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Through Christ we put God first by teaching reaching and loving all!

The R E A C H O U T

The new year is a special time. I like the fact that we had our church new year start December 1st so we don't have to get caught up in New Year's resolutions. We can settle down and take charge of our lives and work on a new me or new you. We can renew our hearts and minds in Christ Jesus. You see the pressure is off, we already had New Year! We don't have to work on resolutions! We can really create change.

I would like for each of us to start now and shine the light of Christ in our Body, Mind, and Spirit in our lives in the way you treat yourself, your family members, the people at work or play, and of course your neighbor. Please just sit with me a moment and work through ways to respond to and engage those around you. I know I have a lot to work on. Now let's find the things we would like to be and create a new path to become what we envision.

We reboot, restart! Remember your baptism, you are washed clean and your sins are forgiven. You are a child of God, sealed by the Holy Spirit, and with the cross of Christ!

Happy New Year!!!! 2020 is here! From our family to yours, Wendy and I would like to share our Season's Praise and Thanks!! We want to thank each and every one of you for the gifts. Whether you gave them personally, or through the letter sent by council. We surely appreciate them all. We enjoyed each and every card, snack, and wish for a merry Christmas. What joy we felt on Christmas Eve when you blessed us with your gifts and talents. Wendy and I sat with joy speaking of the entire night. We loved the glow on your faces as you exited the church. To shake your hand or hug you with the joy of Merry Christmas on your hearts and minds. We just say THANK YOU!!!

Pastor Ralph & Wendy

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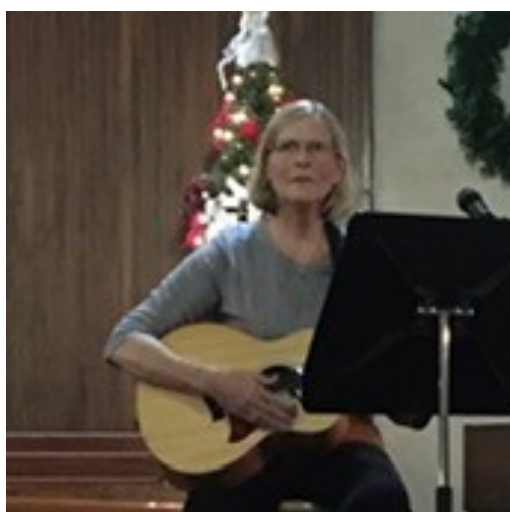
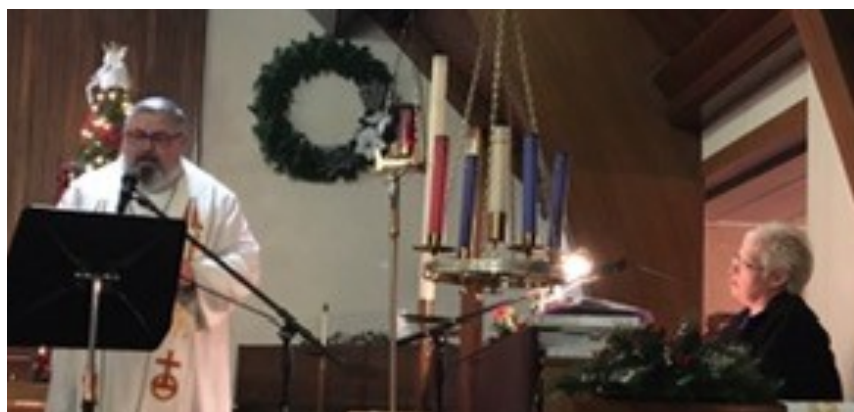
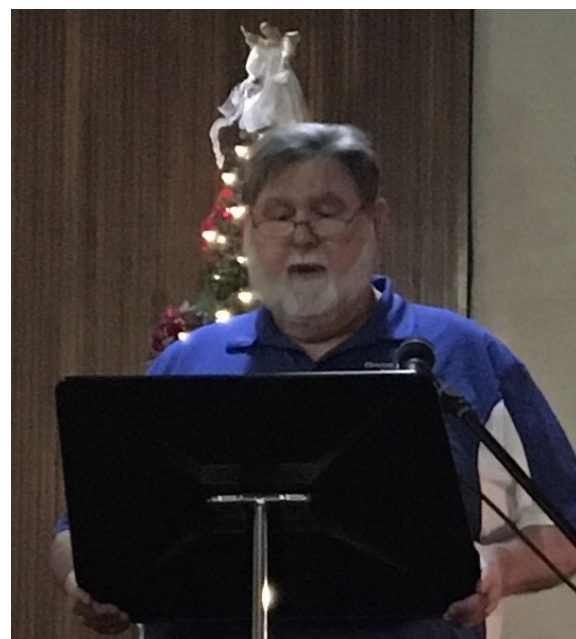
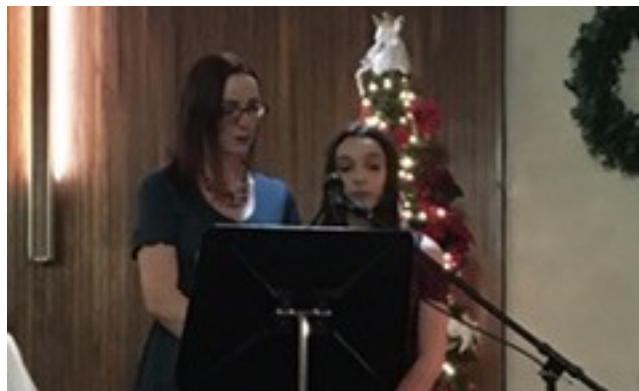
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**DEADLINE FOR
NEWSLETTER
ARTICLES IS**

