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		1 Happy New Year	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14 Council @ 7:00 pm	15	16 Seniors @ Mt. Tabor @ 10:30 am	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28 LMiM @ 7:00 pm	29	30	31		



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Davidson County Senior Services is in need of dedicated Meals on Wheels volunteers to deliver meals in the Cotton Grove, Denton, Holly Grove, Pilgrim, Reedy Creek, and Wallburg communities. Prepared meals are picked up from local fire departments, churches, or civic centers and routes take no longer than two hours to complete. In addition, most volunteer drivers deliver once every other week. If you would like to support and befriend the homebound older adults in your community, please contact Jacob Gordon, Volunteer Services Coordinator, at (336) 474-2646

or jacob.gordon@davidsoncountync.gov."

Happy New Year

A new year is about to unfold With new opportunities to explore Doors will open for new experiences, New adventures with the Lord

Remember not the former things, The things of this past year, The Lord will do new things in us, Much more than we are aware.

-M.S.Lowndes



Please don't forget to return your Time & Talent forms.....



January is named after the Roman god Janus, who was always shown as having two heads. He looked back to the last year and forward to the new one. The Roman New Year festival was called the Calends, and people decorated their homes and gave each other gifts.

January in the Northern Hemisphere is the seasonal equivalent to July in the Southern Hemisphere and vice versa.

According to Facebook users, January is "Change Your Profile Picture To A Muppet" Month

January 1st, 1776, the first American flag, the "Grand Union" was presented. Betsy Ross later added the stars in place of the Union Jack.

Leap years exempted, January always begins on the same day as October.

In leap years, January always begins on the same day as April and July.

The Chinese floral emblem of January is the plum blossom

January is National Soup Month in the United States.

The first SuperBowl was held at the L.A. Coliseum on January

Jerry Rice has the most touchdowns in a Superbowl (8).

Baking Month Bath Safety Month Blood Doner Month Braille Literacy Month Fat Free Living Month National Hobby Month Hot Tea Month Mentoring Month Oatmeal Month Slow Cooking Month Soup Month Thank You Month Weight Loss Awareness Month



Birthday & Anniversaries

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 Kevin/Freddie Fulbright Norris/Kara Feeney	2 Jan Watkins Marty Varner	3	4 Kim Payne Logan Clodfelter	5 Wayne Conrad Hillary Varner
6 Gary Hedrick	7	8 Bobbie Fritts David Miller Michael Kepley	9	10	11 Judy Rose	12
13	14 Anthony/Susan Varner	15	16	17	18	19 Steven Frank
20	21 Angie Laster Bill/Betty Roberts	22 Burnette Monteith Judy Thomason	23 Wayne Easter	24 Kevin/Anissa Stewart	25 Jennifer Lohr	26 Sarah Kepley AddairVarner
27	28 Stephen Ever- hart	29 Mary Ellen Hinson	30	31 Leighanne Brin- kle		



A diaper shower will be held for Baby Cecil on Saturday January 12th from 2:30 to 4:30 at the home of Keith and Lori Cecil. Everyone is invited.

<u>Cemetery</u>- Cemetery committee will have a meeting January 13th after worship.

<u>Confirmation</u>- Confirmation class will resume January 6th under the normal schedule, 4pm at First Lutheran.

January 23rd: Worship and Music Committee will meet @ 6:00 pm.

January 25th: SiLLY goes bowling! Meet @ the Lexington YMCA bowling alley at 5:30 to 7:30 pm. Wear your SiLLY t-shirt & socks!

Update Information Form: It's that time of the year to update your information for the upcoming year. Please make any corrections and either place it in the offering plate or give it to Lateffa. If you are not sure as to what is on file, a 2018 directory is in the narthex to review. Forms are located in the narthex.

- <u>**Time & Talent Forms:**</u> It's time to fill out your Time & Talent for the upcoming year. Please get these back to Lateffa or place them in the offering plate
- Holly Leaf News: If you have information that needs to go into the Holly Leaf submit this info to the church office by the 20th of each month.



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Did you know that if you are 70½ or older, you can make a charitable gift directly from your IRA to your favorite ELCA ministry?

Your generous gift – called a qualified charitable distribution – can be up to \$100,000 and qualifies for your required minimum distribution. Plus, your qualified charitable distribution is not reportable as taxable income to you.

Reach out to your Regional Gift Planner today for more information on how to make a qualified charitable distribution or other planned gift.

