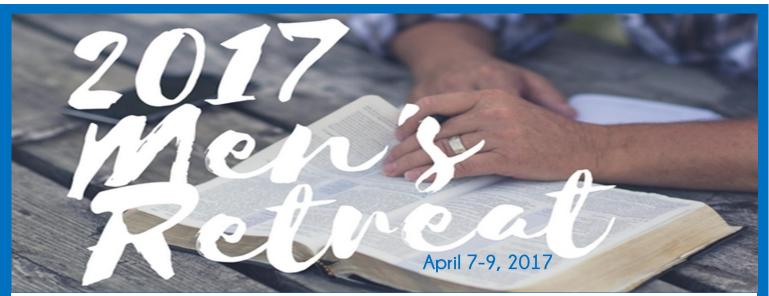
Wednesday Evenings from 6:30-7:30PM

JOEL

Date: January 4-25

Leader: Diane Parker; Location: Adult Education Floor, room 300

What would a minor prophet like Joel have to tell us in 2017? Come find out more than you ever wanted to know about locusts. But beware, there is also unparalleled destruction and the Mightiness of God displayed in the pages of this unforgettable prophet.



The 2017 Men's Retreat will be at Camp Cheerio, located atop the eastern side of the Blue Ridge Mountains, less than 3 hours from Hope. Cost is \$170 which includes 2 nights lodging + meals (Friday dinner - Sunday breakfast) + hat or t-shirt. No payment due at this time; however, the team would like to know if you are planning to attend. Please pre-register at www.hopelutheranwf.org.Questions? Contact Mike Owens at mjowens98@gmail.com or Rob Petersilge at rpetersilg@aol.com.



WEEKEND VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

It's a new year at Hope! New services, new faces, and new volunteers are needed! Please consider serving your church this new year, your response to this need will share the blessing of service and reduce the frequency of scheduling to those already serving. The greatest areas of need are the following:

ALTAR CARE

Assists with setting up the church and altar area for each service for worship, Holy Communion, and Holy Baptism. A complete list of weekly duties and training is available. **Need: Saturday Night service, Sunday @ 11:00AM, & the Family service @10:49AM.**

COMMUNION SERVER

Servers assist the Pastors in the distribution of Holy Communion during the worship services by distributing the wine from the small glasses or the common cup. Training is provided. **Need: Saturday Night service, Sunday @ 11:00AM, & the Family service @10:49AM.**

OFFERING COUNTER

Counters assist with counting and recording the weekly offerings for deposit. Counters assist every 6 months for 2 Sundays as part of a counting team. Counting starts immediately following the 11:00AM service. If interested, contact Holly Bloomer, Financial Secretary, at hbloomer1@gmail.com.

USHER

Ushers assist with worship services by welcoming members and visitors, distributing worship bulletins, and ushering people for reception of Holy Communion. Usher training is provided. Need: Saturday Night service & the Family service @10:49AM.

LAY READER

The lay reader participates in worship by reading the Bible lessons during the worship service. The lessons are emailed to the lay reader in advance of each weekend. **Need: Saturday Night service** & the Family service @10:49AM.

Volunteers for the Family service (starting January 8 at 10:49AM) are invited to participate with the entire family...mom, dad, & kids.

Please email Carlin O'Brien at cobrien@hopelutheranwf.org for more information or to volunteer for any of the positions listed.

MINISTRY HIGHLIGHTS

2017 FLOWER CHART

is located on the wall in the church office hallway. You may sign up to donate flowers in memory or in honor of loved ones or to observe special occasions. Flowers are \$55 with checks payable to Hope, earmarked "flowers."

STEPHEN MINISTRY

God's blessings to the 8 new Stephen Ministers at Hope. This ministry equips lay people, through 40 hours of training, to provide confidential, private, oneto-one Christian care to individuals in our congregation and community who are experiencing difficulties in their lives.

Do you know someone else perhaps a friend, neighbor, coworker, or relative - who could benefit from Stephen Ministry? If so, contact Andy Barrett at andy27609@yahoo.com or Jerry Garlington at garlingj@hotmail.com.

