

Mission Moments



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PASTOR PULS' MESSAGE...VETO POWER!

If you pay any attention to national or state politics, you certainly know what **veto power** means. Legislators create laws, but those laws don't go into effect unless the chief executive (president or governor) puts his/her signature on the law. If the chief executive decides to say "No" and **vetoes** the proposed law, that law is null and void. Unless the legislature overrides the veto ... but that's another story!

Think about **veto power**, in your own life. Who holds the **veto power**, between you and God? It seems obvious that God, the Master of the Universe, would have the final say in all things, right? Not exactly.

God definitely has a plan for your life. He knows exactly what he wants to see happen in your life today, tomorrow, and every day in the future. But God created you, and all human beings, with free will. He didn't make you a robot. He made you to be capable of thinking and deciding for yourself. It's rather incredible, but it's true. God gave you **veto power** over his plans and desires for you!

Be careful how you wield your **veto power**. Is it really for your own good to challenge God's will, and to disregard his plans for you? Are you helping, or harming, yourself when you **veto** God's desires for the way you live?

I love these Bible words from Ephesians chapter two.

For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith -- and this not from yourselves, it is the gift of God -- not by works, so that no one can boast. For we are God's workmanship, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do (verses 8-10).

This passage reminds us that our God saved us for a purpose. God has precise plans for our lives. He has specific, detailed ideas about what good things he'd like to see happening in your life.

Remember, you can **veto** God's plans for your life. Or, you can open yourself to the wonderful adventure of seeing God's plans unfold! It's your choice. Make it a clear, sincere goal this month to set your **veto power** aside, and to learn more about the kind of life God has in mind for you. Read about it in your Bible. Talk about it with your Christian friends. Pray about it daily, and talk it over with the Master Planner. Learn about it in weekly worship, and in adult education classes, at Hope. Say "No" to your **veto power**!

God's blessings,

Pastor Wayne Puls

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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

April 26-May 10
5:30 – 6:15: Dinner
5:30 – 6:30: Youth Praise Team
5:50 – 6:25: Children's Choir
6:30-7:45: Adult Handbell Choir
6:30 – 7:30: Children, Youth,
and Adult Education
7:45 – 9:15: Senior Choir

MEMORIAL DAY CLOSINGS

The Church office, Preschool, Little Blessings, and Xplore Track Out will be closed on Monday, May 29 in observance of Memorial Day.

FOND FAREWELL

For the past eleven months, Ryker Hampton has been serving as Youth Ministry Intern here at Hope. He's been working with the youth of our congregation, and providing leadership for our 5-6 grade, 7-8 grade, and 9-12 grade youth groups. Ryker's one-year internship ends later this month, and he'll be returning to his home state of Texas to pursue other vocational interests. A farewell reception will be held after the 11:00 AM service on Ryker's final Sunday at Hope, May 28.

We are thankful for Ryker's faithful service and strongly-rooted faith, and wish him God's blessings in all his future endeavors!

WEDNESDAY NIGHT ALIVE CONTINUES!

May 3 & May 10

WNA is Hope's midweek ministry opportunity for all ages to gather for dinner, Bible study, Confirmation, fellowship, and fun. **Dinners** are served from 5:30-6:15PM. On May 3, dinner will be baked spaghetti and on May 10 the outdoor picnic and Spring Fling Talent Show (see page 3). Visit www.hopelutheranwf.org for specific meeting times and locations.

LCEF WEEKEND

April 30, before & after services. Hope Lutheran Church has its mortgage through Lutheran Church Extension Fund (LCEF), which provides us with competitive rates. You can learn more about LCEF and pick up investment materials at our LCEF Weekend in April. Questions? Contact Steve Edwards at steven.edwards33@yahoo.com.

CONFIRMATION SUNDAY

Rite of Confirmation; Sunday, May 21, 2017 at 2:30PM

The congregation is invited to join the confirmands and their families at the special service and reception in the Fellowship Hall. Please pray for Hope's Confirmands as they profess their faith.

