



Mission Moments

November, 2019 | **Monthly Newsletter of Hope Lutheran Church** | Wake Forest, NC

Pastor Puls' Message...Learn By Doing

A story told of the famous Catholic nun, Mother Teresa. When she visited Australia, a young recruit to the monastery was assigned to be her guide and “gofer” during her stay. The young man was thrilled, excited at the prospect of being so close to this woman, talking with her, and learning from her. During the visit, he became frustrated. Although he was constantly near her, he rarely had the opportunity to speak to Mother Teresa. There were always dignitaries to meet, and other people clamoring for her attention.

Finally, when her tour was over, she was due to fly to New Guinea. In desperation, the young man seized an opportunity to speak to Mother Teresa. “If I pay my own fare to New Guinea, can I sit next to you on the plane so I can talk to you and learn from you?” Mother Teresa looked at him. “You have enough money to pay the airfare?” she asked. “Yes,” he replied eagerly. “Then give that money to the poor,” she said. “You’ll learn more from that than anything I can tell you.”

I’m a big fan of Mother Teresa; but I’m not suggesting that Mother Teresa’s suggestion is one we should all adopt. Nor am I saying that we shouldn’t be learning from God’s Word, and from the teachings of the Church. Yet, there’s certainly something powerful to be said for learning by doing. The basic problem of the young man was that he wanted to experience a feeling when he needed to simply learn by doing.

Sometimes we need to learn by doing. Do you want to learn to trust God more? Do you want to know the feeling of how much God cares for you? Do you want to feel certain that God will see you through everything this world can throw at you?

Learn by doing! Put trust in God in some tangible way. Give time, talents, or treasure away generously, and see how God makes use of your gift. Offer service to the needy, without thought or hope of reward. Sacrifice yourself, in some small way, and show grace to another undeserving person. Pray, meditate, and reflect on God’s promise of salvation through faith in Jesus Christ. Get involved in the mix of ministry activities here at Hope, and put your faith into action. Do something! God has a wonderful, powerful way of working in the circumstances of our lives, and helping us learn and grow through our simple, humble actions. I encourage you to find a way this month to learn by doing!

In Christ, who did it all for you,



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Worship Services

Saturday at 5:30PM

Sunday at 8:30AM & 11:00AM

Nursery provided at all services

Sunday Christian Education

9:45-10:45AM

Sunday School for
ages 3 – grade 12
Adult Bible Studies

Wednesday Evenings in November

The next Wednesday Night Alive is
January 8 - February 26, 2020

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

6:30-7:30: 7&8 Youth Group*

7:45-9:15: Senior Choir

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

Adult Education

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

OPEN

Hearts Minds Hands

November 3-24

Location: Adult Education floor, room 301

Leader: Pastor Lew

Christians face a daily struggle because we have two paths set before us. The new person, created within us at baptism, wants to live for Christ and the life that is to come. But our sinful nature focuses us on this life. The struggle pulls us in two directions, especially when it comes to how we set our priorities, use our time, and the financial resources God has given us.

It's a reality that all Christians face, so let's talk about it. Because when we put the Giver first, offering back to him a portion of all that he has entrusted to us, only good can result for us, for the Church, and for the world.

Luther On Prayer

November 17 & 24

Location: Adult Education floor, room 300

Leader: Jack Pizzolato

It has been said that few have prayed more ardently and more often than Luther, and few have so strongly urged others to do likewise. If this is true, what can we learn from him that may help us in our own prayer lives? Join the discussion and find out in this special two week class.

Teamwork Campaign Update

Initial Teamwork Campaign Goal (9/22/19)	\$300,000
Updated Teamwork Campaign Stretch Goal (10/20/19)	\$349,000
Commitments Received To Date (10/30/19)	\$356,723

Projects underway:



Parking lot patch/seal



Repair of gutters



Children's Center carpet/tile
(waiting for installation to be scheduled)

Thanks be to God for his countless gifts and blessings, and for the wonderful people of Hope! All Teamwork Campaign gifts will ensure that our ministry facilities remain in excellent condition. Please help keep our mission for reaching people for Christ the most important thing we do here at Hope!

THANKSGIVING DAY SERVICE

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 28, 2019
10:00AM

All are welcome to attend an inspiring worship service on Thanksgiving Day, as we celebrate God's grace and mercy in our lives as American Christians. The Lord has blessed our nation with many gifts and riches, and we are privileged to enjoy many liberties every day.

