



Thank you for everyone who has already gone to our SignUpGenius page and signed-up to help in various ways.

We currently need volunteers for the various shifts as support staff, when we host the CARITAS ladies from Dec. 29th through Jan. 5th. Please sign-up to provide items or volunteer through the SignUpGenius site.

If you have any questions, please see Stacey Murrell or Katrina Van Huss.

Our Prayer List

- Our condolences, hearts and prayers go out to *Stan, Tim and Allison* in this hour of loss.
- *Donna Headley*, as she gains strength for her next phase of her cancer therapy.
- 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 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 23, 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: *Debbie & Lee Blackburn*

Lay Reader: *Jeff Presseau*

Assisting Liturgist: *Terry Diebold*

Flowers: *Andrea Young*

Children's Sunday School: *Marianne Vermeer*

Refreshments: *Kim & Steve Chau*

Adult Sunday School Facilitator: *Robert Johnson & Eric Douglass*

Sound Board: *Frank Willing*

Our Calendar...

DECEMBER 2018

Today (December 23):

- Cookies Party & Hot Cider - 10:30 a.m., Laburnum Commons
- Adult Sunday School (Book of Revelation) - 10:50 a.m.

Monday, December 24:

- Christmas Eve Service - 5:00 - 5:55 p.m., Sanctuary (*pick up Poinsettias*)

Sunday, December 25:

- Christmas Day

December 29th through January 5th

- CARITAS Ladies Week at NHPC

Sunday, December 30:

- Choir Warm-Up - 8:50 a.m., Choir Room
- Worship Service - 9:30 a.m., Sanctuary

TODAY...

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

... join us after today's service for a Cookie Party and hot cider. We will be in Laburnum Commons for fun, fellowship and to enjoy this wonderful season.

... join us from 10:50 - 11:50 a.m. for today's Adult Sunday School. Robert and Eric will lead us as we summarize everything that we've learned during our study of the book, and we'll have substantial time for your questions and observations.

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 \$3,771.



We hope you, your family and friends join us for our Christmas Eve Service that celebrates the birth of our Savior, Jesus Christ.

It will be a candlelit service, from 5:00 to 5:55 p.m., for all members of the family with a message, Christmas music, singing along to Christmas carols, and a children's time.

NOTE: If you ordered a poinsettia, please pick it up after the Christmas Eve Service or you can choose to leave it at the church - Thank you!



PROGRESS REPORT ON "STEP UP" STEWARDSHIP DRIVE FOR 2019

With the pledging campaign underway for the church's 2019 budget, the Stewardship Team has great news to report from early returns – to date, those who have made pledges to the "Step Up" Stewardship drive have increased their pledges by an average of 5.98% over their pledges for 2018 – and we are indeed grateful!

The Team reports that the drive is now 75% of the way toward the campaign's dollar goal – so they encourage those who have not yet pledged for 2019 to place their pledge cards in the offering plate today or mail them in to the Church Office early this week. (If needed, cards are available on the credenza in the Narthex.) Let us all join in, and together make 2019 a banner year for New Hanov