SMALL GROUP MINISTRY CARDS AT HOPE PRIMET

BRIDGE GROUP

January 9 & January 23, 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 - January 2 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!

PRIMETIMER DINNER & MEETING

Saturday, January 28at 7:00PM

Join the PrimeTimers group in the Fellowship Hall for dinner and a business meeting. More information will be coming.

Questions? Contact Paul & Rene Hieter at phieter@nc.rr.com.

YOUTH MINISTRY

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

5-6 GRADES

MOVIE NIGHT!!!

January 13 from 6:30-9:00PM in the Youth Center

Get ready for a night filled with popcorn, candy, chips, and of course a phenomenal movie. There is no cost or registration for this event, just a bring a friend and show up for a great time!

CONFIRMATION starts January 4! Wednesday Nights from 6:30-7:30PM

Welcome back to all the Confirmands and leaders!

Did you know...that all of the Confirmation calendar information is located on the website? Visit www.hopelutheranwf.org and select "Get Involved , 5-6 & Confirmation" today.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sunday mornings from 9:45-10:45AM

You're invited to the Confirmation Center (take the stairs by the kitchen & nursery) every Sunday! The class, led by Amy Elder, is a combination of games, Bible study, and prayer.

EVENTS!!

MARTIN LUTHER KING SERVICE DAY (FOR YOUTH 14 AND OLDER)

January 16 from 8:15AM – 4:00PM

Hope will participate in a MLK Day of Service in partnership with Habitat for Humanity of Wake County and other area churches working on several local home preservation projects. The day will include working on the project, a service program and lunch at Olive Branch Baptist Church, and then finishing up in the afternoon. Register now online at http:// vhub.at/MLKdayofservice. Since this work day is in home preservation projects, volunteers age 14 and up can work with parental consent and adequate supervision. Olive Branch Baptist Church is located at 326 East Juniper Avenue, Wake Forest.

WINTER JAM 2017

January 22 meet at Hope to carpool to PNC Arena at 4:45PM; Cost is \$10/person

Winter Jam is coming to Raleigh and you don't want to miss it! Winter Jam is one of the biggest Christian concerts in the world. This year headliners include David Crowder, Tenth Avenue North, Andy Mineo and many more! This event is open to youth in grades 5-12. Sign up online at www.hopelutheranwf.org. Drivers are needed.

7-8 GRADES

YOUTH WEDNESDAY NIGHTS

Starts January 4 from 6:30-7:30PM

See you Wednesday nights for food, games, devotions, & discussion.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

9:45-10:45AM in room 115 in the Youth Center

We continue to grow in faith throughout life. Youth Bible classes are focused on growing in knowledge of God's Word and how it applies to our lives. Classes include discussions, and hands-on activities so everyone can participate. Everyone is invited, bring a friend!

9–12 GRADES

SUNDAY NIGHT YOUTH

meet at Hope for food, games, devotions, & discussion (6:30-8:30PM).

SUNDAY SCHOOL

9:45-10:45AM in the Youth Center

Come to Hope Sunday mornings for in-depth Bible discussions, fellowship, and growing in the Word.



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CHILDREN'S CENTER. The service is specially designed for families with children and youth. It will feature weekly communion, and will use the same Scriptural themes and sermons from the other services. There will also be a lively mix of contemporary Christian music, familiar hymns, and children's songs being sung. Stop by the Children's Center to join this new and exciting service on Sunday mornings!

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY EVENTS & NEWS

FLASH JELLY BEANS SKATE NIGHT

January 22 from 2-4PM; Cost is \$5.50 admission and \$2 skate Welcome 2017!! Start the new year off with Xplore and join us for some brand new themes such as "Feeling Frosty,"

Whether you've been skating for years, or have never been, you'll have a great time at the Jelly Beans rink in Wakefield (10701 Common Oaks Dr., Raleigh). All 3 & 4 grades are invited to this event... parents are invited to stay and join the fun! Please register at www.hopelutheranwf.org to let us know you are coming! **XPLORE TRACK OUT CAMP**

Welcome 2017!! Start the new year off with Xplore and join us for some brand new themes such as "Feeling Frosty," "Dream Team," and "Minecraft". We would also like to say a special thank you to the families who attended in 2016! We really enjoyed spending time with your wonderful children and watching them grow. We have some exciting new things planned for the new year so check us out at www.hopelutheranwf.org.

