

MISSION MOMENTS

Monthly Newsletter of Hope Lutheran Church March 2019

Pastor Puls' Message...Ready for Lent?

If you've been worshipping at a Christian church for long, you probably have a pretty good idea of what Lent's all about. We think of this forty-day season, which comes before Easter, as a penitential season. Lent is a time for Christians to reflect on our sinfulness. We consider the tragic impact of sin upon our world, and upon our own lives. Most important, we consider carefully in Lent how our sins led Jesus to the cross, to suffer in our place. A season of somber sorrow is appropriate, isn't it, in the light of our sin?

Lent is just around the corner, beginning on Ash Wednesday, March 6. How can Christians be ready for Lent?

I could give you a whole list of suggestions, things you could do to get yourself in a serious spiritual state of mind. Lent reminds us that we need to be There are books to read, devotions to study, Bible verses to ponder, worship services to attend, disciplines to adopt, prayers to offer, and all kinds of good Lent "stuff" to try. While there's nothing wrong with all of that, I think I have a better suggestion.

How to be ready for Lent? Just focus your heart and mind on Jesus Christ. Put your

faith wholly and completely in Jesus Christ. Our Lord and Savior has done it all, everything needful for your salvation. There's not a single thing you need to do to make yourself right with God, at this time of year, or ever.

So get ready for Lent by recognizing the awesome grace God has already shown you by sending his Son to pay for your sins. Reflect on the amazing love God has right now for you, and for all sinners, because of what Jesus has done. Contemplate on the value God places on you, as a believer in Christ. Rejoice in the assurance you have today in God's powerful promise, that nothing in this world can ever separate you from God's love, thanks to Jesus Christ.

penitent and remorseful before our God. But we're truly ready for Lent when we're truly focused on Jesus Christ, for he alone is the only remedy for our sin.

Blessed Lent to you and yours! In Christ,

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WORSHIP SERVICES

Saturday at 5:30PM Sundays at 8:30AM & 11:00AM Family Service at 11:00AM Nursery provided at all services

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Sunday School for ages 3 – grade 12 and Adult Bible Studies Nursery provided for ages 2 and under.

WEDNESDAY EVENINGS DURING LENT

5:30-6:15: Dinner 5:25-5:45: Children's Bell Choir 5:50-6:25: Children's Choir 6:00-7:30: Adult Handbell Choir 6:30-7:30: Confirmation classes 6:00-6:55: 7&8 Youth Group* 7:30-9:15: Senior Choir

*High School Youth Group is Sunday Nights from 6:30-8:00PM.

Shrove Tuesday Pancake Dinner

March 5 from 5:30-7:00PM

The Men of Hope are sponsoring the annual "All You Can Eat" Pancake & Sausage Dinner. Bring your family and friends and enjoy homemade buttermilk, chocolate chip, blueberry, or gluten-free pancakes; served with sausage, fruit, and a special dessert. All proceeds benefit the Men of Hope's various projects at the church.

Tickets:

- Adults and youth 11+ are \$6 (\$7 at door);
- Children ages 5-10 are \$3.50 (\$4 at door);
- Children under 5 are free. Family max cost is \$22.

Tickets will go on sale on March 2 & 3 before & after services.

Lenten Dinner Menu

The Men of Hope will provide a meal prior to each midweek Lenten service, from 5:30-6:15PM. A free-will donation will be received. Proceeds benefit Men of Hope service projects.

- March 6 The Agner: Grilled cheese, tomato, and bacon sandwich served with chicken noodle soup & salad.
- March 13 The Lineberger: Sausage, peppers, and onion sandwich served with pasta faggioli soup & salad.
- March 20 The McCarthy: Turkey, bacon, & tomato sandwich served with Italian wedding soup & salad.
- March 27 -The Spottiswood: Ham & Swiss cheese sandwich served with fresh vegetable soup & salad.
- **April 3 The Varner:** Egg salad & bacon, or pimiento & bacon sandwich, served with beef barley soup & salad.
- April 10 The Vicar: Meatball parmigiana sandwich served with chicken and rice soup & salad.

Dates To Remember...

Ash Wednesday Service: March 6 at 7:00PM Wednesday Dinners: March 6 from 5:30-6:15PM Wednesday Lenten Services: begins March 13 at 7:00PM Palm Sunday: Sunday, April 14, all services Maundy Thursday: April 18, 7:00PM service Good Friday: April 19, 7:30PM service Easter Vigil: Saturday, April 20, 7:30PM service Easter Sunday: April 21, 6:30AM, 8:00, 9:30, & 11:00AM

New Easter Children's Service

Easter Sunday, April 21 at 11:00AM

Looking for a fun, new way to celebrate Easter? Come join in the excitement at 11:00AM in the Children's Center on Easter Sunday, April 21. We'll have songs, skits, laughs, and most importantly the good new of Jesus' resurrection told in a way that everyone can experience. People of all ages are invited.