January 24



JANUARY

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 Office closed Happy New Year!	2	3 Office open 9am-2pm	4 Worship 5:00pm
5 Worship 8:00am & 10:30am & 12pm	6 Office open 9am-2pm	7	8 Office open 9am-2pm	9	10 Office closed Resiliency Summit 8am-4:30pm	11 Worship 5:00pm
12 Worship 8:00am & 10:30am & 12pm Chili and cornbread 12-4pm	13 Office open 9am-2pm	14	15 Office open 9am-2pm	16	17 Office open 9am– 2pm	18 Worship 5:00 pm
19 Worship 8:00am & 10:30am & 12pm	20 Office open 9am-2pm	21 Council Meeting 7pm	22 Office open 9am-2pm	23	24 Office open 9am-2pm	25 Worship 5:00pm
26 Worship 8:00am & 10:30am & 12pm	27 Office open 9am-2pm	28 Rostered ministers retreat	29 Office closed Rostered ministers retreat	30 Rostered ministers retreat	31 Office open 9am-2pm	

Sundays & Seasons Worship Planner

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DATE	EVENT NAME	COLOR	READINGS	INTRODUCTION
January 5th	Second Sunday of Christmas	white	Jeremiah 31: 7-14 Psalm 147: 12-20 Ephesians 1: 3-14 John 1: 1-18	Within the gospel reading's profound words lies the simple message that God is revealed in a human person. Though we may try to understand how the Word existed with God from the beginning of time, the wonder we celebrate at Christmas is that the Word continues to dwell among us. Christ comes among us in the gathered assembly, the scriptures, the waters of new birth, and the bread and the wine. Through these ordinary gifts we receive the fullness of God's grace and truth.
January 6th	Epiphany of Our Lord	white	Isaiah 60: 1-6 Psalm 72: 1-7, 10-14 Ephesians 3: 1-12 Matthew 2: 1-12	The feast of Epiphany ("manifestation") concludes the Christmas season with a celebration of God's glory revealed in the person of Jesus Christ. In Isaiah and Ephesians, that glory is proclaimed for all nations and people. Like the light of the star that guided the magi to Jesus, the light of Christ reveals who we are: children of God who are claimed and washed in the waters of baptism. We are sent out to be beacons of the light of Christ, sharing the good news of God's love to all people.
January 12th	Baptism of Our Lord	white	Isaiah 42: 1-9 Psalm 29 Acts 10: 34-43 Matthew 3: 13-17	In the waters of the Jordan, Jesus is revealed as the beloved Son of God. Through this great epiphany, Jesus fulfills all righteousness and becomes the servant of God who will bring forth justice and be a light to the nations. In the waters of baptism we too are washed by the Word, anointed by the Spirit, and named God's beloved children. Our baptismal mission is to proclaim good news to all who are oppressed or in need of God's healing.
January 19th	Second Sunday after Epiphany	green	Isaiah 49: 1-7 Psalm 40: 1-11 1 Corinthians 1: 1-9 John 1: 29-42	Today's gospel opens with further reflection on Jesus' baptism. He is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world and the one anointed by the Spirit. In the liturgy we come and see Christ revealed among us in word and meal. We go forth to invite others to come and worship the Holy One and to receive the gifts of grace and peace made known among us.
January 26th	Third Sunday after Epiphany	green	Isaiah 9: 1-4 Psalm 27: 1, 4-9 1 Corinthians 1: 10-18 Matthew 4: 12-23	Jesus begins his public ministry by calling fishers to leave their nets and follow him. In Jesus the kingdom of God has come near. We who have walked in darkness have seen a great light. We see this light most profoundly in the cross—as God suffers with us and all who are oppressed by sickness, sin, or evil. Light dawns for us as we gather around the word, the font, and the holy table. We are then sent to share the good news that others may be "caught" in the net of God's grace and mercy.

