

**OFFICIAL NOTIFICATION OF 2023 ANNUAL NORTHERN LIGHT CHURCH OF CHRIST  
CONGREGATIONAL MEETING**

We will be holding our annual Congregational meeting on Sunday, January 8, 2023 following our morning worship service, beginning at 11:40.

During this meeting, we will be electing/reelecting Trustees, sharing 2023 budget information and updating the congregation on 2022 finances.

Our meeting will be formatted differently than in past years. The 2022 accomplishments for the areas of Education, Fellowship, Missions, Outreach and Worship will be shared before the meeting in our bulletins. (see below)  
If you have questions about a particular ministry, please contact the Group Lead listed.

On Monday, January 2, all of our members will receive an invitation to a private "Zoom" meeting on Sunday, January 8 at 11:40 a.m. You are welcome to attend the meeting in person, as always, or you can attend via Zoom.  
This will be a closed meeting intended for members.

Dave Ward will present the building and property, support and development and finance reports for 2022. He will also give us the update on budgets for 2023. After his presentation, we will have a question and answer period.

We will then elect or reelect our Trustees. Al Holte and Dave Ward's Trustee terms will expire this year.

**Education Ministry Group** (Group Lead: Melissa Ward)

Zoom and Facebook video streaming has opened up new possibilities for those who can't drive at night, can't attend due to work schedules, and even those throughout the country. We have people from coast to coast viewing and/or participating in our classes! Our Sunday morning Bible classes for children and teens continue.

**Fellowship Ministry Group** (Group Lead: Emem Akpan)

Each person continues to be warmly greeted as they come through the door and we have continued our support to the Flaming Pine Youth Camp (FPYC).

**Missions Ministry Group** (Group Lead: Emem Akpan)

The harvest for the kingdom is still plentiful and so is the need for support of our mission workers. We continue to support African Transformation Network, Mission Para Cristo in Nicaragua, Cameroon, Liberia, and St. Paul Urban Ministries. We also continue to support other missions work as opportunities arise.

**Outreach Ministry Group** (Group Lead: Jim Hinton)

Here are some of the highlights from 2022. You are to be commended for your generosity!

FMSC monthly packing events continue

Orphan Sunday - \$510.00

Operation Empowering Hope (Soldiers)

During 2023, we plan to continue these same efforts and hope to be able to add others in as the opportunities arise.

**Worship Ministry Group** (Group Lead: Dave Ward)

We've continued to meet "virtually" and as well as together in person. Thank you very much to everyone who has been so flexible and understanding during this time. The continued in-person and "virtual" attendees views has been very encouraging! We have new members who have been attending in person very regularly and have people across the country who are also viewing Jim's messages. We have continued using the Praise and Harmony DVD's for our singing as this has been one of several positive changes we have made. We plan to continue meeting in person and also livestreaming our service.

Our beautiful Eliza Flowers passed away on December 26 . God was very merciful and she passed quickly and without pain at home, as she wanted. Her beautiful smile and love bigger than all outdoors will truly be missed. As I heard more than once last week “she was the matriarch of Northern Light/Brooklyn Center”.



Here is the information for her memorial service:

Saturday, January 7 at Northern Light Church

10:00 a.m. Visitation

11:00 a.m. Memorial Service

Potluck lunch to follow (Northern Light Church members are asked to bring side dishes, salads etc. June Harrison is organizing the potluck, so please contact her if you haven't heard from her and are able to help).

At this point, we are planning for the graveside service immediately follow the luncheon.

### **PRAYER REQUESTS**

#### **Health Concerns:**

**Jim Hinton**—Jim's surgery went well and he is feeling much better. He needs to continue to rest and heal.

**Mark Novak**—he had a consultation at a spine center. It looks like he is a good candidate for a spinal stimulator

**Tarnowski Family**— their niece, Mariah, is battling anorexia

#### **Those fighting cancer:**

**Mark Smith** – his mom, Linda

**Steve Tarnowski**—

**Mark**—June's brother

**Mark**—Rebekah's daughter Kelsey's adoptive father

**Libby Family** – Steve Cramer

**Roy Alston** - a good friend of the Hintons

**Betty Campbell** – known through the Hintons

**Mr. Juxtock (sp?)**—Nora's teacher's husband has cancer

**Dr. Sandy Rebrovich** - the wife of Rebekah Heldt's chiropractor

#### **Other Needs:**

Travelers

Situation in Ukraine and world peace

Our Missionaries



### Our Bible Class and Message Schedule

**Wednesday 7:00 PM Study will be on Zoom.** Each week an invitation will be emailed to you and available on the church Facebook page. All you have to do is click on the link and join the meeting!



**Sunday morning bible classes and messages** can be viewed on our church Facebook Page each Sunday by 3:00 p.m.. They can also be viewed anytime after that on our Facebook Page. For those of you who are not on Facebook they can also be viewed on our website the following week.

#### Contribution Information

##### December 18

Regular \$ 3,542.00

##### December 25

Regular \$ 5,462.00

Weekly Budget \$ 3,575.00

YTD Actual \$ 207,493.66

YTD Budget \$ 185,900.00

We also accept contributions through



### Northern Light Leadership

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#### Shepherds

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**Dickey Joe Turner 763-688-0820**  
**Dave Ward 763-350-2641**

#### Deacons

**Mike Harrison—Youth/Teens 763-566-6164**  
**Al Holte—Prison Correspondence Ministry 763-323-0543**  
**Ralph Weber ~ Community 763-425-1331**

Do you have a suggestion or idea that you'd like to discuss?

A concern or burden that you need to share?

We invite you to come to any of us and to share whatever is on your heart.  
We have an open door policy and we welcome and value your input and feedback.