Join the Hope family in returning thanks to our living God, as we celebrate the National Day of Thanksgiving. Please bring non-perishable items to share with Tri-Area Ministry.

2019 Christmas Wreath Orders

Orders: November 2-3, 9-10

Available for Pickup: December 3, 7, & 8 before/after services

The High School Youth are selling fresh Christmas wreaths. The cost is \$15 for a 16" or \$25 for a 24" wreath. Red bows are an extra \$3/wreath. Proceeds will go towards youth attending the Winter Retreat. Questions? Contact DCE Wesley Spottiswood at wspottiswood@hopelutheranwf.org.

2020 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 \$55.00 with checks payable to Hope, earmarked "flowers."

Men's Ministry Events

Bowling at Brooks St. Bowl

November 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's Wesley Spottiswood or Steve McCarthy at 919-554-8109.

Men's Retreat 2020

Mark your calendars for the Men's Retreat on April 24-26, 2020. More information to come in the new year!

Partial Parking Lot Closures

On November 7 & 8, the next section of the parking lot sealcoating is scheduled. This means the entrance to Hope's parking lot from Trentini Avenue, as well as the second parking row by the Preschool, will be cordoned off beginning at 7:45AM on November 7 and will reopen for Saturday evening services on November 9.

Watch the bulletin/Facebook for more work dates to be added until the project is complete.

Disaster Response Conference

Have you ever volunteered in response to a disaster? Are you interested in getting involved in disaster response ministry? Looking for practical training and instruction?

All Hope members and friends are invited to sign up for a Disaster Response Conference & Training, sponsored by the Southeastern District of the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod. Join us January 23-24, 2020 for two exciting days (and an optional third half-day) of practical training sessions, reports from the field, enjoyable fellowship, inspiring first-hand ministry stories, and information on upcoming service opportunities.

The conference will be held at Crown Reef Resort Waterpark 7 Conference Center in Myrtle Beach, SC. For further information and to register, visit Hope's website at www.hopelutheranwf.org/disaster-relief.

Chainsaw Training

An advanced training class will be held at Hope on Saturday, November 16 from 8:00AM – 1:00PM, led by certified trainer Alex Schandert. The class is open to those who attended last year's basic training class, and also to those with extensive chainsaw experience. Classroom and field instruction will be included in the session. Registration in advance is required. For more information, or to register, call 919-554-8109 or visit Hope's website at www.hopelutheranwf.org/disaster-relief.



Disaster Response in NC

Thousands of homes were flooded in our state, during and after Hurricane Florence last fall. Many families are still struggling to get back to their homes, and to keep their hopes alive. Volunteers from our congregation, along with other regional Lutherans, have helped rebuild homes over the past months. This important work continues in November. You're welcome to join in on November 23, the next work date. If interested, or have questions, please contact Pastor Wayne at wpuls@hopelutheranwf.org or DCE Steve McCarthy at smccarthy@hopelutheranwf.org.



Local Outreach Ministries at Hope

Re-gifting with Love!

November 9-10, 16-17, 23-24

Here's a simple way to share Christ's gift of love with families in need. Hope is collecting gifts of all kinds, so that low-income children will have the opportunity to give presents to their families at Christmas. Gifts can be purchased new, but take a good look around your house. Were you given something last Christmas that you're not using? Now's your chance to put it to good use. Bring in your gifts on November 9-10, 16-17, 23-24 and place them in the collection bin in the café. This ministry is a partnership with Friendship Chapel Baptist Church's Hope House. The event will be a fun-filled evening with the children including dinner, selecting and wrapping gifts, and hearing the Christmas Story. Questions? Contact Susan Hooper at swoozie9@gmail.com.

Coffee from Guatemala to Pay it Forward

November 23-24 & December 6-7

Stop by the table in the café this month for Godoy's Gourmet Organic Coffee, grown high on volcanic slopes in Guatemala. All proceeds will Pay it Forward to support the 2020 Mission Team.

If you would like to make a purchase before, contact Rodney Farlow at rfarlow58@gmail.com.

Brown Bag Ministry

For the month of November, the Brown Bag Ministry is collecting brown paper lunch bags. Please place donations in the Brown Bag bin in the café area.

