



Mission Moments

January, 2018 | **Monthly Newsletter of Hope Lutheran Church** | Wake Forest, NC

“CALL MEETING” COMING SOON

We’ve enjoyed having two DCE interns serving here at Hope since June. Steve McCarthy and Wesley Spottiswood have been providing energetic leadership in our youth ministry program, and helping out in a variety of other congregational ministry areas, as well. As 2017 graduates of the Director of Christian Education program at Concordia University (Irvine, California), Steve and Wesley are eligible, upon successful completion of their internship year, to become called workers in a congregation.

Late last year, it was announced that the unanimous recommendation of Hope’s Ministry Leadership Team and called staff (myself, Pastor Lew Upchurch, and DCE Beth Agner) is for both Steve and Wesley to be called as DCE’s here at Hope. Our congregation is faced with many exciting opportunities in the growing community around us, and our vision is to reach more people for Christ. Strengthening our ministry staff is a key part of our ministry plan for 2018 and beyond. We’ve looked carefully at the ministry needs and the financial health of the church, and feel that the time is right to take this positive step.

We are asking you, the members of Hope, to join us in making it official. We will be bringing this call recommendation, and the proposed 2018 budget, to the meeting of the Congregational Assembly on Sunday, January 28, at 3:30 PM, for approval. All members of Hope Lutheran Church, 18 years and older, are eligible to participate as voters in this important meeting. We’ll be providing a thorough background for this call recommendation, along with detailed information on the budget, at the meeting; and we’ll pray for God’s will to be done in our decision-making.

Just a quick word about the term “called.” In our Lutheran circles, certain types of church workers who’ve been trained and certified by a Lutheran Church Missouri Synod institution of higher learning are eligible to be “called” by a congregation. That’s different than being “hired.” Lutherans teach and confess that God calls individuals to ministry vocations, and that his call is normally extended through a local congregation. When a church extends a call to a person, and that call is accepted, we believe that God’s hand is at work and his will is being done. To receive a call from a congregation is a solemn and serious thing. It’s as if the call is from God himself.

On January 28, then, we’ll be asking the congregation to prayerfully, and with trust in God, to extend a call to Steve McCarthy and Wesley Spottiswood to serve as DCE’s in our church. They’ll finish up their internship year with their current status; but, effective June 1, 2018, they’ll begin serving as permanent staff members. Steve and Wesley will continue to serve in youth ministry, but also help with confirmation, young adults, small groups, community-based ministries, mission trips, worship planning and leadership, and much more.

As a congregation, we’re thankful for our interns, and we look forward to serving with them in ministry for years to come!



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WEEKEND WORSHIP SERVICES

Saturday at 5:30PM
Sunday at 8:30AM, 10:49AM,
& 11:00AM
Nursery provided at all services

SUNDAY CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

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

WEDNESDAY NIGHTS

*The next Wednesday Night Alive is
January 3-February 7, 2018*

5:25-5:45: Children's Bell Choir
5:30-6:15: Dinner
5:50-6:25: Children's Choir
6:00-7:30: Adult Handbell Choir
6:30-7:30: Classes
(3 years old - 4th grade, adults)
6:30-7:00: Confirmation classes
6:30-7:00: 7&8 Youth Group*
7:45-9:15: Senior Choir

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

*Thank you from the entire Hope staff for the wonderful cards, gifts,
and home baked goodies received in December. Also, thank you for
the congregation's monetary Christmas gift.*

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

CONGREGATIONAL ASSEMBLY

January 28, 2018; from 3:30-5:00PM

You're invited to attend Hope's Congregational Assembly on Sunday, January 29. The agenda will include a "State of the Church" report featuring God's blessings in 2017, call recommendation, membership growth, financial reports, and more! Please plan to attend as the congregation embraces the challenges and opportunities of 2018!

ALTAR CARE "UN-DECORATING"

Tuesday, January 2 at 6:30PM

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

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

LIVE NATIVITY THANK YOU!

A big thank you to all the volunteers who lead a successful Live Nativity this year! From the set designers and painters, to the organizers, actors, and everyone who brought cookies to enjoy!

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

2018 FLOWER CHART

The 2018 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 earmarked "flowers." if you don't have time to stop in the office, you can email Carlin O'Brien at cobrien@hopelutheranwvf.org to reserve your weekend.

