

## THINKING OF YOU

### BIRTHDAYS:

**Dec. 8:** Maria Bright  
**Dec. 11:** Sylvia Russell, Grace Wheeler, Sophia Wheeler  
**Dec. 13:** Ruth Christin

### ANNIVERSARY:

**Dec. 9:** Jerry & Teri Ashdown (2000)

### FRIENDS OF ECC: (baby girl)

**Joshua & Kayla Wheeler** - 9930 Olson Rd. ~ Erie, IL 61250

### CHRISTMAS PHOTO AREA:

**\*Please take time this month to get pictures in our new**

**Christmas photo area in the Welcome Center!**

**\*A huge THANK YOU to Jessie Otten for her hard work!**

### UPCOMING EVENTS:

**\*Mark your calendars for these great ECC events!**

**Dec. 8-12:** Cookie Project Week  
**Dec. 15:** Food For The Soul - Mug Exchange  
\*Bring a new wrapped microwave safe Christmas mug  
**Dec. 21:** Christmas Program  
**Dec. 24:** Christmas Eve Service

## JOIN US

### THIS WEEK:

<b>Sun., Dec. 7:</b>	9:00 am	Worship
	10:15 am	Sunday School
	12:30 pm	Faithful Foundations Group
<b>Mon., Dec. 8:</b>	8:00 am	Faith In Motion
	9:00 am	Cookie Project
<b>Tues., Dec. 9:</b>	9:00 am	Cookie Project
<b>Wed., Dec. 10:</b>	9:00 am	Breaking of Bread
	10:00 am	Cookie Project
	5:00 pm	Rock Caroling (Ages 4 - Grade 4)
	5:30 pm	Remedy (Grade 5 - 8)
	6:00 pm	Faith In Motion
	7:00 pm	Lighthouse (Grade 9 - 12)
<b>Thurs., Dec. 11:</b>	9:00 am	Men's Group
	9:00 am	Cookie Project
<b>Fri., Dec. 12:</b>	8:00 am	Faith In Motion
	9:00 am	Cookie Project
<b>Sun., Dec. 14:</b>	9:00 am	Worship
	10:15 am	Sunday School
	12:30 pm	The Next Steps Small Group

## PRAYER REQUESTS

*To add to the Prayer List text Ann: 309-738-2566*

### PRAISE:

**Levi Durante** - (therapy is working)

**Cheryl Hunt** - (home)

**Joshua & Kayla Wheeler** - (baby girl born 11/21: Karoline Jade Wheeler)

### CANCER/TREATMENTS:

**Marcus Bomleny** - (intense chemo)

1 yr. Old son of Andrew & Dylan Bomleny

**Robert Bryan** - (leukemia) 301 N. Main St. ~ Tampico, IL 61283

**Katrina Copeland** - (cancer) 777 Bunker Hill Rd. ~ Albany, IL 61230

**William Dersham** - (Hodgkins Lymphoma returned)

1810 Banks Rd. ~ Erie, IL 61250

**Colin Elliot-Moore** - (leukemia) Friend of Sara Anderson

**Don Ogle** - (prostate) Brother of Pat Anderson

**Nicole Olinger** - (metastatic - chemo)

702 Grove St. ~ Prophetstown, IL 61277

**Libby Rogers** - (leukemia)

**Dave Schulze** - 524 8th Ave. ~ Erie, IL 61250

**Vicky Slaymaker** - Sister of Skip Jepson

**Dan Snyder** - (prostate) Brother of Pam Wirth

**Joy Svihlik** - (chemo) 1102 12th St. ~ Erie, IL 61250

**Linda VanZuiden** - 1211 Oak St. ~ Erie, IL 61250

**John VenHuizen** - (prostate) 22900 Moens Rd. ~ Atkinson, IL 61235

Father of Jessica Craven

### MISSIONS:

**Pregnancy Centers** - (giving families the truth about life)

**ECC Thanksgiving Offering** - (van goal: \$30,000)

**Aaron's Uganda Mission Trip** - (Jan. 7 - 17, 2026)

### SYMPATHY:

**JoAnn Mose** - (passed away Nov. 30)

Mother of Kara Wisdom - P.O. Box 22 ~ Erie, IL 61250

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### HEALING:

**Larry Anderson** - (strength) 6889 Cordova Rd. ~ Erie, IL 61250

**Jerry Ashdown** - (healing) 1628 Golfview Ct. ~ Erie, IL 61250

**Shawnya Beighlter** - (surgery for broken arm & has spine tumor)

Friend of the Farwell's

**Steve Dirks** - (relief from pain) 5680 Ridgeview Rd. ~ Erie, IL 61250

Step-Father of Alana Gaffey

**Levi Durante** - (muscle development)

6 month old Great-Grandson of Vernon VenHuizen

**Becky Farwell** - (health issues)

**Chase Farwell** - (thyroid & possible celiacs) Grandson of Bob & Cheryl Farwell

**Taylor Folsom** - (strength) 7025 Cordova Rd. ~ Erie, IL 61250

**Grace Friedrichsen** - (healing) 1205 Hiway Ct. ~ Erie, IL 61250

**Alana Gaffey** - (strength & encouragement) 5680 Ridgeview Dr. ~ Erie, IL 61250

**Lucian Hill** - (healing & financial needs) 3286 Old 36 ~ New Berlin, IL 62670

**Leanne Holland** - Friend of Paige Thompson

**Cheryl Hunt** - (ankle) 6615 Cordova Rd. ~ Erie, IL 61250

**Pam Kincaid** - (rehab for brain blood clots) Related to Jan Kincaid (Cami's Mom)

**Keith Markin** - (brain aneurysm) Cousin of Mark Havens & Connie Schabilion

**Phyllis Martens** - (Alzheimer's) Mother of Ruth Christin

**Dan Newburg** - (aortic aneurysm) 904 16th St. ~ Port Byron, IL 61257

**Jinni Passiq** - (small heart attack) Sister-in-law of Jessica Craven

**Terry Schipper** - (stroke) Nephew of Marlyn & Linda Schipper

**Lynnette Schwenneker** - (healing) 601 W. Front St. ~ Annawan, IL 61234

Daughter-in-law of Cami Schwenneker

**Jamie VenHuizen** - (healing) 9319 Springhill Rd. ~ Erie, IL 61250

**Bobbie Jo Wallace** - (brain) Friend of Sara Anderson

13435 E. State Hwy 79 ~ Taneyville, MO 65759

**Dale Wellman** - (recent stroke) Friend of Mike & Nicky Friedrichsen

**Dylan Wescott** - (healing) P.O. Box 127 ~ Rock Falls, IL 61072

## CHRISTMAS LONGING

Matthew 1 & Luke 1-2, 3:23-38

Sermon by: Nathan Bright

### 1. What we have \_\_\_\_\_

- a. We have lost \_\_\_\_\_
- b. We have lost our God given \_\_\_\_\_
- c. We have lost our \_\_\_\_\_ of God's Kingdom

### 2. What we will be \_\_\_\_\_

- a. We are receiving \_\_\_\_\_ family & friends
- b. We are receiving \_\_\_\_\_ for our lives
- c. We are receiving \_\_\_\_\_ as our Savior & King

### 3. What the \_\_\_\_\_ will be

- a. The future is trusting God's \_\_\_\_\_
- b. The future is trusting God's \_\_\_\_\_
- c. The future is trusting God's \_\_\_\_\_



**ERIE CHRISTIAN CHURCH**

**To Win the Lost & Nurture the Saved**

**December 7, 2025**

**715 6th Ave. ~ Erie, IL 61250 ~ 309-659-2561**

**[eriechristianchurch.com](http://eriechristianchurch.com)**

**ECCnew-5G Wifi password: 3096592561**

**Download our free: Erie Christian Church App**

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**[nmbright934@gmail.com](mailto:nmbright934@gmail.com)**

**Aaron Sweeney ~ 812-620-0869**

**[aaronsweeney83@yahoo.com](mailto:aaronsweeney83@yahoo.com)**

Elders:

**Marlyn Schipper ~ 309-738-2569**

**Dave Schulze ~ 309-236-1909**

**November 30 Attendance: 79**

**November 30 Offering: \$3,786.16**

**Thanksgiving Offering: \$17,376.09 (goal: \$30,000)**

**Aaron's Uganda Trip Offering: \$1,385**

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