Questions? Contact Beth Agner at bagner@hopelutheranwf.org.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT ALIVE BEGINS ON JANUARY 4! SEE PAGE 3 FOR DETAILS.

HOPE LUTHERAN PRESCHOOL NEWS

FALL 2017-2018 REGISTRATION

It's that time again! If you are a church member interested in your child attending the Fall 2017/18 program contact the preschool office at 919-453-0388.

- <u>Hope Lutheran Church Members</u> will have first priority and must turn in their completed registration forms on Tuesday, January 17. Registration forms received after January 17 will no longer receive priority or be guaranteed a spot at the Preschool. Registration packets may be picked up beginning Monday, January 9.
- Currently Enrolled Students and their Siblings will register on Wednesday, January 18.
- Currently Enrolled Little Blessings Students will register on Thursday, January 19.
- <u>Open Community Registration</u> will be held on Friday, January 20 at 8:00AM on a first-come, first-served basis. Class placement will be done at the time of registration. If no spots are available in your first or second choice, you may choose to be placed on a waiting list at that time. A letter will be mailed to you on Tuesday, January 24 confirming your child's class or their place on the waiting list.

Check out our website at www.hopelutheranwf.org for class options and tuition rates.

Early Mornings and Extended Enrichment Afternoons

We will continue to offer early care from 7:00 to 9:00AM and extended afternoons from 12:00PM to 5:00PM, Monday through Friday. You can choose 1 to 5 days, and rates are monthly. Check our website for more information.

Thank you for all of your support of Hope Lutheran Preschool!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Lisa Dotson, 1/1 Savannah Howard, 1/1 Shirley Jaeger, 1/1 Joseline Kirkendoll, 1/1 Mike Ponsolle, 1/1 Danielle Austin, 1/2 Nathan Ebberts, 1/2 Emma Harris, 1/2 Alexis Wood, 1/2 Camden Ames, 1/3 Jack Ames, 1/3 Simon Law, 1/3 Hannah Rose Morrow, 1/3 Connor Mrazek, 1/3 Tanner Mrazek, 1/3 Teri O'Neill, 1/3 Dillon Swenson, 1/3 Cynthia Woolard, 1/3 Ann Bower, 1/4 Will Duignan, 1/4 Maddie Ellis, 1/4 Ron Gelfo, 1/4 Pam Harrell, 1/4 Macy Parmelee, 1/4 Wyatt Pickens, 1/4 Kaitlynne Baker, 1/5 Stephen Brevig, 1/5 Katherine Cesar, 1/5 Cade Evans, 1/5 Bill Jay, 1/5 Ryan Stitt, 1/5

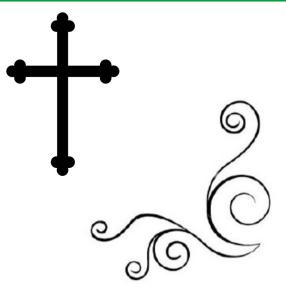
Bud Wegner, 1/5 Miranda Bailey, 1/6 Patrick Bloomer, 1/6 Melissa Irgens, 1/6 Bryan Law, 1/6 Lucas Raynor, 1/6 David Siderio, 1/7 Sophia Hayes, 1/8 Sharon Leary, 1/8 Bob Rutter, 1/8 Darby Ellwanger, 1/9 Denean Garrity, 1/9 Brenda Kris, 1/9 Ashley Stroot, 1/9 Cathy Demarchi, 1/10 Jamie Matala, 1/10 Sharon Sandstrom, 1/10 Michael Carlyle, 1/11 Dan Hitchcock, 1/11 Henri Kelliher, 1/11 Tyler Lane, 1/11 Imogen Braddock, 1/12 Pat DiMonda, 1/12 Clara Owens, 1/12 Lily Wrenn, 1/12 Peggy Koehler, 1/13 Chloe Barker, 1/14 Lyle Berglund, 1/14 Amber Edwards, 1/14 Andy Garrity, 1/15 Jamie Pless, 1/15 Kristy Rogers, 1/15 Ewa Allen, 1/16 Leslie Hasty, 1/16 Jake Smith, 1/16