COLLEGE/MILITARY OUTREACH MINISTRY would like to reach out to members of Hope who are college students or active military through prayers, uplifting notes, and care packages. Please e-mail Julie Bowling at juliebowling@live.com with the name, address, where they are attending/serving to include them in this ministry outreach. You may also e-mail Julie if you would like to help with this ministry.

Wednesday NIGHT ALIVE

January 3 - February 7

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

The Men of Hope serve family-oriented dinners using the freshest food available, with ample servings, in a happy and friendly atmosphere.

Dinners are served from 5:30-6:15PM. Sign up in the Narthex or online.

Cost is \$6/adults & youth 11 and older, \$3/children ages 5-10, children under 5 free (\$22 family max).

MUSIC MINISTRY

5:25pm-5:45pm; Children's Bell & Chime Choir*

5:30pm-6:00pm; Youth Praise Team

5:50pm-6:25pm; Children's Choir

6:00pm-7:30pm; Adult Handbells*

7:45pm-9:15pm; Senior Choir

* Handbells will begin on 1/10

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

6:30-7:30PM

Nursery (0-2 yrs) in the Nursery

Kids Connect (3-K yrs) in the Nursery

Kingdom Kids (1&2 Grades) in the preschool, room 5

FLASH (3&4 Grades) in the Children's Center

ADULT STUDIES

6:30-7:30PM

"The Lord's Prayer"

All are welcome to Hope for a class taught by Pastor Lew & Vicar Caleb.

YOUTH MINISTRY

6:30-7:30PM

Confirmation on the Adult Ed. Floor

Middle School Youth (Grades 7&8) in Youth Cntr.

High School Youth (Grades 9-12) meet Sunday Nights from 6:30-8:00PM





Hope Chest Ministry

January 27 & 28: Donations accepted

February 1: Volunteers needed to sort clothing. Come anytime -11:00am until evening. Open to everyone!

February 3: Volunteers needed to help guests shop from 9:00am-Noon



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

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

BROWN BAG MINISTRY

Pick your favorite team - Team Sweet (granola bars, individual Rice Krispie treats) or Team Salty (individual bags of chips or pretzels or cheese and cracker packs). Then show your team spirit by donating to Brown Bag! Donations may be placed in the Brown Bag bin in the café. The winning team will be announced in the February newsletter.

You can also support Team Sweet or Team Salty on January 20, 2018 at 11:00AM in the kitchen area. The group will make 250 lunches and then distribute to local families in need. Questions? Contact Nancy Repak at kapernan@gmail.com.

JANUARY TRI-AREA FOOD COLLECTION

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

MLK NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION PROJECT SPONSORED BY HABITAT FOR HUMANITY / NORTH EAST COMMUNITY COALITION PROJECT

January 15, 2018 at 8:15AM

Volunteers 16 years of age and older can work with Habitat of Wake County's Home Preservation program to complete minor external repairs, clean up common areas, exterior painting, and cleaning with homeowners who are unable to afford this work. Sign up online at www.hopelutheranwf.org.

Can't volunteer, but still want to contribute? Volunteers are asked to make and bring a crockpot of chili, cornbread, or cookies for lunch. Contact Shannon Janosko to bring something at sjanosko@hopelutheranwf.org.

NIGHT TO SHINE 2018

February 9, 2018 from 6:30-9:00PM

Night to Shine, sponsored by the Tim Tebow Foundation, is an unforgettable prom night experience that is centered on God's love for people with special needs, ages 14 and older. Guests and volunteers are invited to register on Hope's website at www.hopelutheranwf.org. Questions about volunteering can be directed to Bonnie Petersilge at BPetersilg@aol.com.

RE-GIFTING UPDATE

Thanks to generous donations, Hope House Homework and Mentoring children were able to provide gifts for their parents or caregivers. The children enjoyed a pizza dinner, the Christmas Story, selected their gifts and wrapped them. The evening concluded with singing Christmas carols. The few remaining gifts were donated to the Hope House/Friendship Baptist Angel Tree.

2018 MISSION TRIP

HELP PUERTO RICO HURRICANE VICTIMS

Pastor Wayne and Hope member Bill Jay traveled to Puerto Rico last month to survey recent hurricane damage and relief efforts. They were guests of the National Association of Christian Churches, one of Hope's ministry partners in disaster recovery work in Lumberton NC over the past year. Hope is organizing a mission trip (February 5-11, 2018) to Puerto Rico, to help rebuild homes.



