# Mission Moments ##

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## **NEIGHBORHOOD PRAYER WALK**

Last month, Hope's high school youth dove into a three-week series on prayer. We discussed how prayer is not about the words you say, but about who you are praying to! After discussing the importance of prayer, the youth were challenged to put what they learned to action.

After Palm Sunday service, fifteen youth went door-to-door in our community taking prayer requests. Many were nervous asking complete strangers to share their thoughts and struggles. After taking each request, they were challenged to take a moment and pray out loud with each person.

I asked the youth what they were expected and why they went on the prayer walk.

"I thought it was a nice thought but that most people wouldn't respond positively" -- Noah Weitzel

"I went on the prayer walk to get out of my comfort zone" – Alexis Wood.

Now, I was very nervous myself. I had done this in other places but wasn't sure how our community would react.

"The willingness of people was amazing!" – Noah Weitzel

"It was extremely awkward." - Alexis Wood

"After you go to the first door, it becomes easy. You don't even really think about it anymore. You just go and do it."

-Joanna Kirkendoll

As the youth went door to door,

"We found many who were new to the area and looking for a church. I was able to invite them to service."

– Wyatt Pickens

"The prayer walk was a fantastic experience. We got to step out in faith and reach out to the community."

– Simon Nugent

We were able to reach out to our community, show them the love of God, and show them that we care and are here for them. It was amazing watching our youth go out and see what it really means to be Christians, to go out and spread God's word, to actually listen to people's problems, and to actually reach out a helping hand to our community.

So would you do it again?

"Yes, how about next week?" – Joey Sakowski

Colossians 4:3-4 says, "And pray for us, too, that God may open a door for our message, so that we may proclaim the mystery of Christ. Pray that I may proclaim it clearly, as I should."

Prayer requests from neighborhood youth prayer walk included: family sickness, Amy's father who is moving, a niece in Denver with cancer, safety for our schools, for a healthy baby on the way, Daryl and family, for hope, a sick grandmother, a daughter with twins, peace and comfort, Hrabba, a foreign exchange student with medical issues, people new to the community, and for an easy transition.

Blessings,

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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 IN MARCH

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.

#### **2018 MEN'S RETREAT**

April 13-15, 2018. Ready for a weekend of good food, sports, bonding, and Christian brotherhood? All men, 18 years and older, are invited to Camp Cheerio's Mountain Lodge for the 2018 Men's Retreat. Cost is \$165/person and includes 2 nights lodging and meals. Register online at www.hopelutheranwf.org.

#### THE GREAT BAKE-OFF!

Formerly known as the Cupcake Challenge, this contest has expanded to include: cupcakes, cakes, cookies, and pies – oh my! Registration is now open for all bakers to enter their creations. Not a baker but love sweets? Bring your appetite on April 28 from 6:30-8:00PM for all you can eat. Admission is \$5/person, with a \$20/family max. Proceeds from this event go towards the 7 & 8 Grade Mission Summer Mission Trip.

#### INFORMATION SEMINAR

Hope Lutheran is please to present a free seminar, "Tax Reform Act & Charitable giving," on April 17 at 3:00PM. Hope member Ken Sutherland will present important information about the potential tax benefits you may receive for your 2018 charitable giving. The seminar is particularly applicable to those who are 70-1/2 years or older; but all are welcome. Questions? Speak to one of the pastors, or Hope's Bookkeeper, Hilary Tew.

#### **HOPE YARD SALE!!**

Collection Dates: April 18 (after 5:30PM) - April 20 Sale: April 21 from 8:00AM -1:00PM

Cleaning out your closets? Consider donating your items to Hope's Yard Sale. Proceeds will benefit the youth attending the Servant Event, rebuilding homes in Lumberton, NC.

#### WI-FI ACCESS

Hope's entire campus is now wi-fi accessible. Please use the network in ways that bring glory to God. Enjoy!

Network: Hope

• Password: christalone



#### **UPCOMING SERMON SERIES AT HOPE!**

Christians are supposed to be full of love, but it's hard, right? Why should our everyday behaviors be altered by Christ's love? The New Testament book, 1 John, teaches us that knowing God and his love is a life-transforming experience. Join us for a new sermon series at Hope, "LOVE 101," beginning April 15.