Brooklyn Bakal
Gavin Bloomer
Rachel Broughton
Paige Bruck
Greyson Edwards
Hannah Elder
Ariana Flanagan
Nicolette Fritz
Brenna Gartland
Abby Gundry
Paige Hederick
Preston Helmers
Olivia Hitt

Emily Howard
Sophia Hummel
Lauren Iafrate
Wolfgang Isaacson
Joseph Jordan
Kirsten Kusy
Mackenzie Langosch
Madelyn Langosch
Daniel Leary
Gianna Loschiavo
Isabelle Mehm
Abigail Minor
Mary Moretz

Samuel Moretz
Hannah Morrow
Riley O'Brien
Emma Olson
Clara Owens
Nathan Pallozzi
Ashley Torsone
Anthony Vitrano
Jane Vukovich
Zachary Webb
Brooke White
Ava Williams
Kate Zwickis

May 10, 2017

Spring Fling & Talent Show

Outdoor Picnic & Fun (5:30-6:15)

Hotdogs, hamburgers, sides, &
Lumpy's ice cream (fee), games,
bounce houses, & more

(Dinner: \$6/adults & youth 11+, \$3/kids 5-10,
under 5 free. \$22 family max)

Hope's Kids Got Talent (6:15-7:30)

Classes (6:30-7:30)

Adult Education
Confirmation (6th grade)

OUTREACH & MISSION MINISTRIES

PUTTING FAITH INTO ACTION

As a congregation, Hope is very active in the community, sharing resources and compassion in the name of our saving Lord Jesus. We're sending volunteer teams to Lumberton, NC to help rebuild homes damaged by Hurricane Matthew flooding. We're also partnering with other local churches on a Habitat for Humanity home building project in Wake Forest. The homeowner, Rubi Moran, will regularly be involved in the project, along with volunteers. All skill levels welcome and needed.

Please let Pastor Wayne (wpuls@hopelutheranwf.org) or Pastor Lew (lupchurch@hopelutheranwf.org) know if you are able to serve on any of the following dates:

- Lumberton: 5/6, 5/18, 6/3, 6/15
- Wake Forest: 5/11, 6/10

GUATEMALA MISSION TRIP

March 10 - 17, 2018

'GUAT' are you waiting for? The people of Guatemala are eager to meet you!

It's time to start assembling a team for the March 10 - 17 trip in 2018. Seeking 10-14 individuals who are ready to embark on an adventure. Watch the bulletin for an announcement about an informational meeting in June.

Commitments will be needed by September 1. The team will work with Groundwork Guatemala, assisting them in "Seeking the Lost; Equipping the Found." This is achieved by listening, praying, encouraging, and sharing the love of God with the poorest of the poor. Translators will be present so no foreign language required!

Please note that youth, ages 16 & 17, must be accompanied on this trip by a parent. If you are interested in the trip, please contact trip leader, Kim Nugent, at kimberlyanugent@msn.com or 919-817-0893.

BROWN BAG MINISTRY

Help needed on May 20 at 11:00AM

Join other Brown Bag volunteers in the foyer area (between the Children's Center and kitchen area) to make sandwiches and assemble lunches. Afterwards, the lunches are blessed and ready to be distributed in two areas in Wake Forest. Volunteers are welcome to come to one or both parts of the event. Questions? Contact Nancy Repak at kapernan@gmail.com.

Inspiring Bible Verses

Is your small group looking for a service opportunity? Do you have favorite Bible verses you would like to share? The Brown Bag Ministry has the perfect opportunity!

Every Brown Bag lunch includes a Bible verse, for spiritual health. These verses are a key part of this local ministry. We are looking for groups or individuals to provide verses for our lunches. Bible verses may be hand written or printed on small slips of any color paper. Verses must be large enough for an address label (with church info) to fit on the back. Multiple copies of the same verse are welcome.

Verses may be placed in the Brown Bag Ministry donation bin in the Café area. If your group would like to provide a month of verses please contact Nancy Repak at kapernan@gmail.com.