- Interested in participating? Contact Pastor Wayne right away at wpuls@hopelutheranwf.org. An information meeting will be held on January 4 at 6:30PM in the Conference room (203).
- Willing to make a donation to support the relief efforts? Please mark your donation "Puerto Rico Relief."
- Pray for those without power and shelter, and for the churches ministering to their hurting communities in the name of Jesus.

THE GUATEMALA MISSION TEAM is taking a trip to Groundwork Guatemala March 10 - 17, 2018 to lead fun Bible Studies for the children and minister to local residents in need there. The organizers at Groundwork Guatemala are asking for donations of health aids that the Mission Team will take with them.

The GMT will display a board at Hope in the café for two weekends in the beginning of January. Please consider taking a piece off the board and bringing the item(s) into church and placing them in the designated bin by the end of January. If you wish, you can make a monetary gift by check, designating "Guatemala Donation" on the check, and placing it in a collection plate. For more information about Groundwork Guatemala you can visit their website at www.groundworkguatemala.org/. If you have any questions about donations, you can contact Pam Jay at 919-528-1011 or pjay0826@gmail.com. Please include those served and serving in your prayers.

ADULT EDUCATION

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

CONNECTIONS

Date: January 7 – January 28

Leader: Pastor Lew & Vicar Caleb; **Location:** Adult Education Floor, room 301

During the month of January you are invited to take a closer look at the connections we can make between the worship theme of the day, the sermon text, and real life.

THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO ST. JOHN

Leader: Peter Muller; **Location:** Adult Education Floor, room 302

As an eyewitness to the event of Jesus' life, John selects the most convincing words and works of the Son of God and presents them to those who need eternal life. While some of these words and works are familiar, many are not. You are invited to dig a little deeper into John's gospel account in this moderately in-depth study.

Wednesday Evenings from 6:30-7:30PM

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Leader: Pastor Lew & Vicar Caleb; **Location:** Adult Education Floor, room 300

Discover the power and depth of Christianity's most familiar prayer. Class begins January 3, 2018.

SMALL GROUP MINISTRY

BREW SMALL GROUP

Did you know Hope has a small group for young adults? BREW is an emerging community of young adults (18-35) focused on Building Relationships and Exploring the Word.

This month's meetings will be:

- Sunday 1/14 – BREW Lunch at 12:30 pm at Chronic Tacos (after the 11:00 service)
- Tuesday 1/23 – BREW Bible Study 7:00 pm

For Information Contact: Caleb Weight, cweight@hopelutheranwf.org or Steve McCarthy at smccarthy@hopelutheranwf.org or follow us on Facebook at BREW - Young Adult Ministry.

CARDS AT HOPE

BRIDGE GROUP

January 8 at 10:00AM & January 22 at 12:30PM. If you plan to come, please notify Pam Jay at pjay0826@gmail.com. New Players are always welcome!

NEW BIBLE STUDY – MADE TO CRAVE

January 8 - February 19 from 6:00-8:00PM

This 7-week women's study is on Lysa Terkeurst book *Made to Crave*. This book focuses on helping women understand how cravings for lasting spiritual satisfaction are often mistaken for cravings for food. God made us to crave him more than anything else. Questions? Contact Valerie Hoy at vhoy0623@yahoo.com, or come to the first meeting.

GRIEFSHARE

Begins January 23 from 6:30-8:00PM

GriefShare is a friendly, caring group of people who will walk alongside you through one of life's most difficult experiences. You don't have to go through the grieving process alone. GriefShare seminars and support groups are led by people who understand what you are going through and want to help. You'll gain access to valuable GriefShare resources to help you recover from your loss and look forward to rebuilding your life.

Hosted by Hope's Women's Ministry

Spa la la

January 26, 2018

6:30-9:30PM - Cost \$10

\$15 at the door

Join friends for an evening of
pampering, food, & fun.

Changing Hearts. Changing Lives.

One Girlfriend at a time.

Open to all women, 18 and over.

Register by January 24
www.hopelutheranwf.org

YOUTH MINISTRY

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

5-6 GRADES

JUMP INTO THE NEW YEAR!

