

**Time for YOU to share
this good news:**

Here's a job for YOU: As you know, the cast of A Starry Night has been preparing since September for our Christmas musical play: with two rehearsals each week, lines and songs to learn, sets to prepare, and costumes to procure. They want to provide the news of Jesus and the Christmas story to all who attend the production at 7:00 p.m. on Dec 13, 14, and 15. They have worked hard to do this for us, but even more: for Jesus Christ.

We believe this is a wonderful chance to reach new people and to introduce them to the ministry of Hope Presbyterian Church.

NOW YOUR JOB is to invite people to come. Your neighbors, your family, your friends. Put posters up in your community rooms. Invite friends to come with you. Make it a friendly event. Go out to supper first or out for ice cream afterwards.

It's free. It's fun. It's soon. Who will you tell? Will you do your part to make this the best Christmas ever for someone you know?

Let's do it together!

HOPE PRESBYTERIAN FAMILY NEWS



December 2, 2018

THIS MONTH'S SESSION MEETING will be held today after worship.

A CONGREGATIONAL MEETING – will be held today at the end of worship, for the election of elders and deacons. The following are being nominated for terms beginning in January 2019: for Elder 3-year term: Len Dahlvik, Barbara Johnson and Vicky Reed. For Deacon: 3-year term Dee Dee Street, Dawn and Linda Thompson, Selwyn Lutchman and for a 1-year term: Ron Russell.

CHURCH CHRISTMAS OPEN HOUSE – has been held each year at Barbara Johnson's home. This year on Saturday December 8 at 6:30. The address is 13300 Indian Rocks Road, Unit #103. Call (727) 515-1422 if you have questions. All church members and friends are invited. You will especially enjoy seeing Barb's Christmas village; it takes up a whole room! No need to bring anything.

XMAS SHOPPING PARTY – There will be a "shopping party" at St John's Episcopal Church store, next door, on Saturday December 15th from 1 -3 p.m. This is an opportunity for adults and children to "shop" for gifts for family and friends. A \$10 voucher will be enclosed in your shopping bag. Christmas cookies and punch will be provided. You can walk over from Hope!

"The greater your knowledge of the goodness and grace of God on your life, the more likely you are to praise Him in the storm."

Matt Chandler

ANGELS EVERYWHERE

I am writing this before our Hanging of the Greens, but I am picturing you reading this in the sanctuary on Sunday December 2, with the Advent wreath up front, Advent banners on the walls and the Christmas tree be-decked (there's a word!) with lights, ornaments and angel tags.

We get to be the angels, as we select angel tags from the tree and purchase gifts to give to the families and children at Grace House. These gifts will meet the hopes and needs of families that are struggling to build a new life. **Add your prayers for them** as you select the tags and get the gifts. Then bring those gifts back to the church (unwrapped!) by December 16.

You are the angels! In so many ways God is using you (and all of us) to do precious and saving work, for his sake. Thank you....

Pastor Ginny

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THE HOPE ANGEL TREE is up today. Please select one or more gift tags today to provide Christmas presents for the families at Grace House. The gifts are due back, unwrapped by Sunday December 16. Thanks!

YOUTH -- Beth Walley and Michael Cozens are with our Youth at Cedarkirk for the holiday Retreat this weekend.



CHURCH EVENTS COMING UP

Sunday	12/02	11:30 a.m.	Session meeting
Tuesday	12/04	07:00 p.m.	“Starry Night” play rehearsal
Wednesday	12/05	05:45 p.m.	WNA, pot luck
		07:00 p.m.	Bells practice
		07:30 p.m.	Choir practice
Thursday	12/06	07:00 p.m.	“Starry Night” play rehearsal
Saturday	12/08	09:00 a.m.	Men of Hope Breakfast
		01:00 p.m.	“Starry Night” play rehearsal
		06:30 p.m.	Open House at Barbara Johnson’s house
Sunday	12/09	11:30 a.m.	Worship, B &G and Deacons meetings
		01:30 p.m.	Memorial Service for Cathy Mauch, mother of Hope member Stephanie Murren
Monday	12/10	06:00 p.m.	PNC meeting R5
Thursday	12/13	12:00 p.m.	Young at Heart lunch at Outback, bring a \$5 gift