Join the group for distribution on November 16 at 11:00AM. Meet in the area outside the kitchen for sandwich making and lunch bag assembly, afterwards heading to a local neighborhood for distribution at 11:45AM.

For easy sign up go to <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090f4ba5ac2da57-brown1>. Questions? Contact Nancy Repak at kapernan@gmail.com.

Adopt-A-Highway

December 7 at 9:00AM (New date!)

As part of Hope Lutheran's commitment to serving the Wake Forest community, Hope has adopted Forestville Road, between Rogers Road and Burlington Mills Road. Volunteers are needed to spend time picking up trash that has accumulated on the sides of Forestville Road. Meet at church and wear long pants and long sleeves. Vests, gloves, and water will be provided. Youth 12 or older are invited. Questions? Contact Jeff Vukovich at 919-556-9174 or jeff.vukovich@gmail.com.

Weekend Servants Needed!

To learn more, or sign up, contact Amy Elder at aelder@hopelutheranwf.org.

- **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.
- **Altar Care.** Assists with setting up the church and altar area for each service for worship, Holy Communion, and Holy Baptism. Training is provided.
- **Usher.** Ushers assist with worship services by welcoming worshippers, distributing bulletins, assisting people as they participate in Holy Communion and providing other help as needed during worship. Training is provided.
- **Children's Church Leaders/Assistants.** Leaders offer an age-appropriate lesson and small craft during the sermon time. Training and curriculum are provided.

Best Night Ever!

Come to Hope for a Night of Fun & Games!

This fundraiser is taking over the entire Hope campus!

Kids & adults of all ages are invited to come join the fun.

Proceeds will go towards the Teamwork Campaign & a new Preschool Playground

Friday, November 22 from 6:00-9:00PM

Register online today at www.hopelutheranwf.org

New and Improved Check-in process!

Preschoolers & Kindergarteners will enjoy fun games, activities, & dinner in the Preschool building with Preschool staff.

Cost is \$15/child. Dinner will be chicken nuggets, chips, grapes, & cookies. The nursery will also be open for kids from birth to 17 months for \$15/child.

p-k

preschool
& nursery

1-4

1st-4th
grade

1st - 4th graders will play laser tag, eat dinner, and watch a movie in the Children's Center.

Cost is \$10/person

5-8

5th-8th
grade

5-8 graders will play life-sized games, video games, eat dinner, and watch a movie in the Youth Center.

Cost is \$10/person

a

adults

Adults are invited to eat dinner and play Bunco on the Adult Education floor.

Cost is \$10/person

9-12

9th-12th
grade

9-12 graders will serve as volunteers, as they donate their time to help support the Teamwork Campaign (Facilities Fund).

No cost, they are earning their dinner!



Small Group News

Bridge Group

November 11 & 25 at 1:00PM. If you plan to come, contact Pam Jay at pjay0826@gmail.com.

Pinochle Group

November 4 & November 18 at 1:00PM

Contact Peggy Koehler at 919-231-9563 or Jan Hubbard at 919-850-2542 if you plan to play.

Primetimer Event – Open to Everyone!

Sunday, November 3 at 2:00PM. Everyone is welcome to join the PrimeTimers fellowship, and meal at Simon's Restaurant (27 South Broad Street East, Angier, NC). The restaurant has closed, but will open for one last meal for the people of Hope. For the delicious menu or to RSVP, please contact Chuck or Sue Joslyn at 919-554-2515 or sajoslyn@earthlink.net. A portion of the proceeds will benefit Hope's Teamwork Campaign.

Stitches of Hope Craft Sale

The Stitches of Hope will have a number of hand-crafted items for sale at church before and after services on November 3 and 9-10. Most of the money raised from our endeavors goes back into Hope's various ministries. This is a wonderful opportunity to do some early Christmas shopping! Questions? Contact Betty McAlear at bmcalear@nc.rr.com.

B.R.E.W Young Professionals

BREW is an emerging community of young professional adults focused on Building Relationships and Exploring the Word of God. Partake in monthly devotions, small groups, and activities. Anyone 25 to 35 is invited. Questions? Contact DCE Steve McCarthy at smccarthy@hopelutheranwf.org or call 949-431-0020.

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 November 21 from 12:00-1:00PM. Questions? Contact DCE Wesley Spottiswood at 818-642-7570 or wspottiswood@hopelutheranwf.org.