Women's Retreat @ Hope

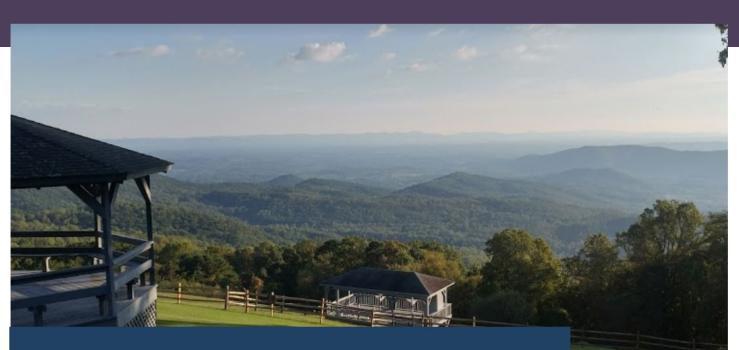
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March 22-23, 2019; cost is \$50/person www.hopelutheranwf.org

The Women's Ministry Team is hosting a retreat right here in Wake Forest...the same wonderful fellowship, learning, and fun as the destination retreats but with the comfort of home at night.

> Questions? Contact Lead DCE Beth Agner at bagner@hopelutheranwf.org.





ALL MEN 18+ ARE INVITED TO THE

2019 MEN'S RETREAT

April 26–28, 2019 www.hopelutheranwf.org/men

Ready for a weekend of good food, sports, and Christian brotherhood? All men, 18 and over, are invited to Camp Cheerio's Mountain Lodge for the 2019 Men's Retreat. Cost is \$170/person and includes 2 night's lodging and meals.

Questions?

Contact DCE Steve McCarthy at smccarthy@hopelutheranwf.org or Mike Owens at mjowens98@gmail.com.

Outreach Opportunities

Adopt-A-Highway

March 9 at 9:00AM As part of Hope Lutheran's commitment to serving the Wake Forest community, Hope has adopted Forestville Rd, between Rogers Rd. & Burlington Mills for the past 10 years. Volunteers needed to help clean the road, please meet at church and wear long pants and long sleeves. Vests, gloves and water will be provided. Youth 12 or older are invited.



Contact Jeff Vukovich at 919-556-9174 or jeff.vukovich@gmail.com.

Brown Bag Ministry's March Madness

Join the Brown Bag Ministry Team all month long for March Madness. No big brackets to fill out...just pick your favorite team, Team Salty Snack or Team Sweet Treat! To support Team Salty Snacks donate single serve size chips, snack crackers or cheese/peanut butter cracker packs. To support Team Sweet Treat donate granola bars or cereal bars. The number of bars will be tallied and the

score announced in the April Newsletter. Please place donations in the Brown Bag bin in the café area.

Brown Bag Packing Event - March 16 from 11:00AM-1:00PM. Join the group by the kitchen to make sandwiches and assemble lunches. After the lunches are blessed, everyone will head out for distribution to a nearby apartment complex. It's a great service opportunity for adults or families. Questions? Contact Nancy Repak at kapernan@gmail.com.

Tri-Area Ministry

This wonderful organization serves families that live in Wake County and Youngsville. The ministry allows registered families to come in once a month to pick up a bag stuffed with groceries for no charge. Nearly 200 families go to the ministry each week. A collection bin is available in the café area at Hope, and you are welcome to donate at any time to this blessed ministry. Dry goods are always needed, especially cereal, peanut butter, and canned meat.

Hope Friends

Volunteers who love to spend time talking, listening, and providing friendship will enjoy this ministry. Our Hope Friends volunteers make visits to people in area nursing homes who are unable to come to church. Contact Lois Nielsen at relenielsen@gmail.com for more information about this rewarding ministry.

Night To Shine Thank You!!

On February 8, 2019 Hope welcomed over 95 guests (and their families/care givers) for the Tim Tebow Night To Shine event. Guests were treated to an evening of glamour and fun including a crowning ceremony, red carpet walk, dancing, karaoke, a sensory room, and limousine rides.

A special thank you to all the volunteers (over 120!) and Restoration Church. The evening was a night that won't be forgotten soon. To see photos and the video, please visit www.hopelutheranwf.org/NTS.



