

The Beacon of Hope

The Newsletter of Hope Lutheran Church

APRIL 2019

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PASTOR'S CORNER

Praise God for spring, as we look forward to the end of snow and warmer weather. That also means the end of Lent and the joy of Resurrection Sunday. We have so much to be thankful for this year. Special thanks to all who contributed to make our Wednesday night soup suppers and Lenten services special.

On April 14 we will celebrate Palm Sunday, together with the confirmation of two of our young people. It will be a special day in their lives, and I encourage you all to come out and support them on this special day.

Our services during Holy Week will begin with an evening service 7:00 p.m. Thursday, Maundy Thursday April 18 with communion. There is no Wednesday night service this week. Good Friday service is a community service at New Life Church in Floodwood. They are asking for those who would like to sing in the community choir to attend a practice Wednesday evening at 6:00 p.m. They are hoping for 3 members from each church. Those attending the service from Hope Lutheran can join with me in my portion of the service by shouting Crucify Him, Crucify Him, Crucify Him. Our Sunday Easter service will be at 9:30 a.m., April 21, which will include an Easter breakfast from 8-9 a.m. I invite you all to come and participate in these special services. *(continued page 3)*

Hope Lutheran Church Women



Once again selected verses from Proverbs are used in the April study titled "Wealth and Poverty". Wealth and poverty are poor standards to use in judging others. Proverbs tells us it is foolish to suppose that wealth is an unmixed blessing and poverty is always a curse. Join the discussion on April 9th at 10:00 A.M. Ruth Reedy will lead the Bible study from Proverbs, and coffee will be served by Jeanette Johnsen. All women are welcome. *(continued page 3)*

COMMITTEE REPORTS

HOPE LUTHERAN CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES FEBRUARY 10, 2019

Members Present

Pat Seredinski, Rob Benson, Dean Fries, Pastor John Burgess, Mark Johnsen, LuAnn Heikkila, Tanya Johnson, Deb Tollgaard and Administrator Jeff Kletscher.

Pastor Burgess opened with prayer.

Meeting was called to order at 10:56 AM by President Mark Johnsen.

Motion by Rob Benson, 2nd by LuAnn Heikkila to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

Election of Officers:

For the position of President - Pat Seredinski nominated Mark Johnsen, 2nd by Tanya Johnson. Motion carried.

For the position of Vice President - Pat Seredinski nominated Rob Benson, 2nd by LuAnn Heikkila. Mark Johnsen nominated Deb Tollgaard and 2nd by Dean Fries. Discussion was had, this will be Rob Benson's last year on the council and the council would like to see the position held by council members who will be returning. Rob Benson withdrew his nomination. Motion for Deb Tollgaard to be the Vice President was carried.

For the position of Treasurer - LuAnn Heikkila was nominated by Pat Seredinski, 2nd by Mark Johnsen. Motion carried with the

intent to allow Susan Coccie to assist with the spreadsheets,

For the position of Secretary - Tanya Johnson was nominated by Pat Seredinski, 2nd by Mark Johnsen. Motion carried.

Secretaries Report

January 13, 2019 Council Minutes - Motion by Pat Seredinski, 2nd by Deb Tollgaard to approve minutes as submitted. Motion carried.

January 20, 2019 Annual meeting minutes - Motion by Tanya Johnson, 2nd by Mark Johnson to approve minutes as submitted. Motion carried.

Treasurers Report

Reviewed January 2019 financial report. Motion by Rob Benson, 2nd by Dean Fries to approve the Treasurers report as submitted. Motion carried.

Pastors Report

Pastor Burgess provided a written report and verbally highlighted several items. Some of the items highlighted included: visiting individuals in Duluth, Cromwell, and Floodwood; two students and maybe one other will complete confirmation this spring; announced his theme for upcoming Lenten Services; four students will be attending the Quake Zone; and upcoming Bible study that the Pastor will be starting.