Michele Buddo, 1/17 Spencer Marr, 1/17 Lauren Stitt, 1/17 Max Upchurch, 1/17 Brian Faris, 1/18 Emily Minor, 1/18 Karen Peterson, 1/18 Beth Theiss, 1/18 Olivia Pierre, 1/19 Helen Turner, 1/19 Michael Webb, 1/19 Hannah Lynn Weidner, 1/19 George Young, 1/19 Zachary Morris, 1/20 Renee Pfendler, 1/20 Heather Phillips, 1/20 Sandra Schwarz, 1/20 Kate Smith, 1/20 Rob Watt, 1/20 Darryl Barbella, 1/21 Connor Guin, 1/21 Shelley Hitt, 1/21 Sarabeth Hogshire, 1/21 Abby Nugent, 1/21 Billie Kay Roland, 1/21 Rob Hughes III, 1/22 Gus Ismay, 1/22 Melanie Loeffler, 1/22 Tia Marr, 1/22 Zach Reeves, 1/22 Katherine Edwards, 1/23 Lori Hugelmaier, 1/23 Makayla Meyer, 1/23 Millie Monahan, 1/23 Tracie White, 1/23

Ann Jasper, 1/24 Rachel Raynor, 1/24 Crystal Dickens, 1/25 Chandler Harrell III, 1/25 Jeff Lasater, 1/25 Ron Miksa, 1/25 Megan Cerniauskas, 1/26 Carolyn Rathje, 1/26 Mike Featham, 1/27 Tom Hemma, 1/27 Chad Krogh, 1/27 Sam Moretz, 1/27 Jane Vukovich, 1/27 Brinley Allred, 1/28 Jordan Fritz, 1/28 Adam Mittner, 1/28 Jennifer Murphy, 1/28 Matthew Isaacson, 1/29 Diane Ryals, 1/29 Kim Zimmerman, 1/29 Sophie Eisenhardt, 1/30 Jonathan Habers, 1/30 Tom Haske, 1/30 Evan Moran, 1/30 Wyatt Murphy, 1/30 Celeste Nugent, 1/30 Natalie Valchar, 1/30 Kristina Cook, 1/31 Hunter DeCilles, 1/31 Virginia Fulbright, 1/31 Phyllis Harrison, 1/31 Noah Isaacson, 1/31 Alicia Michel, 1/31

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

Arturo & Rebecca Lumpkin, 1/1 Matthew & Callen Bolick, 1/3 Patrick & Heleen Bloomer, 1/5 Glen & Jean Kile, 1/7 John & Elaine Willers, 1/7 Preston & Lana Wagner, 1/15 John & Pam Morrow, 1/16 Guy & Nancy Hays, 1/17 Eric & Ashley Allred, 1/18 Chris & Nancy Bender, 1/23 Mark & Janise Moretz, 1/24 Rob & Jill Ellison, 1/29 James & Debbie Irgens, 1/31



