

The Beacon Hope

The Newsletter of Hope Lutheran November 2025

Pastor's Corner

Greetings brothers and sisters in Christ,

I would like to start by sincerely thanking you for making pastor appreciation day so special for Cindy and I with all your cards, gifts and the nice fellowship celebration with cake and ice cream. You are a special church family who have made us feel so welcome here at Hope Lutheran.

It is November and fall season is over and wintertime is approaching with deer hunting season soon. In the church year, we are approaching the end of the year 2025 and the start of a new church year. That means we have a busy month with a lot of special celebrations.

It will start the very first Sunday in November with the feast of All Saints Sunday. Martin Luther teaches that all believers are both saints and sinners. That is us. On this special day, we remember all those saints who have passed during this year as well as all our loved ones who have died and now are with the Lord. We thank God for the blessings they brought to our lives during their time with us.

During the next few Sundays many of our members will be involved with the hunting season. We will pray for their safety and hopefully a successful hunt until they return to worship with us again. *(Continued on Page 3)*



& HLCW NEWS

Women's Bible study will meet on Tuesday, November 11th at 10:00 A.M. at the church. Cindy Burgess will lead discussion on two more women of the Bible --- Naomi and Ruth. All women are welcome. *(Continued on Page 3)*

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COMMITTEE REPORTS

NONE AVAILABLE

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

- 2 Ann Knight
- 6 Susan Coccie
- 9 C Jean Hutchinson
Shawna Behrendt
- 12 Dawn Shafer
- 13 Nancy Raihala
- 14 Jan Benson
Wyatt Rauvola
- 16 Pastor Carl Fiskness
- 17 Linda Chambers
Sadie Kiminski
- 19 Eric Hall
- 21 Sue Hutchinson
- 23 Leanne Aho
- 26 Wyatt Peterson
- 29 Carl Kuehl



NOVEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

No anniversaries
during November

DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

- 2 Lisa Dusek
- 3 Jordan Romanek
- 4 Carole Ahlgren
- 5 Carolyn Hosking
- 6 Johanna Abell
Cecilia Abell
- 10 Tony Speece
- 12 Danielle (Tollgaard) White
- 15 Lacey Wojtysiak
- 17 Courtney Young
John Hutchinson
- 19 John Seredinski Jr.
- 26 Bubba Vance
- 27 Tanya Johnson
- 29 McKennah Keil
- 30 Lindsey Rosemore
- 31 Alex Larson

DECEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

No anniversaries
during December



*Have a blessed
Thanksgiving*

FOOD SHELF

NEW HOURS

2ND FRIDAY OF THE MONTH
12-2:00 PM

THEN: THE FOLLOWING
MONDAY 9-11:00 AM



Reminders

Sign up to serve
refreshments!

And

Sign up to be a
Scripture reader!

Pastor's Corner
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At the end of the church year November 23, we celebrate Christ the King Sunday as we focus on the return of Jesus coming back as our King. We all need to remember He is coming, and we need to be preparing for this joyous event. We prepare by studying His Word, receiving Holy Communion, and as we pray and worship together as His Church family.

Thanksgiving Day is November 27th. We will not have a church service that day, but Cindy and I will be praying for all of you to have a safe and blessed holiday. Remember to give God thanks for all the blessings in your life as you enjoy a special day with your family.



The last Sunday, November 30, is the first Sunday of Advent. We start the new church year as we begin to celebrate the first coming of Jesus as the babe born in a manger. It is the beginning of the Christmas season. This starts a busy time for all of us. We will be decorating with a new Christmas tree this year. All are welcome to help decorate it and the church. I hope you will include worship here during this special time of the year.

God Bless us all,

Pastor John

HLCW
(continued from Page 1)



QUILTING

The next quilting date will be determined when the quilters meet in October. Stay tuned!



Boxes will be on the table in the overflow room.

Handouts – follow directions!! \$10.00 this year for shipping. Include check to OCC or a note stating paid online. Be sure to follow directions on what is NOT allowed in the boxes – many prohibited items are added each year.

(Giving in the GLOBE is NOT for a shoe box you make. Globe Offering is to Samaritan's Purse and their costs associated with Operation Christmas Child program.)

Deadline: Sunday, November 16.

Financial Summary
(1/1/25 – 9/30/25)

Financial Update – General Fund

	Income	Expense
January 2025	\$6,221.00	\$6,692.03
February 2025	\$5,088.00	\$7,154.96
March 2025	\$12,111.58	\$9,554.17
April 2025	\$4,372.00	\$7,891.22
May 2025	\$5,531.10	\$7,905.88
June 2025	\$6,652.59	\$9,464.69
July 2025	\$4,681.95	\$5,857.94
August 2025	\$11,895.07	\$5,972.14
September 2025	\$5,292.74	\$5,806.79
Year to Date	\$61,846.03	\$66,299.82
Year to Date (\$4453.79) (Expenses exceed income at this time.)		

Pastor's Appreciation Sunday

On Sunday, October 12, we marked Pastor's Appreciation Sunday with cake and ice cream. Thanks to Pastor and Cindy for their commitment and care.



**God Has Brought Me
Laughter**

NEW PASTOR WARRANTY

It has come to our attention that the pastor you received was shipped with a slight defect—he is not psychic. Because of this, you must observe certain procedures to ensure optimum performance.

It is necessary to inform him of any members who are hospitalized.

If someone you know is in need of prayer, the pastor must be told, or he won't know.