Trivia Night

Calling all trivia buffs! Come gather at Real McCoy's for trivia night on November 28 from 7:00- 8:30PM. The team needs knowledge of music, sports, geography, movies, and more. Come for the trivia, stay for the wings. Questions? Contact DCE Wesley Spottiswood at 818-642-7570 or wspottiswood@hopelutheranwf.org.

Men of Hope Gumbo Sale

The Men of Hope are preparing homemade, fresh Gumbo for the weekend of November 9 & 10, before and after each service. The quarts of hearty Gumbo will be available for \$8 each (vegetarian, mild, and hot). The Men of Hope is a small group ministry where men meet for fellowship, build their faith, and serve the church and community. Any man, over the age of 18, is welcome to attend the breakfast meeting on November 9 at 7:30AM.

Advent & Christmas Season At Hope Lutheran

While the weather is just turning chilly, the many volunteers and staff at Hope have already been preparing for the season of Advent & Christmas. Below are some of the events to mark in your calendars that are just around the corner...help is needed in several areas, contact the leader today to get involved!

December

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Advent Begins!

The Advent season begins with weekend services on November 30 & December 1 and Wednesday evening services on December 4 & 11 at 7:00PM.

Angel Tree

Angel Tree Begins: Saturday, November 30 & Sunday, December 1

Gifts Due at Hope: Sunday, December 8

Each year Hope Lutheran Church adopts families in need for Christmas and delivers gift and food donations. To participate, select an angel ornament from the Christmas tree in the Narthex. The request from a family member will be on the front of the angel and specific instructions for the gift return will be on the back. Contact Claudia Van Hook at claudiavanhook@gmail.com or Susan Johanson at rjohanson@nc.rr.com if you would like to help distribute gifts – drivers are needed!

Altar Care Christmas Decorating

Altar Care Christmas Decorating will take place on **Saturday, December 7 at 9:00AM** by Altar Care volunteers, assisted by the Men of Hope. All are welcome to come help prepare Hope for the seasons of Advent and Christmas.

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Live Nativity!

Every year the people of Hope work together to share the Bible story of Christmas with our community. Mark your calendar for our two Live Nativity performances: **Saturday, December 7, 6:45 PM; and Sunday, December 8, 7:00 PM.** Invite a friend or neighbor to join you for this holiday season treat! Extra helpers are needed on these dates to set up for the performances. Call the church office if you can lend a hand.



December

13

12 Days of Christmas

3rd Annual Women's Ministry Christmas Event

December 13, 2019

Christmas is a wonderful time to reflect on all God gave us on that first Christmas. Join us this year as we have a fun night revolving around getting ready for Christmas with our own twist on the 12 days of Christmas. We will also be doing a NEW and IMPROVED ornament exchange. Don't miss out on all the fun, look for a sign up coming out in November.

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Christmas Cookie Exchange

Hope's annual Christmas Cookie exchange will be held **December 15 after the 11:00AM service.**

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Annual Children's Ministry Christmas Pageant - Away In A Mango

December 18 at 7:00PM. Hope's children have been busy learning lines, making costumes, and singing joyful songs celebrating the birth of Jesus with a tropical flair! See page 13 of this newsletter to get your children involved.

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Christmas Eve Services

December 24; 3:00, 5:00, 7:00, 9:00, & 11:00PM

Christmas Eve at Hope Lutheran Church celebrates the birth of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, with 6 different-styled services to meet your worship needs. You're invited to worship with Hope this Christmas Eve!

NEW CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE AT HOPE - 7PM Children's Service

The Children's Services on Christmas Eve are designed for younger children and families and include lots of interaction, songs, and humor. Hope is adding a third service at 7:00PM that will be located in the Children's Center. Please note, this does not replace the 7:00PM family service in the Sanctuary.



Youth Ministry

5-6 Grades

Farm Day at Winterpast Farm

November 9 from 11am-noon, cost is \$10/person

Ever wonder where your food comes from? And no I'm not talking about the fridge or the grocery store – I'm talking about farms! Winterpast is a very unique farm run by Farmer Mary that hosts a wide variety of plants and animals. It's designed to be an interactive, hands-on learning experience for the kids that involves a lot of petting and feeding animals. Farmer Mary even allows families to "rent" animals out for a week so you may fall in love and end up bringing home a bunny, duckling, hedgehog, or goat. Parents are welcome to join for the experience or just pick up and drop off. The farm is located at 12936 Ghoston Road Wake Forest 27587. Sign up at www.hopelutheranwf.org/youth.