**Sponsored by Children & Youth Ministries...** 

# FAMILY POTLUCK PICNIC IN THE PARK

# SUNDAY, APRIL 29 1:00-3:30PM DURANT NATURE PRESERVE

Looking for a fun, relaxing way to spend a Sunday afternoon with your family? Come enjoy a picnic potluck at Durant Nature Preserve! There will be games and activities for children and youth of all ages.

#### **What To Bring:**

- A-L Last Name: bring a main dish (fried chicken, sandwiches)
- M-Z Last Name: bring a side dish or dessert (mac n' cheese, cookies)

Questions? Call 919-554-8109 or contact a leader below.

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# Mednesday NIGHT ALIVE

April 11 - May 2

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.

- April 11: Chicken & cheese bake, vegetable medley, salad, & ice cream dessert
- April 18: Cheeseburger pasta bake, tater tots, green beans, salad, & cookies
- April 25: Baked spaghetti with meat sauce, garlic bread, salad, & ice cream bars
- May 2: Spring Fling! Outdoor picnic of hot dogs, hamburgers and lots of sides.

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; Handbells (Grade 2-5) 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

#### 2-5) 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 FLASH (3&4 Grades) in the Children's Center

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

#### **ADULT STUDIES**

6:30-7:30PM

"Ask The Pastor"

Are there questions you've always wanted to ask about the Bible, the sacraments, our Lutheran doctrine, or anything else regarding the Christian faith? If so, here's your chance! Led by Pastor Lew & Vicar Caleb.

#### **YOUTH MINISTRY**

6:30-7:30PM

Confirmation meets in various locations Middle School Youth (Grades 7&8) in Youth Cntr.

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

# **OUTREACH & MISSION MINISTRIES**

#### NORTH CAROLINA DISASTER RESPONSE

Want to join a group of Hope volunteers working on home repairs in Lumberton? Upcoming work days are 4/12 (Thursday) and 4/28 (Saturday). Contact DCE Intern Steve McCarthy at smccarthy@hopelutheranwf.org or Pastor Wayne Puls at wpuls@hopelutheranwf.org to get involved.

#### HABITAT FOR HUMANITY - MITCHELL/YANCEY COUNTRY MISSION TRIP

Trip Date: May 8 – 12, 2018; Information session: April 8 after the 11:00AM service

Assist Habitat for Humanity of Mitchell/Yancey Counties (located in the mountains of NC) in the construction of new homes for those in need. This is the 7th year Hope has gone to help the Mitchell/Yancey County Habitat for Humanity group. Come to the information session to learn about helping your NC neighbor on April 8 after the 11:00AM serivice. No construction experience required, guidance and support will be readily provided. Contact Bonnie Petersilge at bpetersilg@aol.com or Don Yakopcic at dyakopcic@gmail.com for more information.

#### HABITAT FOR HUMANITY IN WAKE FOREST

A new home-building project is underway at 215 Caddel Street in Wake Forest. Hope is in need of volunteers on Thursday, April 19. To volunteer, visit www.hopelutheranwf.org, selecting "Serve, Community Outreach."

#### **HOPE FRIENDS**

#### Thursday, April 19 at 6:30PM

Hope Friends is a Christ-centered ministry whose volunteers provide a listening ear, supportive presence, encouragement, and friendship through regular visits to residents of a local nursing home, senior care facilities, or shut-ins. No particular training is necessary, just the desire and ability to be a friend. Please consider joining this rewarding ministry, the next meeting is April 19 at 6:30PM. Questions? Contact Lois Nielsen at relenielsen@gmail.com or 919-435-7492.

#### BROWN BAG MINISTRY FUNDRAISERS!

Brown Bag Ministry is teaming up with Texas Roadhouse for a gift card fundraiser. Stop by the table in the café to purchase your card or go online to purchase through April 16! A portion of the sales goes directly to help offset the cost of preparing lunches for our community. Questions? contact Nancy Repak at kapernan@gmail.com.