THE GREAT BAKE-OFF!

APRIL 6 FROM 6:30-8:00PM REGISTER AT WWW.HOPELUTHERANWF.ORG

Are you Hope's next great baker? Enter now to win the challenge! New this year, the contest has expanded to include: cupcakes, cookies, cakes, and pies - oh my! Learn more about entry fees and contest rules online.

Can't bake but love sweets? Bring your appetite on April 6 from 6:30-8:00PM. Admission is \$5/person (\$20/family max) for all you can eat.

Proceeds go to support the 7-8 grade Summer Mission Trip.

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Small Groups @ Hope

PrimeTimer Event: "Luck of the Irish Night"

Join the PrimeTimer group for a night of games and fellowship on March 9 from 6:30-8:00PM. Visitors always welcome. Bring a snack/appetizer and RSVP to Bonnie & Tim Smith at 919-698-7966 or bonno701@gmail.com. Hosted by Donna Lehmann-Deming and Tim & Bonnie Smith.

Bridge Group

March 11 and March 25, both at 1:00PM

If you plan to come, please notify Pam Jay at pjay0826@gmail.com or 919-528 -1011. New Players are always welcome!

Pinochle Group

March 4 & March 18 at 1:00PM at Hope

Contact Peggy Koehler at 919-231-9563 or Jan Hubbard at 919-850-2542 if you plan to play. New Players are always welcome!

Lauren's Light

A place where all girls 7-12th grade are welcome! Join in fellowship, discussion, and creativity. This group meets the 3rd

Sunday of each month from 5:00-6:30PM in the Youth Center. For information contact Heleen Bloomer, 919-414-4606.

Meet'N Eat

March 29 at 6:30PM

If you like to eat and you want to meet new people, then this is the group for you. 8 people gather in a new house each time and enjoy the company over dinner and devotion. The goal Meet'N Eat is to meet new people and strengthen connections within the Hope family. Sign-up online at www.hopelutheranwf.org, selecting "Ministries - Small Group Blended."

I Am The Way (Walking The Greenway)

There is a beautiful greenway just outside of Hope's doors. Come walk along the path and partake in a devotion the 3rd Thursday of each month. Meet just before noon in the Prayer Garden, we will return by 1:00PM. Questions? Contact Wesley Spottiswood at wspottiswood@hopelutheranwf.org.

Trivia Night

Calling all trivia buffs! Come gather at Real McCoy's for Trivia Night every 4th Thursday from 7-8:30PM. The team needs knowledge of music, sports, geography, movies, and more. Come for the trivia, stay for the wings. Last month our team place 2nd place overall. Text or call DCE Wesley Spottiswood to RSVP at 818-642-7570.

Kindred Hearts

This group is for widows who are looking for support. The group meets from 11:30-1:00PM on the 1st Thursday of each month at Hope and the 3rd Thursday at a restaurant. Questions or to join, contact Jan Christner at 919-624-3852 or djchristner@earthlink.net.

Did you know your bulletin is worth money?

Simply bring in your Hope Lutheran church bulletin and receive special discounts!

Xpert Computer Service & Repair

3325 Rogers Rd, # 116 Wake Forest www.wakeforestcomputerservice.com 20% off service any day

Chronic Tacos

1000 Forestville Rd #100, Wake Forest 20% off on Sundays and Wednesdays

Moe's Southwest Grill

10760 Wakefield Commons Dr, Raleigh 20% off on Sundays

Bu-Ku

1228 Heritage Links Dr suite 100, WF 15% off any day

Shuckers

3309 Rogers Rd, Wake Forest 10% off on Sundays and Wednesdays

Texas Roadhouse 11440 Capital Blvd, Wake Forest 10% off on Sundays

Zaxby's

995 Durham Rd, Wake Forest 10% off any day

Honey Baked Ham

14460 Falls of Neuse Rd #161, Raleigh 10% off any day

The Mac House 14460 Falls of Neuse Rd #167, Raleigh 10% off any day

Sergio's Pizza

13200 Falls of Neuse Rd, Raleigh 10% off any day

March Adult Education

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

Those Heretical Heresies

Dates: March 3, 10, 17, & 24

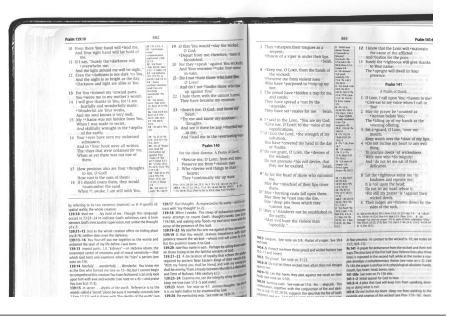
Leaders: Vicar Kevin

Location: Adult Education floor, room 300

Following the command of Jesus in Matthew 28 to "teach them to obey all that I have commanded you," the church has long been in the business of teaching! Yet, as the church, how do we know if we're doing it right? Join us as we look at some of the differences between "doing it right" (orthodoxy) and "doing it wrong" (heresy), while exploring some of the more popular "heresies" of our day.