Serving in God's House

SERVING IN GOD'S HOUSE	January 5 Second Sunday of Christmas	January 12 Baptism of Our Lord	January 19 Second Sunday after Epiphany	January 26 Third Sunday after Epiphany	February 2 Fourth Sunday after Epiphany
Altar Guild	Art & Barb Gray	Donna Haller	Jean Ohlin	Kathy Kramer	Andy Tesyk
Acolyte/ Crucifer 8:00am 10:30 am	Lauren Coss Ashlyn Elford	Neil Takach Kellen Pitzer	Cadence Elford Nick Haines	Stephen Coss Cadence Elford	Lauren Coss Barry Pitzer
Communion 8:00 Assistant 10:30	Penny Felger Loetta Haller	Peggy Manchester Kathy Kramer	Penny Felger Sarah Deiger	Peggy Manchester Andy Tesyk	Penny Felger Loetta Haller
Lector 8:00 10:30	Greg Razo Andy Tesyk	Stephen Coss Jean Sauerwein	Peggy Manchester Pam Nock	Nancy Crouse Leslie Warren	Greg Razo Kathy Kramer
Liturgy	Kathy Kramer	Pam Nock	N/A	Sarah Deiger	Sandy Kuntz
Ushers 10:30 am	Ed Smith	Chuck Haller	Ed Smith	Chuck Haller	Ed Smith
Fellowship after 10:30 am worship	Andy Tesyk	Amber Powell	Stephanie Razo	Sandy Kuntz	Leslie Warren
Chrema Head counter in bold print	Tammy Chuey Ed Smith Ruth McMurray	Jeff Hum Donna Haller Sarah Deiger	Pam Nock John Nock Loetta Haller	Nancy Barret Sandy Kuntz Rachel Hum	Tammy Chuey Ed Smith Ruth McMurray
Anointers	8:00 am Nancy Crouse Marlene Vavrus Peggy Manchester Jen Razo Greg Razo	10:30 am Nancy Barret Sandy Kuntz Andy Tesyk	5 pm Diane D'Amico Joyce Herubin Chris Herubin	Any service Jeff Waldele Sarah Deiger Wendy Edwards	
Communion Bread	Loetta Haller	Loetta Haller	Loetta Haller	Loetta Haller	Tammy Chuey
Pew restocking	Andy Tesyk	Andy Tesyk	Andy Tesyk	Andy Tesyk	Ruth McMurray
Recycling	John Chuey	John Chuey	John Chuey	John Chuey	John Chuey

If you need to exchange dates with someone else, PLEASE CONTACT THE CHURCH OFFICE **AFTER** you have made the arrangements with someone to exchange dates with, so that we may change the office calendar. **If you would like to volunteer, please call the office (330-549-2406) and we will add your name to our list. Thank you!**

Circle News ~ Team News

HANNAH CIRCLE NEWS

Hannah Circle met at the church December 10th with 7 members present. Alice Ann Haller opened the meeting with meaningful devotions.