Save the date - Texas Roadhouse Dine & Donate event, Head over to the Wake Forest Texas Roadhouse anytime on Sunday, May 20 to dine in or take home a delicious Sunday dinner. Simply present the flyer (available online or at the Welcome Desk) and 10% will be donated to Brown Bag. No need to cook!

Thank you to the students at the 6th Annual NE Regional Youth Leadership Conference! During the Community Service Session, local 8th grade students loaded up colorful plastic Easter eggs with candies and stickers for the March 17 event and also decorated brown bags.

All are invited April 21 from 11:00AM-1:00PM to pack and distribute lunches in Wake Forest. Questions? contact Nancy Repak at kapernan@gmail.com.

#### **CAREGIVERS SUPPORT** GROUP

Do you have or know someone that is struggling with Alzheimer's or Dementia? Do you often feel lost, lonely, or that you can't hang on? Or just wish you had someone you could talk with?

Please join the Caregivers Support Group to get support, ideas, and comfort from others who are going through similar issues. The group meets the second Tuesday of each month at 6:30PM at Hope Lutheran. Questions? Contact Ruth Lassiter at ruthlassiter@yahoo.com or 919-270-9824.

#### APRIL TRI-AREA FOOD COLLECTION

The Feeding the Faith Small Group is collecting cereal and peanut butter for the month of April. Please place items in the donation bins in the café area.

# HOPE LUTHERAN PRESCHOOL NEWS

#### **LUTHERAN SCHOOLS WEEK**

The preschool celebrated Lutheran Schools Week in March. The children learned all about letting their light shine for Jesus! They dressed in bright colors each day and enjoyed chapel lessons and fun songs each day.

#### **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 29 through August 10. Spaces are limited. For questions contact the preschool office 919-453-0388.

#### **SPRING SING!**

The preschool will put on a Spring Sing on April 26 and 27 at 9:30AM. Please join us to hear what the children have been learning in Music Class!



# **APRIL ADULT EDUCATION**

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

#### JESUS APPEARS! A STUDY ON JOHN 20:19-31

Date: April 8

Location: Adult Education Floor, room 301

On the evening of Easter, John records that Jesus appears to his disciples! What did it mean for them? What does it mean for us? All are invited to join the discussion.

#### CONNECTIONS

Date: April 15-May 13

Location: Adult Education Floor, room 301

The "Connections" Bible study takes a deeper look at the weekend's sermon text and explores ways in which it might connect to our lives today. In conjunction with our Spring Sermon Series, *Love 101*, the "Connections" class will focus on the New Testament book, 1 John. Please join us!

#### **SPECIAL PRESENTATION**

Date: April 29

Location: Adult Education Floor, room 302

Join Joe and Shelly Hummel, along with their friends from St. Michael's in Cary, as they discuss a unique opportunity for orphanage partnership.

## **WEDNESDAY NIGHT ALIVE**

#### **ASK THE PASTOR**

Date: April 11-May 2 from 6:30-7:30PM Location: Adult Education Floor, room 300

Are there questions you've always wanted to ask about the Bible, the sacraments, our Lutheran doctrine, or anything else regarding the Christian faith? If so, here's your chance!



# **SMALL GROUP MINISTRY**

BRIDGE GROUP - April 9 at 10:00AM & April 23 at 1:00PM. Contact Pam Jay at pjay0826@gmail.com or 919-528-1011, if you would like to play or want more information about the group. The group is open to all individuals, regardless of skill level or church membership.

#### PINOCHLE GROUP - April 2 & April 16 at 1:00PM at Hope

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

#### LAUREN'S LIGHT

A place where all girls 7-12th grade are welcome! Join in fellowship, discussion, and creativity. This group meets the 3rd Sunday of each month from 5:00-6:30PM in the Youth Center. For information contact Heleen Bloomer, 919-414-4606.

#### SATURDAY SON RISERS

The Saturday SON Risers studies vary from Bible-based to inspirational books. Service projects include working with the Ministry Leadership Team to recognize Hope Staff members work anniversaries. This group meets the 2nd Saturday of each month at 8:00AM. For information contact Lynda Watson at 919-761-1587 or Watson.lynda@gmail.com.