New Member Class

Dates: March 3 - April 28 Leaders: Pastor Puls and Pastor Lew Location: Adult Education floor, room 301 If you are interested in learning more about our congregation, the teachings of the Lutheran Church, and ways you can serve God and others out of faith and love, we encourage you to attend Hope's New Member Class. Whether you are a newcomer, frequent visitor, or interested in transferring membership from another Lutheran church, this class is the best way to learn more about the mission and vision of Hope as well as a wonderful opportunity to connect with others. There is no need to register, just come on March 3.



Hope Lutheran Preschool News

Lutheran Schools Week



The Preschool will celebrate **Lutheran Schools Week** March 4-8. The greatest celebration centers on Jesus Christ – the number one reason for operating a Lutheran School! This year the theme will be the "Fruit of the Spirit," based on Galatians 5:22-23a. The children will sing songs and have a special lesson each morning in the Church Sanctuary

at 9:15AM, and children will dress up in a different way each day for Spirit Week.

Summer Expressions

Registration forms are now available in the Preschool foyer 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 28 through August 9. For questions, contact the Preschool Office at 919-453-0388.

Openings for 2019-2020

The Preschool still has very limited openings in its Tuesday/ Thursday 2/3 year old class for the 2019-2020 school year. Call the Preschool Office for more information.



Children's Ministry Events & News

Kid's Connect (Kindergarten and younger) Mission Control Event

March 16 at 10:00AM; cost is \$10 (includes lunch) Calling all kids in Kindergarten and younger (and their families) to join the Children's Ministry team for a fun adventure exploring Mission Control at Galaxy Fun park! After climbing and exploring, the group will eat a pizza lunch together. Please register online at www.hopelutheranwf.org, selecting "Ministries, Children."

FLASH (grades 3-4) Horseback Riding

March 17 from 2-5PM; cost is \$16/person

Join your friends for a fun afternoon of horseback riding, games, and group fellowship. Wear long pants and tennis shoes. Meet at Happy Trails Horse Farm--704 Dogwood Hill Ln, Wake Forest, NC 27587. Registration opens March 1 at www.hopelutheranwf.org, selecting "Youth Ministry."

Little Blessings, Parents' Morning Out Program

New Family Online Registration will begin March 1 for the 2019-2020 session. Hope offers a morning out program for children ages 0-2 years old. Children learn social skills, participate in stories, crafts, and songs in a safe nursery setting. Visit www.hopelutheranwf.org/LB to learn about pricing or to register.

Xplore Track Out Camp

Spend school breaks & teacher workdays at a safe, local, Christ-centered camp, having fun with friends while playing games, enjoying the outdoors and getting crafty with food, art, & science.

March Themes...

- Holiday Mash-Up (March 11-15) The celebration never ends at Xplore! From Valentine's Day to Halloween to Easter, the Holiday jubilation is a non-stop festival of fun!
- **Anything Can Happen...** (March 18-22) Are you ready for the adventure that lies ahead? Each day will be filled with a surprise mystery theme. Could it be the Wild Wild West? Pre-Historic Day? Escape Room? You never know.... just come see for yourself!
- **Crazy Concoctions** (March 25-29) If you love science, this is the week for you! Campers will get to enjoy ooey gooey fun, interactive science experiments, crazy art projects and lots of hands-on activities. Let us perform all those messy experiments you don't want to clean up at home.

Register today at www.hopelutheranwf.org/Xplore!

Youth Ministry

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

5-6 Grades

5-6 Grade Horseback Riding

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Confirmation

Keep up the sermon summaries and memory work! To see a schedule for the rest of the year, visit www.hopelutheranwf.org, selecting "Ministries, 5-6 grade youth."

Sunday School

Stop by the Youth Center from 9:45-10:45AM to play games, create artistic masterpieces, make friends, and strengthen their relationship with Jesus. It will be a fun combo of learning, playing, and creating! And don't forget to BARF (Bring a Real Friend)!

7-8 Grades

Pine Straw, Pizza, and Laser Tag!

