



Crossnore Presbyterian Church

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

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Announcements and Items of Interest

November 29, 2017

Sunday, December 3, Choir—9:00 a.m., Sunday School—10:15 a.m., Worship—11 a.m., Coffee Fellowship after worship.

This Sunday, December 3, begins the first Week of Advent. We are in the process of mailing the 2017 Advent Devotionals. With this year's Devotional, "Let love speak words and actions to pave the way of the Lord.", Magdalena I. Garcia leads us to reflect on words and actions from the Psalms that challenge us to act and speak in more just and loving ways.



The next Session Meeting will be this Sunday, December 3, after worship and coffee fellowship.

Many of you have already turned in the 2018 Pledge of your time, talents, and treasures. Thank you! We hope to have all the pledge cards in

by the beginning of December. This will help our Finance Committee prepare a realistic 2018 budget. Your support for the church's ministry and mission is both vital and valued.

The Knitting group is delivering 32 knitted Christmas hats to Hospitality House in Boone today. Thank you to the ladies for all their work. Thank you to Janice Kenyon and Marion Blue for delivering the hats. The group will not meet through December. Please join the knitters in January on Wednesdays from 1:00 – 3:00 p.m.

Bible Study will meet today, Wednesday, November 29, 3:00 – 4:30 p.m., to begin our Advent study using Adam Hamilton's Faithful: Christmas Through the Eyes of Joseph. Although Joseph never speaks in the narrative of the nativity story and is often overlooked, his humble obedience to God and his courageous actions give us examples of faithfully moving

forward in the strength God provides even when we don't understand His plan.

Please come this Saturday, December 2, 10 a.m.- 12noon, for the Hanging of the Greens here at the church. We will be decorating our Chrismon Tree and preparing the sanctuary for the Christmas Season. Coffee, hot cocoa, and cookies will be served.

It is time to reserve Poinsettias for the sanctuary. They are a festive part of our decorations and are provided by individuals who place them in honor or memory of loved ones or to the glory of God. The order form with additional information is attached to this Midweek Newsletter email. The cost of a poinsettia is \$10.00. Please place orders by December 17.



OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

- PATRICIA MCGARR-DECEMBER 1
- BEN JORDAN-DECEMBER 7
- SARAH ISLES-DECEMBER 12
- TASHA REID-DECEMBER 16
- DAN YARBOROUGH-DECEMBER 20
- LINDA TAYLOR-DECEMBER 24
- RON SEEGER-DECEMBER 26
- BILL SILVIA-DECEMBER-27

Prayer Requests

- GINGER WILLIAMS
- BONNIE VUOLO
- BEN FRAZIER
- BONNY & RON WHILDEN
- THE BERKLEY FAMILY
- KAY SHERWOOD
- PEPÉ ABRUSCI
- LORRAINE ALLS

Let everything that breathes praise the Lord! Praise the Lord! ~Psalm 150:6

Avery Project Christmas needs your help! Reaching Avery Ministry is sponsoring the Christmas Store for families in need Tuesday, December 5, and Wednesday, December 6, from 8 a.m.- 4 p.m., in the Newland Baptist Church recreation center. They need volunteers to assist parents and to wrap gifts. If you can volunteer any time during these two days, please call RAM at 733-5127.

New Opportunity School for Women is sponsoring a Christmas Open House at the Stephenson Center, Lees-

McRae College, on Wednesday, December 6, from 1-6 p.m. Kindly RSVP no later than Monday, December 4 to Jennie Harpold, Director of the NOSW at Lees-McRae College, at [828.898.8905](tel:828.898.8905) or harpoldj@lmc.edu.

Come with us Christmas Caroling, December 14. We will meet at the church at 5:00 p.m., make our rounds and meet afterward at Puerto Nuevo for dinner.

Our Sunday Christmas Luncheon will be on December 17 following our 11:00

a.m. worship service. Meat, coffee, and tea will be provided and we ask that you bring sides or desserts to share if you are able.

Since Christmas Eve, December 24, is on a Sunday this year we will have 2 services that day. We will have a short worship morning service at 11:00 a.m. and our traditional Christmas Eve Candlelight service at 5:30 p.m.

Prayer

It doesn't have to be the blue iris, it could be weeds in a vacant lot, or a few small stones; just pay attention, then patch

a few words together and don't try to make them elaborate, this isn't a contest but the doorway

into thanks, and a silence in which another voice may speak.

by Mary Oliver