The examples and information provided are for illustrative and educational purposes only and should not be considered tax or legal advice. Please consult with your tax or legal advisor about proceeding with your gift plan.

Deacon Mitzie Schafer, ELCA Regional Gift Planner 3990 St. Luke's Church Road, Prosperity, SC 29127 Phone 803-413-7827 • mitzie.schafer@elca.org • ELCA.org/foundation

Special E-News

Dear Partners in Ministry,

Greetings in the name of Jesus Christ!

At the 2018 Synod Assembly, an exciting new vision was presented.

As the North Carolina Synod of the ELCA, God calls us to... Cultivate & Celebrate Vital Congregations Identify, Equip and Nurture Whole & Healthy Leaders Embrace & Engage in Collaboration Proclaim the Promise of the Resurrection with a Prophetic Voice ...All for the Sake of the World.

We are boldly moving forward together in ministry with this new vision. It is currently being used to guide and prioritize the work of the synod as we embrace the initiatives, plan for the opportunities and implement the strategies.

Adopting a new vision also requires a careful review of the constitution since the constitution supports the vision of the synod. This review was done and pointed out areas that need to be updated to bring the constitution into alignment with our new vision.

As we continue to live into and emphasize our new vision, the 2019 Synod Assembly will focus on the first initiative in the vision, vital congregations. The assembly will also include the opportunity to update the synod's constitution and bylaws to correspond with the vision.

Per *S18.13* in our synod constitution, congregations must be given a 6-month notice when the Synod Council approves changes to amendments in the constitution. The Synod Council approved changes to the constitution at their September 2018 meeting. Members of the assembly and congregations were notified through **the bishop's reflection** in the November 4, 2018, issue of *Synod E-News*, followed by a USPS mailing, and now this special email. Members of Synod Council and synod staff will be attending spring conference meetings to answer questions and provide information. Additionally, there will be a forum at the 2019 Synod Assembly prior to voting.

The **proposed constitution**, along with a **document outlining the proposed changes**, is on our website under the **2019 Synod Assembly event**; click on Resolutions.

Questions related to the new constitution should be directed to Michael DeNise, Director of Finance and Administration, whose contact information is available below. Peace and blessings.

Sincerely,

Diana Haywood Vice President NC Synod,ELCA

Please pray for:

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Our Members:

- Burnette Monteith
- The Family of Jane Brown
- Bobbie Fritts
- Harold Rose
- Lydia York
- John Curry
- Lydia Rose
- Sheila Hanes
- Gary Hedrick
- Barbara Kepley
- Sue Anderson
- Bill Roberts
- The Family of Barbara Black
- Jo Ann Turner
- Judy Black
- Debbie Frank

Our Friends & Family:

- Billie Allred
- Gracie Hedrick
- The Family of Chuck Clodfelter-Friend of Wendy Lohr
- Wayne Charles-Friend of Herb Lohr
- Judy Rose-wife of Harold Rose
- Eddie Wray-Friend of Herb Lohr
- Tommy Wrenn-friend of Bonnie Hedrick
- Kathy Owens-Sharon Everhart's Sister
- Noah Byerly-friend of Sharon Everhart
- Kevin Stewart-Robin & Karen Beck's son-in-law
- James Church
- Tyler Whitley-Lateffa Dennis' cousin
- Robin Sink
- Dean Fowler
- Tony Roberson-Friend of Herb Lohr
- Gary Helms-Gaynell Davis cousin
- Becky Aycoth-Gaynell Davis cousin
- Joanne Koonts-Gaynell Davis cousin
- The Family of Harvey Potter-Family member of Bonnie Hedrick
- Vince Tulizzotto-Friend of Herb Lohr
- Family of Katy Palmer-Max Carrick's Sister
- Walter Lohr
- Marty Snider
- Our service men and women all over the world



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Bird Food Recipes

Make your own homemade bird food for your pet bird or for the beautiful wild birds that come to visit your yard.

Homemade Bird Food

1 pound of lard

- 1 jar of peanut butter
- 5 cups corn meal
- 6 cups oats
- 2 cups sunflower seeds
- 2 cups raisins

Mix everything together (this will be nice and messy!). Roll into about 5 or 6 small balls. Roll balls in sunflower seeds and raisins. Place the balls in a bird feeder and watch your feathered friends enjoy their snack.



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