Administrator's Report

Jeff Kletscher's report was provided in packet. Jeff Kletscher reviewed the treasurers report, and the annual meeting.

Committee Report

Christian Education and Youth - Discussed four going to Quake Zone, and the refund of the other room that will not be needed. Discussed the Valentine dinner being put on by the youth, and upcoming Soup Suppers for Lenten services. FYI information on upcoming Camp Patmos, Tanya Johnson offered to assist Jeff Kletscher on getting required forms from parents before the deadline.

Outreach Committee - Brief meeting to be held February 24, 2019 to brain storm for ideas for outreach committee.

Building Committee - Will be tackling how to handle the mold situation in the computer room.

Quilting - No report.

Old Business

- a. Installation of Council members - will be scheduled for March 3, 2019.

New Business

- a. Update Corporate Resolution:
 - Documents were signed.
 - Officers: Mark Johnson, President. Deb Tollgaard, Vice President. Tanya Johnson, Secretary. LuAnn Heikkila, Treasurer. Jeff Kletscher, Administrator.
 - Jeff Kletscher was approved for a debit card.
- b. Membership Request - Cindy Burgess. Dean Fries made a motion to accept the Baptized person through Affirmation
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of Faith, 2nd by Mark Johnsen. Motion carried.

Global Offering

In March the Global offering will go to the Floodwood Food Shelf. Faith Comes by Hearing in a future month.

Next Meeting - Sunday, March 17, 2019 following fellowship.

President Mark Johnsen closed with prayer.

Meeting adjourned at 11:45 am.

HOPE LUTHERAN YOUTH

WHAT THE YOUTH ARE UP TO!!!!

The Youth have been helping with the Soup Supper during Lent. Also on Wednesday afternoon during Lent, the Youth Ministry and youth have open the doors of the church for all kids to enjoy snacks, games, crafts, and just hanging out!! The first Wednesday we had a handful of kids, and the second Wednesday we had a large group of all ages. The word has gotten out that all kids are welcome.



Last Wednesday some of the kids made slime and next Wednesday we are going to make cookies under the guidance of LuAnn.



The check for the Life House, that the Souper Bowl of Caring Youth raised, was blessed on Sunday. The youth will be delivering the check soon. The funds help with homeless teens.

Watch for the Youth Easter table set up in the church for Easter Basket, Mystery Egg, and LuAnn's delicious pies. (Suggested Donation) Tickets: \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00. Drawing will take place April 21st at the Easter Breakfast.

Another fundraiser the Youth will be working on is the sale of hanging flower baskets. This year there will be choices of purchasing the flower coupon from Pointek's Greenhouse, right here in Floodwood, or Engwall Garden Center in Hermantown.

The Youth are also planning a Community Easter Egg Hunt, Saturday April 20th at 1 PM. Everyone is welcome!!!!

The Easter morning breakfast is also being planned with the help of the Youth. A delicious breakfast will be served Easter morning from 8-9 AM.

Feed Sack Fundraiser demonstration is ongoing and will be until our presentations at the August fairs.

Thanks for supporting the Hope Lutheran Youth.

HLCW (Continued from page 1)

**HLCW Meeting
March 12, 2019**

The meeting was called to order at 11:00 a.m. by President Grace
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Word From Pastor (Continued from Page 1)

I would like to thank all those participating in our 14-week study of the book, "Who Broke My Church?" and the seven proven strategies for renewal and revival of our church. Your attendance shows we are ready to learn what Jesus would have us do to participate in the growth of His Church here at Hope Lutheran. We look forward to a return to the Kingdom Culture God wants for us. May we all rejoice together in the great news. Christ is risen indeed!!

God Bless Pastor John

HLCW (Continued from page 3)

Autio, with 8 members present. Grace opened the meeting with a prayer.