March 9 from 12:00-1:30PM

7-8 graders come earn service hours and reward yourself with some pizza and laser tag afterwards! If you are able to help out with pine straw distribution, come to church at 8:00AM and bring some gloves on March 9! We'll work from 8:00AM-noon and then have lunch and play laser tag from 12-1:30PM at church. If you are unable to help with pine straw but don't want to miss out on the laser tag, show up at noon and bring \$5 to cover the cost of pizza. If you volunteer to work with pine straw the event is FREE! See you there!

Youth Group Time Change

During the season of Lent (March 6-April 17) youth group will begin at 6:00PM and end at 6:55PM. There will be a Lent worship service in the Sanctuary from 7:00-7:45PM where youth may attend with their parents. All youth will leave the Youth Center and walk upstairs to the service at 6:55PM. If parents arrive later, you'll have to go upstairs to pick up your kids.

Sunday School

You are invited to the Youth Center from 9:45-10:45AM for 7-8 grade Sunday School! This month the group will cover, "Dangerous People of the Bible" and a Mystery Sunday!

The Great Bake-Off

April 6 from 6:30-8:00PM

As the fundraiser for the 7-8 grade Mission Trip in June, the team puts on the annual The Great Bake-Off. The competition this year includes cookies, cupcakes, & pies - oh my - things just got a little sweeter! Registration is now open. Can't bake but love sweets? Bring your appetite on April 6. Admission is \$5/person (\$20/family max) for all you can eat.

9-12 Grades

Pancakes, Pancakes, Pancakes!

March 5 from 5:30-7:00PM

Can anyone beat Joey's record of 30 pancakes? Come for the food, stay for the friends. You can pre-order tickets on Sunday March 3 for \$6 or pay \$7 at door.

Sunday School

Sunday school meets each week in the Youth Center from 9:45-10:45AM. This month we will walk through what it means to be Lutheran. Come find your Christian Identity.

Sunday Night Youth Group

Every Sunday from 6:30-8:00PM in the Youth Center This month topic series is called Treat-Yo-Self. Come learn how to take care of business and your body all while being a Christian servant.

Multimedia Worship Experience

On Sunday, March 10 from 6:30-8:00PM meet in the Youth Center for an opening game, then move over to the Sanctuary for a multimedia worship experience, complete with live music. Wear something warm as we will then break up into student-led small groups around a bonfire in the traffic circle. Snacks are always provided, bring a friend and try something new!



6-8 Grade Spring Camping Retreat

Calling all 2nd year Confirmation students and 7-8 grade youth! Mark your calendars for May 3 -5, 2019. This camping trip is intended to both cap off the confirmation program in style and connect the 6th graders with some new friends as they get ready to transition into their next stage of faith development, 7-8 grade youth group.



We'll be retreating to the woods of Falls Lake, pitching some tents, and creating lasting friendships and memories. You won't want to miss it! Attendance is expected for 2nd year Confirmation students and recommended for 7-8 grade youth.

Register today at www.hopelutheranwf.org/youth.

Pictured left is the 2018 Camping trip.

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Hope's Logo - What Does It Mean?

To make sure that our focus is always on the people God is calling us to reach for Christ, Hope launched a new logo in 2017. The logo communicates who we are as a church, and what's important to our congregation.

The cross symbolizes Jesus Christ, who's always at the heart and center of our church. Bringing people, young and old, to the cross to learn of Christ's grace for them is a central activity of Hope.

The cross' shape is similar to the shape of the distinctive wooden cross in our worship Sanctuary. Our life together at Hope revolves around our Word and sacrament worship, where all are welcomed, forgiven, and called to mission.

The cross' arms are open to each end, pointing the people of Hope outward. Christ commands us to "Go," so that more people make know his great love for them.



Noteworthy News & Events

Hope Yard Sale

April 13, 2019

Cleaning out your closets? Consider donating your items to Hope's Yard Sale. Proceeds will benefit the youth attending the National Youth Gathering this summer. Questions? Contact DCE Wesley Spottiswood at wspottiswood@hopelutheranwf.org or 919-554-8109.

Men's Ministry Bowling Event

Brooks Street Bowl March 12 from 7:00-9:00PM

All men (21 and over) are invited to come bowl and fellowship at Brooks Street in Wake Forest for "\$2 Tuesday." This means the cost is \$2 for shoe rentals and \$2 per game. Now the question is...can you spare some time for fun? Questions? Contact DCE Wesley Spottiswood or DCE Steve McCarthy at 919-554-8109.