STAFFING UPDATE

Hope Lutheran is happy to announce two DCE Interns, Steven McCarthy and Wesley Spottiswood, will be serving at Hope in the year ahead.

Steven McCarthy is graduating from Concordia University Irvine with his Bachelor of Arts Degree. His major was Christian Education Leadership (DCE Program) with a minor in Global Cultural Studies. Steven grew up in a small town outside of Vancouver, Washington. Steven will head up the 5-6 Grade Youth Group, and work closely with the Youth Confirmation Program.

Wesley Spottiswood is graduating from Concordia University Irvine and has a Bachelor of Arts Degree. His major was Christian Education Leadership (DCE Program) with a minor in Missiology. Wesley was born in Los Angeles, California. Wesley will take the lead with the 7-8 Grade and 9-12 Grade Youth Groups.

Additionally, both interns will be involved, together or separately, in several other congregational mission and ministry areas: Hope's community-based outreach ministries, our small group ministry program, men's ministry, family service worship planning, hospital/home visits, adult education classes, visitor follow-up, formation of a young adult outreach, congregational/regional disaster response efforts, and the development of a spiritual care program in Lumberton. We have a very busy, exciting year planned for Steven and Wesley!

We are expecting our team of interns to arrive in Wake Forest in early June. Please pray for Steven and Wesley, and for all the areas of congregational ministry in which they will be serving – especially our Youth Ministry Program. May God work in mighty and creative ways to help our church keep moving forward!



Steven McCarthy



Wesley Spottiswood



TOUCHED BY HOPE PLANNING SESSION

Tuesday, May 23, 2017 at 6:30PM

Touched By Hope, the annual free medical clinic, will be Saturday, November 4, 2017. If you were a 2016 coordinator, or would like to help plan or prepare for the event, please attend the meeting. Pizza will be provided. Please notify Shannon Janosko, at sjanosko@hopelutheranwf.org or 919-554-8109 if you plan to attend.

TRI-AREA MINISTRY FOOD COLLECTION

The Feeding the Faith Small Group is collecting canned meat and tuna fish for the month of May. Please place items in the donation bins in the café area. Thank you for your continued support of helping the Wake Forest community.

SMALL GROUP

MINISTRY

PRIMETIMER EVENTS

Miniature Golf Outing

Saturday, May 20 at 10:00AM

The group will be playing golf at Adventure Landing (Capital Blvd.) in Raleigh. Cost is \$4/person.

Afterwards, the group will have lunch. RSVP to Andy and Nancy Hoh at nmhoh1943@yahoo.com or 919-562-9562 by May 15.

Mark your calendar for June...

The Curious Savage

Saturday, June 25 at 3:00PM;
cost is \$13 and will be purchased
June 10.

Please contact Paul & Renee Hieter at phieter@nc.rr.com or 919-562-3775 if you would like to attend. The performance will be at the Renaissance Theatre in Wake Forest.

CARDS AT HOPE

BRIDGE GROUP - May 8 & May 22,
both at 1:00PM. If you plan to come, contact Betty McAlear at bmcalear@nc.rr.com or call 919-554-9081.

PINOCHLE GROUP - May 1 & 15 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!

DID YOU KNOW? There are a lot of Small Groups, all with different themes, open for people to join. If you are interested in growing deeper in the Word while meeting new people, visit the Small Group display next to the café or www.hopelutheranwf.org. Small Groups are open to anyone – not just members of Hope!

ADULT EDUCATION

Sunday from 9:45-10:45AM;
Visitors welcome!

History of the LCMS

May 7 (One Session Only)

Adult Education, room 300

Leader: Vicar Mark Moretz

The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod traces its origin to 750 Saxon immigrants who came to the State of Missouri in the United States of America in 1839. What were the circumstances that led to the Synod forming? Who were the key leaders? What role did language and geography play? While a lot has changed over the past 178 years in the LCMS, the message of the forgiveness of sins through Christ Alone is the same.

