

The Beacon of Hope

The Newsletter of Hope Lutheran Church

May 2022

Pastor's Corner

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Greetings brothers and sisters in Christ,

It is May and spring should be here. Before we leave April, I want to give special thanks to all those who made April special. We had the best attendance at Lenten and Easter services since the start of COVID. Special thanks to LuAnn and Tanya for heading up the midweek Lenten soup suppers. The food and fellowship were superb. Special thanks to all who contributed soup, hotdogs, or breads. I also would like to thank all those who participated in the Lenten dramas which helped us learn more about discipleship for Jesus. We all need to thank our Youth and the Youth committee who have been working so hard to sell hanging baskets, host our community easter egg hunt, and working at Lenten suppers and the Easter breakfast. They all were successful because of your hard work. We sincerely thank you.

I also need to thank all the teachers, servers, and bakers who helped make religious release possible this year. Wasn't it great to see so many young faces singing and coming to Easter service with their families?

This month we will honor all mothers at our service May 8. Come join us as we honor all those who have been so important in our lives and our Christian faith.

This month has several special worship activities. There will be a community prayer walk on the National Day of Prayer, Thursday May 5. The theme for this year is EXALT THE LORD WHO HAS ESTABLISHED US based on Colossians 2:6-7. The walk will begin from the base of the water tower at 6:30 p.m. and will conclude at the school. *(Continued on page 4)*



The theme for May's women's Bible study led by Cindy Burgess will be "The Good Fight", based on selected scripture from the books of Esther and I Samuel. How do we pick the right battles to fight? Join the discussion at 10:00 A.M. on May 10th at the church. All women are welcome. *(Continued on page 4)*

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Hope Lutheran Church Council Meeting Minutes February 27, 2022

Members Present

Bubba Vance, Tanya Johnson, Mark Johnsen, Carolyn Hosking, Missy Wojtysiak, Deb Tollgaard, Pastor John Burgess, and Administrator Jeff Kletscher.

Pastor John opened with prayer.

Meeting was called to order at 8:04AM by Bubba Vance.

Re-Organization –All officers currently in place have agreed to continue in their same positions. Deb Tollgaard agreed to be the Treasurer. Motion by Mark Johnson, support by Tanya Johnson motioned to accept everyone in their current positions and adding Deb Tollgaard as Treasurer. Motion carried.

2022 Officers: President Bubba Vance, Vice President Missy Wojtysiak, Secretary Tanya Johnson, Treasurer Deb Tollgaard

Approval of Agenda

Motion made by Missy Wojtysiak, second by Mark Johnson to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

Secretaries Report

January 23, 2022 Church Council minutes and January 30, 2022 Annual Meeting minutes, in packet. Motion to approve minutes as submitted by Mark Johnsen, second by Carolyn Hosking. Motion carried.

Pastor's Report

Pastor Burgess reported 13 Communion distributed, two Bible classes being held – one at the apartments and one after church. Lent begins soon. Ash Wednesday will be 7 PM with Imposition of Ashes and first of the Upper Room Lenten Dramas. Soup suppers will be at 6 PM with Lenten services to follow. Pastor noted that Confirmation students are not doing their sermon notes. Religious Release classes will end April 13, thank you to everyone who helped make this year a success. Looking at getting a new fridge for the parsonage, old one broke. Remember the youth who are going to Quake.

Treasurers Report and Administrator's Report

January 2022 Check Register, Financial report, 2021 Endowment Report. Religious release account \$210.83. Back door key was provided for the Floodwood Police Department upon their request. Used HP laptop was donated by David Bolstad, Mr. Kletscher is working on getting it set up to use for projector. A DVD drive was ordered for it. Sam's Club Membership: Susan Coccie was removed as card holder and Mr. Kletscher was added and LuAnn Heikkila will remain. Motion to approve the Treasurer's and Administrator's report made by Mark Johnsen, second by Deb Tollgaard. Motion carried.

Committee Reports

Christian Education and Youth: Quake Event March 18-20, Upcoming Camp Patmos three weekends in July, and figuring out who will attend and getting registration ready soon.

Outreach Committee: No update

Building Committee: No update

Quilting Committee: Next quilting day is February 28.