January 12 from 6:30-9:00PM Galaxy Fun Park; Cost is \$25

Start off the new year right with some out-of-this-world fun! Join your fellow 5-6 graders at Galaxy Fun Park for an epic night including:

- 1 hour of unlimited jump zone time
- 1 hour of unlimited access to all other attractions (Go-Karts, Laser Tag, Bumper Cars, and High Ropes Course)
- 2 slices of pizza and 1 fountain drink

Please sign up at www.hopelutheranwf.org so we know you are coming!

CONFIRMATION starts January 3!

Wednesday Nights from 6:30-7:30PM

Welcome back to all the Confirmands and leaders! Don't forget your sermon summaries and memory work.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

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

Bring your kids 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!

7-8 GRADES

MOVIE NIGHT!

January 5 from 6:30-9:00PM

Join us Friday night for popcorn and a movie. What movie you may ask, bring your favorite one and we will vote to see which one to watch. Will your movie be chosen? There is no cost or need to sign up for this event. See you there!

YOUTH WEDNESDAY NIGHTS

Starts January 3 from 6:30-7:30PM

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

SUNDAY SCHOOL

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

Youth Bible classes are focused on growing in knowledge of God's Word and how it applies to our lives.

9-12 GRADES

STRIKE 2018

January 7 from 6:00-8:00PM at Brooks Street Bowling

Start 2018 with a strike! Join us as we kick off 2018 with a night of bowling, pizza, and fellowship. Do not find yourself in the gutters by missing this event. Bring a friend to be entered in the raffle. Cost is \$10 and includes pizza and shoe rental. There is no sign-up for this event.

SUNDAY NIGHT YOUTH FROM 6:30-8:00PM

All High Schoolers are invited to meet at Hope for food, games, devotions, & discussion.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

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

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

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CHILDREN'S MINISTRY EVENTS & NEWS

KIDS CONNECT JUMPING JO JO'S

January 27 at 10:00AM-Noon; Cost is \$8/person

Join your Kids Connect (3 year olds—Kindergarteners) friends for a fun morning of jumping and fun. Please invite your friends! Learn more online, register, and pay at www.hopelutheranwf.org, selecting "Ministries - Children."

FLASH HORSEBACK RIDING

January 7 at 1:00-4:00PM

Join your FLASH (grades 3&4) friends for a fun afternoon of horseback riding, games, and group fellowship. Wear long pants and tennis shoes. Cost is \$30. Learn more online, register, and pay at www.hopelutheranwf.org, selecting "Ministries - Children."

XPLORE TRACK OUT CAMP

Welcome 2018!! Start the new year off with Xplore and join us for some brand new themes including Game Show Mania, Heroes vs. Villains, and Movie Mayhem just to name a few.

We would like to say a special thank you to all the families who attended camp in 2017! We really enjoyed spending time with your wonderful children and watching them grow. Xplore has some exciting plans for the new year so keep up with us on Facebook or check us out at www.hopelutheranwf.org. for more details and information. We look forward to seeing you in 2018!!

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

HOPE LUTHERAN PRESCHOOL NEWS

FALL 2017-2018 REGISTRATION

It's that time again! If you are a church member interested in your child attending the Fall 2018 program contact the preschool office at 919-453-0388.

- **Hope Lutheran Church Members** will have first priority and must turn in their completed registration forms on Monday, January 22. Registration forms received after January 22 will no longer receive priority or be guaranteed a spot at the Preschool. Registration packets may be picked up beginning Tuesday, January 16.
- **Currently Enrolled Students and their Siblings** will register on Tuesday, January 23.
- **Currently Enrolled Little Blessings Students** will register on Wednesday, January 24.
- **Open Community Registration** will be held on Wednesday, January 31 at 8:00AM on a first-come, first-served basis. Class placement will be done at the time of registration. If no spots are available in your first or second choice, you may choose to be placed on a waiting list at that time. A letter will be mailed to you on Friday, February 5 confirming your child's class or their place on the waiting list.