The Prodigal Son

May 7 (One Session Only)

Adult Education, room 302

Leader: Dan Baker

Most are familiar with the parable recorded in Luke's Gospel of the man who is forced to deal with his younger son's reckless behavior. While the parable challenges our view of forgiveness and family loyalty, it also reminds us of our God, who found us when we were far off from him. Join the discussion find out what this parable can teach us today.

The Church - God's Special People

May 14 & 21

Adult Education, room 300

Leader: Pastor Lineberger

As a supplement to our May sermon series, you are invited to take a closer look at 1 Peter and his call for Christians to embrace and live out their new identities with utter commitment.

Myths about Death: Why Easter Matters

May 14 - 28

Adult Education, room 301

Leader: Pastor Lew

The world is full of mythologies concerning death. Hollywood (think zombie apocalypse), cults, and other religions have their own ideas. These beliefs are obviously unbiblical, if not plain silly, but there are some other unbiblical myths that many Christians believe. Join us as we explore these myths through the lens of the Resurrection.

HOPE LUTHERAN PRESCHOOL NEWS

MUFFINS FOR MOM

May is the month the preschool children celebrate MOMS. Each class will have a special "Muffins for Mom" celebration. *Thank you to all Moms for all you do!!*

SUMMER EXPRESSIONS

Registration is now in progress for Hope's half day and full day summer program for rising 2 year olds through rising Kindergarteners. Summer Expressions will be held each week from May 30 through August 11. For questions contact the preschool office at 919-453-0388.

END OF YEAR CELEBRATION

Please join us for our **End of Year Celebration** on May 24 from 9:00 to 12:30, as we celebrate another great year at Hope Lutheran Preschool! There will be bounce houses, games, food and more. Cost is \$10.00 per family. Please sign up by May 19 at the Preschool office. Call 919-453-0388 for more information.

A Big THANK YOU to all of our Preschool Families and Staff for another great year!



XPLORE TRACK OUT CAMP

Come chill out with Xplore during track out where campers enjoy making crafts, playing games, going on nature walks, listening to daily Bible devotions and much, much more!

Upcoming themes include: Survivor, Aloha Summer and Scales and Tails. To learn more or register, visit www.hopelutheranwf.org or contact Family Program Director, Erin Ames at 919-554-8109 eames@hopelutheranwf.org.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

At Hope, there are many different ways for children to get involved, grow relationships, and build upon their faith foundations developed at home. Questions? Contact Beth Agner at 919-554-8109 or bagner@hopelutheranwf.org.

FAMILY PICNIC!

Sunday, May 7 from 1:00-3:30pm; All children ages 2-4th grade, and their families, are invited! Children's Ministry is hosting a family picnic complete with family challenges, games, and time on the playground. Bring a lunch to the Sassafras Picnic Shelter at Durant Nature Park in Raleigh. The park is located at 8305 Camp Durant Road, Raleigh, 27614.

SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS are needed for grades preschool-4th grade during the summer to give the school year teachers a much needed break! Sunday Curriculum is provided to all teachers. Email Beth Agner at bagner@hopelutheranwf.org to volunteer.

SPRING FLING & TALENT SHOW

Wednesday, May 10 from 5:30-7:30PM
All families are invited to a special outdoor Wednesday Night Alive, filled with great food, bounce houses, outdoor games, & Lumpy's Ice Cream. See page 3 of this newsletter for more details.

VBS VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Hope is in need of volunteers (youth & adults) for VBS from June 19-23 for both the daytime and evening sessions. To volunteer, please sign up at www.hopelutheranwf.org. VBS volunteer training is Tuesday, May 23 at 6:30PM.

YOUTH MINISTRY

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

5-6 GRADES

CONFIRMATION CLASSES

- **Year 1 students** have one more class on May 3 and will meet in their small groups. Then, they are finished with classes for the spring and summer. Confirmation classes will resume in September, 2017. Watch for a mailing this summer with the fall schedule and updates.
- **Year 2 students** will meet May 3 & May 10 in large group.