Old Business

- a. Church Council installation, Today was decided upon since everyone was here.

New Business

- a. Request for Letter of Transfer of Church Membership for Marilyn Arro and Donna Farrell. Motion by Tanya Johnson, second by Missy Wojtysiak to provide Letter of Transfer of Church Membership to Marilyn Arro and Donna Farrell. Motion carried.

- a. Update Corporate Resolution

2022 Officers: President Jerel "Bubba" Vance, Vice President Missy Wojtysiak, Secretary Tanya Johnson, Treasurer Deb Tollgaard.

Approval of Debit card for Administrator Jeff Kletscher.

Motion by Mark Johnson, second by Deb Tollgaard. Motion carried.

- b. New refrigerator purchase for parsonage. Refrigerator/Freezer in Parsonage is original (28 years old), it is getting noisy, and close to failure. Motion by Missy Wojtysiak, second by Deb Tollgaard to purchase a refrigerator/freezer for the parsonage with funds from the Rental Account. Motion carried.

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- c. Discussion on purchasing a new projector screen in hope that it will be brighter. Motion made by Tanya Johnson, second by Deb Tollgaard to purchase a new projector screen with motor. Motion carried. (Note: Projector was installed in March 2008, but it has bulb life left. A new projector would be expensive.)
- d. Mentioned hanging the banners a little lower so that no one would need to be up on a ladder.

Globe Offering: March Floodwood Area Food Shelf, Motion by Bubba Vance, second by Mark Johnsen. Motion carried.

Next Meeting – April 24, 2022 at 8:00 AM.

Closing Prayer – Pastor Burgess led the closing prayer.

Adjourn Meeting – Meeting declared adjourned by Bubba Vance at 8:52 AM.

Youth

Souper Bowl of Caring



Release Time

Wednesday, April 6th was the last day of Release Time. The youth had a Pizza and BINGO party and a good time was had by all.



toys and “Bunny Bucks”. Ice cream was served and the “Bunny Bucks” store was opened so the children could spend their Bunny Bucks.



Easter Egg Hunt



About 20 children participated in the Hope Lutheran Church Youth Easter egg hunt. The Hope youth hid the eggs inside the church. Eggs contained candy,



Easter Breakfast And Church Service

The Youth sponsored Easter breakfast on Easter morning before the church service. Homemade coffee breads, scrambled eggs, sausage, fruit cups and orange juice and coffee were served.



The church service included the release time children singing two songs. One of the songs

encouraged the congregation to participate.



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There will be a Baccalaureate service for the graduating seniors from Floodwood High School at 7:00 p.m. Wednesday evening, May 18 held at the New Life Church. The weekend of May 13-15 the VFW will be having their annual poppy fundraiser. Remember to pray for and thank all those who have given so much to protect the freedoms we all have in this country.

I will continue to teach the Bible study on Paul's letter to the Romans on the first and third Thursday mornings at 10:00 a.m. in the Riverview Apartments. All are welcome. I will be teaching Bible study on Sunday mornings after the fellowship time from 11-12 a.m. on a variety of prophecy topics.

My prayer for all is to have a safe and blessed spring. If you aren't currently doing a daily devotional, I would encourage you to start one.

Also consider attending worship service on a regular basis. In the bible, God recommends we attend Church regularly to hear His Word, receive the sacrament and to fellowship with other believers. God has blessed us all so much. Let us become the disciples He has called us to be. May God Bless us and sustain us in the difficult times we are living in.

Pastor John

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Penny Jar

Thank you to all who donated pennies and other change into the gallon jar at the back of the church. A total of \$84.14 was given to the local food shelf from contents of the jar, plus change gathered at the monthly women's group meetings and Bible Study. This is in addition to what was donated into the globe during March.



Quilting

The quilters will meet on Tuesday, May 24th, starting at 9:00 A.M. All women are welcome. If you're able to tie a knot, you qualify to help!!

