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THE CHANCEL BOUQUETS HAVE BEEN GIVEN BY: Marilyn Arbittier, to the Glory of God and in memory of her father, Kenneth Sponenbergh. **ALSO GIVEN BY:** The family of Bill and Julia Wood in honor of their 69th wedding anniversary on July 29th.

PRAYER CONCERNS: Stanton Webb, Faye Sienkiewicz, Ruth Allen, Joan Woodworth (Ann's sister-in-law), May Pintye (sister of Zollie Nemeth), Sandy (friend of Christa & Linda Whittendale & Amy Hamilton), Doug Gibson (friend of Rob Maines), Kelly Secor (granddaughter of Sam & Connie Madara), Bernie (cousin of Dana Young), Aril Bryant (friend of Emily Wright), Elsie & Charles Youse (grandparents of Ed Youse), Paul Pavlishin (grandson of Ada Campanile), Jake Short (grandson of Jack & Betty Pinckard), Norma Tannenberger (friend of Carla McIlmail), Rose Klenk, Don Grapes (brother of Lee Grapes), John Halbe (neighbor of Bruce & Sharon Zollers), Sally Salvatore (Dianna Donat's mother), Ben Brenner, Mary Jane Harris (niece of Bob Rodriguez), Milli Irwin, Carole Hare, Paul Haynes.

PRAYERS & SYMPATHY TO: Karen Murray and family on the death of her uncle George Wright.

SERVING OVERSEAS: Kim Ortiz (niece of Ruth Gandek), Jim Brant (nephew of Karen Halligan), Matthew McGill (son of Lillian McGill), Joshua Ehmen.

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