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Tidings

The Monthly Newsletter of
 House of Prayer Lutheran Church

November 2018

Dear House of Prayer family and friends,

Some of you know that I spent some vacation time with my family in Orlando recently. My daughter Hannah and her three boys came first, then a few days later my son Joel and his wife Meghan and their three girls arrived, so we had three days with all ten of us before Hannah's family went home and the rest of us stayed a few more days. Really, we had just the kind of time together I had hoped for. Everybody was easy-going about it, which made for plenty of fun – although ten straight days of theme parks is definitely my limit. And after being back for a couple weeks that included confirmation and All Saints, I'm on my way to an eight-day silent retreat at Eastern Point Retreat House in Gloucester MA. It couldn't be more of a contrast with my earlier time away, but I find that I need both kinds of time – some with lots of people and some that's just me and God. Each time I've been on retreat, I've come back with a sense that God has given me what I need for my ministry and for my life in the year to come. I'm grateful for that kind of time in the company of others who are seeking God's guidance and enjoying God's presence. I'll keep you all in my prayers.

As a congregation, let's keep our former Vicar Mac, now Pastor Mac, and his family in our prayers. Many of you know that his three-year-old grandchild Dara was diagnosed with a brain tumor and went through extensive chemotherapy which diminished the size of the tumor. They were hopeful about an upcoming clinical trial, but just learned that since the tumor has started to grow again, she is no longer eligible for the trial. In this difficult time when it is not clear what options exist for treatment, let us keep Kevin and Barbara, their daughter and her family, and especially Dara in our prayers. May God sustain them in this hard time and be their hope for now and always.

Life in Christian community includes hard times like Pastor Mac and some among us are experiencing, joyful times like our recent confirmation of four youth, times of support for other children of God like our neighbors at Sha'aray Shalom as they mourned the death of eleven members of Tree of Life in Pittsburgh after the shooting there, and mostly ordinary times when we worship, sing, and pray or when we learn or enjoy coffee hour. These times together make us one in the body of Christ in ways that we could not be otherwise. We show up for worship, for God, for service, for one another – and we welcome others to join us in God's mission. Reflecting on our life together is a good way to ponder our stewardship of all that God has given us. In November each year – this year on November 17 and 18, we are invited to consider our giving to this congregation and to offer an estimate of that giving, a pledge, for the year to come. How good it is to be together and to be God's people in this place! May we live generously and give generously for the sake of what God is up to through us, with us, and in us.

Grace and peace,

Pastor

Weekly Worship

Saturday 4:30 p.m.
Sunday 9:30 a.m.

Sunday School
10:45 - 11:30/11:45

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Dates to Note

Adult Faith Formation
 November 4 and 11

Stewardship Weekend
 November 17 & 18

**Interfaith Thanksgiving
 Worship**
 November 21

**Deadline for December
 Tidings**
 November 20

Ascentria gifts due
 December 2

Christmas Dinner Boxes due
 December 9



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HOUSE OF PRAYER MISSION STATEMENT

*To share and spread Christ's message of love.
To nurture a vigorous and compassionate
church family, open to all.
To provide meaningful worship and Christian education.
And to actively reach out to help and serve others.*



ELCA MISSION STATEMENT

*"Marked with the cross of Christ forever, we are claimed,
gathered and sent for the sake of the world"*



ALTAR FLOWERS

November 3 & 4 Kim Boyd
November 10 & 11 Mabel Ericson
November 17 & 18 Janet Rydin
November 24 & 25 open
Flowers cost \$56.00 for two vases.

SANCTUARY CANDLE

The Sanctuary Candle burns to the glory of God given by Henry & Ursula Hackemer in memory of loved ones.

The Sanctuary Candle is \$20.00 for the month.

COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS

Christian Education June Fontaine & Kim Boyd
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Shepherds Barbara Buntrock & Linda Lundin
Social Ministry Kathleen Almand & Cathy Martin
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2019 STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN

For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also. Matthew 6:21

I ask you to ponder this Biblical text during our stewardship campaign this year. It expresses a simple but powerful message -- our financial priorities and our personal intentions are inextricable.

November 17-18 is Stewardship Weekend. You will receive a letter and an "Estimate of Giving" card. I invite you to prayerfully consider the question, "What is God calling me to give this year?" Please indicate your response to this question on the card and bring it with you on Stewardship weekend to join your fellow church members in committing your pledge during the church service.