CONFIRMATION DINNER & REHEARSAL

MAY 17, 2017

All students (Confirmands and volunteers) are requested to register at www.hopelutheranwf.org, selecting "Get Involved—Youth."

- **5:30PM, Year 1 students** serve dinner to the confirmands and their families. Please wear white shirt and black pants/skirt/shorts.
- **6:00PM, Year 2 students:** This dinner and rehearsal is for the Confirmand and two parents/guardians.

ACOLYTE TRAINING

May 24 from 6:00-8:00PM in the Sanctuary

Pastor Upchurch will be having an acolyte training session for all current 5th & 6th graders (and any 7th graders who are interested but have not had a chance to be trained). Pizza will be served. If you would like to be an Acolyte, you must attend this training. If you are planning on attending, please contact Carlin O'Brien at cobrien@hopelutheranwf.org so she can order enough pizza.

MESS FEST

Saturday, May 13 from 1:00-3:00PM; Cost \$5/person

Have you ever been told not to play with your food? This event in the Youth Center is the exception! Bring clothes that can get messy. Register at www.hopelutheranwf.org, selecting "Get Involved, Youth" so we know you are coming.

SPORTSMEN'S ANNUAL YOUTH OUTING

Saturday, June 3 from 9:30AM-3:00PM, see below



JUNE EVENT – ALL YOUTH & FAMILIES

SPORTSMEN'S GROUP ANNUAL YOUTH OUTING
(Shooting, Fishing, & Cook out)
Saturday, June 3 from 9:30AM - 3:00PM
Open to all 5 - 12 Graders

Come on out to Bill Spencer's farm for a great day outdoors. The day will start with a moment of prayer and a safety briefing by experienced shooting instructors. At noon, the group will take a break and enjoy a picnic lunch complete with burgers, hot dogs, sides, and drinks. Afterwards, the group will head to the pond for some fishing. If you don't have a gun or fishing rod to bring, we will have some for you to use. We require every child to be accompanied by a parent, and everyone must sign a liability release. If you are planning to attend, contact Ted Bachman at tedbachman@mindspring.com or 919-606-3477 to make reservations and get directions.

7-8 GRADES

VBS VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

June 19-23, 2017 for both daytime and evening sessions

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SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sunday mornings from 9:45-10:45AM

Come to the Christ Café for some baked goodies, Bible study, and life-related discussion topics. Located in the Youth Center. See you there!

WEDNESDAY NIGHT YOUTH NIGHTS

Wednesday nights at 6:30PM

Come down to the Youth Center for games, food, fun, and devotions. Friends are welcome!

SPORTSMEN'S ANNUAL YOUTH OUTING

Saturday, June 3 from 9:30AM-3:00PM, see page 8

9-12 GRADES

SPORTSMEN'S ANNUAL YOUTH OUTING

Saturday, June 3 from 9:30AM-3:00PM, see page 8

A MARVELOUS NIGHT

Friday, May 5 from 6:00PM-Midnight; Tickets are \$12

In possibly the biggest movie event of the summer Guardians of the Galaxy 2 is being released. We'll screen the first Guardians in the Youth Center at 6:15PM and then head over to the Wakefield Marquee to see the new one at 9:45PM. Tickets will sell out quickly so pre-purchase them online at www.marqueecinemas.com. Register at www.hopeluthernwf.org, selecting "Get Involved, Youth" so we know you are coming. Drivers are needed.

HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH NIGHTS

Sunday, May 7, 14, 21 from 6:30-8:00PM

Come to Hope for food, fun, and friends!



THE ULTIMATE GAME SHOW NIGHT!

Friday, May 12 from 6:30-8:30PM

Have ever seen one of those games shows and thought, "I could do that." Well now is your chance to prove it. We're hosting a mish-mash of gameshows at Hope for you to enjoy. Gameshows are better with crowds though, so bring the whole family. We'll be in the Children's Center for this one. Register at www.hopeluthernwf.org, selecting "Get Involved, Youth" so we know you are coming.