The minutes of the February meeting were published in the Hope Beacon, so Grace called for a motion to forego reading the minutes. Motion was made by Susan Coccie, seconded by Elvi Tollgaard to accept the minutes as published. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

Jeanette Johnsen's treasurer report noted a checking balance as of March 11, of \$136.51; a savings balance of \$436.22; and designated funds of \$44.19, leaving Available Funds of \$528.54. The report on motion approved and seconded, was accepted by all present.

Under Old Business, Grace noted the Lenten soup suppers that began last Wednesday, March 7 and will continue through the Lenten season. She mentioned the sign-up sheet upstairs for those who are willing to help.

The next quilting session will be Tuesday, March 26.

New Business: The annual Teddy Bear fundraising event for youth campers will be held Sunday, May 5, with Mary Circle in charge of the kitchen.

There being no other business at this time, Grace declared the meeting adjourned at 11:15.

Nancy Raihala, Secretary

PENNIES FOR FOOD SHELF



Pennies to the Food Shelf: The jar at the rear of the church collected \$44.19 this past year, plus change and dollars gathered at the women's group meetings totaled \$40.30. A check for \$84.49 was passed on to the Floodwood Area Food Shelf. Thanks to all who contributed.

QUILTING



Quilting will be held on April 23rd, 2019, 9:00 AM-3:00 PM. All are welcome. Bring a bag lunch.

Zuppa Toscana Soup



Submitted by Missy Wojtysiak

- 2 lbs ground mild Italian sausage*
- ¼ tsp crushed red pepper
- 1 lb bacon, diced*
- 1 large onion, diced
- 1-2 tbsp minced garlic
- 2 qts chicken broth (or 8 cups water mixed with 4 tsp chicken soup base)
- 6 medium russet potatoes, quartered and sliced
- 2 cups half and half (heavy whipping cream if you want a richer soup)
- 1 bunch fresh kale, washed well and chopped (remove tough stems)

*while 2 lbs of sausage and 1 lb of bacon are delicious, if you are watching your calories, 1 lb of sausage and ½ lb of bacon is good as well.

In a stock pot, cook the Italian sausage and red pepper flakes over medium-high heat until browned, stirring often, about 10 min. Drain and set aside in a bowl. Cook the bacon in the same pot over medium heat until crispy, about 10 min. Drain excess oil, leaving a few tablespoons of drippings with the bacon in the bottom of the pot. Stir in the onions and garlic; cook until onions are soft and translucent, about 5 min. Pour the chicken broth into the pot with the bacon, onions and garlic; bring to a boil over high heat. Add the potatoes and boil

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Zuppa Toscana Soup (Continued from Page 4)

until fork tender, about 15 min. Reduce heat to medium and stir in the half and half and the cooked sausage; heat through, about 5 min. Mix the kale into the soup a few min before serving, so it softens but doesn't lose its nice green color.

