

ALL MEMBERS AND FRIENDS OF NHPC ARE INVITED...

... to a Christmas Open House on December 12, from 6 to 8 PM, at the Douglas home (8208 Elm Drive, Mechanicsville 23111). If you have any questions, please call Dan at 804-383-8388 or Cass at 757-615-4206.

... by Robert Johnson and Marianne to a Christmas Open House on Sunday, December 16, from 4 to 6 PM. There'll be festive drinks and food and a chance to mix and mingle. If you wish to bring your musical talents for a Christmas jam session, please do! We look forward to welcoming you to our new home at 9333 Oak Trail, Ashland, VA 23005.

Our Prayer List

- *Cathy Oliver and her family* for the passing of her father.
- *Cindy Parcell* as she recovers from her medical procedure in late September preparing for additional surgery in December.
- 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 shootings in Pittsburgh, California, Chicago, and the fires in California.
- *Donna Headley*, as she continues to receive chemotherapy.
- Continued prayers for Ann Saunders' daughter *Kathy Chism*, for her long healing process.
- *Christy and Jeff Pousseau* as Christy is in need of a kidney transplant.
- Summer Foley's father *Bruce* as he prepares to undergo surgery and recovery to remove a tumor.
- *Michael Chandler* as he recovers from surgery.
- *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, December 2, 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: *Jay Bernsley & Thomas Raper*

Lay Reader: *Robin Edwards*

Communion Servers: *Donna Browne, Ned Moore, Ron Garstka, Liz King, & Thomas Raper*

Assisting Liturgist: *Eric Douglass*

Flowers: *Felicia & Eric Douglass*

Children's Sunday School: *Cheryl Cage*

Refreshments: *Mary Gayle Brittingham*

Adult Sunday School Facilitator: *Eric Douglass*

Sound Board: *Thom O'Brien*

Today...

...it 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 from 10:50 - 11:50 a.m., as Eric leads this week's class. We will continue our class on Revelation. First, we will spend some time reviewing the materials of the last several weeks, that is, the meanings of the seals, trumpets, and bowls, as well as the interlude on world history. This is the time to ask questions! Then we will turn to chapters 17 and 18. These chapters gather the central themes of evil, namely, that it is supported by the people even as it turns on the people. The church's weakness is that it accommodates evil. But the end of evil is near; indeed, chapter 18 presents its funeral dirge.

... we need your help during the service. To enable us to keep services to an hour, please help by keeping prayer requests brief - Thank you!

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 \$2,926.

Poinsettias for Christmas at New Hanover

We will have Red Poinsettias for \$15 each again this year. There are order forms on the credenza in the Narthex. Please put "Poinsettia" on the memo line and make the check out to "NHPC". All orders must be placed by Sunday, December 9.

HolyHops!

The next "Holy Hops!" gathering will be held on Tuesday, December 4, 6 p.m., at Kim and Steve Chau's home. All men are invited and welcome to this group gathering!



We are looking forward to hosting the ladies from CARITAS this Christmas season!

Please help us make this a warm, comforting and welcoming holiday for our guests. We want these ladies to truly experience God's love from December 29th through January 5th. Please sign-up to provide items or volunteer through the SignUpGenius site. If you would prefer to donate to this project, you can do it through the fundly site. Thank you to everyone who has already offered their help and support. If you have any questions, please see Stacey Murrell or Katrina Van Huss.

Christmas Pops Concert on December 8th at NHPC

Mark your calendars for 7:30 p.m. on December 8th. The James River Ringers -- the Richmond-area's premier community handbell ensemble -- will be presenting its Christmas Pops Concert here at New Hanover Presbyterian Church.

With music ranging from "Sleigh Ride" to selections from "Charlie Brown's Christmas," the concert will have plenty to keep your toes tapping this holiday season. (Note: our own Pam O'Brien is a member of the James River Ringers.) So do plan to join us for an enjoyable evening of delightful holiday music! The concert is also being promoted as an event on our FB page.

COMING SOON: YOUR CHANCE TO "STEP UP" FOR NEW HANOVER



Looking ahead to 2019, the Stewardship Team will soon be asking you to Step Up to support advances for our congregation in:

- Discipleship
- Christian education
- Mission Work
- Worship and Music
- Financial support of our church

Our core hope is that each family will set aside time to prayerfully consider the value, needs, and future of New Hanover, and give generously in 2019