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SAVE THE DATE - GRADUATION BLESSING

Sunday, June 4 at the 11:00AM service

Graduation blessing is open for high school graduates at Hope. Parents, now is the time to start looking for (or creating) the blanket you'd like to give your graduate(s) during the special recognition.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sunday mornings from 9:45-10:45AM in the Youth Center.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Tyler Bendl, 5/1
Kim Duncan, 5/1
Patrick Flanagan, 5/1
Tucker Huffine, 5/1
Savanah Hunt, 5/1
Libby Rogers, 5/1
David Ultis, 5/1
Dennis DiMartino, 5/2
Sara Green, 5/2
Hannah Harris, 5/2
Joseph Hummel, 5/2
Megan Matthews, 5/2
Camden Bachand, 5/3
Andy Hoh, 5/3
Robbie Shope, 5/3
Miranda Wood, 5/3
Faye Briggs, 5/4
Holden Harrell, 5/4
Bill Najdecki, 5/4
Janet Sasanko, 5/4
Kati Zick, 5/4
Brett Edwards, 5/5
Cody Hoelzle, 5/5
Arturo Lumpkin, 5/5
Nicky Sakowski, 5/5
Dwayne Cooke, 5/6
Sam Law, 5/6
Melissa Martin, 5/6
Ken Neely, 5/6
Rob Loomis, 5/7
Maggie York, 5/7

Ted Bachman, 5/8
Taylor Cole, 5/8
Genevieve Lumpkin, 5/8
Brittany Dussault, 5/9
Joanna Siaw, 5/9
Holly Bloomer, 5/10
Guy Hays, 5/10
Leona Kelso, 5/10
Brooke Miller, 5/10
Helen Cozine, 5/11
Vicki Martin, 5/11
John Monahan, 5/11
Janet Vekovius, 5/11
Brooke White, 5/11
Steven Woodard, 5/11
Erik Lindberg, 5/12
Ben Walters, 5/12
Tammy Dunne, 5/13
JT Gonenc III, 5/13
Ute Hamm, 5/13
Robert Weltzin, 5/13
Ava Williams, 5/13
Jill Backstrom, 5/14
Marcia Huffine, 5/14
Eric Scherrer, 5/14
Lew Upchurch III, 5/14
Taylor Backstrom, 5/15
Connie Cole, 5/15
Sue Foster, 5/15
Bob Hughes Jr., 5/15
Dennis Hutson, 5/15
Alex Schandert, 5/15
Joe Bloomer, 5/16
Alexa Otlin, 5/16
Ryan Pfendler, 5/16

Carolyn Raymond, 5/16
Sam Rosonke, 5/16
Amy Theiss, 5/16
Eric Allred, 5/17
Jerry Hedberg, 5/17
Bill Hodsden, 5/17
Roddy Hubbell, 5/17
Michael Kris, 5/17
Kevin Lanzilli, 5/17
Elizabeth Lopez, 5/17
Todd Marker, 5/17
Isaac Raynor, 5/17
Clark Hellmann, 5/18
Shelly Hummel, 5/18
Bonnie Onofrio, 5/18
Erika Strawn-Kuntz, 5/18
Julie Gundry, 5/19
Ken Jarchow, 5/19
Josh Agner, 5/20
Jason Murphy, 5/20
Terry Murphy, 5/20
Lynne Beaman, 5/21
Trevan Mercadante, 5/21
Mark Smith, 5/21
Jenny Case, 5/22
Jacob Comer, 5/22
Carson Jolly, 5/22
Reid Jolly, 5/22
Wanda Ohle, 5/22
Peyton Sudheimer, 5/22
Martha Haun, 5/23
Kristen Hitchcock, 5/23
Ruth Lassiter, 5/23
Donna Neubaum, 5/23
Chris Minor, 5/24