Prep time: 15 min

Cooking time: 50 min

**FOR SALE
CHURCH STEEPLE**

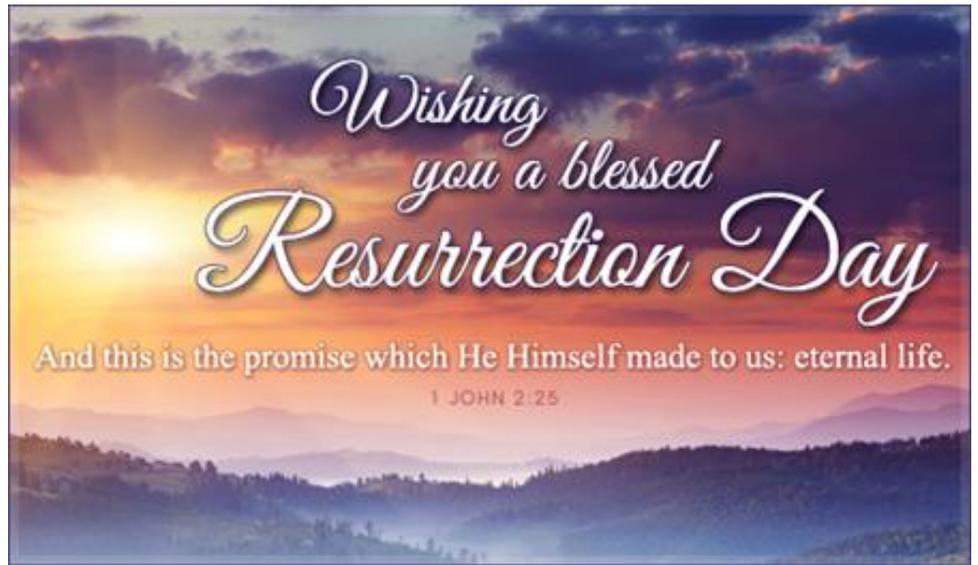


**\$500.00
CONTACT MARK
JOHNSEN**



Look for hanging basket sale from Hope Lutheran Youth.

Keep an eye on the Church bulletin for more information.



**TEDDY BEAR
PICNIC
COMING
MAY 5th**

Watch bulletin and Beacon for details



Sunday, April 14

9:30 a.m. Palm Sunday

Wednesday, April 17

6:00 p.m. Choir Practice
for Good Friday Service (New Life)

Thursday, April 18

7:00 p.m. Maundy
Thursday Service

Friday, April 19,

7:00 p.m. Good Friday
Community Service, New Life
Church

Sunday, April 21

8:00-9:00 a.m. Easter
Breakfast
9:30 a.m. Easter Service

**Soup Supper and
Lenten Services**

Wednesday

Nights beginning

March 6th – April 10

**Soup Supper
6:00 PM**

**Lenten Service
7:00 PM**

**Easter
Breakfast**



**Hope Lutheran
Church**

Beginning at 8:00 a.m.

Free Will Offering

*Sponsored by the Hope Lutheran
Church Youth*

PRAYER REQUES APRIL 2019



For those who are ill or struggling

Dinah	Lorraine	Joy G.	Mark	Phil
Sadie	Danette	Coach	Gary	Dion
Frances	Grace W.	Lois	Nick	Carole
Theresa	Dean S.	Willa	Jack	Leonard

Those suffering from natural disasters
Spiritual healing and salvation for our family and friends

For those in the military

David Shafer
Damien Autio
Owen Seredinski
Cody Farrell

For places where wars and conflict take place

Syria and Iraqi Christians and missionaries threatened by ISIS and the refugees
Those suffering from terrorism
Israel and Palestine and the peace of Jerusalem
Persecuted church around the world

For our missions and world missionaries

Ekka family & WMPL
Robert & Ulla Suhonen
Vision Petrozavodsk
Judy Yund and Bethel Hospital
Peace*Love*Haiti
Madagascar Mission Project

For our congregation and Church Council
Pastor Julie
For Pastor Carl, Jodi, and Greta
Floodwood Police Department Officers and all law enforcement officers

APRIL BIRTHDAYS

- 2 Tracy Zieroth
Courtney Romanek
 - 4 Pat Manee
 - 5 Tad Farrell
 - 6 Pastor Julie Gellert
 - 7 Lilyana Johnson
 - 9 David Zieroth
Imijyn Thompson
 - 10 Sylvia (Shafer) Romosz
Hunter Rauvola
Morgan Kuehl
 - 13 Tracy Hutchinson
 - 14 Neva Polo
 - 15 Ethel Pensak
Jazmine Johnson
 - 16 Caleb Fries
Lane Grady
 - 17 Maija Hunt
 - 18 Roy Autio
 - 21 Marion Shafer
Jeff Romosz (Sylvia
Shafer)
 - 22 Tabitha Tollgaard
Quinn Kuehl
 - 24 Hannah Zieroth
 - 30 Faith Romanek
- ANNIVERSARIES**
- 30 Bonnie & Steve Hall