Sunday School

Bring your kids 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

Potluck & Gaga Ball Night

November 6 from 6:00-7:30PM

Hope has a brand-new inflatable Gaga pit and we're excited to break it in! For those that haven't played, it's an incredibly fun and fast-paced game that almost all kids love. There will be other game options for those rare few who don't play. Please bring a dish to share for dinner (unless you are a guest/friend) based on the assignments below (store-bought or homemade items are great!). Please make sure all items brought to Hope do not contain nuts for those with allergies.

Potluck:

- A-L Last names -- please bring a side dish or dessert
- M-Z Last names -- please bring a main dish (pasta, chicken, sandwiches, sliders, etc.)
- DCE's Steve & Wesley will bring the drinks!

*Friends/visitors -- not required to bring anything, but if they want to they can choose any of the above options

Wednesday Nights from 6:30-7:30PM!

7&8 Grade Youth Group is a weekly time where you get away from school, hangout with friends, and spend time in God's Word. Bring a friend and come by in November! Don't forget, youth group is cancelled on November 27. Happy Thanksgiving!

Sunday school from 9:45-10:45AM

You are invited to the Youth Center between church services for Sunday School! This month the group will cover "The Church – what's it all about?"

9-12 Grades

During November, instead of Youth Group, join the High School youth in either fellowship or different service opportunities. Friends are welcome!

11/3: Brookdale of Wake Forest at 12:50pm

Meet at Brookdale (611 S. Brooks St.) for an afternoon of playing games, reading, and socializing with senior citizens. Text DCE Wesley Spottiswood at 818-642-7570 if you are planning to come.

11/10: Dinner with Your Grade

Come eat a meal together in thankfulness with others in your same grade, school, and of course congregation. You will not want to miss this...sign up today so we can save your seat!

- 9th Grade: Meet at Mod Pizza from 12:30-1:30pm
- 10th Grade: Meet at Culvers from 5:00-6:00pm
- 11th Grade: Meet at Culvers from 6:10-7:10pm
- 12th Grade: Meet at Mod Pizza from 7:20-8:30pm

11/17: Create College Care Packages from 6:30-8:00pm

Join the High School youth to pack care packages for Hope's college students. Bring in non-perishable snacks, drinks, or \$10 to help with shipping costs, then decorate the boxes before shipping them out.

11/22: Best Night Ever from 5:00-10:00pm

Best Night Ever is a night for all ages (preschool - adults) to come to Hope for games, dinner, and most of all, fun! Youth are asked to volunteer their time to help facilitate games and support the leaders of the event. Proceeds will support the Teamwork Campaign (Facilities Fund). Dinner will be provided. We are expecting over 150 people, so we need help. Sign up today.

**there's no Youth Group on November 24*

Sunday School meets each week in the Youth Center from 9:45-10:45AM. This month we will walk through spiritual warfare in the modern world.

2020 High School Winter Retreat

February 14-17, 2020

Come along on an adventure with Hope's High School youth to a luxury 4,500 square foot cabin on a baby deer farm in beautiful Green Mountain, NC. Relax and refresh as we take part in a winter retreat like no other. Walk to the top of the tallest mountain east of the Mississippi, bottle feed a baby deer, explore the depths of the Linville Caverns, Snow tube with your friends, chill in the hot tub, roast s'mores around the campfire and play games all while growing deeper in God's Word. Cost is \$200. Space is filling up, register today.

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Going to the Winter Retreat and want to fundraise? Download an order form at www.hopelutheranwf.org/youth, selecting 9-12 grades.



Hope Lutheran Preschool News...

During November, all classes will focus on things for which they are thankful! God continues to bless us each and everyday in many ways. **God is good in all things, all the time!**

Join us on **November 22 for the Best Night Ever!** Preschool staff will take part in the evening's festivities by helping with Preschoolers and Kindergarteners in the Preschool building. See page 6 of this newsletter for details.

Preschool Merch is still available for purchase! We have coffee tumblers, mood cups and T-shirts. All make great Christmas gifts for family members! Items are available during Preschool hours in the Preschool office.