Mike Owens, 5/24
Heather Ellis, 5/25
Adam Hamm, 5/25
Christopher Hugelmaier, 5/25
Gabriella Loomis, 5/25
Sophia Loomis, 5/25
Betty McAlear, 5/25
Hayden Williams, 5/25
Kevin Wilson, 5/25
Allie Zwickis, 5/25
Chris Hoh, 5/26
Claudine Phetteplace, 5/26
Taylor Pickens, 5/26
Preston Wagner, 5/26
Erin Ames, 5/27
Bryant Becton, 5/27
Cameron Hellmann, 5/27
Bill Spencer, 5/27
John Carlyle, 5/28
Lisa Marchetta, 5/28
John O'Neill, 5/28
Nicole Sanders, 5/28
Nick Yoon, 5/28
Annette Phillips, 5/29
Margaret Bierlein, 5/30
Taylor George, 5/30
Sue Hardee, 5/30
Ben Lanzilli, 5/30
Camille Lanzilli, 5/30
Alexa Lockhart, 5/30
Cindy Marriott, 5/30
Tyler Watt, 5/30
Connor Hellmann, 5/31
Bridgett Seaman, 5/31

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

Mike & Marilyn Featham, 5/1
Andy & Jovana McCaskill, 5/2
Bryan & Briana Evans, 5/3
Dick & Trudy Rogers, 5/3
Tim & Cara Sargent, 5/3
Lisa & Jason Dotson, 5/4
Katherine & Todd Cesar, 5/5
Jason & Jennifer Murphy, 5/5
Allen & Lori Kannan, 5/6
Paul & Sandy Janok, 5/8
Mike & Beckie Randall, 5/9
Kari & Mark Ellwanger, 5/11
Glenn & Carolyn Rathje, 5/11
Herman & Anita Reiss, 5/12
Dan & Amber Seaman, 5/12
Bob & Lois Nielsen, 5/13

Jamie & Bryn Cressman, 5/14
Tom & Barbara Readling, 5/14
Andy & Anna O'Neill, 5/15
Sam & Brittany Bedford, 5/16
Lyle & Camellia Berglund, 5/17
Rob & Brandi Hughes III, 5/19
Bob & Sheila Bishop, 5/20
Dwight & Lynan Collinson, 5/20
Steve & Shonna Frank, 5/20
John & Maureen Latz, 5/20
Jim & Michele Buddo III, 5/21
Dan & Sarah Crawford, 5/21
Patrick & Sheila Flanagan, 5/21
Dean & Joanne Hillyer, 5/21
Mark & Linda Patschke, 5/21
Tammy & Justin Alexander, 5/22

Brad & Jenn Boney, 5/22
Nate & Megan Matthews, 5/22
Lee & Jill Backstrom, 5/25
Norm & Kathy Bell, 5/25
Greg & Maria Ismay, 5/25
Erin & Alan Barker, 5/26
Joe & Sandy Wawrzynek, 5/26
Hugh & Betty McAlear, 5/27
Sean & Sara Roy, 5/27
John & Gail Hogshire, 5/28
Matt & Erika Kuntz, 5/28
Marlene & Richard Spencer, 5/29
Gretchen & Frank Hitchcock, 5/30
Mark & Regina Fisher, 5/31
Dan & Suki Gibson, 5/31

PRAYER REQUESTS FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 2, 2017

Praise and Thanksgiving for... a successful surgery for Erin Ames' sister-in-law; Linda Wellnitz's successful surgery and prayers for a quick recovery; the joyous reunion of the Hall family; **Comfort for...** Jerry & Liz Garlington, as they grieve the loss of Liz's brother and travel to the funeral; Peggy Koehler and the family of Joe Rhea as his death; the Wheeler family in the loss of the 18 year-old daughter in an RV accident; Munoz family as they celebrate Jennifer's life and grieve her loss; **Strength and Healing for...** Betty Upchurch, Pastor Lew's mother, hospitalized and going through testing; a friend recovering from eye surgery; a husband, awaiting test results; victims of terrorist attacks in London; Tonya Wagner, Pastor & Lana Wagner's daughter-in-law, recovering from surgery; Dan Baker's friend who was diagnosed with terminal cancer; Dan Baker's friend, Keith, who is in a nursing home and slipping into dementia; Donna, friend of Bonnie Smith, having foot surgery; Patty Rubin fighting cancer; Donna Hahm, mother of Melanie Scheuerle, having cancer surgery on Monday; Jean Livesay, friend of Dawn Kusy, diagnosed with cancer for a third time; Pam Harrell, recovering from knee replacement surgery; a daughter's difficult pregnancy; Diana Keane's friend, Roberta Keeler, hospitalized from a heart attack; Sandi Olivier's daughter, Anne Marie, having surgery in NY; David Huffine's co-worker recovering from a serious virus; Peter Collins, hospitalized in critical condition after heart surgery; Joe Rousseau, recovering from cancer surgery; Jonathan Haber's father, hospitalized with heart and kidney issues; **Guidance, Protection, and Safety for...** those who are seeking employment, that God would give them assurance and help open the right doors.

