



# Crossnore Presbyterian Church

*“Growing Deeper in Faith,  
Reaching Out in Love”*

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## Announcements and Items of interest

March 2, 2017

**Communion Sunday, March 5; Worship—11:00 a.m., Choir Practice—9:00 a.m., Sunday School—10:15 a.m.**

**Wednesday Bible Study, 3-4:30 p.m.** Wednesday, March 1, we took a look at the practice of Lectio Divina (Latin for “Divine Reading”). Traditionally, Lectio Divina is a method of prayer and scripture reading in order to promote communion with God and provide deeper spiritual understanding. We will continue our survey of world religions next Wednesday with Hinduism.

**Three Habitat houses will be dedicated this Sunday, March 5 at 2:00 p.m.** One of the three houses to be dedicated is The Jones Family home which we helped sponsor. If you are interested in attending, please contact Pastor Kathy.

**Jack Walrath, a dear friend and member of our congregation passed away Wednesday morning, March 1, at Cannon Hospital in Linville.** His memorial service will be held later in the spring. We will share the date and time when it has been finalized.



**We have a new directional sign in our upper parking lot. A big thank you to Bruce Dyak and his employees.**

**We raised \$550 for our February mission project.** This will provide 22 Military Biblesticks for active duty military or their families. Thank you to all who helped!

**We are beginning our Lenten mission project. We are in partnership with El Libano Presbyterian**

**Church in Los Cerros, Cotepeque, Guatemala.**

We are raising funds for elementary and secondary school scholarships to help keep students in school. A \$100 will help keep a child in school for a year.

We received our signed covenant agreement with El Libano this week, renewing our commitment to each other for another five years. We also received a notebook containing receipts showing how our money was used as well as pictures of each child.

**Shellie Duncan’s sister, Barbara Hrabal, passed away today, March 2, from lung cancer.** Please keep Shellie and Barbara’s four children in your prayers. Shellie’s address is; 820 S. Oak Ave., Barlow, FL 33830.

### March Birthdays

- SUSAN HARTLEY—MARCH 1
- LOU MARTIN—MARCH 2
- JON KIDDER—MARCH 4
- LINDA DRIVAS—MARCH 8
- DAVID EHMIG—MARCH 10
- JOHN DELANEY—MARCH 14
- JIM HARLLEE—MARCH 14
- BOB HARDEE—MARCH 16
- HEATHER JORDAN—MARCH 16
- BETTY FRANCE—MARCH 18
- LINDA BERKLEY—MARCH 21
- MARY NOBLE—MARCH 28
- LELISE RICHARDSON—MARCH 29
- BOBBY TAYLOR—MARCH 29
- CLAY BEATTIE—MARCH 30

### Prayer Requests

- JANE GREENWOOD
- THE FAMILY OF BUD HOWELL
- TASHA REID
- BOBBY TAYLOR
- MARY ANN JOHNSON
- BILL PAUL & FAMILY
- LORRAINE ALLS
- CHARLES BERKLEY
- JOHN BERKLEY
- KAREN PHILLIPS
- SHIRLEY PRIICE
- DEDIE ANDREWS
- BEN AND AMANDA FRAZIER

*By the sweat of your face you shall eat bread until you return to the ground, for out of it you were taken; you are dust, and to dust you shall return.” ~Genesis 3:19*

**Thank you from  
Ruth Shirley,  
Principal  
Crossnore Elementary  
School**

Dear Church Family,

I have been trying to put in writing for two weeks now how to thank you for the gift to our school. I realized there are not enough words to thank you and there may never be enough words. Your gift will impact so many

children in so many different ways that you could never imagine.

I grew up in Avery County with two very wonderful hard working parents. They loved me unconditionally and I never doubted that love. Nethertheless, education was a struggle for them and consequently they struggled to help me after school due to their work. Today, I see students struggle in education for much different reasons. Poverty, of course,

being one of those reasons. Today, we deal with drugs, alcohol, language barriers, and various other things that inhibit children in their education. Many of the children I serve today need after school help and summer remediation. They can no longer stay above the mark with the curriculum if they do not get this support.

Please be assured that your mission donation is helping the children of Crossnore succeed in education. Many

of them come to school with various burdens but they do not have to worry about support for their education. You have made this possible with your donation. God Bless you and again, I will be forever grateful.

Sincerely,  
Ruth Shirley  
Principal  
Crossnore Elementary