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

Early Mornings and Extended Enrichment Afternoons

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

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

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Lisa Dotson, 1/1
Savannah Howard, 1/1
Shirley Jaeger, 1/1
Joseline Kirkendoll, 1/1
Mike Ponsolle, 1/1
Danielle Austin, 1/2
Nathan Ebberts, 1/2
Emma Harris, 1/2
Connor Weltzin, 1/2
Alexis Wood, 1/2
Camden Ames, 1/3
Jack Ames, 1/3
Simon Law, 1/3
Hannah Rose Morrow, 1/3
Connor Mrazek, 1/3
Tanner Mrazek, 1/3
Teri O'Neill, 1/3
Dillon Swenson, 1/3
Becca Wilczynski, 1/3
Cynthia Woolard, 1/3
Ann Bower, 1/4
Maddie Ellis, 1/4
Ron Gelfo, 1/4
Pam Harrell, 1/4
Macy Parmelee, 1/4
Wyatt Pickens, 1/4
Kaitlynne Baker, 1/5
Stephen Brevig, 1/5
Katherine Cesar, 1/5
Cade Evans, 1/5
Bill Jay, 1/5
Miranda Bailey, 1/6

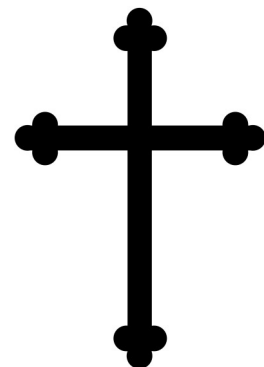
Patrick Bloomer, 1/6
Melissa Irgens, 1/6
Bryan Law, 1/6
Lucas Raynor, 1/6
David Siderio, 1/7
Sophia Hayes, 1/8
Sharon Leary, 1/8
Bob Rutter, 1/8
Darby Ellwanger, 1/9
Denean Garrity, 1/9
Brenda Kris, 1/9
Rebecca Martin, 1/9
Ashley Stroot, 1/9
Cathy Demarchi, 1/10
Jamie Matala, 1/10
Sharon Sandstrom, 1/10
Corey Wood, 1/10
Michael Carlyle, 1/11
Dan Hitchcock, 1/11
Henri Kelliher, 1/11
Tyler Lane, 1/11
Imogen Braddock, 1/12
Pat DiMonda, 1/12
Clara Owens, 1/12
Lily Wrenn, 1/12
Evan Bailey, 1/13
Peggy Koehler, 1/13
Kara Marker, 1/13
Chloe Barker, 1/14
Lyle Berglund, 1/14
Amber Edwards, 1/14
Eric Allgaier, 1/15
Andy Garrity, 1/15
Nathan Lindeman, 1/15
Jamie Pless, 1/15

Kristy Rogers, 1/15
Ewa Allen, 1/16
Robin Queen, 1/16
Jake Smith, 1/16
Michele Buddo, 1/17
Max Upchurch, 1/17
Deacon Bedford, 1/18
Brian Faris, 1/18
Brooke Foil, 1/18
Emily Minor, 1/18
Karen Peterson, 1/18
Beth Theiss, 1/18
Sydney Caudle, 1/19
Olivia Pierre, 1/19
Helen Turner, 1/19
Michael Webb, 1/19
Hannah Lynn Weidner, 1/19
Zachary Morris, 1/20
Renee Pfendler, 1/20
Heather Phillips, 1/20
Sandra Schwarz, 1/20
Kate Smith, 1/20
Rob Watt, 1/20
Darryl Barbella, 1/21
Shelley Hitt, 1/21
Sarabeth Hogshire, 1/21
Abby Nugent, 1/21
Billie Kay Roland, 1/21
Rob Hughes III, 1/22
Gus Ismay, 1/22
Melanie Loeffler, 1/22
Tia Marr, 1/22
Zach Reeves, 1/22
Katherine Edwards, 1/23
Lori Hugelmaier, 1/23

Makayla Meyer, 1/23
Millie Monahan, 1/23
David Moss, 1/23
Tracie White, 1/23
Ann Jasper, 1/24
Rachel Raynor, 1/24
Chandler Harrell III, 1/25
Jeff Lasater, 1/25
Ron Miksa, 1/25
Megan Cerniauskas, 1/26
Beverly Eisenhuth, 1/26
Carolyn Rathje, 1/26
Mike Featham, 1/27
Tom Hemma, 1/27
Tim Means, 1/27
Jane Vukovich, 1/27
Brinley Allred, 1/28
Jordan Fritz, 1/28
Jennifer Murphy, 1/28
Matthew Isaacson, 1/29
Diane Ryals, 1/29
Sophie Eisenhardt, 1/30
Jonathan Habers, 1/30
Tom Haske, 1/30
Evan Moran, 1/30
Wyatt Murphy, 1/30
Celeste Nugent, 1/30
Natalie Valchar, 1/30
Kristina Cook, 1/31
Hunter DeCilles, 1/31
Virginia Fulbright, 1/31
Phyllis Harrison, 1/31
Noah Isaacson, 1/31