In Christ,
Janet Waters, President

2018 OKTOBERFEST UPDATE

From Financial Chair, Kathleen Almand: Our event was a financial success this year! Despite the fact that we held the event over one day instead of two, our net income was greater than last year. Final numbers are still coming in but our net revenue will be in excess of \$10,000. In addition, we collected of \$550 in cash donations at the door which were shared with Hingham Food Pantry and Wellspring - a record for Oktoberfest. The donations from last year were presented at the event on Saturday, Sept 29th.

From Oktoberfest Chair, Chris Borkowski: I would like to take this opportunity to thank each and every one of you for your help in making this such a successful event, it is truly something to be proud of. Thank you to the committee, thank you to the congregation, thank you to volunteers (non-members).

The Oktoberfest Committee met last week and voted to have the event in 2019, again only one day, Saturday, Sept 28th. This recommendation will be presented to Council the end of November. We tossed around the idea of partnering with another charitable entity or church but the vote was to keep it HOP's event.

There are some openings on the Oktoberfest Committee. Please consider joining us next year to plan for another successful event. Different people have different ideas and we are always looking for new ways of doing things. The areas we are looking for help are:

Food: We are looking for an additional person to help a committee member in setting up chafing dishes, dinnerware/napkins, preparing coffee, putting ice in coolers, and other tasks the day of the event. You will not have to make every meeting but coming to some will give you an idea of the pre-work like BJ's run, ordering cakes, ordering Smokehouse meat, inventory items from last year and ordering what is needed.

Public Relations: Making sure that all advertising for the event is taken care of in a timely manner. Many different vehicles to do so are listed for review. We will share what has worked in the past year. You will not have to make every meeting but making sure that information is out in both social media and hard copy is timed to maximize "getting the word out"

Children's Tent: Plan different crafts, games for children, face painting and display in tent.

Co-Chair trainee: I am stepping down as the Chair and would like to train someone in 2019. Much of what I do is scheduling the meetings, taking notes, applying for permits, making sure we secure band, tent, alcohol, police detail etc. Believe me, all the people on the committee know what their individual jobs entail and go about it without supervision, but bi-monthly meetings help to make sure that nothing falls through the cracks. I have timelines and notes and will work with a volunteer to get the job done in 2019. I will not be leaving the Oktoberfest Committee as I will help in other areas.

These four positions above need to be addressed and filled by March 2019. If we don't get any volunteers then the event will be in jeopardy, so please get in touch with myself or any member of the Committee to let us know of your interest.

Looking forward to hearing from you...

Chris Borkowski, Oktoberfest Chair

SOCIAL MINISTRY REPORT

(Kathleen Almand, Cathy Martin, Co –Chairpersons)



Father Bill's Place – Ann Rasmussen

Ten Cheeseburger/Tater Tot Casseroles were prepared and served at Father Bill's place on Saturday, October 13. Thanks to all who prepared and those who helped serve.

Veterans Home – Millie, Carla & Ernie Hill

Chris Hayes, Lynda Watt, Kris Neindorf & Karen Nilsson will prepare Sunday dinner for the Veterans Home in November as well as Carla and Ernie Hill.

Hingham Senior Center – Millie Hill & Ingrid Lancaster

A Halloween Lunch was prepared and served to 48 guests at the Senior Center on Friday, October 26. The menu consisted of chicken casserole, mixed vegetables, cranberry sauce, rolls & butter, Halloween cupcakes with ice cream and coffee. Barbara Hutchinson and Gene Lancaster provided the entertainment. Again thanks to all who prepared, served and cleaned up. Within two weeks 18 casseroles and over 60 cupcakes were prepared for Father Bill's and the Senior Center.

Habitat for Humanity – Kathleen Almand

Lunch will be provided for the Habitat workers during November.

December Projects

Carla Hill will explore the possibility of a Christmas caroling event at a local nursing home on Sunday, December 2.

A Christmas Giving Tree will be done again this year and Christmas boxes for Wellspring.

Next meeting Sunday, December 9th after worship service.



Needed: Smiling Faces!

A sign-up sheet will be posted for dates and times that I can get to those of you who have not had your pictures taken for the new photo directory. According to the by-laws of the church, we are to have an updated directory presented to all members at the annual meeting.

This is to be a RECENT photo. I am trying to have us all look similar with the background, distance from the camera, etc. Please make an effort to help me finish this project I was hoping to get done by the end of LAST winter!

Shortly I will be contacting you either by phone or email if you are on the list of those who still need their photos taken. Thanks for your help in this much bigger than I expected endeavor. Feel free to contact me with any questions. Kim Boyd, 781-987-4537 or at kimboyd61@hotmail.com.