PRAYER REQUESTS FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 9, 2017

Praise and Thanksgiving for... the children and youth of Hope that continue to grow their faith; **Comfort for...** Rosie Miller and family at the death of her husband, Bill Miller; the Langston family and the Rolesville Police Department; John Nugent and family at the death of his grandmother, Henny Hansen. Also, pray for travel mercies as the family drives to NJ to attend the funeral; **Strength and Healing for...** Neil & Helen Turner's son-in-law, Chris Sanders, recovering from surgery; Greyson Edward's grandmother, having surgery; Caroline's hurt ankle; Jim & Melanie Barker's relative, Lee Duncan, hospitalized with pneumonia; Alice Piacenti's grandfather having back surgery; Susan Britten, friend of Darlene Parsons,

diagnosed with early onset Alzheimer's disease; Chip Bishop's mother, who suffered a heart attack; awaiting a wife's test results; Jerry Garlington's 97 year-old mother, hospitalized with cellulitis; Truda Graham's neighbor, Val, recovering from a broken hip; Jonathan Habers' father, Douglas Habers, hospitalized; **Guidance, Protection, and Safety for...** Major Dave Baker, as he prepares for another deployment; the teenage daughter of Holly Bruck's friend, to return to the church; Pat Rice, Brenda Duensing's sister, as she makes decision about work; persecuted Christians everywhere; all government officials.

PRAYER REQUESTS FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 23, 2017

Praise and Thanksgiving for... the celebration of Easter world-wide; **Comfort for...** the LaRocca family, grieving the loss of John LaRocca; Lisa, who recently lost her mother to cancer; Jerry & Liz Garlington at the death of Jerry's aunt, Adra Forrester; Elizabeth Lopez's mother, as she transitions through end of her life; **Strength and Healing for...** Ryan, son of Bill & Norine Carter, who had a splinter in his eye; Mr. Ken, friend of Macey Watt, fighting cancer; Jacqueline Johnson, hospitalized after several falls; Rachel, family of the Nelson-Dibbles, having surgery on Tuesday; Jeremy Murfin, whose cancer has returned; The Ransford family; Steve Beurnenville, healing during his recovery; Myla Lambert and continued clear MRI results; a person in need to feel better; Douglas Habers, dealing with complications from bypass surgery; Vivian Edwards; those suffering from Alzheimer's Disease and other forms of dementia (and their caregivers); Sharon Gipner's friend, Aldara Henderson, recovering after cancer surgery; a young co-worker of Annette dealing with health issues; Mr. Robinson; Carol Watson, friend of Pat Kramer, now in hospice care; Kendrick Williams healing from cancer; Charlie Wilson, father of Jenny Case's friend, hospitalized with signs of a stroke; Rosie Miller's cousin, Linda, hospitalized and unable to walk; **Guidance, Protection, and Safety for...** a family member's decision to separate; Landon Hubbell in Army Basic Training and for all service members protecting our freedoms; Jeremiah Chapman and family as they raise financial support for a ministry opportunity and finish seminary; a job search to go well.





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Saturday Celebration Service
5:30PM

Sunday Worship
8:30AM & 11:00AM

Sunday Christian Education Hour
9:45AM

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