Trucks, Trailers, and Hands

Needed to help sort, load, and deliver pine straw on March 9 from 8:00AM-noon. Over 2,600 bales were sold this year, breaking last year's record of 2,200 bales. Our youth need your help making over 65 deliveries of various pine straw loads and could use your help if you have a truck, trailer, or free hand. Thank you to everyone who purchased pine straw and for everyone's support of Youth Ministry and our National Youth Gathering.

Ways To Give at Hope

There are several ways to give offerings that benefit Hope's ministries. To start contributing or change your contribution format, please contact Hope's Operations Manager, Hilary Tew at htew@hopelutheranwf.org or 919-554-8109 or visit www.hopelutheranwf.org, selecting, "About Us - Donate."

Donate with Amazon Smile

When you shop at smile.amazon.com, you'll find the exact same shopping experience as Amazon.com, with the added bonus that Amazon will donate a portion of the purchase price to Hope Lutheran Church.

- Offering envelopes are mailed out on a monthly basis. If you do not currently receive envelopes but would like to, please contact Hilary Tew.
- Mobile App Giving Option

You can now make a contribution to Hope through a mobile app! To get started, simply search for "Give+ Church" in the App Store or Google Play to download the free app today. Then, by selecting Hope, you can easily make donations directly from your smartphone using your debit/credit card or checking/savings account.

- Hope also offers two options for electronic giving. You may either schedule automatic payments through Hope's Simply Giving program or make one-time donations online.
- A number of **other giving formats** are also available. Did you know that if you are over age 70 ½ and taking a required minimum distribution from certain types of IRAs, you may be able to designate funds to Hope as a qualified charitable distribution?

Happy Birthday!

Lexi Alexander, 3/1 Ryan Einzig, 3/1 Rodger Fulbright, 3/1 Avery McCaskill, 3/1 Nick Reiss, 3/1 Jerry Repak, 3/1 Addie Ultis, 3/1 Marcia Weidner, 3/1 Sam Bedford, 3/2Kendall Ikerd, 3/2 Justin Marr, 3/2 Cole Meyer, 3/2Chery Rousseau, 3/2 Wesley Spottiswood, 3/2 Mike Randall, 3/3 Elly Saunooke, 3/3 Riley Saunooke, 3/3 Dickie Davis, 3/4 Olivia Holley, 3/4 Kyle Matala, 3/4 Doug Nelson-Dibble, 3/4 Caden O'Brien, 3/4 Paula Prehn, 3/4 Amy Ellis, 3/5 Steve Hall, 3/5 Amy Knight, 3/5 Peter Muller, 3/5 Elizabeth Sakowski, 3/5

Kristine Burns, 3/6 Todd Elder, 3/6 Linda Leasure, 3/6 Jenna Mahoney, 3/6 Simone Mahoney, 3/6 Hayden McCleary, 3/6 DeAnn Melhinch, 3/6 Sarah Reeves, 3/6 Dan Schaffer, 3/6 Sam Scott, 3/6 Charles George, 3/7 Matt Hitzeman, 3/7 Dustin Howard, 3/7 Leslie Lanzilli, 3/7 Jim Lockhart, 3/7 Nicole McCleary, 3/7 Steve Mortensen, 3/7 John D'Onofrio, 3/8 Gayle Fritz, 3/8 Michaela Isaacson, 3/8 Camille Knudsen, 3/8 Kim Koehler, 3/8 Sidney Ross, 3/8 Rex Stokes, 3/8 Alicia Bennett, 3/9 Jim De Hamer, 3/9 Kari Ellwanger, 3/9 Carol Fischer, 3/9 AJ Lasater, 3/9 Tim Merrill, 3/9 Abby Gundry, 3/10 Sammy Hoh, 3/10 Kaeleigh Maxwell, 3/10 James Noon, 3/10

Jalyn Alexander, 3/11 Friede Ham, 3/11 Bryce Miller, 3/11 Ethan Weitzel, 3/11 Deborah Winiewicz, 3/11 Holly Bruck, 3/12 Sharon Gregory, 3/12 Brayden Lee, 3/12 Jane Case, 3/13 Abigail DeCiantis, 3/13 Katelyn Gipner, 3/13 Diane Lynn, 3/13 Elissa Miller, 3/13 Steven Mercadante, 3/14 Meg Parmelee, 3/14 Karen Skowronski, 3/14 Ian White, 3/14 Jeff Horsley, 3/15 Joanna Kirkendoll, 3/15 Mike Long, 3/15 Mario Novelli, 3/15 Catherine Strom, 3/15 Lynroy Thomas, 3/15 Stephen Farlow, 3/16 Harry Hintz, 3/16 Karen Critchley, 3/17 Vince D'Ugo, 3/17 Ryan Gipner, 3/17 Rena Sujat, 3/17 Jeff Bruck, 3/18 Meredith Huffine, 3/18 Nathan Pallozzi, 3/18