Thank you Loetta, Donna, and Alice for buying \$50 worth of paper products for the Harvest Festival to benefit our local food pantry, the 3 C's.

Our members were unable to attend the luncheon at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church in Salem as it was cancelled.

We discussed gifts bought for 4 children for Christmas. Many bargains were purchased by Carol Jean and Barbie who love shopping. Thank you.

Hannah Circle members exchanged names for the Card Ministry Outreach.

We are planning to bake cookies for the Rescue Mission. The date is not until March 29th, so reminders will be forthcoming.

We concluded our meeting by finishing the ornaments that will be given Christmas Eve. Thank you Tracey, for all the planning and hard work you put into this project. You are appreciated.

Then we proceeded to C's Waffle House and enjoyed food and fellowship after Loetta asked the blessing.

We will not have meetings in January or February but will begin again on March 10th with visiting friends.

Please continue to save foil and aluminum cans for us as this is our only fundraiser.

DORCAS CIRCLE NEWS

Dorcas Circle members will meet again in April.

STEWARDSHIP TEAM

The next meeting will be February 11th at 7pm. Thank you so much for the candy you donated to the men of Teen Challenge! They all said it was a huge blessing. Currently we are collecting pet supplies for area shelters.

DINNER TEAM

2020 dinner team schedule:

Sunday January 12 -chili and cornbread all you can eat from 12-4pm

Saturday February 8 -beef tips and noodles all you can eat from 4-7pm

Sunday March 8 -pasta bake all you can eat from 12-4pm

Sunday April 5 -soup and sandwich all you can eat from 12-4pm

May date to be determined -rummage sale with smoker

Our Prayer List

The One Call system allows us to contact the prayer chain all at once to lift up prayers. If you would like a One Call sent out please contact the Church office at 330-549-2406.



Jack Crouse
Nancy Crouse
Brooklyn Hostetter
Charles Mohn
Carol Coleman
Gerald Hostetter
Dolores Kuhar
Lynne Grant
Dave Sweeney
Victor Slezak

Kerry Gumbs
Sarah Corey
Karli Hostetter
Heidi Byler
Joe Kreidler
Ned Ziegler
Cindy Breedlove
Debbie Dulovich
Chad Anderson
Leon Cassidy

Lori Whitehouse
Karen Holisky
Amy Hambrick
Serving in the military:
Jakeb Fry
Lyndsey Liberty
Jodie Brimmer & squadron
Morgan Rhinehart
Alyssa
Bryce Liberty

Our weekly intercessory
prayer for the people of our
congregation :