Faith & Fellowship Adult Faith Formation

Join us for two sessions in November

Nov. 4th Art and the Raising of Lazarus

Nov. 11th Confirmation program Calumet experience



From the Office:

A reminder that if a major weather event is expected you can check our Facebook page and/or WCVB for church closures and cancellations.



Music Notes from Lenae

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The Children's Choir has begun working on their Christmas Musical, "Shobi Shares a Miracle," to be presented in January. I've done this musical a number of times over the years, as it's one of my favorites, and doesn't require a large number of singers/actors. It's the story of a stable boy, Shobi, who works for Reuben, an innkeeper in Bethlehem. (You can probably guess how that becomes part of the Christmas story, because a certain couple has come looking for lodging, but Reuben's Inn was full!) Some shepherds come looking for a child, and Shobi, his friends and Reuben realize the Messiah is in their stable! It's a delightful story that includes 6 songs and speaking lines for many children. Stay tuned for more information!

We just found out that two new singers will be able to join us for the musical -- Reagan and Connor Turbush! Yea! 😄 We met them at Vacation Bible School this summer, and we are thrilled that they can participate! Hoping some more young HOP singers/actors can join us as well! I'll keep you posted!

We also just learned that Julia and Sebastian have a new baby brother who was born 10/25! 🙌🎉 We are excited for all of them, and know there's a potential new singer who will be joining us in about 5 yrs.! 😊

Grateful, as always, to our Adult Choir members who come at 8:30 a.m. 🙏 on Sundays to rehearse before church begins, then sing during the worship service most Sundays. They always make me proud! We like to keep you guessing (and keep worship interesting!) by offering many different types of music -- from Classical to spirituals to Gospel to Contemporary Christian. Something for everyone!

Bye for now, 🙌
Lenae



Kim Boyd and June Fontaine, Co-chairs

I find it hard to believe that we are in to November already! October was busy with Columbus Day weekend (Are there activities you would suggest for non-Sunday School weekends that you family might like to take part in? All ideas welcome.) and Confirmation weekend.

Congratulations to our confirmands Leslie Abbott, Tessa Lundin, Christopher Warneck and Olivia Wegener! Thanks to all who helped prepare them for the next step in their faith journeys. And another thanks to the upcoming confirmands who served coffee hour that day. See the pictures from the day below. Congratulations also to the 2nd graders on receiving their bibles!

As we look ahead to November, it is a time to give thanks for all we have and to remember those who have served our country as well as those who have been affected by violence just because of their faith. The Sunday School children in grades 3-7 have made cards for our Veterans to be given at the Veteran's home when the church members serve a meal this month, and plan to make cards of support for our Jewish neighbors down the street as well. Wishing you and your families all the blessings your homes and hearts can hold.

The Sunday School calendar for the month of November is as follows:

*Sunday School for all classes Nov 4, 11, 18.

*Godly Play only Nov 25th.

*Advent event for all ages to join in the fun during Sunday School time will be held Dec 2nd.

If you happen to have an Advent wreath that you made last year at our Advent event, please return it as soon as possible so we can use it for the upcoming event. There will be a collection bin under the table in the hallway for them. We need to know if we need to purchase more, as we only have 6 left in storage. Thanks in advance for looking through your decorations!!

If you would like to be a second pair of hands to help with Children's Activity time or in the nursery on a rotating basis, please speak with Kim Boyd, June Fontaine, or Pastor. Our next meeting will be after Sunday School on Nov 18th to make sure we have everything in order (and ordered!) for the Advent event. We hope to see you there!



IN STITCHES

Some of us us have been very busy lately. I recently brought 5 preemie sets (hat and blanket), 1 lap robe and 11 scarves to the Hanover Senior Center. They will be delivered to local hospitals, veteran's homes and homeless shelters. I will be bringing 16 chemo caps to the Dana Farber Center sometime within the next two weeks. Thank you all for your contributions.
Ingrid Lancaster





WELLSPRING
Multi-Service Center

A HAND UP
NOT A HANDOUT

Vinny Harte
Executive Director

October 18, 2018

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Dear Friends,

You make a difference and we thank you.

It is so heartening when we receive Annual Fund contributions from generous donors like you. Your Oktoberfest donations of \$229.88, received on 10/15/2018, and \$661.04, received on 10/17/2018, directly enhance the lives of certain community members, allowing us to continue to help *one more* student, family or adult who needs our services.

Food, education, transportation, fuel, legal advice, counseling, crisis intervention and holiday giving—your gift supports all of these services. Thank you for enabling Wellspring to extend a vital *hand up* to neighbors in trouble.

Your gift has arrived just in time to help us welcome our new class of students and even more families turning to us for vital resources this fall. As Wellspring expands its programs we are especially proud to have you among our friends.