Dylan Saunooke, 3/18 Cassie Stack, 3/18 Britt Wester, 3/18 Callen Austin, 3/19 Megan Janok, 3/19 Michael McCleary, 3/19 Terry McKnight, 3/19 Nancy Repak, 3/19 Tim Sargent, 3/19 Diane Pribac, 3/20 Julia Smith, 3/20 Logan Coyne, 3/21 Shannon Lewis, 3/21 Will Roland, 3/21 Kate Bailey, 3/22 Douglas Wilkinson, 3/22 Caroline Broughton, 3/23 Emily Crawford, 3/23 Mike Kaess, 3/23 Bryce Rummel, 3/23 Rachel Sharpstene, 3/23 Greg Torsone, 3/23 Ariana Flanagan, 3/24 Comilla Jomp, 3/24 Connie Jones, 3/24 Irene Robinson, 3/24 Katherine Williams, 3/24 Amie Becton, 3/25 Dee Rasmussen, 3/25 Karin Edwards, 3/26

Maureen Latz, 3/26 Amanda DeCilles, 3/27 Carol Hoy, 3/27 Mike Lainhart, 3/27 Eve Owens, 3/27 Robbie Warrene, 3/27 Olivia Gentry, 3/28 Brad Mercer, 3/28 Karen Noon, 3/28 Kristen Replogle, 3/28 Phil Rittmueller, 3/28 Debbie Swenson, 3/28 Andrew Becton, 3/29 Laura Brown, 3/29 Chase Matala, 3/29 John Podszus, 3/29 Brad Boney, 3/30 David Critchley, 3/30 Diana Keane, 3/30 Noah Weitzel, 3/30 Keith Brown, 3/31 Scott Ikerd, 3/31 James Irgens, 3/31 Easton Machesky, 3/31 Nicholas Trusch, 3/31 Bennett Wagner, 3/31

Happy Anniversary!

Jeff & Holly Bruck, 3/1 Jim & Cindy Marriott, 3/1 Tim & Bonnie Smith, 3/1 Steve & Karin Edwards, 3/2 Luke & Hilary Tew, 3/2 Michael & Nicole McCleary, 3/3 Barry & Donna Agner, 3/4 Brian & Stephanie Harris, 3/6 Lew & Lisa Upchurch III, 3/6 Kathryn & Richard Mesner, 3/7 Mark & Hilary Macenas, 3/8 Cynthia & John Woolard, 3/8 Brian & Kelly Friend, 3/11 Eric & Tammy Scherrer, 3/13 Bonita & Donald Comer, 3/15 Greg & Shannon Novelli, 3/15 Valerie & David Miceli, 3/16 Donna & Frank Pierre, 3/18 Ryan & Christine Ames, 3/20 Ken & Dottie Reading, 3/21 Steve & Janice Mortensen, 3/25 Larry & Marlene Lineberger, 3/28

Prayer Requests from February 2-3

Praise and Thanksgiving for... miracles of faith, hope, and love; **Comfort for...** Gerald Jomp and family at the death of his sister, Ann Page; Jim Marriott and family at the death of his mother; Connie & Jerry Hedberg at the death of Connie's mother in Wisconsin. Prayers for safe travel for family; Strength and Healing for... Vincent Tine, grandson of Barbara DeMarco, recovering from a broken wrist and surgery; Tom & Kit Hemma; Jennifer Beltran, daughter of Ron & Barbara Beltran, hospitalized with an infection; Marilyn Slate, friend of the Thompson's, hospitalized; Leray Belk, brother-in-law of the Jay's, fighting cancer; Leah Phetteplace, suffering from headaches for two weeks; Melanie & Kenny Gupton, friend of Valerie Wilson, fighting cancer; Hannah, recovering from kidney surgery; a child hospitalized; Heidi Tripp, friend Diane Pribac, for successful removal from 2nd brain tumor; Baby Audrey Ann, friend of Joe & Mary Jo Isom, who is failing to thrive; Monica M, friend of Melanie Barker, finishing chemo for cancer; Derek Lemieux, friend of Dan & Sarah Crawford, who has been diagnosed with brain cancer; Anthony Zinani, recovering from heart surgery last week; Rim Motley, cousin to Brian Faris, whose father just passed, son is battling cancer, and then lost his job; Dawn Kusy; Guidance, Protection, and Safety for ... Cam Detherage, family of the Berglund's, as he searches for his first real job; Safe travels for Emily, friend of Joe & Mary Jo Isom, as she relocates to Phoenix.