#### DAWGS (Doing All With God)

The DAWGs are a small group of men, of all ages, who are searching for what it means to be a man of God. "As iron sharpen iron, so one man sharpens another" Proverbs 27:17. This group meets every Friday morning from 6:30-7:45AM and is open to any male over 18 years old. For information contact Tim Holt, timothysholt@bellsouth.net.

#### B.R.E.W (Building Relationships, Exploring the Word)

BREW is an emerging community of young adults focused on Building Relationships and Exploring the Word. This group meets at are various times and is open to anyone 18-35 years old. For information contact Caleb Weight, 919-554-8109 at cweight@hopelutheranwf.org or Steve McCarthy at smccarthy@hopelutheranwf.org or follow us on Facebook at BREW - Young Adult Ministry.

#### **Events:**

- April 10 from 7:00-8:30PM, Bible study on the book of Romans. Location is TBD.
- April 24 from 7:00-9:00PM, bowling at Brooks Street Bowl. This month we are taking advantage of \$2 Tuesday at Brooks Street Bowl. \$2 shoes, \$2 games, and \$2 drinks! Come along and bring a friend!

## **WAYS TO GIVE AT HOPE...**

There are several ways to give offerings that Hope's ministries. To start contributing or change your contribution format, please contact Hope's Bookkeeper, Hilary Tew, at 919-554-8109 or htew@hopelutheranwf.org.

- **OFFERING ENVELOPES** are mailed out on a monthly basis. If you do not currently receive envelopes but would like to, please contact Hilary Tew.
- Hope also offers two options for **ELECTRONIC GIVING**. You may either schedule automatic payments through Hope's Simply Giving program or make one-time donations online. To learn more, see the brochure on the narthex welcome desk or visit www.hopelutheanwf.org, selecting, "About Us - Donate."
- A number of OTHER GIVING FORMATS are also available. Did you know that if you are over age 70 ½ and taking a required minimum distribution from certain types of IRAs, you may be able to designate funds to Hope as a qualified charitable distribution? Hope will host a seminar on April 17 at 3:00PM for anyone wanting more information about this option (see page 2 of this newsletter for details).

# **YOUTH MINISTRY**

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

### 5-6 GRADES

#### **SUNDAY SCHOOL**

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

#### **CONFIRMATION**

You're almost done! Hang in there! And make sure to finish all your sermon summaries and memory work!

## 7-8 GRADES

#### **YOUTH GROUP**

Did you miss us? Youth Group returns from 6:30-7:30PM on Wednesday, April 11! Join us for lessons, fellowship, and games. See you there!

#### **SUNDAY SCHOOL**

Join us for Sunday School every week from 9:45-10:45AM in the Youth Center.

# **SUMMER MISSION TRIP NEW SPOTS ADDED SIGN UP BEFORE WE FILL UP!** 7-8 Grade Mission trip to Blue Ridge Mountains of North Carolina is June 24-June 29. Come and

serve through simple work projects, and lead children's programming as we partner with local organizations to meet ongoing needs in the community. This week will be full of experiences as we not only serve together, but grow in friendship and community. The cost is \$375 which includes meals, transportation, lodging, and supplies.

### 9-12 GRADES

#### S'MORES & BONFIRE NIGHT

April 15 from 6:30-8:00PM in the Youth Center. Spring is in the air, temperatures are slowly rising! It is once again time to come together for s'mores, bonfire, and games. There's no need to sign up for this free event, friends welcome!

## SERVANT EVENT, SUMMER OF 2018 - SIGN UP TODAY! July 8-13, 2018

Serve alongside with other High School youth to rebuild homes that were destroyed/damaged during Hurricane Matthew. This will be a week of putting your faith into action. After work, enjoy river tubing, mud volleyball, archery, swimming, and more! The cost is \$425 which includes meals, transportation, lodging, and supplies. Spots are filling up, do not miss out!