PRAYER REQUESTS FROM DECEMBER 3-4

Praise and Thanksgiving for ... a father's birthday; the gift of motherhood for Anne Hall, 29 years ago; a bountiful Thanksgiving; Mason O'Brien's baptismal birthday; Comfort for... friends of Marcie Rush, the Stokes family, as they mourn the loss of their son; friends of Rosie Miller, Dick and Becky Martin, grieving the death of her mother, Martha Wismick; David & Pat Kramer and family, as the mourn the loss of David's brother, Elmer Kramer; David Huffine's co-worker, whose mother died last week; Scott Hall at the death of his aunt, Gloria Tankersley; family and friends of Kay Sah, Hope member, who died this week; Strength and Healing for... Tom Miller, who has developed pneumonia; aunt who is hospitalized and their family during tough times; Karen Johnson's friends, Hiro Arakawa in a coma and the family of Juana who was killed in an auto accident; Dennis DiMartino's aunt, May Pawelko; a spouse dealing with skin cancer; Lee Preston's mother, Carol Preston, struggling with COPD; continued healing for Brenda Duensing; Mark & Regina Fisher's son, Stewart, and his girlfriend, Emma. Emma was in a terrible car accident with severe injuries and will be hospitalized for a long time; Pandora Schmid-Gill's friend, Rick, who is in critical condition with a broken back and faces possible permanent paralysis; Guidance, Protection, and Safety for... travel mercies for Vicki and John.

PRAYER REQUESTS FROM DECEMBER 10-11

Praise and Thanksgiving for... Patrick's 12th birthday; **Comfort for...** Ruth Lassiter's friend, Carolyn Shanklen, as she mourns the loss of her husband and moves into assisted living; all the victims of the wildfires in NC & TN; Strength and Healing for ... Neil & Helen Turner's niece, who will be donating a kidney next week; John Sigmon, father of Kim Sigmon, in need of strength, healing, and God's peace; John Vekovius' heart catheterization this week; Brandi Hughes, recovering from surgery; Melissa Replogle's co-worker, diagnosed with cancer; Pat Larson, the mother of Jeff Bruck's co-worker, recovering from surgery; Glenda Duke, friend of Susan Baker, recovering from a heart attack; Rob Varner's friend, Roy Johnson, recovering from stroke; Patricia Ruben, sister of Tim Smith, recently diagnosed with cancer; A mother who broke her collar bone; Sandra Rhodes, that she make it through the holidays; Susan Hooper's friend, Bob Venner, and a positive diagnosis; Judy Mudd, friend of Ann Hochstrasser, who had a massive stroke; A sister awaiting biopsy results; Guidance, Protection, and Safety for ... The Vekovius' daughter to have a good job interview and be offered the position; Amanda Jones, traveling to New Zealand this week; A son

in need of guidance in decision-making; Kara & Janice, and keeping their faith in God.

PRAYER REQUESTS FROM DECEMBER 17–18

Praise and Thanksgiving for... successful emergency appendectomy surgery for Pam Schodt's niece; Comfort for... Sandra Stokes' friend, whose nephew died; a coworker who lost her infant daughter; David Huffine's coworker, whose mother has died; the family of Alice Bull, extended family of the Jay's, who passed away; Strength and Healing for... Paty Rubin, sister of Tim Smith, diagnosed with cancer; Brian Kruger, son of Dick & Elaine Kruger, facing another surgery for cancer; Vivian Edwards, Andrew Becton's grandmother, recovering from a recent fall; the Harrell's friends, Jim Rutledge and Michel Willet, hospitalized with life threatening conditions; John Langsdorf, recovering from shoulder surgery and in physical therapy; Kathy Jarchow recovering from hip replacement surgery; Rosie Miller's friend, Walter Binder, in ICU due to lung issues; a friend of the Neubaum's, John Newton, suffering from congestive heart failure; Pastor Lew's father, Lewis Upchurch, Jr., hospitalized with heart issues; Josh Agner's cousin, Tommie, who is facing a possible double leg amputation; a member of the church, who's dealing with melanoma surgery, and accompanying physical/emotional distress; the Parson's son, as he struggles with narcolepsy; Pandora Schmid-Gill's friend, Rick, who is in critical condition with a broken back and complications; Guidance, Protection, and Safety for ... the hungry, the homeless, and those who have lost sight of the true meaning of Christmas; the Lineberger family traveling this week to Florida for the wedding of Katie Lineberger; persecuted Christians around the world. Especially, Rev. Hassan Abduraheem and Rev. Kows Shamal imprisoned in Sudan.

MOVED? CHANGE EMAILS?

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