



# ENSLOW PARK PRESS

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## PASTOR'S CORNER

*"A flower cannot blossom without sunshine,  
and man cannot live without love"*

Max Muller

As my time at Enslow Park draws inexorably to an end, I have been ruminating on my "final instructions" which I would like to leave with you. The realm of potential topics is endless. Maybe I should get motivational and instruct you to seize the day – to not waste a moment of your lives on trivial matters but to embrace life and go for the glory. Maybe I should encourage you to embrace a spirit of gratitude, for the extent of our blessings are far more than we should ever have deserved. But the *piece de resistance* of my message to my EPPC friends centers not on my own words but rather on the words of our Lord Jesus Christ. For it is to these words that you should cleave. So let's take a look at what Jesus tells us in the Gospel of John:

*"If you love me, you will keep my commandments."*  
(14:15)

*"Whoever has my commandments and keeps them, he it is who loves me. And he who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I will love him and manifest myself to him."* (14:21)

*"If anyone loves me, he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our home with him."* (14:23)

*"Whoever does not love me does not keep my words. And the word that you hear is not mine but the Father's who sent me."* (14:24)

*"But I do as the Father has commanded me, so that the world may know that I love the Father."* (14:31)

*"As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Abide in my love."* (15:9, 10)

*"This is my commandment. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in His love, that you love one another as I have loved you."* (15:12)

*"Greater love has no one than this, that someone lay down his life for his friends."* (15:13)

*"These things I command you, so that you will love one another."* (15:17)

Now I will confess that I'm not always the sharpest knife in the drawer; yet even a dullard such as myself finds it darn near impossible to read these Gospel messages and not stumble upon their thematic core! The simple fact is that if you count yourself a follower of Jesus, it's safe to say that you're on a mission of love. So remember the "*sine qua non*" (without which nothing) of your faith. Hold close to the greatest commandment to **"Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength."** and to, **"Love your neighbor as yourself."** for **"There is no commandment greater than these."** Proudly display the particular brand of Agapic love which Jesus showed for us. Cleave to it. Practice it daily. Extend it to others. Make it the center post of your lives. Simply put: try, as best as you are able, to be a true and faithful follower of Jesus Christ our Lord.

God Bless Always, Chris

### Special Reception for Rev. Chris Perkins



**Sunday, December 2<sup>nd</sup>**  
following the annual  
*"Hanging of the Greens"* Worship Service  
**there will be a special reception  
to honor Rev. Chris Perkins  
on his retirement  
at the end of December.**

*We would like to take this time together  
to thank Chris and recognize him  
for his nine years of service  
and friendship to our congregation.*

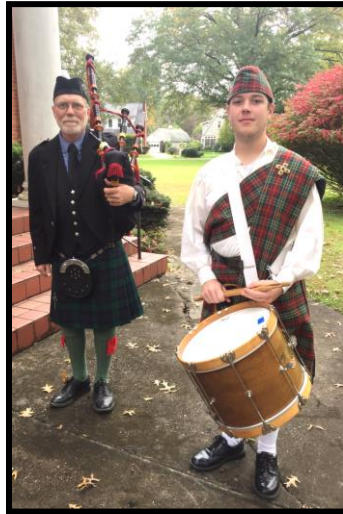
Please plan to attend this important Sunday  
as we honor Chris.

A very gracious  
**THANK YOU...**

...to everyone who  
took part in and  
helped prepare for the  
“Kirkin’ of the  
Tartans”  
Worship Service

~ on October 28<sup>th</sup> ~  
& to all who helped  
organize, decorate &  
prepare food for the  
beautiful & delicious  
Kirkin’ Reception in the Parlor.

It was indeed a very Blessed Day!



*Please bring Cookies or Fruit  
for 1<sup>st</sup> Responders  
in November & January*

The Outreach & Service  
Team will continue to  
show appreciation to our  
Huntington First  
Responders. If you would  
like to participate, you can  
provide home-made or  
store bought cookies or  
fruit on the dates below:



**NOVEMBER:**

**by Noon on Wednesday, November 14<sup>th</sup>**

Thank You Gifts for 60 First Responders  
who work the Day Shift at the  
Huntington Police Department

**Plate Preparation – Wednesday afternoon**

**Delivery at 8:00 a.m. Thurs. Nov. 15<sup>th</sup>**

**JANUARY:**

**by Noon on Wednesday, January 9<sup>th</sup>**

Thank You Gifts for 30 First Responders  
who work the Evening & Night Shift at the  
Huntington Police Department

**Plate Preparation – Wednesday afternoon**

**Delivery on Thursday, January 10<sup>th</sup>**



**Please leave your  
much-appreciated  
donations in the  
Donaldson Room.**

Questions??  
Contact Rodrigo Almeida  
Outreach Coordinator  
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**HELP BRIGHTEN  
CHRISTMAS FOR A CHILD IN NEED  
WITH GIFTS OR DONATIONS  
TO THE  
“GIVING TREE” AT EPPC  
November 18 – December 9**

Once again, the Huntington City Mission is asking the community to help give Christmas gifts to the children and teens of families living in Project Hope who would otherwise receive very little. This is only possible with the help of caring Christians in this community who give their time, talent, and gifts.