Come to Xplore Track Out for
Veteran's Day on November 11
for **"Salute Our Heroes Day!"**

The day will be filled with
patriotic-themed crafts,
activities, and games.

Register today, space is limited!
www.hopelutheranwf.org

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Children's Ministry Updates

For children in ages birth through 4th grade

Operation Disaster Relief: Kid's Christmas Boxes

November 24; 12:30PM-2:00PM; bring \$3 for pizza lunch

Join Children's Ministry as we work on a special mission project, Operation Disaster Relief: Kid's Christmas Boxes. Parents and their children in Kids Connect (birth-K, parents must attend), Kingdom Kids (1-2 graders), or FLASH (3-4 graders) are invited to attend. We will be providing kids with an experience of packing Christmas gifts for kids that have been impacted by hurricane disaster relief. This is a family event and we need parents to help their children through the process of packing the boxes.

Please sign up to come at www.hopelutheranwf.org/children and be sure to let us know what items you will be bringing to help fill the boxes. Also let us know if you would like to eat pizza for lunch with us at noon (this will be a \$3 charge per person). Donations may be placed in the bins located in the café area.

Children's Ministry Christmas Pageant – Away In A Mango

All Sunday School classes (4 years old through 4th grade) will be learning the music for the pageant during the first 10 minutes of Sunday school in the Children's Center in November and December 1, 8, 15. Please bring your child(ren) there each week. Mark your calendar for the pageant practices on December 8 from 3:00-5:00PM and December 15 from 1:00-4:30PM. You are able to purchase the music to practice at home on iTunes. This year, ensemble has the option to wear a red t-shirt or a Hawaiian-print shirt to get into the theme of "island Christmas, lost at sea." Please sign up at www.hopelutheranwf.org/children so we know you are coming.



Save the Date...Christmas Party for Grades 1-4

December 8 from 5:00-7:00PM

Come to Hope for a Christmas Party! The children will have crafts, dinner, games, caroling, and hot cocoa. Afterwards, stay for the Live Nativity at the back parking lot. There is no cost for this event...a gift to the wonderful 1-4 graders at Hope! Friends are welcome to come join the fun. Watch for a sign up coming at the end of November.

Children's Church Volunteers Needed!

Children's Church allows 3 year olds – 2nd graders to receive an age-appropriate lesson during the sermon time, and then return to their families for the remainder of the service. Volunteers are needed for the Saturday Night service at 5:30PM, one Saturday a month. Contact Angela Whitted at Angela.whitted@brighthorizons.com to volunteer!

Happy Birthday!

Jason Iafrate, 11/1
 Larry Lineberger, 11/1
 Ashley Allred, 11/2
 Chip Phipps, 11/2
 Cathy Rom, 11/2
 Cheryl Steinmiller, 11/2
 Mike Dennen, 11/3
 Nicholas Lanzilli, 11/3
 Wayne Puls, 11/3
 Michele Repak, 11/3
 Kelly Faris, 11/4
 Lauren Iafrate, 11/4
 Pat Madariaga, 11/4
 Natividad Medina, 11/4
 Jennifer Vukovich, 11/4
 Joseph Croak, 11/5
 Paige Dussault, 11/5
 Molly Gill, 11/5
 Rebecca Miller, 11/5
 Jennifer Price, 11/5
 Lisa Rummel, 11/5
 Nate Shope, 11/5
 Rachel Collinson, 11/6
 Leta Massey, 11/6
 Rachel Murphy, 11/6
 Janet Stalder, 11/6
 Sandra Stokes, 11/6
 Andrew Zick, 11/6
 Lauren Zick, 11/6
 John Collins, 11/8
 Karie Cook, 11/8

Lily Ellis, 11/8
 Maureen Schandert, 11/8
 John Thornton, 11/8
 Emma Vukovich, 11/8
 Nicholas Weidner, 11/8
 Megan Baldwin, 11/9
 Annabelle Carroll, 11/9
 Bryce Mercadante, 11/9
 Cyndy Bruce, 11/10
 Ariane Hamm, 11/10
 Beth Lasater, 11/10
 Rene Hieter, 11/11
 Kim Shope, 11/11
 Makenzie Woodard, 11/11
 Landon Frank, 11/12
 Angie Meyer, 11/12
 Ken Sutherland, 11/12
 Neil Turner, 11/12
 Michael Cook, 11/13
 Anna Davies, 11/13
 Anthony DeMicco-Bailey, 11/13
 Susann Ebberts, 11/13
 Warren Harrell, 11/13
 Gary O'Neill, 11/13
 Pam Schodt, 11/13
 Molly Boney, 11/14
 Regina Fisher, 11/14
 Doug Whitmer, 11/14
 Katharine Winiewicz, 11/14
 Jack Ellis, 11/15
 John Janosko, 11/15
 Matt Mashburn, 11/15
 Alex Perez, 11/15
 John Vekovius, 11/15