### **FUN EVENTS!**

#### 6-8 GRADES CAMPING RETREAT

Mark your calendars for May 4-6, 2018. This brand new retreat is intended to both connect the rising 7th graders with the rising 8<sup>th</sup> graders and say goodbye to our awesome rising 9<sup>th</sup> graders. We'll be retreating to the woods of Falls Lake, pitching some tents, and creating lasting friendships and memories. You won't want to miss it! Attendance is expected for 2nd year confirmation students and highly recommended for 7-8 grade youth. Register and learn more online at www.hopelutheranwf.org, selecting "Ministries – Youth."



**April 28, 2018 - 6:30-8:00PM**See page 2 of the newsletter for details!



See page 3 of the newsletter for details!

# CHILDREN'S MINISTRY EVENTS & NEWS

Register for any of these events at www.hopelutheranwf.org, selecting "Get Involved - Children." Questions? Contact Beth Agner, Director of Christian Education and Children's Ministry atbagner@hopelutheranwf.org.

#### 3-4 GRADES ESCAPE ROOM: HACK THE ROOM

Can you 'hack' it? A computer hacker has locked you and your friends in the Youth Center and you must solve all the clues to find your way out! Come to Hope on April 13 from 6:30-8:00PM for this free event of solving puzzles and having a blast with friends.

#### 1-2 GRADES BROWN BAG SERVICE PROJECT

On April 7, all 1-2 graders (and their parents) are invited to make, pack, and distribute bags to families in Wake Forest from 11:00AM - 12:30PM.

#### **FAMILY SERVICE, SUNDAYS AT 10:49AM**

What's so special about worship at Hope's Family Service? Jesus!

Hope's Family Service is a casual worship service held in the Children's Center beginning at 10:49AM. There's singing and praise, preaching, and prayer for both kids and adults—all centered in God's gracious gifts through Christ Jesus our Lord. You are invited to give it a try this spring! The Family Service will resume on April 15.

#### FAMILY POTLUCK PICNIC IN THE PARK

Sunday, April 29 from 1:00-3:30pm **Durant Nature Preserve** See page 3 of the newsletter for details!



#### VBS REGISTRATION NOW OPEN!

Daytime Session: June 18-22 from 9:00AM - Noon, Evening Session: June 18-22 from 5:30-8:00PM, Special Needs Class: June 18-22 from 5:30-8:00PM Must be 4 by 8/31/18 & potty trained

Anchor kids in the truth that Jesus carries them through life's storms at Hope's VBS 2018. This year's Vacation Bible School is on June 18-22 with morning and evening sessions. Register soon at www.hopelutheranwf.org, as space fills quickly. There is no cost for VBS; however, a free-will donation will be received during the closing program. T-Shirts are available for purchase (optional) during registration.

#### **EXTEND THE FUN**

If you are attending the daytime session, extend the fun at Hope until 5PM! After you register online for VBS, select either the Xplore Camp (K-5th grade for \$100) or Preschool Summer Expressions (3-4 year olds for \$100) link. Hours are from Noon-5:00PM with optional early & late care available.

## XPLORE TRACK OUT CAMP

- Journey off the Map (April 2-6) Campers will set out on a journey to unchartered territory from jungles to deserts to oceans where they will encounter different plants, animals and even volcanos that are popular in those areas.
- Honey I Shrunk the Kids! (April 9-13) Everything is SUPER-SIZED at Xplore this week!! Campers will be making life-sized crafts as well as playing GIANT Twister, Jenga and Connect Four "just to name a few".
- Lab Rats (April 16-20) Unlock your child's inner mad scientist with crazy concoctions and fun science experiments. This is your chance to work with other budding scientists and put your brain to the test. We'll be making play-dough, erupting volcanos among other things! Evil laugh required for admission.

Register today at www.hopelutheranwf.org!