4— Ed and Jane Peachey

January 5

Alyson Smith
Ed Smith
Kim Smith
Dan Spivey

January 12

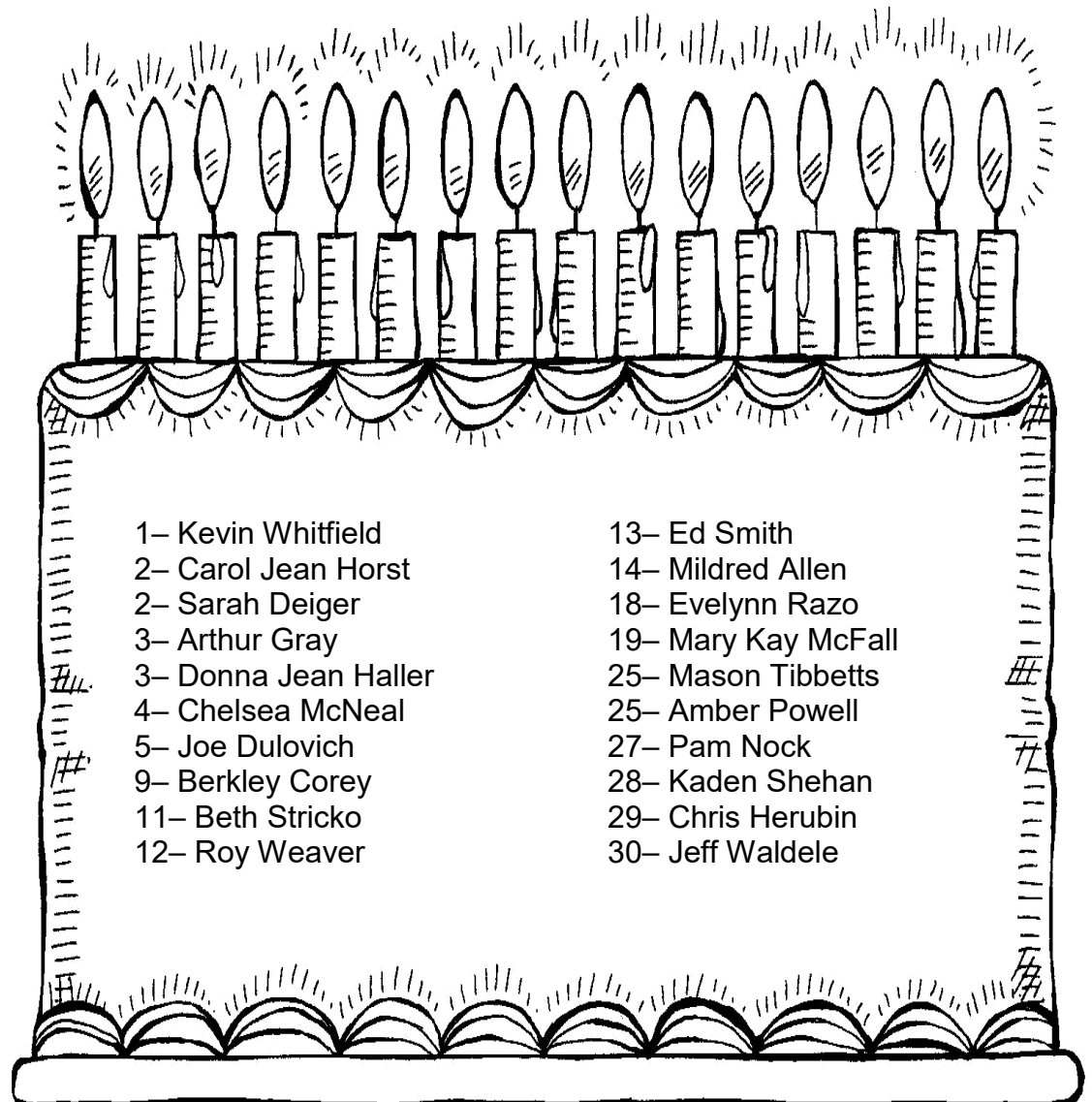
Eda Jane Spivey
Jenn Stasiak
Joseph Stasiak
Jennifer Strecansky

January 19

Jillian Strecansky
Richard Strecansky
Beth Stricko
Tanner Stricko

January 26

Ty Stricko
Jennis Takach
Neil Takach
Timothy Takach



MEETING MINUTES

Council Minutes for December 17, 2019

Meeting opened with prayer led by Pastor Ralph.

present: P. Ralph, Sarah, Peggy, Andy, Sue, Kelly, Greg, Jeff H.

excused: Stephanie, Jeff W.

Treasurer's Report: Kelly had good news for us! The church had a positive balance for November.

Pastor's Report –December– 2019:

Area of Focus Last Month

I had 20 counseling sessions and numerous significant contacts with members and others.

1 Hospital Visit Jim Lude

1 Funeral Bob Andress

We had our regular number of Saturday night, Sunday morning Services

Over the past month, I have presided at 15 worship services and prepared 6 sermons.

Nov 3 All Saints (Day Light Saving time ends)

Nov 3 Music Fest (MVAC)

Nov 5 Bishop's Gathering

Nov 6 Clergy Breakfast

Nov 8-9 Confirmation overnighter at camp Frederick (Sacraments)

Nov 9 Bob Andress Funeral

Nov 9 Loetta Haller Presided over the Saturday 5PM Worship

Nov 10 Congregational Meeting

Nov 15 Being Trauma informed Seminar

Nov 20 Hospital visit

Nov 23 The Spivey Anniversary party

Nov 24 Harvest Sunday

Nov 24 Hanging of the Greens

Nov 26 House Blessing Ansevin

Nov 28 Thanksgiving Day Office Closed

Nov 30 Family Day TC

Coming up

Dec 1 Noon Day Services Start (Non-Liturgical)