If you are in need of a pastoral visit, you will get best results if you ask him.

We regret any inconvenience this may cause.





APPLE PIE MAKING

Thank you to all who made pie making day a success. Thank you to Mark & Kathy for getting the apples, to those who peeled, sliced, mixed, rolled dough, and kept track of the orders. A total of 100 pies were made.



PRAYER REQUESTS

November 2025



For those who are ill or struggling

Kitty	Gary
Dean S.	Jerry
Danette	Sadie
Carlene	Elsie
Grace W.	Willie
Sue	Willa
Bradley	Theresa
Wayne	Doug S.
Carolyn	Roy
Erik	

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
Pashtun People Group
Robert & Ulla Suhonen
Vision Petrozavodsk
Judy Yund and Bethel Hospital
Peace*Love*Haiti
Madagascar Mission Project
*For our congregation and Church Council
*Pastor Julie
*Floodwood Police Department Officers and all law enforcement officers

Peace and healing in Ukraine and Israel and the world!

HOPE LUTHERAN CHURCH GIVING

General Fund Giving

September 28	\$ 940.74
October 5	\$1627.00
October 12	\$1756.00
October 19	\$ 577.00
October 26	\$1038.75

Globe

Religious Release Snacks

September 28	\$ 30.00
Total for Religious Release Snacks	\$378.00

Support Operation Christmas Child

October 5	\$ 40.00
October 12	\$ 10.00
October 19	\$100.00
October 26	\$ 30.00

Memorials

In Memory of Ethel Pensak from Pat & John Serdinski \$50.00 (Memorial Savings)
In Memory of Ethel Pensak from Jeanette Johnsen \$50.00 (Memorial Savings)
In Memory of Ethel Pensak from Carole Ahlgren \$25.00 (Memorial Savings)
In Memory of Ethel Pensak from Sue & Bubba Vance \$25.00 (Memorial Savings)
In Memory of Rob Benson from Pat & John Serdinski \$100.00 (Memorial Savings)
In Memory of Rob Benson from Sue & Bubba Vance \$30.00 (Memorial Savings)
In Memory of Lois Mylly Kangas from Pat & John Serdinski \$100.00 (Memorial Savings)

Globe Offering

November 1 – 16

Support Samaritan's Purse to cover their costs for Operation Christmas Child (Is NOT to cover cost of boxes you pack.)

November 16 - 30 and December -- NONE

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

Name: _____ Date: _____

DIRECTIONS:
Find and circle the
vocabulary words
in the grid. Look
for them in all
directions including
backwards and
diagonally.

COLONY
CORNUCOPIA
CRANBERRIES
FALL
FAMILY
FEAST
GOBBLE
GRATITUDE
GRAVY
HARVEST
HOLIDAY
MAIZE
MAYFLOWER
MILES STANDISH
NEW WORLD
NOVEMBER
PILGRIMS
PLYMOUTH
PUMPKIN PIE
PURITANS
SQUASH
STUFFING
THANKSGIVING
THURSDAY
TURKEY
WAMPANOAG
YAMS

Thanksgiving Day

Word Search

U	G	B	S	H	M	U	S	D	J	B	O	L	V	H	K	C	T	E
P	U	R	I	T	A	N	S	G	N	I	F	F	U	T	S	E	S	I
P	A	T	X	E	C	K	M	A	Y	F	L	O	W	E	R	G	E	P
E	I	H	H	R	I	M	I	Q	B	H	A	J	I	E	P	J	V	N
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G	R	A	T	I	T	U	D	E	J	U	N	H	O	L	I	D	A	Y



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November 2025 HOPE LUTHERAN PLANNER						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	USHER: Dale Rauvola 9:00-Noon- Pastor's office hours					1
2 DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME ENDS. FALL BACK 9:30 Worship & Sunday School with communion 10:30 Fellowship 11:00 Bible Study	3 USHER: Kent Wojtysiak 9:00-Noon- Pastor's office hours	4	5 Religious Release HS 12:35-1:20 Elem 1:30-2:15	6 10 AM Bible Study at Riverview Manor	7	8
9 9:30 Worship & Sunday School 10:30 Fellowship 11:00 Bible Study	10 USHER: Bubba Vance 9:00-Noon- Pastor's office hours	11 10:00 AM-HLCW Bible Study 	12 Religious Release HS 12:35-1:20 Elem 1:30-2:15	13	14 12-2:00 PM Floodwood Food Shelf	15
16 9:30 Worship & Sunday School with communion 10:30 Fellowship 11:00 Bible Study	17 USHER: Tim Tollgaard 9:00-Noon- Pastor's office hours 9-11 AM Floodwood Food Shelf	18	19 Religious Release HS 12:35-1:20 Elem 1:30-2:15	20 10 AM Bible Study at Riverview Manor	21	22
23 9:30 Worship & Sunday School 10:30 Fellowship 11:00 Bible Study	24 USHER: John Seredinski 9:00-Noon- Pastor's office hours <i>NEWS ITEMS DUE</i>	25	26 NO Religious Release	27 NO CHURCH SERVICE 	28	29
30 9:30 Worship & Sunday School 10:30 Fellowship 11:00 Bible Study <i>First Sunday of Advent</i>	Looking Ahead: Sunday, December 14 - Youth Christmas Program during Worship Service					



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AND FACEBOOK PAGE FOR
INFORMATION AND UPDATES**

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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Floodwood, MN

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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED