

# HolyHops!

The next "Holy Hops!" gathering will be held on Tuesday, November 6, 6 p.m., at Kim and Steve Chau's home. All men are invited and welcome to this New Hanover men's group gathering - no reservations needed - as we gather informally for dinner, fellowship and discussion of a book or topic on some aspect of Christian living. For additional information, please contact Graham at [graham@newhanoverpres.org](mailto:graham@newhanoverpres.org).

## Women's Study Group

The next Women's Study Group (Women's Bible Study) meeting will be held on November 13th, at 6:15 p.m., in the Rowe Room.

### Our Prayer List

- Comfort to Margaret Elliott's sister *Catherine Landau and her girls* as they struggle with the loss of a husband and dad very unexpectedly and tragically while overseas.
- The victims and families of the Pittsburgh synagogue massacre.
- Cindy Parcell as she recuperates after her medical procedure.
- *Donna Headley*, as she continues to receive chemotherapy.
- Continued prayers for Ann Saunders' daughter *Kathy Chism*, for her long healing process.
- *Christy and Jeff Presseau* as Christy is in need of a kidney transplant.
- Summer Foley's father *Bruce* as he undergoes surgery and recovery to remove a tumor sometime in late November.
- *Michael Chandler* as he prepares for surgery following a fall.
- *Liz King's* grandson, *Shawn Campbell*, and his Special Forces company. Shawn is on his third tour.
- All those in our congregation who are unable to attend church regularly due to illness or limited mobility.
- Our nation, its leaders, and our troops serving around the globe.

# New Hanover

# NEWS



**Sunday, November 4, 2018**

## IF YOU ARE A GUEST TODAY – WELCOME!

We are so glad you're here with us. Please sign the guest register with your contact information so we can thank you for being with us today.

We are a community of faith seeking to follow Christ. If you are looking to follow Jesus in your daily life with the support and fellowship of a company of believers, you have found the right place. If you seek to commit to active involvement in worship, service and study, we invite you to join us in membership!

### Thank You to Today's Volunteers!

Ushers/Greeters: *Jeannie & David Tostenson*

Lay Reader: *Carolyn Shute*

Communion Servers: *Larry Diebold, Andrea Young, Scott Ramser, Jeff Sigmon & Jay Bernsley*

Assisting Liturgist: *Eric Douglass*

Flowers: *Christy Presseau* (In Remembrance of her father, Stoner Parsons)

Children's Sunday School: *Summer Foley & Emma Sellors*

Refreshments: *Janice Reagan & Hellen Carter*

Adult Sunday School Facilitator: *Eric Douglass*

Sound Board: *Thom O'Brien*

## Our Week at a Glance

**Adult Sunday School (Book of Revelation):** Sunday, November 4, 10:50 a.m. (*Meets every Sunday from 10:50-11:50 a.m.*)

**Missions Team:** Monday, November 5, 6:30 a.m., Rowe Room

**Holy Hops! Men's Group:** Tuesday, November 6, 6 p.m., Steve Chau's home - food, fellowship and Bible study. (*Meets every 1st & 3rd Tuesday.*)

**Choir Rehearsal:** Wednesday, November 7, 7:00 p.m., Sanctuary

**Choir Warm-Up:** Sunday, November 11, 8:50 a.m., Choir Room

**Worship Service (Hymn Sing Sunday):** Sunday, November 11, 9:30 a.m., Sanctuary

**Adult Sunday School (Book of Revelation):** Sunday, November 11, 10:50 a.m. (*Meets every Sunday from 10:50-11:50 a.m.*)

**Preparing for the SWRC Breakfast:** Sunday, November 11 (after the service)

**Veteran's Day:** Officially Sunday, November 11, but as a holiday observed on Monday.

**Serving the SWRC Breakfast:** Monday, November 12, 8:30 a.m., at SWRC

## Today...

... is our **"Food for Thought" Sunday.**

... **the children, from ages 4 to 10, will continue with the series on Gratitude in the Children's Sunday School.**

... **please join us for refreshments and fellowship, after the Service, in Laburnum Commons.**

... **join us for Adult Sunday School from 10:50 - 11:50 a.m., as Eric leads this week's class.** We will dig deeper into the book of Revelation. These opening chapters introduce the major themes, with the later chapters developing these themes. So the opening of the scroll, with its many seals, introduces the theme of security. We tend to put our security in things, but the seals emphasizes that these are transitory. Our security must be in God. In times of famine, trust in God; in times of war, trust in God; and in times of persecution, trust in God. God is the ultimate reality, and we are secure in Him.

## This Week's NEWS...

**The weekly contribution amount** needed to meet budget is \$4,783, which enables us to continue to do God's work in the community. Last week we received \$3,842.

**WE NEED YOUR  
HELP!**

**The latest ingredient donation board is up on the wall in the narthex.** Each post-it note has an ingredient on it for us to provide breakfast for those in need at the Shepherds Way Relief Center.

**Please help out by taking a post-it or post-its and purchasing the ingredients** in time to cook the breakfast in our large kitchen on Sunday, November 11 (after the worship service.) We will be serving breakfast on the next day (Monday November 12), at 8:30 a.m., at SWRC.

## Pastor Eric Douglass Authors New Book

We are pleased and honored to relay the exciting news that a book written by our own Covenant Pastor Eric Douglass has been published by Brill, one of the world's oldest (founded 1683!) and most respected academic publishing houses.

In his book, Interpreting New Testament Narratives, Eric makes the case that narratives are the concrete manifestation of an author's subjectivity. They function as that person's voice, and should be treated with the same respect that is granted to all voices. He develops this ethical perspective, so that narratives are treated as communication, and the author's voice is regarded as a valued perspective. Employing a cross-disciplinary approach, Eric shows how readers engage narratives as mental simulations, creating a temporary possible world that readers enter and experience. To recover communication, readers locate the events of this world in the culture of the intended audience, and translate this meaning into the modern reader's worldview. A link to the book may be found at: <https://brill.com/abstract/title/38764> Please join us in extending congratulations to Eric on the publication of his book!

## UPDATE FROM THE MISSIONS TEAM

**We are excited about having a guest speaker for the service on November 18.** John Baumann, from Church World Services, will be speaking during Worship on refugee needs in the Richmond area. Please plan on attending if any way possible that Sunday