Dec 1 First Sunday in Advent

Dec 4 Advent Service, Do Less, Youth will do fellowship

Dec 6 Huddleston – Harris Wedding

Dec 8 Second Sunday in Advent

Dec 11 Advent Concert Experience Wonder, Sue Deutschlander and friends Ohlin Family to do fellowship

Dec 15 Third Sunday in Advent

Dec 18 Advent Service Hold on to Hope, Cookie Exchange and Fellowship Extra cookies

Dec 22 Fourth Sunday in Advent

Dec 22 Caroling to nursing homes

Dec 22 Blue Christmas

Dec 24 Office Closed

Dec 24 Christmas Eve Service 6:30 and 10:45

Dec 25 Christmas Day Office Closed

Dec 25 Pass out candy at Ohio Valley Adult and Teen Challenge

Dec 28 Family Day TC

Dec 31 New Year Eve Office Closed

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Secretary's Report:

Attended Sacred Music Festival

Attended Confirmation retreat

Attended and prepared packet for congregational meeting

Attended noon services- Dec. 3, 17

Attended anniversary party- Dan & Eda Spivey

Assisted with confirmation class

Prepared calendar through December

Created and distributed flyers and press releases

Attended council meeting

Cleaned up and organized office and ordered supplies

Handled incoming calls and answering machine messages

Answered email and handled correspondence

Helped with 3 c's phone calls

Updated our website weekly

Prepared 9 regular bulletins

Prepared and distributed the Reachout

Prepared 4 Sunday school lessons and bulletins

Updated Red book and Realm

Changed outdoor sign

Old Business: Sarah will schedule the employee evaluations in January. She will also give council evaluation forms and self-evaluation forms to employees.

Jeff H. will present copier contract estimates in January.

New Business: Council thanks Joe Marino and Kelsie Valentine for their service on Good Hope's council. Wendy sent thank you notes.

Jeff H. nominates Sarah for president and Andy seconds. Andy nominates Greg for vice president and Jeff H. seconds.

Council re-elects Sarah Deiger as president and Greg Razo as vice president for 2020.

P. Ralph motions to accept Kelly Shaffer and Mark Shaffer into membership of Good Hope as of December 17, 2019. Peggy seconds. Motion carried.

The meeting closed with the Lord's Prayer led by Greg.

Treasurer's Report Ending November 30, 2019

Negative shown in parentheses	Actual this period	Actual this year to date	Annual budget remaining
Income	\$16,017.79	\$158,964.62	\$34,535.38
Expense	\$15,220.10	\$179,721.77	\$13,333.51
Total	\$797.69	(\$20,757.15)	\$21,201.87

Capital Improvement Fund: Goal = \$50,000.00 Current Balance = \$30,923.90

Thank you for your donations!

JANUARY 12TH From Noon - 4PM



ALL-YOU- CAN- EAT- HOMEMADE CHILI WITH CORNBREAD AND DESSERT! SEVERAL KINDS OF CHILI WILL BE SERVED.TAKE OUT IS ALSO AVAILABLE.

Adults \$8.00

Children age 7-12 \$4.00

Children under 6 eat free.

Furry Friends Fundraiser

Supplies Needed for dogs & cats:

Food & water dishes, Towels, Blankets, Pet beds, Cat litter, Cat & Dog food, Toys, Bones, Leashes & collars, etc.



Other supplies needed:

Buckets, Gloves, Clorox, Cleaning supplies.

Please bring your donations to the Narthex from January 12– February 29.

All collected items will benefit local pet shelters!

With appreciation
and much gratitude.

Thank you for the beautiful
Christmas gifts you got for my
mom, Frances Gerish. Everything was
perfect. She really likes them. Merry
Christmas Rose Mary Franceschelli

Good Hope Lutheran Church,

12-23-19

It had a wonderful surprise!
and generous gifts you presented
to me. I love the top & sweater; have
already eaten the peppermint
pretzel, which was great. I named
the little dog "Lavern" to match
her brother "Leo".

May God Bless you for your
kindness and expressions of love.

My Heartfelt Thanks,
Peggy "B"

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Worship Services

Saturdays—5:00 pm

Sundays—8:00 & 10:30 AM

Children's Sunday School during 10:30 worship

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