With you, Wellspring changes lives.

You remain a critical part of all that we do and we appreciate your continued generosity. The Wellspring Board of Directors, students, clients and staff all thank you for your support.

Gratefully yours,

Vinny Harte
President & CEO

Monica McKenney
Director of Development & Advancement

Contribution: \$229.88 received on 10/15/2018 and \$661.04 received on 10/17/2018.

Please consider this letter official receipt of your tax-deductible contribution. No goods or services were provided in consideration of this gift. Our federal tax-identification number is 04-2969215. Wellspring is a 501c(3) tax-exempt organization.

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October 14, 2018

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Dear Parishioners,

This will acknowledge receipt of your check # 448 dated October 8, 2018 in the amount of \$ 229.87, representing a portion of door donations from the 2017 Oktoberfest Thank you for your very generous gift to the Hingham Food Pantry. We appreciate your continuing support.

We are entirely staffed by volunteers, which enables us to keep our overhead very low. And, it is through donations from generous people like you that we are able to carry out our mission of feeding the hungry poor of Hingham. The need continues at a surprisingly high level in this affluent community. At present we serve over 150 households year round.

No goods or services were provided to you in exchange for this donation.

Sincerely,

Louis S. Belknap
Treasurer



October 9, 2018

House of Prayer Lutheran Church
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Dear Parishioners,



This will acknowledge receipt of your check # 434 dated September 29, 2018 in the amount of \$ 661.04, representing a portion of the proceeds from the 2017 Oktoberfest Thank you for your very generous gift to the Hingham Food Pantry. We appreciate your continuing support.

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Sincerely,

Louis S. Belknap
Treasurer

	Happy Birthday		Happy Anniversary
November 11	Kate Hudson-Mendes	November 2	Sheila Collins & David Vargo
	Marie Warneck	November 3	Lenae & Tim Badger
November 12	Erika Badger	November 8	Kristen & Brian Croke
November 15	Gus Diezemann	November 11	George & Jane Ohlson
November 17	Vicki Oman		
November 18	Holly Schjolden		
November 19	Rich Haukom		
November 30	Leanne Martin		

If you would like to have your birthday or anniversary added to the calendar, contact Kristen in the office.

Nov 2018

Saturday	Nov 3	Nov 10	Nov 17	Nov 24
Usher				
Communion Asst		Ann Moegle		
Reader				

Worship coordinator Phoebe Phoebe Sandy Sandy

Sunday	Nov 4	Nov 11	Nov 18	Nov 25
Ushers	1. 2.	1. 2.	1. 2.	1. 2.
Acolyte		Jordan Lipner	Destiny Lipner	
Communion Asst/ Cross Bearer	1. Kim Boyd 2. Scott Morad 3. 4.	1. 2. 3. 4.	1. 2. 3. 4.	1. 2. 3. 4.
Reader	Naomi Just		June Fontaine	
Coffee	1. Sue Bose 2. Carla Hill	1. Kathleen Almand 2.	1. 2.	1. Millie Hill 2. Linda Oman
Kids snack	Boyd	Ahlers family		

Altar Guild – Kate Bergman & Steve Bergman

****Ushers please arrive by 9am; Communion Assistants please arrive by 9:20. If you are unable to be at worship, please arrange to swap with someone else on the chart or ask a friend in the congregation to substitute for you. If possible inform the church office before Thursday of that week. Or you may contact the Sunday morning coordinator listed above the Sunday you are signed up to assist if you cannot find a replacement.**

Prayer list

"I pray also that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened in order that you may know the hope to which he has called you, the riches of his glorious inheritance in the saints." Ephesians 1:18

