

The Vision



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Good Morning everyone! Welcome to December! The Advent

season is upon us! May we, as never before, discover the "Reason for the seaon" this year! What a Miracle! What an interventiion for the salvation of mankind! We will look at four themes in our four Sundays of Advent: Hope, Peace, Joy and Love!

If you are visiting with us today, you are our honored guest! Welcome! Sit back and relax. You are among friends. We are delighted to have you with us. If possible, I would love to connect with you before you leave today...

With you on the Journey,

Pastor John & Debbie



Your fellowship today is important to us. Please fill out the attendance pads at the end of each pew.



December 8, 2024

SOUND SYSTEM-Chuck Richardson DEACON-Ken McVey Small Talk – Judy Thompson Nursery – Carol Durbin & Payton Woodard (The previous week's attendance and financial status)

ATTENDANCE Worship-88 Sunday School-55 FINANCIAL NOTES

Worship Service		Sunday School
November 3	\$4,613.40	\$53.11
November 10	\$3,386.00	\$30.35
November 17	\$5,641.01	\$25.32
November 24	\$2,738.00	\$40.40

SPECIAL OFFERING Bereavement Fund –\$61.00,

RMMO Offering - \$10.00

Total Receipts (November) \$17,440.62 Weekly Need \$ 2,716.18

I Hope

I hope that I will always be for each person what he or she needs me to be.

I hope that each person's death will diminish me, but that fear of my own will never diminish my joy of life

I hope that my love for those whom I like will never lessen my love for those whom I do not.

I hope that another person's love for me will never be a measure of my love for him or her.

I hope that everybody will accept me as I am, but that I never will.

I hope that I will always ask for forgiveness from others,

but will never need to be asked for my own . . . I hope that I will always recognize my limitations, but that I will construct none.

I hope that loving will always be my goal, but that love will never be my idol.

I hope that everyone will always have hope.

-Henri Nouwen



Dec 8-----Church Pitch In Holiday Meal after Sunday School

RMMO MISSION OFFERING

This time of year, FBC Martinsville participates in the Retired Ministers and Missionaries Offering (RMMO). RMMO is always about celebrating, thanking and lifting up our servant leaders.

The theme for RMMO 2024 is: Together, We Remember.

With our offering, We Remember the pastors, missionaries and leaders who have served ABCUSA churches and ministries. Each of those who have celebrated the wondrous works of Christ will be remembered in the form of a thank you check – a tangible expression of our enduring gratitude for their service.

Our church will be taking our RMMO offering Nov 24 - December 15. If you feel so inclined, please include your donation in the offering envelope in your Sunday bulletin.



Prince of Peace Lutheran Church, 3496 E. Morgan St., Martinsville, IN, will present its 12th annual Bethlehem Walk on Saturday, December 7 from 4:00 – 8:00 pm. If you have never experienced this event, it is something you will never forget!!

You will need to go to their Facebook page or their web site and reserve a time you would like to take the walk.



This year our church filled 30 boxes for the shoebox ministry, Christmas Child.

Special Attention

It was brought to our attention that on Veteran's Sunday, there were some names left off the list. Those are:
Leon Houchin------US Navy James Leon Houchin ------US Navy Aaron Zachary Houchin------Marines Brian Trimble--------Marines Capt. Zach McClain ------Florida National Guard



PRAYER REQUESTS:

Church Family:

Debbie Maples, Carol Williams, Dean Durbin, Daniel Brown, Kathy Morris, Pastor John. Jim & Donna Abshire, Bob O'Neal, Taylor (Holman) Bryant, Brian Etchison, Bill Powers, Doris Smith, Bertha Heiny, Jack Clark, Lynn Williams, Jeff Sexton, Sonny & Mona Hawkins, Joanna Tinsley, Betty Williamson, Judy Thompson, Tom & Norma Brown, Evelyn Denney, Bob & Dianna Jennings & College Youth.

Community:

Our community, the leaders, our school boards. For children and teachers in our community.

<u>Military Personnel:</u> Skyler Rynard, Dan Koong, Michael Pitz, Clint Plake and all military personnel serving at home and abroad.

Country: Pray for America,

Situations in the country and abroad, the President, cabinet, political leaders, military personnel, our nation, police, the US economy, firemen and medical personnel

World: Peace, Middle Eastern conflict, global financial situation, and those serving.

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