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HAPPY NewYear



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Pastor article

Written by Pastor Candy O'Meara

Happy New Year Hosanna!

When we mark the occasion of a new year, sometimes we look back and think, "Wow! What a great year!" and sometimes we think, "Wow, super glad that one is over." Sometimes we look forward and ask ourselves, "I wonder what new adventures are coming this year!"

Hosanna underwent lots of changes this last year. I want to encourage you/us to look back at those changes, think about what we have learned as a result of those changes, and then forward to 2023 as an opportunity to explore new adventures. With change comes opportunities for growth and a renewed sense of purpose.

While I have only been with you for about 6 months, an observation that I have is that throughout all these changes, you, Hosanna, have not changed your (our) core value: a sense of God's purpose for us.

We are a mission church. Trust me, not every congregation can say that with any sense of integrity. Hosanna IS a mission church. We are doing what Jesus called us to do: "Go make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey all that I have commanded of you." (Matthew 28:19-20a)

The ministries that Hosanna kept and brought with us from Mandeville reflect this value. We may be smaller than this time last year, but our sense of purpose is still here. We live out that purpose through our quilting ministry, our chemo bag ministry, our seasonal ministries like the thanksgiving baskets, and our Hosanna Hot Meals.

Now, we are learning to share that vision with others. There have been people from several other congregations that join us on Mondays to prepare and package the hot meals.

The key players in the Hosanna Hot Meals ministry are moving, either literally or figuratively, and we need help to fill their shoes. We are so thankful for Louann and Charles Stone, Steve Beene, and for Nicole Gunn for their work over the years with this vital ministry!

We look forward to those whom God will call to this ministry. Maybe it won't be in the same way, but we trust God to provide. Could God be calling YOU to this important ministry?

There are several jobs that can be done by people with differing abilities, some can be done by people sitting at a table, some can be done in other ways, such as making labels to put on the meals or keeping track of where the meals go, helping with menu planning,

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ordering, etc. Maybe there's a different way to do the meals so that we can reach more people.

Whatever 2023 holds for us, we know the ONE who holds us. We trust God's calling for us will continue to evolve as we continue to evolve. "And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age." (Matthew 28:20b)

Blessings to you in this New Year!

Pastor Candy



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More events may be added throughout the month. Check Hosanna Happenings emails, Sunday slides or FaceBook for an updated list of events.

To submit prayer requests <u>CLICK HERE</u>:



Join us in saying goodbye to Grace Schneider on January 15th. Click <u>HERE</u> to sign up to bring an item.



JANUARY 2023

Church Calendar
Click HERE for the online church calendar

JANUARY 1 9am Breakfast Church in the Fellowship Hall

Bible Study after the service

JANUARY 2 Hosanna Hot Meals @ 222 South Jefferson Avenue

JANUARY 3 Redevelopment Team Meeting @6pm

JANUARY 5 Quilters 9am-12pm in Fellowship Hall

JANUARY 8 9am Breakfast Church in the Fellowship Hall!

Bible Study after the service

JANUARY 9 Hosanna Hot Meals @ 222 South Jefferson Avenue

JANUARY 10 Redevelopment Team Meeting @6pm

JANUARY 12 Quilters 9am-12pm in Fellowship Hall

JANUARY 15 9am Sunday Service

Farewell Potluck for Grace Schneider

JANUARY 16 OFFICE CLOSED for MLK Day

Hosanna Hot Meals @ 222 South Jefferson Avenue

JANUARY 17 Coordinating Council Meeting @5pm

Redevelopment Team Meeting @6pm

JANUARY 19 Quilters 9am-12pm in Fellowship Hall

JANUARY 22 9am Sunday Service

Bible Study after the service

JANUARY 23 Hosanna Hot Meals @ 222 South Jefferson Avenue

JANUARY 24 Redevelopment Team Meeting @6pm

JANUARY 26 Quilting 9am-12pm in Fellowship Hall

JANUARY 29 9am Sunday Service

Bible Study after the service



Doris Wild Office Manager/Bookkeeper officemanager@hosannalutheran.com 985-727-9200



We welcome our new Office Manager, Doris Wild. Doris lives in Covington, and has a variety of experiences, including being an office manager in the environmental services industry and working risk management in the healthcare industry. She is also an Independent Notary Signing Agent.

We look forward to working with Doris and will provide an opportunity for you to meet her, but for now, stop by the office, introduce yourself and say hi!

Grace will be working with Doris until January 12, so also stop and say bye to Grace. We will have a reception for her on January 15 after worship.

Thanks for your work, Grace, and welcome Doris!

Hosanna Hot Meals is looking for desserts! If you can make or buy dessert for this ministry sign up with THIS LINK!



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Hosanna Quilters:

Quilters meet every Thursday from 9am-12pm in the Fellowship Hall @ 222 S. Jefferson Avenue.

If you have any questions, please contact

Debbie Coleman or the office

Meals are every Monday! Volunteer opportunities available!



Online Resources

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Redevelopmeni

The Redevelopment Team meets every Tuesday at 6pm.

The team consists of:

Pastor Candy O'Meara Pastor Jeff Sims Pastor Jarrett Banks Monica Growden Brian Nichols



January Birthdays

Jan 4 Steve Mayfield Jan 18 Steve Beene

Jan 5 Joyce Meyer Jan 19 John Coleman

Jan 6 Bethany Putnam Jan 22 Robert Francke

Jan 10 Nathan Gunn Jan 30 Hunter Boynes

Jan 10 Richard Hodgson Jan 31 Zola Abadie

Jan 11 Mable Rees

Jan 15 Harland Johnson

January Anniversaries

Jan 5 Nathan & Erica Hoffman 42 years

Jan 22 Greg & Gina Weber 28 years