Prayer Requests from February 9-10

Praise and Thanksgiving for ... the birthdays of Matt & Noah Isaacson; all the guests and volunteers for Night To Shine; a new house for Cindi Woolard; a respectable job offer for Cathy Palotta; Comfort for... Tim & Jenny Holt as they mourn the death of Jenny's father, Bob Majewski; Barry & Julie Bowling as they mourn the death of Barry's friend, Mark Gilbreath; the driver of a head-on collision and for the family mourning the loss of those who died; Marc Gipple's friend, who is mourning the loss of his father; Sara Roy's friend, whose husband took his own life this past week; Strength and Healing for... Jimmy Goldston, family friend of the Bowling's, who was recently diagnosed with acute Leukemia; Wayne, friend of Warren Harrell, having shoulder surgery; a friend having cancer surgery; the brother-in-law of Mike Bailey's friend, recently diagnosed with cancer; the husband of Karen Peterson's friend undergoing radiation for cancer; Karen Peterson's friend who is undergoing replacement knee surgery; Wayne Chapman, friend of Erin Einzig, battling cancer and recovering from surgery; Lance, friend of the Bergfors, for healing and peace; George Beckman, friend of Vickie Janzen, diagnosed with prostate cancer; Lauren Zick as she recovers from surgery; Avery Cooper, friends of the Ames family, who is almost done with chemotherapy for cancer; Bill Spencer as he receives radiation on his eye this week; Shirley Thompson's granddaughter, Madeline, who is recovering from a very serious broken leg; Sue Corlis, mother of Shelly Hummel, as she undergoes hip surgery; a friend of the Clark family who is battling cancer for the second time and has begun treatments this week;

Guidance, Protection, and Safety for... Peter Lugo, as he starts his first shift as a Forsythe County Sheriff.

Prayer Requests from February 16-17

Praise and Thanksgiving for... the marriage of Michael Isaacson & Nicole Barone; Comfort for... Lynn & Margaret Bierlein at the death of Margaret's sister, Iva Starkey; Barry & Julie Bowling and family of Jimmy Goldston; Rosie Miller and the Castonia family at the death of Rosie's friend, Yvonne Castonia; Wendy Travis, aunt of Claudia VanHook & Cindi Woolard, who is receiving hospice care; Olivia, at the sudden loss of a loved one; Carol at the loss of her pet; Rachel Raynor and family at the death of her grandmother, Etta Weiss; Strength and Healing for... for Dore Bergfor's, cousin Bobbi, living alone and struggling with pneumonia and asthma: Dale Hugelmaier recovering from surgery; a granddaughter with a serious concussion; 23 monthold Edison Bus, friend of Rebecca Miller, receiving treatment for Leukemia; John, friend of the Scheuerle family, recovering from a hospital stay and losing his job; people with health issues; London, a Kindergartener, to receive good news from her eye exam; Jan W's sister and brother-in-law, Jake, who has been diagnosed with cancer; Allison Mittner, as she continues to heal; Stephen M and a friend, both recovering from surgery; Wayne Bradley, who received some disturbing rest results; JoAnne Hair, friend of Diane Ryals, having cancer surgery on March 5; Guidance, Protection, and Safety for ... Betty Holloway's son-inlaw, Matt, to find a job; Dennis, having a job interview and Dani being deployed with the Navy; all those heading to Camp Rockfish.

Prayer Requests from Feb. 23-24

Praise and Thanksgiving for... Jolene M and Monica D, friends of Melanie Barker, both who have recently completed chemotherapy; Comfort for ... Mel Walters, father of Joe Walters and Kathy Bailey, as he receives hospice care; the family of Layton Holladay as the mourn his death; Bob Anderson and family for the loss of their son; the family of Jack & Susan Guegamer, neighbors of Paul & Rene Hieter, who both died within the last month; Strength and Healing for ... a young girl named Skyler, fighting illness and hospitalized several times; Emily Isom, daughter of Joe and Mary Jo Isom, having surgery to repair a broken arm; Wayne Chapman, father of Erin Einzig, receiving health news this week; Judy Smith, sister of Vickie Herring, suffering from a MRSA infection; Rose Spencer's sister, Jane, for a complete recovery; Shannon Janosko; everyone who is dealing with depression; 14 year-old Melody, friend of Kathleen Medina, undergoing radiation for cancer; a family dealing with a bipolar diagnosis; Guidance, Protection, and Safety for... Greg Fishel on a new journey.



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