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

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



PRAYER REQUESTS FROM DECEMBER 2-3

Praise and Thanksgiving for... the birth of Colten Reece Smith, grandson of Tom & Barbara Readling; **Comfort for...** Alice Johnson, friend of Jeff & Bev Miller, mourning the loss of her husband; the family and friends of Tony; Dennis Hutson and family at the death of Dennis' mother, Helen; Bradley & Jennifer as they mourn the sudden death of Bradley's brother. Friends of Jenny Case; Friends of Nancy Hoh, saddened by the loss of their dog, Maggie; **Strength and Healing for...** Pilar Ziegenfuss, mother of Bea Martin, as she suffers with pain; Bella, Shannon Janosko's granddaughter, hospitalized at Wake Med; Judy Olson's daughter, Kris, as she undergoes testing; Casey; Althea, heart transplant patient, that her body does not reject the heart. Friend of Vicki Janzen; Camellia Berglund's nephew-in-law, Fred Turner, recovering from surgery on his arm; **Guidance, Protection, and Safety for...** families in our neighborhoods that don't have a church home; Beverly Catilin's family, the Browns, as they travel home after Thanksgiving.

PRAYER REQUESTS FROM DECEMBER 9-10

Praise and Thanksgiving for... an answered prayer; **Comfort for...** Rachel Raynor and family at the death of her grandfather, Gilbert Weiss; Ewa Allen's mother-in-law, Betty, receiving hospice care; Jena Pearce, friend of the Lewis family, at the death of her grandmother; **Strength and Healing for...** Gail Murphy, recovering from surgery, Ron Beltran, recovering from out-patient surgery; all those hurting and struggling; the Denny family, friends of Teri O'Neill; Bella Allen, granddaughter of Shannon Janosko, recovering from high fever and pneumonia; a family with problems; Rosa Lopez, for overall healing; the husband of David Huffine's co-worker, battling cancer; Paula Reeves' nephew, Devon Rakestraw, recovering from brain surgery; Paula Reeves' brother, George Johnson, diagnosed with throat cancer; good test results for Allison Mittner; **Guidance, Protection, and Safety for...** Wesley Spottiswood's mother and family as they are evacuated from their homes due to the LA wildfires; all the families in need; members of our congregation, for boldness and winsomeness in inviting neighbors and friends to Christmas Eve services.

PRAYER REQUESTS FROM DECEMBER 16-17

Praise and Thanksgiving for... Dick Richardson's 90th birthday; Comfort for... Rik & Dee Rasmussen and the Scognamillo family, at the death of Nadia; Strength and Healing for... Ray Preston, uncle of Brian & Erin Ames, recently diagnosed with cancer; Krista Young's father, Richard Adler, hospitalized and awaiting bypass surgery; the 13 year-old niece of Amy Ray's co-worker battling cancer; a friend struggling with addiction; a new grandbaby born last week with complications; for a husband to find improved health and joy; the Mittner family; Pam Jay's life-long friend, Doris Culp, diagnosed with terminal cancer; Jancy, friend of Shirley Thompson, hospitalized with a broken leg; the Kirkendoll's friend, Tom Tolman, as he battles throat cancer a second time; quick healing for Greyson Edward's broken toe; Joe Skowronski's friend, Fran, undergoing chemotherapy; Linda Wellnitz to feel better; Roxanne Johnson, having a biopsy; Elizabeth Henley's nephew, Shawn, diagnosed with ALS; the Allen family's grandmother struggling with her health; Chris Combs, diagnosed with ALS, friends of the Turner family; **Guidance, Protection, and Safety for...** those affected by the California fires; Members of our congregation, for boldness and winsomeness in inviting neighbors and friends to Christmas Eve services.

MOVED? CHANGE EMAILS?

Have you moved? Changed your email?

Please contact Amy Elder at
aelder@hopelutheranwf.org or
919-554-8109 with any changes to your
family's contact information.



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