Mason Meyer, 11/16
 Claudia Van Hook, 11/16
 Carol Fenzl, 11/17
 Dick Kruger, 11/17
 Maurice Samuels, 11/17
 Judy Tyson, 11/17
 Kristina Wilson, 11/17
 Michael Civis, 11/18
 Barbara Eiesland, 11/18
 Richard Eiesland, 11/18
 Riley O'Brien, 11/18
 Jesse Thornton, 11/18
 Anita Duncan, 11/19
 Dominic Piacenti, 11/19
 Jill Schaefer, 11/19
 Joe York Jr., 11/19
 Alex Case, 11/20
 Mel Desha, 11/20
 Betty Holloway, 11/20
 Sue Meehan, 11/20
 Riley Webb, 11/20
 Kathy Bailey, 11/21
 Leigh Gipple, 11/21
 Scott Hall, 11/21
 Frank Bunyard, 11/22
 Aubrey Gilmore, 11/22
 Sophie Sharpstene, 11/22
 Chris Smith, 11/22
 Phoebe Upchurch, 11/22
 Shonna Frank, 11/23
 Steve Frank, 11/23
 Carson Gipple, 11/23
 Cheryl Lee, 11/23
 Reese Ritter, 11/23
 Matilda Scherrer, 11/23

Pam Jay, 11/24
 Linda Rathgeber, 11/24
 Marilyn Marr, 11/25
 Melissa Replogle, 11/25
 Barbara Williams, 11/25
 Sean Vitrano, 11/26
 Susan Woodard, 11/26
 Lindsay Wrenn, 11/26
 Eric Arner, 11/27
 Karen Johnson, 11/27
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 Darlene Parsons, 11/27
 Michael DeMicco, 11/28
 Carrie Foster, 11/28
 Hope Habers, 11/28
 Gale Perez, 11/28
 Andrew Queen, 11/28
 Ken Reading, 11/28
 Anita Reiss, 11/28
 Molly Sutherland, 11/28
 Tonya Watt, 11/28
 Heather Blalock, 11/29
 Theresa Franklin, 11/29
 Mike Loveless, 11/29
 David Lynn, 11/29
 Tayven Tew, 11/29
 Shelby Duncan, 11/30
 Debra Groves, 11/30
 Josh Lewis, 11/30
 Andrew Long, 11/30
 James Scherrer, 11/30
 Alex Ultis, 11/30

Happy Anniversary!

Rachel & Matthew Sharpstene, 11/1
 Mike & Lea Falk, 11/2
 Sandra & John Schwarz, 11/3
 Chris & Jena Hoh, 11/4
 Jim & Kara Lockhart, 11/4
 Mike & Sharon Long, 11/4
 Allen & Angela Moss, 11/5
 Ed & Linda Rathgeber, 11/6
 Herman & Connie Cole, 11/8
 David & Amy Wilkerson, 11/8
 Sharvin & Angela Whitted, 11/9
 Gordy & Peggy Koehler, 11/10

Roger & Carol Fischer, 11/11
 Tom & Mary Jane Haske, 11/14
 Jeff & Cathy Rom, 11/15
 Stephen & Lisa DeCiantis, 11/19
 John & Kathy Trusch, 11/19
 Ewa & Craig Allen, 11/20
 Josh & Chrissy Hederick, 11/21
 Robin & Kevin Willow-Johnson, 11/22
 Harry & Janice Hintz, 11/25
 Ray & Connie Sharpstene, 11/25
 Tom & Ann Thompson, 11/25
 David & Reeba Lambert, 11/26
 Nancy & Edward Hanna, 11/29

