

November / December 2024

Peace Haven Baptist Church

UNTO YOU IS BORN... A SAVIOR THE SEASON OF ADVENT DECEMBER 1-24

At PHBC, we follow the story of God's saving, healing, and liberating love through the seasons of Advent, Christmas, Epiphany, Lent, Easter, and Pentecost. The season of Advent marks the beginning of a new church year of worship. Advent means coming and the season celebrates the coming of God's saving goodness and grace in Jesus Christ. The four Sundays of Advent before Christmas follow the themes of Hope, Love, Joy, and Peace.

Throughout the season, focus on opportunities for daily prayer, the reading of scripture, worship, fellowship, and ministry through the church. A great online resource for daily devotions is available at www.d365.org Printed resources and scripture guides will also be available at church. As we prepare for Christmas celebrations in our families, community, and culture, let's embrace the season of Advent as a way of being centered and grounded in Jesus Christ.

Advent Mission Opportunities

Crop Walk: Thank you very much for the tremendous support for the Crop Walk. Including the spirit walkers, we had 19 participants, 1 dog and raised over \$1800.

Love Offering Disaster Relief for NC Mountains: Hurricane Helene has caused severe devastation and flooding in Western North Carolina, leaving many families and communities in urgent need of assistance. In response to this crisis, we ask you to make contributions for recovery assistance. You can place cash in a giving envelope with "NC Mtn Love Offering" written on the envelope, write a check payable to Peace Haven Baptist Church with "NC Mtn

Love Offering" in the memo line, or you can **give online** at the Peace Haven Baptist Church website (phbcws.org) by clicking the Donate button.

Samaritan Ministries Penny Campaign: Bring any coins you have collected to contribute for the Penny Campaign 2024 on **Sun., Nov 24** as we will have a special time for collection during the worship service. You can also make contributions online at the PHBC website.

Kettle Bell: We need volunteers for 1-hr shifts to ring the Kettle Bell for Salvation Army on **Sat., Dec 7** at Lowe's Foods in Sherwood Forest shopping center. This is a great way to make a difference in the lives of the needy in our community. Soon there will be a sign-up sheet outside the worship area.

Angel Tree: We will be collecting wish list presents for 17 children from families registered with The Salvation Army. Soon there will be a Christmas tree located in the church foyer near the parking area with the children's names along with their wish list. When you select a name be sure and indicate which child you selected on the sign-up sheet provided and take one of the Instruction sheets. All gifts should be returned by Sun., Dec 1 and should be Unwrapped. You may provide wrapping paper.

Blessings to each of you and thanks very much for your ongoing support, especially during the busy holiday season!

Labyrinth Opportunities in November and December

Walking the Labyrinth is a powerful ritual that prepares us with quiet stillness as we move into and experience the Holy Season of Advent and Christmas. There are two opportunities for the Labyrinth Walk this season:

On Sunday, November 10th at 4:00pm, we will have a Gratitude Walk which is focused on the bountiful blessings God has rained down upon us. There will be a short reading before the walk and a short discussion after the walk.

On Sunday, December 22nd at 4:00pm, we will have a Blue Christmas Walk to honor our losses as sometimes in the hustle and bustle of the Holidays it is difficult to be joyous when we are in pain. There will be a short reading before the walk and a short discussion after the walk. Please know that this is a safe, gentle way of embracing our experiences of loss and pain. Questions: Please contact Michele Shadden at mchljhnletriad.rr.com or 336-692-7588.

Senior Adult Ministry Update

Peace Haven is partnering with Senior Services in its Remember In December campaign to collect items for needy seniors during the holiday season. Starting November 11, Peace Haven members can bring donations to the collection box at the church. Another way to give will be buying directly from a Walmart gift registry in which supplies will be sent directly to Senior Services on Shorefair Drive. Too many seniors are alone, hungry and struggling to meet basic needs. Buying the basics, such as bath soap, toothpaste, paper towels and other household, hygiene and health necessities aren't an option. Senior Services' mission is to help older adults remain at home for as long as possible and to help them live with dignity. Our contributions will make a big difference to seniors who not only struggle at the holidays, but in everyday life.

An email will be sent soon with a wishlist of necessary items and the Walmart registry link. The wishlist will also be available at the church. Our campaign ends December 15th. For more information, please contact Jean Jarvis,

Senior Ministry Team Leader at 336-671-2919

Welcome New PHBC Members

Lore Jackson joined PHBC on Sunday, September 8, 2024. Lore recently got married and is now Lore Reid!

Josh Snyder joined PHBC on Sunday, October 27, 2024 through Baptism.

Callie Watson was baptized on Sunday, October 27, 2024.

