



Crossnore Presbyterian Church

"Growing Deeper in Faith, Reaching Out in Love"

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Announcements and Items of Interest

December 7, 2022

3rd Sunday of Advent, Sunday, December 11, 2022. The worship service will begin at 11:00 a.m. Please join us to cookies and coffee in the fellowship hall following worship

Our December Mission Project is our annual Christmas Eve offering which goes to Volunteer Avery County to assist with emergency heating and electricity for our seniors and disadvantaged families and individuals in the local community. You can bring your offering to our Candlelight Christmas Eve Service on Saturday, December 24, at 5:30 p.m. in our historic rock sanctuary, or you can mail a check made out to "Crossnore Presbyterian Church," and designated for the "Christmas Eve Offering." Every dollar collected will go to help those in Avery County who are struggling to stay warm during the frigid winter months in the mountains. With costs rising for propane, gas, and electricity, this offering matters more than ever.

The "Raising the Roof" Capital Campaign is in full gear. We hope to get in enough donations and pledges by the end of the December to complete the

campaign. Around 60 households in our church family have already sent in their donations and pledges. If you haven't sent your donation/pledge, yet, please prayerfully consider your gift to the roof capital campaign that will help us reach our goal and "pay it forward" for generations to come. Thank you!



The Church Choir practices every Sunday, 9:30 – 10:30 a.m., in the sanctuary. Do you enjoy singing? Please come and add your voice to the choir.

The Advent Bible Study continues Wednesday, December 14, 3:40-4:30 p.m. The group is studying the book "Prepare the Way of the Lord: Advent and the Message of John the Baptist" by Adam Hamilton. If you would like to participate, contact Pastor Kathy: 828-260-2512, rev.kathy.campbell@gmail.com

Sunday, December 18, Michael Willis, Irish Harpist, will be providing special music for our worship service. We will also be



collecting our monthly donation of "Food for People and Pets" and "Daily Change."



Our Christmas Potluck Luncheon will also be held on Sunday, December 18, following worship. Ham, coffee, and tea will be provided. Please bring a side dish to share.

Christmas Worship Services:
• **Saturday, December 24, 5:30 p.m., Candlelight Christmas Eve Service in the sanctuary.** The Christmas Eve Offering for propane, gas, and electricity for those in need in our county will be collected.
• **Sunday, December 25, 11 a.m., in the sanctuary, Christmas Day Worship Service.** Christmas carols will abound!



- * Patricia McGarr—December 1
- * SARAH ILES—DECEMBER 12
- * NOAH KIDDER—DECEMBER 14
- * TASHIA REID—DECEMBER 16
- * NANCY YARBOROUGH—DECEMBER 20
- * LINDA TAYLOR—DECEMBER 24

Prayer Requests

- * CARROLL & LINDA BERKLEY
- * MEGAN ARMSTRONG
- * JENNY DUNCAN
- * JOHN LUCE
- * DON HUSTON
- * CARROLL BERKLEY
- * CINDY BEIMER
- * PATRICIA MCGARR
- * JANE LYON
- * PAUL LYON
- * PAT ROUSSELLE
- * RICHARD BROWN
- * KATHY HUTCHESON
- * FRANCES BROWN
- * WAYNE PINTER
- * KAY HODGES
- * HANNAH ACTON
- * JENNIFER AND RYAN WATTS
- * TASHA REID

Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Philippians 4.5

Volunteers cleaned and polished the pews and the woodwork in our church sanctuary on Thursday, December 1. Thanks to Beth Gacek, Lynn O'Meara, Marie Cook, Charlotte Davila, Daryl Storm, and Frank Martin for the shiny pews and pulpit!



The Chrismon Tree and the sanctuary were decorated for the on Saturday, December 3

by the Worship Committee and others who joined in. Thanks to Maggie Lauterer, George Riggsbee, Mimi Sloop, Laura Lind, Marie Cook, Jo Ann Riddle, Esten Medlin, and Lynn O'Meara.

Thanks to all who donated to the Thanksgiving Bag Mission Project. We collected over \$2,700, which covered all of the \$100 grocery cards which were given to 27 individuals and families. Thanks for caring and sharing!

Christmas Poinsettias: Poinsettias in memory or in honor of a loved one can be purchased for \$10 each. Make your check out to "Crossnore Presbyterian Church" and designate it for "Christmas Poinsettia." Please include a note with the name(s)

of loved ones you want to remember or honor. Or just use the form attached to this email. The deadline for ordering Poinsettias is December 18. **The poinsettias will be placed in the sanctuary on Saturday, December 10, and the list of those being remembered/honored will be included in the Christmas Eve Worship Bulletin.** You can take your poinsettia home with you following the Christmas Eve Service.

Help Needed!!! Feeding Avery Families needs volunteers on Fridays—morning or afternoon. Since so many volunteers have left for the season, they really do need help!! Check out their website: <https://feedingaveryfamilies.org/> For more information, call 828-783-8506.