To participate in this wonderful mission, the youth of Enslow Park will have a “Giving Tree” in our church, on the office bulletin board. On the tree will be **Wish Cards** with a child or teen’s name on each one. These are children of families who are living at “Project Hope”, the City Mission apartment building for homeless families in transition. These families are in the process of being trained and educated with the goal of becoming independent, responsible home owners (or renters).

**You can sponsor a child or teen by:**

1. Choosing a name from the “tree” and purchasing clothing and/or requested gifts that are listed inside the card. Return the gifts (**unwrapped**) in a shopping bag with the card to the Donaldson Room by **Sunday, December 9<sup>th</sup>**.  
(gift limit \$70.00).

**Or-**

2. You may make a monetary donation for the “Giving Tree” and the “EPPC Shoppers” can buy the gifts for you on the evening of **Dec. 9<sup>th</sup>**.

**The deadline for donations is  
Sunday, December 9<sup>th</sup>.**

If you would like to be an “EPPC  
**Shopper**” contact Linda Brewster or  
Barbara Foard. We can go together or  
individually.

Come get in the Christmas Spirit & **HELP**  
***“Hang the Greens”***



as we decorate our church  
for the Advent Season

**When???**

**Saturday, December 1<sup>st</sup>**

**9 am – 12:00 pm**

There is a sign-up sheet on the office  
bulletin board!

**EVERYONE is invited to help!!**

Contact Church Office if you can help.

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Then on **Sunday, December 2<sup>nd</sup>**

***“The Hanging of the Greens”***  
***Worship Service***

This is a very special time of worship, as we celebrate our Advent & Christmas traditions through stories, history & carols.

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Following the worship service there will be a

***Reception in the Parlor***  
***to honor Rev. Chris Perkins***

**on his retirement  
at the end of December.**





## *November Birthdays!*

- 2 – Logan Harris
- 3 - Reed Smith
- 6 - Mary Ann Ramsey
- 9 - Grant McGuire
- 17 - Hunter Whitley
- 26 - Sam Frazier  
Lorna Sharma
- 28 - Maxwell Harris



## *It's a Girl!*

It's a time for celebration for Chris & Bunny Perkins and the Perkins family on the birth of their beautiful granddaughter, Ally

Perkins, who was born Sunday, October 14th at around 3:30 p.m. She was 7 lbs, 10 oz. & 20 1/2 inches long. Her parents are Andrew and Rachel Perkins. Congratulations to the Perkins family on a healthy baby girl!

## *In Deepest Sympathy*

The congregation of Enslow Park extends its deepest sympathy to Peggy Baker and her family on the death of her husband, Tom Taylor Baker, Jr. on October 28, 2018



Peggy's address:  
1929 Washington Blvd. Huntington 25701



## *In Deepest Sympathy*

The congregation of Enslow Park extends its deepest sympathy to Brett and Kim Harris and the Harris Family on the death of their son Bodie Baire, age 22. The Grandparents are Rocky and Ann Harris.

Brett & Kim's Address:  
1111 10th Ave., Huntington 25701

## *Report from The Interim Pastor Search Committee*

The Interim Pastor Search Committee has met twice to explore possibilities for leadership for Enslow Park Presbyterian beginning in January 2019. Many options were discussed and our financial situation was taken into account in our exploration. The committee is considering the possibility of having Rodrigo Almeida, our Outreach Coordinator, be in charge of visiting our congregation, both at home and in the hospital as well as teaching Sunday School as he is now doing.

The committee also has suggested using Pulpit Supply on a rotating basis (same person each first Sunday, second Sunday and so on) for our Sunday morning services. Please remain prayerful for our church as decisions are being made that will affect our future greatly.

The Interim Pastor Search Committee consists of Rod Allen, Linda Brewster and David Fabry. Please feel free to contact any committee members with suggestions or questions.

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In Christ,  
The Interim Pastor Search Committee



## Hope Chest

Our Hope Chest  
“Item of the Month”

for **NOVEMBER:**

### **PLATES & SOUP/CEREAL BOWLS.**

Please leave your donations on the table in the Donaldson Room. The Hope Chest items are distributed to Huntington



## Food & Clothing Pantry

Christian Associates' Cridlin Food & Clothing Pantry has asked EPPC to contribute:

### **36 Cans of Tuna Fish in November**



If you would like to be a volunteer at the Cridlin Food & Clothing Pantry, which is located in the Trinity

Epicopal Church, you can go Monday, Wednesday or Friday, 12:30 – 2:30 p.m.

## *“Recipe of the Month”*

### **Cheeseball with Red Raspberry Jam**

~ Submitted by Linda Brewster ~

(Served at the Kirkin' of the Tartans Reception)

This is an easy favorite “go-to” perfect for the upcoming holiday season!

#### **Ingredients:**

- 2 c. Shredded sharp cheddar
- 2 c. Shredded mozzarella
- 8 oz. Block cream cheese
- 1 c. Chopped pecans
- 1 c. Hellmann's light mayo
- 4 green onions – mostly white part and a little green



#### **Directions:**

Mix cheeses with a fork; add mayo and mix again. Add remaining ingredients stirring until well mixed. Form into a ball or place in a round serving container and refrigerate. When ready to use, set out an hour before serving to soften a little and spread a small amount of seedless red raspberry jam on top. Don't put too much jam but add more as needed while serving. Serve with assorted crackers.

This is always a party favorite! Enjoy!

## *Fantastic Halloween Party!!*