Chili Cook-Off Winners

First Place - Jimmy Flanegin Second Place - Nathan Parrish Spiciest - Larry Dorriety





PHBC Christmas Post Office December 1-24

Share Christmas blessings within the church family. A list of names with boxes is in the lobby. Place your addressed cards in the blue Post Office Box and they will be sorted for you. Be sure to check your box for cards! In lieu of postage, make a designated offering to support missions. Cash in marked envelopes, checks made to PHBC with Christmas Post Office in the memo line, online offerings at phbcws.org

Church Conference

Sunday, December 1 @ 4:00 pm In Person and Zoom Includes vote on 2025 Church Budget

Church Holiday Meal

Sunday, December 8th
Following the Morning Worship
Sign up to attend and provide requested side
items/desserts,

PHBC Christmas Cantata

"Invitation To A Miracle" Sunday, December 15 11:00 AM Worship Service

Christmas Caroling

Sunday, December 15th @ 5:00 PM
We will walk the neighborhood sharing traditional carols and seasonal songs.

Fellowship Supper Follows Caroling

@ La Caretta @ Whitaker Square

1989 Peace Haven Road

Sign up by Wednesday, December 11 for dinner

Christmas Eve Worship Service

7:00 PM Carols and Communion

SPECIAL NOTICES



2nd Monday of each month.

If you are interested in assisting with the route to deliver food, please contact **Jean Jarvis**





SENIOR ADULT LUNCH

The Mayflower Seafood, Rural Hall, NC

Thursday December 12 11:30am



\$10 contribution per person requested

Contact Jean Jarvis for more info

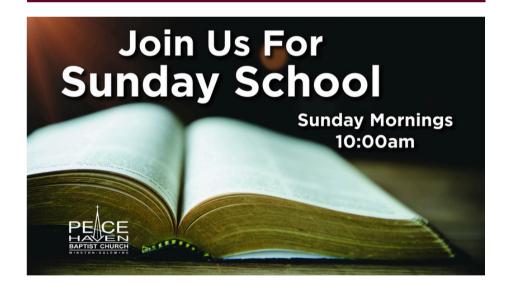
Landscaping Update

The Renovation Project included the landscaping of several areas of our campus. The one that is presently being developed is the Pollinator Garden.....an area surrounding the picnic shelter. A design has been suggested, plants have been selected and some of them have been planted. Native plants of various colors, textures, shapes, and sizes make up the list, as we envision, not only a place of beauty, but also an attractive area for bees and butterflies....thus, helping to pollinate the shrubs, plants, and vegetables in our area.

The area is not attractive just yet, but you are helping to make it a place of beauty by bringing your newspapers, magazines, and cardboard to be used as an underlayer for mulch. The mulch will help define the area so that we can begin to enjoy the area as it grows.

We thank you for your interest in this project and for your help in making it happen.

The Landscape Team





LIVE STREAM

Worship Service Options

www.phbcws.org or

www.facebook.com/phbcws or

www.youtube.com@phbcws

For more information contact Rev. Jon Hamby-Lattimore 336-757-0264 or rev.jonhamby@gmail.com

Happy Birthday Wishes!

November

Nancy Greene	11/02
Gail Shirley	11/03
Jennifer Vincent	11/03
Duncan MacMillan	11/04
Callie Watson	11/05
Gwen Gambill	11/07
Linda Merchant	11/07
Miles Thompson	11/09
Ekyochi Iddi	11/10
Cindy Oldaker	11/10
Johnny Guyton	11/13
Kevin Watson	11/13
Adrian Burgan	11/17
Valentin Garcia	11/17
Jean Jarvis	11/18
Terri Fisher	11/22
Jo Reeves	11/22
Vonda Renegar	11/22
Idi Iddi	11/23
Mary Iddi	11/23
Emory Owen.	11/23
Michele Shadden	11/26
David Heighton	11/26
Alice Greene	11/28
Saige Gordon	11/30

December

Alan Hodges	12/15
Sherri Rumfelt	12/16
Mindy Kistler	12/17
Selena Shortt	12/17
Xenia Watson	12/20
Peggy Davis	12/21
Dick Roan	12/25
Juelz Rice-Young	12/28
Keith Travis	12/29
Maggie Wright	12/30

<u>January</u>

Ningejua Iddi	1/01
Gail Shaw	1/03
Jimmy Kistler	1/08
Tom Vincent.	1/10
Elaine Hodges	1/10
Mikayla East	1/11
Craven Page.	1/12
Emily MacMillan	1/15
John Crews	1/23
Janet Day	1/30

Please share corrections and additions with Pastor Nathan