




Tidings of J.O.Y.

Just Older Youth (age 55+)
Harrisonburg 1st Church of the Nazarene


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J.O.Y. Directory Update

An updated J.O.Y. Directory will be printed and distributed in November. **If you have a change of address, phone, or email** please let Sheryl Wyse know by **Friday, October 16th**. Call or text her at 246-1303 with any information changes or e-mail skwyse@comcast.net Thank you!





Pandemic Prayer

Great God: our community gathers in spirit through the marvels of technology to give thanks together.

*Thank you for medical professionals and staff who work so faithfully in hospitals, clinics, and nursing homes...give them strength, courage, and personal protective equipment.

*Thank you for the diligence of scientists working on a vaccine, and the way so many have ramped up the production of essential supplies.

*Thank you for storekeepers and clerks, farmers and truck drivers, police officers, firefighters and all who show up to work every day in essential services.

*Thank you for those who care for children in close quarters, and all the creativity and patience they are showing.

There is much to be thankful for, we pause here to lift up our own silent prayer of thanks...

We come to you with many needs today.

Hear our prayer for those who are sick with this virus- ease their suffering and restore them to health.

Hear our prayer for those who are grieving, who bury their loved ones without the comfort of funerals, or the physical presence of family and friends.

Hear our prayer for the unemployed and business owners in this time of financial insecurity... help them survive this economic downturn.

Hear our prayer for children whose routines are disrupted and who long to play sports and visit playgrounds.. show them how to have fun inside.

We pray for vulnerable people everywhere, especially refugees, and people in war-torn countries who have no access to medical care...we need a miracle to spare them from this virus.

Finally, hear our prayer for public health officials around the world – give them wisdom as they make decisions to reduce fatalities. This week when we are tempted to dwell only on our own loneliness, help us reach out to others, being the community we long to have.

Thank you for showing us new ways to be the church, the church alive, vibrant, and witnessing to the risen Christ in times like these. Amen.

-- Carol Penner, *The Marketplace*, July August 2020

THANK YOU...

"I want to thank everyone for their prayers, cards, and words of encouragement during my surgery. God is so good and has blessed me with healing with no major challenges from the surgery. Trusting in Him gives you peace of mind and assurance that all will go well. I especially want to thank Pastor Jim and Pastor Roger for the loving support before and during surgery."
--- Pat Shoemaker

I am so grateful for the many cards with beautiful expressions of condolence on the passing of my husband, Fred Hinz (known as John). I have sensed your love and prayers through this time of loss. May the Lord bless each of you. I love you all. Rachel Hinz

"I want to thank the Joy Group for your prayers, cards, phone calls etc. that I received after my complete rotator cuff tear and complete bicep tendon tear due to a fall. I was concerned about this surgery due to my age. One day I was praying and asked God what I should do. While I was praying, I felt his presence so close to me and tears began rolling down my cheeks. From that day on, I had peace. God is so good. I had surgery June 17, 2020. I have done very well and have not had much pain. July 3 & July 4 I took a Tylenol and have not taken any pain medication since. I am sore but no pain. I went to the doctor on July 16th, and he told I was doing better than most people for that surgery. (To God be the Glory!) I went to physical therapy the same day after seeing the doctor and did not need any pain medication. Thanks again for your prayers. Praise God He hears and answers prayer."

--- Juanelle Simmons

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

OCTOBER

5 th – Neil Sheppard	19 th – Bonnie Thompson
6 th – Nadine Conaway	20 th – Harriet Steiner
6 th – Juanelle Simmons	21 st – James Sota
10 th – Shirley Brooks 85 th	24 th – Dwight Houff 80 th
11 th – Debbie Huntley	24 th – Marnie Laurion
12 th – Winston Detamore	26 th – John Anderson
13 th – Lauren Mills	31 st – Roger Dove
17 th – Bill Kingrea	31 st – Pat Shoemaker



HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

October 14, 1962	Ron & Liz Garber	58 th
October 17, 1959	Bob & Anne Spilman	61 st
October 28, 1978	Tim & Valarie Link	42 nd



Praying for J.O.Y. Family and Friends



These are the prayer requests **since July 3rd**. Thank you for being a prayer warrior and a support system during a time of health concern, loss of loved one, recent surgery and/or rehab.

Harry Allen	diabetic; hospitalization
Kim Carnahan	diabetes related issues
Joy Czerwinski	cancer; surgery & recovery
Caryl Devers	anxiety; fibromyalgia pain
Evelyn Hausknecht	fall; broken wrist
Shannon Heishman	heart concerns
Don Shanholtzer	heart issues
Pat Shoemaker	surgery; hospitalization
Nancy Swisher	heart attack; recovery
Violet Varner	rehab; heart procedure

Loss of Loved Ones:

Fred Hinz	7/4/20 Rachel Hinz' husband
Bonnie Wampler	8/1/20 June Craun's sister
Stacey Sinnett	8/10/20 J.O.Y. member, friend
Edith Blose	8/13/20 Dale Blose's mother
Robert Perry	9/3/20 Oletha Lott's son; brother of Carolyn Dean & Sandra Perry

Merle Marston	11/4/19 Jim Marston's wife
Jack Ridder	11/27/19 Drew (Kathy) Ridder's dad

THANK YOU...

