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Currents

What is happening at *the bridge*.

Connecting at **the bridge**



Sunday Jan. 18, 2026

John 1: Jesus encounters a Skeptical Student

9:00 am - Early Worship Service

10:30 am - Second Service

Second services in person and livestreamed on
Facebook and YouTube

Links to all videos posted by the bridge on YouTube:

<https://www.youtube.com/@thebridgepresbyterianchurch4433streams>



New Small Group Starting Next Week

Facilitated by Dr. Doug

Monday Jan 19th at 11:00 am

Will meet in the Warnock Building

Each Monday, Dr. Doug will offer a study based on the previous Sunday's sermon which will explore the major themes and texts in more detail.

The theme of this exploration is Encounters With Jesus. Each week we will look at a different encounter people had with Jesus. From the 'Skeptical Student,' and the 'Ultimate Insider,' to 'Two Grieving Sisters,' and 'The Depressed Denier.' Together, we will look at who Jesus is and how he changed people's lives.

Study Guides will be available

Sign up sheet in the hall or online at onrealm.org under events

Connecting by Serving

Sunday, Jan 18, 2026

Coffee Servers

9:00 - Patricia
10:30 - Kerrie

Greeters/Ushers

9:00 - Wingerts
10:30 - Betty W and Lynne L.

Are you ready to be Connected by Serving?

*Help with Coffee * Greet People * Usher*

Let Wanda in the office know and she will get you connected

Connecting in Generosity

	1/11/26		
Total Local Deposits	\$8,496	9:00 am Service	49
Online Donations	\$1,229	10:30 am Service	65
Total Weekly Offering	\$9,725	Total Attendance	114
Pledge Fulfillment		Attendance (4 wk avg)	
Total Deposit	\$9,725	Weekly Offering (4 wk	\$0



Offering Counters For January

Karen Santone and Jim Manaro

Connecting In Prayer

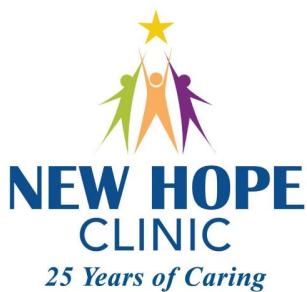
PRAYER LIST Jan 8, 2026

Please remember that this prayer list can also be seen on the Bridge Website within Currents.
Avoid including private information in your requests unless you plan it to be public knowledge.

- Prayers for Cathy Boettcher recovering from knee replacement
- Prayers for Lynne Lewis recovering from back surgery
- Prayers for Lang Spell. He has been feeling poorly. Hope to see him out and about soon.
- Prayers for Alton Nines who plays the mandolin at Bluefields to everyone's delight.
- Prayers for Esther, a friend of Barbara Covill diagnosed with her second bout of cancer. She and her husband are alone without family.
- Prayers for Ken and Mary Campbell. Ken's brother passed away last week. Prayers for Greg's family as they deal with this loss.
- Prayers for Kiza Masanda whose brother-in-law was killed in a car crash.
- Prayers for Anne Graham who continues to improve at home.
- Constant prayers for Marilyn Vernon on her journey with cancer.
- Prayers for Mike Marchand's journey towards open heart surgery.
- Prayers for Mary Ellen Cole at last at home after falling at her daughter's house at
- Prayers for Terry Hickey who lost her sister Sandy Cupolla to cancer last week.
- Prayers for Debbie Cote facing a return of her cancer.
- Prayers for Ruth Fitzsimmons who lost her beloved father this week.
- Prayers for thanks for the members of the Bridge that have volunteered to help people needing rides to church.
- Prayers for our new elders. Help them work together to make good decisions.
- Prayers for Judson's mom Beth starting cancer treatment.
- Prayers for Joyce Rodman who has an infection causing loss of hearing.
- Prayers for our participation in Matthew's Ministry
- Prayers for the homeless, the sick and the forgotten

To make a prayer request, contact Elder Mary Campbell at carlislecampbell@gmail.com or (910)269- 9696 text or phone. There are also yellow request cards available in the church hallway across from the coffee bar. You can also send a request through our website. Prayer requests remain in Currents for two weeks unless an extension is requested

Connecting Through Missions



January Mission Partner **New Hope Clinic**

DO YOU HAVE HEALTH INSURANCE??