Armstrong, Sophie (Bergman's granddaughter)
Badger, Tim
Bernard, Jamie (friend of Chris Hayes)
Bryson, Caitlin (friend of Chris Hayes)
Burmeister, Lois (friend of Gloria Schmid)
Carlson, Joanne (Linda Lundin's sister)
Carroll, Virginia (friend of Dorothy Flett)
Clifford, Kathy (friend of Kim Boyd)
Daley, Kate (friend of Chris Hayes)
Dallamora, Paula & Joe (Jen M's parents)
Dara (granddaughter of Vicar Mac)
Dauber, Lynda (friend of Parsekians)
Dexter, Maria (friend of Rae & Gerda Hall)
DiTommaso, Eric (friend of Emily Badger)
Ferdinand, George (friend of MaryJane)
Fields, Leisel (friend of Jen McCreedy)
Fox family (friends of the Linares)
Gifford, Bill (friend of Chris Hayes)
Gilarde, Vinny (friend of Chris Hayes)
Gilmore, Lois (sister of Vicki Haukom)
Glennon, Tom (neighbor of Parsekians)
Hackemer, Henry
Harmon, Rose (friend of Chris Hayes)
Higginbottom, Sophia (friend of Rita LaPlante)
Holleran, Ann (friend of the Hayes)
Husted, Susan (friend of Diezemanns)
Isles, Andrea (sister of Katie Linscott)
Johnson, Paul (Dorothy Flett's brother)
Just, Christian (relative of Ginny & Naomi)
Kalla, Judy (friend of Bill & Chris Hayes)
Kelleher, Elaine (friend of Kristen Croke)
Kroll, Gertrude (friend of Ursula Hackemer)
Lawless, Pat (friend of Joan Philipon)
Leary, Erin (Millie's granddaughter)
Leary, Kris (daughter of Millie Hill)
Lundin, Kurt
MacKennon, Linnie (friend of Lundins)
Meslo, Lisa (Hayes' sister-in-law)
Michaels, Marcia (friend of Victoria Warneck)
Mitchell, Marcia
Mulcahy, Jennifer (niece of Diezemanns)
Mulkern, Carol (friend of many at HOP)
Myers, Chuck (friend of Lundins)
Nickele, John (friend of Parsekians)
Niendorf, Kris
O'Donnell, Kathleen (friend of Rita LaPlante)
*Oliveira, Andrew (friend of Croke family)
*Olsson, Adam (Doris' grandson)
*Olsson, Emily (Doris' granddaughter)
*Olsson, Todd (Doris' grandson)
Parker, Marilyn (friend of Dorothy Flett)
Paresky, David (friend of Parsekians)
Parsekian, David
Patterson, Betty
Petrasek, Ruth (friend of Gerda Hall)
Pitman family (friends of Pastor Henry)
Pyor, Mark (friend of Leah McGaughey)
Rawlins, Betty (friend of Myrtle Hickman)
Rawlins, Patty (friend of Myrtle Hickman)
Richardson, Al (friend of Kristen Croke)
Richardson, David (Victoria's uncle)
Schmid, Erwin (relative of Gloria)
Scott-Rawlins, Cherese (friend of Myrtle Hickman)
Smith, Don (friend of Lancasters)
Street, Bill
Street, Marcy
Sullivan, Elizabeth (daughter of Alice Sheehan)
Toomey, Skip (brother-in-law of Hayes)
Trubiano, Norma (friend of Diezemanns)
von Lange, Hans-Jochen (friend of Ursula Hackemer)
Wisner, Ed (Lenae's dad)
Winiewicz, Judy (friend of Bill & Chris Hayes)
Wood, Ann (friend of Chris Hayes)

*serving in the military

November 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 <i>All Saints' Day</i> 9:30AM Bible study 6PM Children's Choir rehearsal 7PM Stewardship meeting	2	3 3PM Saturday Music rehearsal 4:30PM Worship Service
4 <i>Daylight Savings Time ends</i> 8:30AM Adult Choir rehearsal 9:30AM Worship Service 10:50AM Coffee Hour & Sunday School/Adult Forum	5	6 <i>Election Day</i>	7	8 9:30AM Bible study 6PM Children's Choir rehearsal	9	10 3PM Saturday Music rehearsal 4:30PM Worship Service
11 <i>Veteran's Day</i> 8:30AM Adult Choir rehearsal 9:30AM Worship Service 10:50AM Adult Forum	12	13	14	15 9:30AM Bible study 6PM Children's Choir rehearsal	16	17 3PM Saturday Music rehearsal 4:30PM Worship Service
18 8:30AM Adult Choir rehearsal 9:30AM Worship Service 10:50AM Sunday School & Coffee Hour	19	20 1PM "In Stitches" meets 6PM Children's Choir rehearsal	21 11:30AM Staff meeting 7PM Interfaith Worship at Old Ship Church	22 <i>Thanksgiving Day</i> Church Office closed	23 Church Office closed	24 3PM Saturday Music rehearsal 4:30PM Worship Service
25 <i>Tidings Deadline</i> 8:30AM Adult Choir rehearsal 9:30AM Worship Service 10:50AM Coffee Hour	26	27 7PM Church Council meets	28	29 9:30AM Bible study 6PM Children's Choir rehearsal	30  Thank You, LORD!	
Other groups meeting schedule	7AM AA 10AM OA 7PM US	7AM AA 10AM OA 7PM ACOA	7AM AA 9:15 AM BCC 7PM Men's AA	7AM AA 7PM Alanon	7AM AA 10AM OA	

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