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Erin Tighe; 4/1 Bryce Burns; 4/2 Landon Hubbell; 4/2 Bill Jasper; 4/2 Kathryn Mesner; 4/2 Marcie Rush; 4/2 Lee Backstrom; 4/3 Joe Beaman; 4/3 Trina Harrell; 4/3 Mel Hempstead; 4/3 William Parsons; 4/3 Matt Slaybaugh; 4/3 Valerie Wilson; 4/3 Austen DeVerna; 4/4 Gracie Gahagen; 4/4 Christopher Reinhardt; 4/4 Jazmyn Tew; 4/4 Tony Dubiel; 4/5 Doug Hoy; 4/5 Sawyer Law; 4/5 Pepper Peterson; 4/5 Callan Roy; 4/5 Ken Davies III; 4/6 Taylor Friend; 4/6 Ben Koziel; 4/6 Claire O'Neill; 4/6 Beckie Randall; 4/6 Mandy D'Ugo; 4/7 Effie Draetta; 4/7 Crissie Hoelzle; 4/7

Dan Jendro:4/7 Ben Kris;4/7 Christine Ames: 4/8 Emily Arner; 4/8 Olivia Baldwin;4/8 Bill Brunkhorst; 4/8 Wolfgang Isaacson;4/8 Abbey Lockhart; 4/8 Anita Rutter;4/8 Debra Desha;4/9 Julia Mulnick-Arout;4/9 Rvan Bloomer; 4/10 Richard Eisenhuth; 4/10 Jarrod Dunne;4/11 Dan Johnson;4/11 Darren Dunne;4/12 Jesse Garza;4/12 Joseph Loomis;4/12 Barry Agner; 4/13 Ben DeRose;4/13 Connor Hughes; 4/13 Sara Allen; 4/14 Richard Emanuele; 4/14 Gretchen Hitchcock; 4/14 Susan Roseman; 4/14 Luke Farlow;4/15 Riley Moss;4/15 Rebekah Scheuerle; 4/15 Zach Webb;4/15 Nick Loeffler;4/16 Conrad Watson;4/16 Emilie Case;4/17 Tracy Gentry; 4/17 Kennedy O'Donnell;4/17

Rick Pfendler: 4/17 Carson Rogers;4/17 Jenn Boney;4/18 Nicholas Horsley;4/18 Sue Joslyn;4/18 Lori Kannan;4/18 Emory Matthews; 4/18 Conor Murphy;4/18 Kathy Trusch; 4/18 Nicholas Whitmer;4/18 Amy Elder;4/19 Bryce Howard; 4/19 Ashleigh Verny;4/19 Sean Wilson;4/19 Jeremy Dunne;4/20 David Kramer; 4/20 Richard Scheuerle; 4/20 Vincent Schunke; 4/20 Jan Wilczynski;4/20 David Wilkerson; 4/20 Kaden Gentry;4/21 Janet Hubbard; 4/21 Jannelle Merritt-Pizzola;4/21 Anna O'Neill;4/21 Mary Roberts; 4/21 Tracy Zwickis; 4/21 Alan Barker Jr.;4/22 Michael Case;4/22 Nicolette Fritz;4/22 Emma Kirkendoll;4/22 Faith Moran; 4/22 Joe Rousseau;4/22 Brayden Flanagan; 4/23

Alissa Carroll;4/24

Eamonn Duensing;4/24 Heidi Howard;4/24 Bruce Ohle: 4/24 Ron Thompson; 4/24 Amy Wilkerson; 4/24 Susan Baker;4/25 Andy Barrett; 4/25 Amy Lee;4/25 Gary Long;4/25 Colleen Puls;4/25 Joelle Weltzin;4/25 Cooper Baldwin;4/26 Kayla Hayes;4/26 Kayla Merrill;4/26 Miriam Whitmer; 4/26 Hilary Tew;4/27 Heather Davies;4/28 Frank Dreier;4/28 Reid Johnson;4/28 Amanda Bachand;4/29 Blair Bowling;4/29 Dwight Collinson;4/29 Caroline Murphy;4/29 Jeff Rom;4/29 Hunter Bowling;4/30 Carissa Rosonke; 4/30

#### **HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!**

John & Jannelle Pizzola;4/2
Jeff & Danielle Austin;4/4
Richard & Claudia Lucic;4/4
Joe & Mary Jo Isom;4/6
Nate & Kim Shope;4/6
Marilyn & Kevin Marr;4/7
Ed & Judith Spinola;4/8
Jack & Molly Milani;4/10
Larry & Debra Verny;4/10
Michael & Jenny Case;4/11
Bruce & Laurie Green;4/11
Jerry & Liz Garlington;4/12