**MANY IN BRUNSWICK COUNTY DO NOT BUT NEW HOPE CLINIC IS THERE TO
HELP.**

New Hope Clinic wish list: (place in tub in the hall)

Toilet tissue

Paper towel rolls

Tall Kitchen Trash bags

Post-it notes - any size

Individually wrapped toothbrushes

dental floss

Toothpaste

Black Pens

Copier Paper

Sharpie Markers - wide and ultra fine points

Digital Home blood pressure monitors

Home nebulizers

Cases of water

Batteries AAA or AA

Or visit the Donate Now on the website for a link to our Amazon charity wish list

If you would like to make a financial donation, Make check out to the bridge with New Hope Clinic in the memo line.

Connecting Through Missions



THE BLUEFIELDS
MEMORY CARE

The Bluefields is located at 1935 Lincoln
Rd. NE in Leland.



Our next Craft Day at The Bluefields Memory Care will be
Thursday, Jan. 29th, at 2:00 p.m. in the Activities Room.

If you would like to join the fun in helping our friends ,
please arrive by 1:45 and wear your bridge tee shirt, if
you have one. Any questions please email Patti Pirher at

ppirher@gmail.com

We celebrated the New Year with our Bluefields friends. Dr. Doug's homily reminded us all of our baptisms, the confession of our sins, spiritual cleansing by water, and renewal of our lives with Christ. We praised God by singing with our Bluefields Band, and enjoyed eating Jane's cookies!



**BREAKING BREAD FELLOWSHIP LUNCH
For Men, Women and Friends of the Bridge**

Friday Jan. 30th

Noon at Katys Grill and Bar

1054 S. College

Please sign up in the hallway

Please RSVP by noon on Wednesday, Jan 28th

**You can contact Bettye Weihs at bettyeweih@gmail.com
or 443.831.2256**

Signing up for Events at the bridge in 2026

Isn't it wonderful that there are always events going on at the bridge?!

We have small groups, day trips, encouraging workshops and many other groups.

Why signing up for events is super important!

1. It helps staff know the group size so they can plan the best meeting space to utilize for everyone's comfort
2. It helps the leader or facilitator know how many to expect and plan if materials are needed to be printed or ordered.
3. It encourages others. Some people who are new or maybe extreme introverts are hesitant to attend if it is going to be very small.

We recognize our sign up table gets pretty crowded and often hard to find the "right" sign up sheet or sometimes you are in fellowship with others and just forget to sign up.

So to help, we are going to add the ability to sign up on Realm in 2026.

This will give you 3 ways to sign up for events.

1. Sign up on the clipboard in the hallway at church
2. Call or Email Wanda at 910-769-4951 or thebridgepres@gmail.com
3. Go to Events on Realm(in the far left list of options).
 - Find the event and Register.
 - If there is a charge, you can pay for it with a card right then, or as always drop a check in the offering or by the office with event listed in MEMO

You can ALWAYS attend if you do not sign up, but it really helps the planning if you do!!

Upcoming Happenings

Jan

19th - MLK JR Holiday - Office Closed
29th - Bluefield Craft - 2:00

Feb

3rd - Women of the bridge - 1:00
5th - Bluefield Worship - 1:30
6th - New Hope Mobile Clinic
18th - Ash Wednesday Drive Thru
 # 1 - 11:45 - 12:45
 # 2 - 4:30 - 6:00
26th - Bluefield Craft - 2:00

January Birthdays

Kathy Davanzo	19
Jim Graham	22