MAY BIRTHDAYS

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

MAY ANNIVERSARIES

- 28 Grace & Roy Autio ('55)

JUNE BIRTHDAYS

- 2 Emily Hall
- 5 Cooper Tollgaard
- 9 Jan Metso
- 10 Kolt Bennett
- 17 Preslie Kjoberg
- 18 Sheryl Abell
- 19 Deb Tollgaard
- 22 Jamie Peterson
- 23 Richard Coccie
- 26 Pastor John Burgess
- 28 Karly Tollgaard
- 29 Leigha Kuehl

JUNE ANNIVERSARIES

- 2 Kent & Missy Wojtysiak
- 8 Jan & Rob Benson ('58)
- 10 Sylvia (Shafer) & Jeff
Romosz
Tammy & Jamie Peterson
Russ & Sheryl Abell
- 24 Pastor Owen & Linda
Christianson



Weighty Problem

Arrow Lift came and load tested the elevator on March 28th. They had to load 3,125 pounds in the elevator to test it. One of the Arrow Lift employees also had to get in the elevator to get the required weight. The elevator passed the test.



A sign with two sections. The top section has a photo of people serving refreshments and the text "Sign Up to Serve Refreshments". The bottom section has a photo of a man reading a book and the text "Reminders: Sign Up to be a Scripture Reader".

May 2022 HOPE PLANNER

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 9:30 Worship & Sunday School Communion 10:30 Fellowship 11 AM Bible Study	2 USHER TEAM: Dave Zieroth 8:30-Noon- Pastor's office hours	3	4	5 10 AM Bible Study at Riverview Manor 6:30 PM National Day of Prayer-walk around Floodwood. Meet at the Water tower	6	7
8 9:30 Worship & Sunday School 10:30 Fellowship 11 AM Bible Study <i>Mother's Day</i>	9 USHER TEAM: Bob Hosking 8:30-Noon- Pastor's office hours	10 10 AM HLCW Bible Study	11 9-11 AM Floodwood Food Shelf	12	13	14
15 9:30 Worship & Sunday School Communion 10:30 Fellowship 11 AM Bible Study	16 USHER TEAM: Dale Rauvola 8:30-Noon- Pastor's office hours	17	18 7:00 PM Baccalaureate New Life Church	19 10 AM Bible Study at Riverview Manor	20	21
22 9:30 Worship & Sunday School 10:30 Fellowship 11 AM Bible Study	23 USHER TEAM: Rob Benson 8:30-Noon- Pastor's office hours	24 9:00 AM Quilting	25 9-11 AM Floodwood Food Shelf	26	27	28
29 9:30 Worship & Sunday School Communion 10:30 Fellowship NO Bible study	30 USHER TEAM: Bubba Vance NO Pastor's office hours 	31	Looking Ahead -- Mark your calendars NOW  June 13-17 Community VBS 9 AM – Noon Downtown Fair Center Grades K-6 Watch for additional in the June Newsletter			

PRAYER REQUESTS

May 2022



For those who are ill or struggling

Ethel	Roy
Dinah	Gary
Dean S.	Lorraine
Jerry	Bob
Danette	Sadie
Grace W.	Jim
Sue	Coach
Bradley	Willa
Heather	Theresa
Wayne	

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

Those mourning the loss of loved ones.

For those in the military

Owen Seredinski
Liam Seredinski
Jacob Seredinski

For places where wars and conflict take place

Ukraine
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

***For our world and nation on dealing with the Covid-19 virus**

Peace and healing in Ukraine and the world

HOPE LUTHERAN CHURCH GIVING

General Fund Giving

March 27	\$ 561.00
April 3	\$1838.16
April 10	\$1445.43
April 17	\$1550.00

Missions Account

Religious Release Fund \$ 60.00

Youth Soup Suppers

March 23	\$ 113.00
March 30	\$ 46.00
April 6	\$ 106.00

Youth Blessing Offering

April 17 \$ 101.00

Youth Easter Breakfast

April 17 \$ 355.00

Globe Offering

Floodwood Area Food Shelf

March 27	\$ 100.00
April 3	\$ 55.61

Memorials

In Memory of Lois Hendrickson
from Jeannette Johnsen \$ 50 (Youth)



**May globe offering:
Camp Patmos camper support**

Offerings can be mailed to:
**Hope Lutheran Church
PO Box 288
Floodwood, MN 55736**



HOPE LUTHERAN CHURCH WEB SITE

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

www.hopelutheranfloodwood.org

Also visit us on FACEBOOK:

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