MAY BIRTHDAYS

- 1 Telisha Bennett
- 9 Alice Shafer
- 11 Tasha Belter
- 12 Rob Benson
- 14 Keven Johnson
- 19 Joyce Andrews
Jacob Seredinski
- 22 Don Rosemore
- 23 Grace Autio
Ben Rosemore
- 24 LeRoy Samuelson
- 28 Carol Schminski
- 29 Kathy Johnsen
- 30 Laverne Hutton

**MAY
ANNIVERSARIES**

- 28 Grace & Roy Autio ('55)

**GLOBE OFFERING FOR
APRIL**



**HOPE LUTHERAN
CHURCH
GIVING**

General Fund Giving

February 24	\$ 827.18
March 3	\$2807.00
March 10	\$ 514.00
March 17	\$2821.00
March 24	\$2206.25

Globe Offering

Floodwood Area Food Shelf

March 3	\$ 100.00
March 10	\$ 6.10
March 17	\$ 50.00
March 24	\$ 130.00

Youth – Soup Suppers

March 6	\$ 57.00
March 13	\$ 50.00
March 20	\$ 70.00



**Worship
and Music Committee
Meeting**

Worship and Music Committee will meet Thursday, April 25th at 9:30 am. We welcome new participants in the group. Suggestions for hymns and music can be submitted to Jeannette or Pastor John before that day.

April 2019 HOPE LUTHERAN CHURCH PLANNER

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 USHER TEAM: Bob Hosking & Dale Rauvola 8:30-Noon- Pastor's office hours	2	3 Religious Release 11:23-Noon-HS 1:00-1:45-Elem. 2:30-3:30- Confirmation	4	5	6
7 9:30 Worship & Sun.Sch. 10:45 Fellowship 11:00-1200 Bible Study	8 USHER TEAM: Rob Benson & Bubba Vance 8:30-Noon- Pastor's office hours	9 10:00 AM HLCW Bible Study and Meeting	10 9-11 AM FW Food Shelf at FST Religious Release 11:23-Noon-HS 1:00-1:45-Elem. 2:30-3:30- Confirmation 2:30-4:30 Boy Scouts 6:00- soup supper 7:00- Lenten Service	11	12	13
14 9:30 Worship & Sun.Sch. <i>Palm Sunday and</i> <i>Confirmation</i> 10:45 Fellowship 11:00-1200 Bible Study	15 USHER TEAM: Don Rosemore & Tim Tollgaard 8:30-Noon- Pastor's office hours	16	17 6:00 p.m.- Good Friday Choir Practice (New Life Church)	18 7:00 p.m.- Maundy Thursday Service	19 7:00 p.m.- Good Friday Community Service, New Life Church	20 1:00- Community Easter Egg hunt
21 8:00-9:00 Easter Breakfast 9:30 Worship <i>Easter</i>	22 USHER TEAM: John Seredinski & Bryan Hutchinson 8:30-Noon- Pastor's office hours	23 9-3 Quilting	24 9-11 AM FW Food Shelf at FST 2:30-4:30 Boy Scouts	25 9:30 Worship Committee	26	27
28 8:30- Church Council Meeting 9:30 Worship & Sun.Sch. 10:45 Fellowship 11:00-1200 Bible Study	29 USHER TEAM: Dean Fries & Jeff Kletscher 8:30-Noon- Pastor's office hours	30	LOOKING AHEAD: May 5 – Teddy Bear Picnic following Service June 10 -14 - Community VBS Camp Patmos Middle School July 7 – 12 Senior High July 14 – 19 Elementary July 21 - 26			

SUNDAY COFFEE TEAMS

April

Leader: Sue Hutchinson
Bryan & Tracy Hutchinson
Elaine Stokke
Marilyn Stephen



May

Leader: Tim & Deb Tollgaard
Shirley Johnson
Don & Rae Rosemore

HOPE LUTHERAN CHURCH WEB SITE

Hope Lutheran Church now has its
very own web site. Visit us at:
www.hopelutheranfloodwood.org

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