Nick & Melanie Loeffler;4/12
Sandra & Charles Ollivier;4/12
Richard & Myra Emanuele;4/14
Kevin & Ann Bower;4/17
Tim & Tammie Merrill;4/17
Mike & Sylvia Dennen;4/18
Mark & Sue Foster;4/18
Mike & Diane Copeland;4/20
Michael & Karie Cook;4/21
Mark & Cathy Foil;4/21
Todd & Angie Meyer;4/21
Jeff & Nicole Comer;4/22

Rick & Lanette DeRose;4/22
Bob & Vickie Herring;4/24
Conrad & Lynda Watson;4/24
Jay & Renee Jolly III;4/25
Rick & Bonnie Pierce;4/25
Rik & Dee Rasmussen;4/25
Carl & Margaret Rockey;4/25
Paula & David Reeves;4/26
Sue & Eric Hardee;4/28
John & Kimber Mahoney;4/29
Kristy & Spencer Rogers;4/29
Jonathan & Lauren Habers;4/30

#### PRAYER REQUESTS FOR MARCH 4, 2018

Comfort for... the family, friends, and classmates of Hannah Viall, killed in a car accident; Bill & Darlene Parsons, at the death of Darlene's stepfather; Kim Lamp and family at the loss of Kim's uncle; Debbie Lewis and family for the loss of her father; Ann, and her family, as they mourn the death of her sister; Rob Petersilge and the Hern family at loss of Brandon Hern from a motorcycle accident; Barbara DeMarco and family as the mourn the death of her sister-inlaw, Harriet Liccione:

Strength and Healing for... Doris Magwitz, Betty McAlear's 95-yearold mother, hospitalized and awaiting testing for undiagnosed bleeding; the father of Alice Piacenti's friend who is hospitalized; Norm Bell, recovering from shoulder surgery; Barbara Bradley's friend, Lawanna, recovering from a broken leg; Jan Wilczynski's friend in labor, prayers for a safe delivery; Margie Sala, sister of Rita Kaess, undergoing a lung biopsy next week; A friend recovering from knee replacement surgery; Good health reports for Paul & Joann; A co-worker's son of Bob Hendrickson, with cancer; George, a co-worker of Bob Hendrickson, with cancer and in his final days; Bernice Boriack, Lanette DeRose's mother, healing from a fractured vertebrae; Frank Barrett, 92 year-old uncle of Andy Barrett, diagnosed with cancer; Rebecca, friend of Pat Madariaga, recovering from an eating disorder; Ann, Nancy Sakowski's mother, recovering from pneumonia and a broken knee; Dave Danielson, friend of Rosie Miller, recovering from a heart procedure; Ursula Lugo, family of Eric Lugo, suffering from cancer and dementia; Brenda Duensing as she begins dialysis and is able to feel better; Micajah Owens, struggling with health issues; Guidance, Protection, and Safety for... Matthew Isaacson's friend who doesn't believe in God; Everyone at Hope and their loved ones; Nancy, friend of Barbara Readling, having to make a major job decision; families experiencing floods in the Midwest; Caitlyn, a victim of a recent robbery.

#### PRAYER REQUESTS FOR MARCH 11, 2018

Praise and Thanksgiving for... Good test results for Jenn Boney's husband and mother, prayers they remain cancer-free; Caden O'Brien's 15<sup>th</sup> birthday; for improved health for Betty McAlear's mother, recovering in a nursing home; Comfort for... The family and friends of the 17 students/adults who were killed in the Florida school shooting; Jan Christner and family as Jan's sister-in-law, Nancy Houser, enters Hospice care; Rosie Miller's son, David Carte and family, at the death of his father-in-law, Jon Gagnon; Family of Ann Dora Bryant, A.W. Bryant, returning home under the care of hospice; The Viall family at the loss of their daughter, Hannah; The Joncour family as they grieve the loss of their father/husband; Strength and Healing for... The 13 year-old son of Andy & Nancy Hoh's friend, having a bone marrow biopsy today; Tia Marr and a finger injury, seeing a specialist this week; Shirley Neale recovering from open heart surgery; Richard Kaess having a heart stent procedure on March 12 at Rex Hospital; Matthew Isaacson's friend, Vinny Tophoney, who is hospitalized with breathing issues; Tim Sargent's mother having surgery on Tuesday; Jim Thimmes, uncle of Deb Winiewicz, recovering from a brain bleed and concussion; Doug, a friend of the Kirkendoll family, battling cancer; Jennifer Riggert, friend of Kate Williams, as Jennifer's mother recovers from a stroke and battles leukemia; Kim Koehler's mother, hospitalized with pneumonia and other complications due to her illness. A brother in the Marines who sustained a concussion. Prayers for a