Tim and Carol Devers brought the 80th Birthday gift to me. Doris and I want to thank the JOY Group for such a loving touch. We had time to visit (outside, 6-feet apart). It was great to spend time with them and get caught up on things. Our prayers and love to all those who are feeling shut in. God Bless you all.

--- Larry & Doris Davis

I just wanted to give a huge thank you to so many members of the Joy Group who sent us such beautiful anniversary cards. Thanks for your thoughtfulness and your love for us. We miss seeing you in person and we love you!

Grace & Peace, Adrian Mills, Lead Pastor

"I just wanted to thank you and my JOY Family for the lovely card. It has been a difficult week. I can't believe that David has been gone for an entire year and four days!"

--- Carolyn Purdy

(A card was sent from the J.O.Y. Group on the first anniversary of David's passing.)

Thank you to the JOY group for the anniversary card. We are doing fine, and finally unpacked the last box. We are enjoying our new house.

-- James & Judith Sota



NEW HEALTH MINISTRY

"I want to introduce a **new health ministry** here at Harrisonburg First Church of the Nazarene. **Joy Kanagy**, RN, BSN, is a member of this church, with many years of nursing experience, in a variety of settings. She recently completed study for the nursing specialty of Faith Community Nursing. She is joining our shepherding team to be available to our faith community, providing support with health care needs, while caring for spiritual needs. Her role will focus on caring for the needs of the whole person, body, mind, and spirit. She will be available to help find resources for your health needs, help you know how to navigate the healthcare system and provide education about disease prevention, medications, advanced care planning, etc. She wants to help answer health questions you may have. She will work with the shepherding staff to provide visitation, grief/crisis support and to pray with you. She will be available to help facilitate needed care following hospitalization. She is volunteering her time, knowledge and resources and can be reached by calling the church office at 540-434-1092. Please leave a message and your call will be returned."

--- Angela Sipe, Administrative Assistant to Pastor Adrian Mills



October is Pastor Appreciation Month! You are invited to celebrate our pastors who have answered God's call and are serving Harrisonburg 1st Church of the Nazarene. This is your invitation to express your appreciation to them in whatever way you choose. They will be honored by your expressions of appreciation.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

NOVEMBER

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| 1 – Don Shanholtzer | 14 – Vickie Waldrop |
| 2 – Carolyn Dean | 15 – Violet Varner 94 th |
| 6 – Marcia McGlamary | 17 – Herb Bing |
| 10 – Betty Anderson 80 th | 18 – Carolyn Houff |
| 10 – Hal Corson | 27 – Bill Troyer |
| 14 – Beth Elyard | 30 – Grace Pickenpaugh |



HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

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| November 10, 1962 Dick & Pat Shoemaker | 58 th |
| November 24, 1979 Wayne & Carolyn Dean | 41 st |
| November 28, 1987 Frank & Vickie Waldrop | 33 rd |



Directory Updates – Cell Phone Numbers

Liz Garber 430-1524
Rachel Hinz 830-4123



A Special Message from Pastor Roger to Harrisonburg 1st Church of the Nazarene:

I echo Paul's Thanksgiving and Prayer for HFCN as recorded in Philippians 1:3-6:

"I thank my God every time I remember you. In all my prayers for all of you, I always pray with joy because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now, being confident of this, that he who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus."

As a shepherding pastor I got to see up close, that life is hard, but GOD IS GOOD...and I would add, because GOD IS LOVE. I remember writing those words in glue and covering them with sand, in a VBS craft when I was only 5 years old, and I kept the craft for many years. I forgot those words for about 20 years. But God is Good, God is Love, and the Holy Spirit convicted me of my lostness in 1980. I share that to remind us that we all need/needed a Savior and that God calls every believer into His service.

I am humbled and grateful that you allowed me to serve my Savior Jesus and his flock at HFCN over the last 17 years. My words are "I pray with joy because of your partnership in the Gospel". HFCN is my home church and I am not leaving, but just moving from performance to presence, from role expectations to, well, you get the picture. After all, I am on Medicare now, you do the math 😊. These two scriptures have been foundational during my years at HFCN, I pray they challenge you. **I Cor. 2:1-5** and **Luke 17:10**.

The Lord has truly blessed HFCN In so many ways over the decades, the future is bright, and He blessed us again with Pastor Adrian and his family, their love for Jesus, others and you. And now I remind you that the Lord calls us to be united and in His service, so that the world will know we are Christians.

Pastor Roger Dove
"The Carpenter's Kid" - Rev. 21:6-7



Daylight Saving Time ENDS
TURN BACK CLOCKS
November 1, 2020