

Our Prayer Concerns

Health Care Facility

Frances Hartmann Heritage Greens, 801 Meadowood. St. Room 128, Greensboro, N.C. 27409
 Becky Johnson Sunnybrook Health Care, 25 Sunnybrook Rd Rm 7A, Raleigh, NC 27610
 Juanita Lundy Loyaltan of Greensboro, 3823 Lawndale Dr. #215, Greensboro, NC 27455
 Jessie Murphy Evergreens Nursing Home, 4007 W. Wendover Av., Room 443, Greensboro, NC 27407
 Yvonne Naim 811 Meade Dr, Gnbo, NC 27410
 Kathleen Neal 4600 Laurel Run Dr., Gnbo, NC 27410, Tel# 286-0231
 Joe Patrick #PCW-248, 701 Plantation Estates Drive, Mathews, NC 28105
 Christine Suits Heritage Greens 801 Meadowood St., Rm.336, Gnbo, NC 27409
 Charlotte Shepherd 5442 Pepperbush Ct, Sugar Hill, GA 30518
 Marion Thomas Heritage Greens 801 Meadowood St., Rm.307, Gnbo, NC 27409
 Annie Laura Turner Meadow View Terrace, Room 405,Clarksville, Va. 23927
 Phone:434-374-3972
 Steve Wyrick Heartland Living and Rehab. Rm. 321A, 1131 N. Church St., Gnbo, NC 27401

Special Prayer Requests

Kylie Bean, Judy Bohrer, Blondell Bowman, Harriet Broden, Monica Butler, Bobby Coble, Mary Cook, Ray Grant, Lee Hammonds, Kay Holland, Christine Jones, Linda Jones, Jane Kerr, Gene & Sybil Larimore, Juanita Lundy, Jason Marshall, Michael Melvin Jr., James & Doris Moody, Cheryl Myers, Sharon & Steve Myers, Jerry Neal, Kathleen Neal, Ruth Nesbitt, Angela Olsen, Jeremy Page, Marietta Roberts, Dennis & Donna Smith, Winston Smith, Bob Simmons, Christine Suits, Eddie Taylor, Doris Warren, Jackie Wilson, Jewel Wilson, Lib Wyrick.

If you wish to submit a name for special prayer or to remove a name, please call the church office, 299-6330.

Many thanks to those of you who have given contributions to buy our Hymnal Supplements, "The Faith We Sing". We do get a discount when Ordering more than 20 at a time. After shipping, each book costs about \$10.00. We hope to buy 60 more and with your help, will be able to do so by the end of the year.

BRUNSWICK STEW

The UMW has Brunswick Stew in our freezers for sale. If you would like to get some to serve on some of those cold, winter nights, please contact Betty Reddick (299-4365) or Vickie Gordon (292-9222)

MAKE-UP MAF TRIP

Immediately after the choir concert this afternoon, we will board the bus, go to eat at a cafeteria and then travel to view the Christmas lights in Caswell County. (This trip had to be postponed due to bad weather on Thursday.)

OPPORTUNITIES FOR THIS WEEK

SUNDAY December 14

7:00 am....UMM Breakfast/Meeting
 9:45 am....Church School
 11:00 am...Worship Service
 4:00 pm....Choir Christmas Concert at Hinshaw UMC

MONDAY December 15

8:00 pm...AA/Al Anon/Al Al/teen

TUESDAY December 16

WEDNESDAY December 17

11:00 am....Circle #4

THURSDAY December 18

FRIDAY December 19

SATURDAY December 20

7:00-9:00...Live Nativity Scene

SUNDAY December 21

9:45 am....Church School
 11:00 am...Worship Service
 4:00 pm....Choir Christmas Concert at Pleasant Garden UMC
 7:00 pm....Children's Program
 7:00-9:00 pm...Live Nativity Scene

CHURCH CONTACT INFORMATION

Church Office. (336) 299-6330 or (336) 299-2513
 Parsonage..... (336) 299-6339
 Pastor's Cell... (336) 681-8804
 Pastor's Email: Donna@hinshawumc.org
 Program/Youth Director: jim@hinshawumc.org
 Administrative Assistant: jim@hinshawumc.org
 Church Web Address: hinshawumc.org

Any time you would like Rev. Smith to visit with you, please contact her and she will be glad to arrange a time to visit with you.

RESTROOMS

The Women's restroom is located on the Sanctuary-level of the Sanctuary Building. Go through the door to the left of the altar and the restroom will be the last door on your left.
 The Men's restroom is located on the basement-level of the Sanctuary Building. It is located immediately below the women's restroom.

NURSERY

The Nursery is located on the second floor of the Education Building (above the Fellowship Hall).

OUR FAITHFULNESS
December 7, 2008

Regular Offering
\$5,503.96

Building Fund
\$140.00

Poinsettias
\$54.00

Singer's Fund
\$75.00

"Faith We Sing" Hymn Books
\$25.00

A complete Hinshaw financial update will appear in each Hinshaw Church Newsletter. This newsletter is mailed to the entire congregation and it is also available on-line: www.hinshawumc.org

ATTENDANCE

Worship 92
 Study Groups 47
 (includes Sunday School)

WORSHIP ASSOCIATES

Hospitality Host
 Howard West

Ushers
 Bill Fowler, Jim Brentnell,
 Tom Smith, Ray Ward

Nursery
 Betty Reddick

Nursery Next Week
 Volunteer Needed

We need volunteers to help in the nursery. Please contact Jim Waynick if you can help.