Prayers for the week of October 6

Praise and Thanksgiving for... the successful heart surgery of Brenda Duensing; **Comfort for...** Bonnie Petersilge and family as her dad enters hospice care and his final earthly days; Joel Schwartz and family at the death of his mother; Chris, Cathy, and Sam Smith on the death of their dog, Cesar; Lester Deming and family at the death of his aunt, Wilhomena Trolter; Bob Herring and the McKeithan family, at the death of John McKeithan; the Silber family at the sudden death of Chaz Silber; **Strength and Healing for...** for Zach Reeves, son of Paula Reeves, hospitalized after a bad car accident; Andy Bowie, friend of Paula Reeves, as his brain tumors continue to grow; Ed Snyder, friend of Jim & Sandee Kosmar, battling aggressive cancer; the Seger and Webb families, friends of Amy Ray, both dealing with childhood cancer; Chris, friend of Connie Cole, hospitalized due to diabetes complications; Jayne & Dale Cole, family of Herman & Connie Cole, dealing with heart issues; Teresa Johnson, sister of Shannon Janosko, starting chemotherapy this week for lung cancer; a friend of the Bailey's going through a rough time; Sara Duffy, having a heart procedure today; **Guidance, Protection, and Safety for...** Grandparents returning home soon.

Prayers for the week of October 13

Praise and Thanksgiving for... Zach Reeves, son of Paula Reeves, and his good surgical outcome; **Comfort for...** Harley Otts, a 14 year-old who has lost both parents; Kathleen Medina's extended family, who has lost a brother and son due to health issues; The Moran and Mullis families at the death of John Mullis; **Strength and Healing for...** Kathy Jarchow, recovering from a procedure; A daughter hospitalized with bulimia; Mary Anne, suffering from bipolar disorder; Maureen Schandert for protection during an upcoming radiation therapy; Carol Lippard, daughter of Vicki Herring, having a biopsy on Wednesday; 5-month-old Nadine Hathaway, recovering from heart surgery; Sharon DiMartino's brother-in-law, James Lumia, hospitalized in ICU with an infection and also in need of a pacemaker. A friend dealing with stressful mental health issues; Sandra Mashburn, wife of David Mashburn, having spinal surgery on November 5. **Guidance, Protection, and Safety for...** A husband to get a job; Kate Williams' coworker who is feeling lost professionally and personally; The Noon's grandfather to have safe travels.

Prayers for the week of October 13

Praise and Thanksgiving for... Lawson Gipple's great-aunt, celebrating her 99th birthday; the 244th anniversary of the US Navy; **Comfort for...** the Zito family, as they mourn the death of their son, Sal; the Comer family as they mourn the death of their young daughter, Ashley; Willers family, at the sudden death of Elaine's cousin's grandson; **Strength and Healing for...** the Bowling's grand-niece, Pippa Abrams, born two months early; Mary Owens, having a hip replacement next week; Randy Wolfberger, friend of the Kosmar's, recovering from a broken knee and ankle; Billy Edwards, family of Linda Wellnitz, recovering from heart surgery to repair a valve; Colleen, friend of D. Jones, a non-smoker recently diagnosed with lung cancer; Victor, friend of Gale Perez; Brian, preparing for major surgery; Maury Taylor's parents, who have both been hospitalized for several weeks; Carol, friend of Jack Pizzolato, in rehab after a hospitalization; Ann Dora Bryant, and give thanks to God for her improved health condition; Bonnie Smith, recovering from hip surgery; David Van Hook, recovering from a cardiac catheterization; Shannon Janosko's son-in-law, Larry Allen, recovering after a kidney replacement.

Prayers for the week of October 27

Comfort for... Sunny Gretsuk, grieving the loss of her cousin, Rick; the family of W.C. Scruggs, mourning his death; **Strength and Healing for...** Shirley Holzschuh, who is in pain and dealing with Shingles; Art Pimley, family of David Huffine, who suffered a stroke and is hospitalized; Ed Mutio, friend of Rob Bailey, recovering after a recent brain surgery; Garnett Frieda; a friend that got bad test results; Kathleen Medina's uncle, recovering after a fall; the Hoopingarner's grandfather, dealing with cancer; Billy Edwards who is hospitalized with complications from surgery; Sandra Lawrence, Marcia Huffine's sister, recovering from heart issues; Victor, friend of Gale Perez, in the ICU at Duke; Shelby Jaundoo, who has thyroid cancer and will be having surgery soon; **Guidance, Protection, and Safety for...** a family in transition; Kathleen Medina's son beginning a new job.





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