quick recovery; Shirley Thompson's friend, Cindy Fritz, suffering from severe pain from arthritis; A neighbor fighting cancer; Guidance, **Protection, and Safety for...** A grandson and granddaughter's husband seeking full-time employment; Sara Allen and friends to have a safe spring break; All those suffering with addictions and those who love them; Everyone in need of help; Matilda Scherrer's friend, having a tough time in school; A friend traveling to Costa Rico; All the children and youth in our community, especially those who have benefited from Brown Bag Ministry.

#### PRAYER REQUESTS FOR MARCH 18, 2018

Comfort for... a father receiving hospice care and suffering with aggressive Alzheimer's; Jerry Garlington's mother, Hazel, receiving hospice care and having several health-related issues; the friends and family of Billy Graham; Sal, longtime partner of Andy & Nancy Hoh's daughter, Patti, receiving hospice care; Kim Koehler's mother, as she nears the end of her earthly life; the family of Deward Vick Pepper, the father of Scott Phetteplace's co-worker, as they mourn his death; Strength and Healing for... the Westin family, friends of Jim Kosmar, whose son has been diagnosed with cancer for the 4th time; a friend diagnosed with congestive heart failure; Kohlton, a 13year old friend of Andy & Nancy Hoh, receiving leukemia treatment; Kenrick, diagnosed with cancer; Wilfred, recovering from cancer; Selena, Susan Hooper's friend; Doug Hassenmayer, friend of the Kirkendoll family, recovering from cancer surgery; Tim Smith, recovering from surgery; Wanda, as she cares for her aging parents; Barbara Kuhn, friend of the Clark family, as she begins cancer treatments; those struggling to forgive; Cindi Woolard's friend, Christine, recovering from surgery; Guidance, Protection, and Safety for... the Fogel family, friends of Effy Draetta, having a personal crisis; a brother traveling to Jacksonville; Michael, as he grows up in today's world; Kay Lewis, family of the Siderio's, as she begins a new life in a retirement home; those on the Guatemala Mission Trip.

#### PRAYER REQUESTS FOR MARCH 25, 2018

**Praise and Thanksgiving for...** Joanna Kirkendoll's 15<sup>th</sup> birthday; Comfort for... Jerry & Liz Garlington and family as the grieve the death of Jerry's mother, Hazel; a co-worker who has lost his mother suddenly to cancer; Shaleen Hagerty and family as her mother enters hospice; Karen Johnson and family at the death of her mother and Hope member, Jacqueline Johnson; Strength and Healing for... Ted Bachman, recovering from eye surgery; Roberta Danielson, friend of Rosie Miller, diagnosed with cancer; the Loschiavo's grandfather, recovering from a back operation; friends of the Loschiavo family, recovering from an auto accident in Rochester; Danielle Clancy, friend of Craig Helmers, dealing with a heart condition; Joyce Smith recovering from hip replacement surgery; Anne, co-worker of Holly Bruck, experiencing heart issues; Tammie Piacenti, recovering from a broken ankle and awaiting surgery; Habuda family as Johnny, Joyce, and Johnny's Mom are facing several health challenges; Bernice Cromartie's mother, Leola McNair, who's in ICU in Lumberton; **Guidance, Protection, and Safety for...** school decisions for children: Julie as she finds the right help for her daughter; all those dealing with addiction and may they find God's peace; Kevin and Ginny, the Groundwork Guatemala American hosts, the 8 Guatemalan missionaries who travel out with volunteers, and all the families, especially the children, that the Guatemala Mission Team visited last week.



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