OUR MINISTRY TEAM

Ministers.....The Congregation
Pastor.....Rev. Donna Smith
Program/Youth Director.....Mr. Jim Waynick
Choir Director.....Ms. Lyn Koonce
Church Custodian.....Mr. Steve Benoit



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Welcome...
 ...To All who need the Love and the Grace of Our Heavenly Father,
 the Care of Christian Friends, and A Place to Serve God.

December 14, 2008

Eleven O'clock

Third Sunday of Advent

COMING TOGETHER TO PRAISE GOD

**Congregation Stand*
The Prelude is meant to be a time of quiet reflection as we prepare for worship.

WELCOME VISITORS!

Welcome to our fellowship. We thank God you are with us. Please fill out a visitor's card located in the pew rack and place it in the plate during the offering.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*THE PASSING OF THE PEACE OF CHRIST

MESSAGE FOR CHILDREN

Mr. Jim Waynick

PRELUDE

"We Three Kings"

THE LIGHTING OF THE ALTAR CANDLES

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

The Promised One is coming!
Make us ready to receive your light, O Lord.
 He will come to bring hope and freedom.
He will come to set free those who are oppressed.
 The blind will see and those who are deaf will hear!
The good news is God's loving salvation through God's own Son.

***SONGS OF PRAISE**

(CONGREGATION JOIN IN SINGING:)

"Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty"
 "Prepare the Way of the Lord"

64 UMH*
 207 UMH*

PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

THE LORD'S PRAYER (#895 in the UMH)*

"O Come, O Come Emmanuel" - verse 3 211 (UMH)*

LIGHTING OF THE CANDLE OF JOY

Loving God, we open ourselves up to You, trusting that this is how You made us: You created us for joy filled hearts and lives. Show us the creative power of hope. Teach us the peace that comes from Justice. Fill us with the kind of joy that cannot be contained, but must be shared. Prepare our hearts to be transformed by You, that we may walk in the light of Christ. Amen.

OFFERTORY PRAYER In Unison
We bring these offerings with joy that they may, with your blessing, be joy for others. Amen.

ANTHEM "Mary, Did You Know?" Casting Crowns

*THE DOXOLOGY "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" 95

HYMN OF PREPARATION "Rejoice Ye Pure in Heart" 160 UMH

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Lord, open our hearts and minds By the power of your Holy Spirit, That, as the Scriptures are read And your Word proclaimed, We may hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen.

LISTENING FOR A MESSAGE FROM GOD

*THE READING OF SCRIPTURE Pew Bible
Isaiah 61:1-4, 8-11 OT Page 691
1 Thessalonians 5:16-24 NT Page 205
John 1:6-8, 19-28 NT Page 91

THE SERMON

Rev. Donna Strickland Smith
"Rejoice?"

SILENT PRAYER

RESPONDING TO GOD

HYMN OF INVITATION "Hark, the Herald Angels Sing" 240 UMH

*DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

Go forth into the world with joy and be of good courage.
May the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son
and the Holy Spirit be upon you and remain with you always.
Amen

*THE LIGHT OF CHRIST LEADS US INTO THE WORLD

*CHORAL BENEDICTION "Prepare the Way of the Lord"

*POSTLUDE

** United Methodist Hymnal*
*** The Faith We Sing, hymnal supplement*

We extend an extra special word of WELCOME to persons who are worshipping with us for the first time. We hope you will prayerfully consider making Hinshaw Church your church home.

The Hinshaw UMC family extends sympathy to Betty Browning at the death of her brother, Chester Floyd Brady on December 5th.

The Hinshaw UMC family extends sympathy to the family of Pinkie Abernathy who passed away this week.

The Hinshaw UMC family extends sympathy to members of Triad Native American UMC whose pastor, Delton Collins passed away last Sunday following the service. The church appreciates your prayers and Rev. Collins' family asks that any memorials given go towards their Heating Fund. (Their HVAC unit was taken.)

CHRISTMAS EVE WORSHIP SERVICE
Hinshaw Sanctuary
December 24th
7:00 p.m.

Christmas Music

Sunday afternoon December 14th and December 21st

For this year's special Christmas music, the Chancel Choir and Worship Bands from Hinshaw and Pleasant Garden UMC, will combine their voices and instruments to celebrate Christmas Through Song Around The World. The two performances are scheduled for Sunday afternoon Dec. 14th at 4pm at Hinshaw and on Sunday, December 21st at 4pm at Pleasant Garden and will last under an hour. Make plans to celebrate with friends and family at one (or both!) of these special musical events.

CIRCLE #4 WILL MEET

on Wednesday, December 17th at 11:00 am
And see "The Best Christmas Pageant Ever".
This will be followed by a covered dish lunch at 12:00 noon.
We invite you to join us.

MAF CHRISTMAS BREAKFAST

On Monday morning, December 22nd at 8:00 am the MAF Christmas Breakfast will be held.
Please call the church office by noon on Friday, December 19th to put your name on the list.
We'll share the cost of the meal. Plan to come and enjoy Some beautiful Christmas Carols.

LIVE NATIVITY SCENE

Hinshaw Lawn
Presented Nightly by the Youth Fellowship
Saturday, Sunday, Monday and Tuesday
December 20th, 21st, 22nd and 23rd
7:00 to 9:00 p.m.

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

Presented
Sunday night, December 21st
at 7:00 pm in the Hinshaw Sanctuary

PECANS

The Asbury Sunday School Class is selling pecans. The "new crop" of Georgia Pecans has arrived. Plain halves—\$7.50/lb. Dark Chocolate covered pecans—\$7.00/lb. Amaretto Chocolate covered pecans—\$7.00/lb. They can be purchased from any class member. All proceeds are used for missions. Thank you for your support.