

The Beacon of Hope

The Newsletter of Hope Lutheran Church

October 2022

Pastor's Corner

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Greetings brothers and sisters in Christ,

As I look around outside now, I see many trees changing into beautiful fall colors. I am happy to hear that we at Hope are making those wonderful apple pies again. Thanks to all who help to make it a special time.

Religious release has begun again which gives us the opportunity to teach the children about who God is and how much He loves them. The world has become an evil and difficult place for kids, so they especially need to hear God's message for them. Special thanks to all who are helping with the teaching and baking treats which the kids really like.

I am participating in the LCMC 2022 Gathering in Lakeville Minnesota the first week of October. The special emphasis is on making us better disciples for Jesus. All Christian churches are struggling with a falling away of regular church attenders and a declining membership. This results in fewer disciples to share God's commission to build up His Church. We need to emphasize a commitment to become better disciples. This begins by prioritizing church attendance and Bible study. We can start with regular prayers asking God for help in these areas. He has sent His Holy Spirit to help us in this pursuit. Let us take advantage of His supernatural power.

October is also the month that we celebrate the birth of the Protestant Reformation, and the work of Martin Luther. We will celebrate it Sunday October 30 by wearing the color red, and by listening to the words of Martin Luther. Come and celebrate our heritage and the special gift we were given by the reformers who carried out God's work in those difficult years.

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& HLCW NEWS

Cindy Burgess will lead the women's Bible study on "The Seven Deadly Sins" on Tuesday, October 11th at 10:00 A.M. Pride and anger will be the first 2 sins discussed. All women are welcome to take part in the discussion.

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COMMITTEE REPORTS

Hope Lutheran Church Council Meeting Minutes

None available

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Let us come together this fall to praise and worship God, learn more about Him and enjoy the fellowship time we spend together. May God keep us all safe and healthy as we start the fall cold and flu season.

God Bless us all, Pastor John

HLCW (Continued From Page 1)

HLCW Quilting



Quilting is the 4th Tuesday,
October 25th, starting at 9:00
A.M. All are welcome.

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

- 3 Liam Seredinski
Dale Rauvola
Cindy Burgess
- 4 Molly Johnsen
Elvie Tollgaard
LuAnn Heikkila
- 5 Cory Suonvieri
- 6 David Jatkola
- 9 Russ Abell
Ella Bennett

- 11 Wayne Thom
- 12 Ann Bolstad
- 13 Pastor Owen Christianson
Anna Hall
- 17 Mark Johnsen

OCTOBER ANNIVERSARIES

- 2 John & Sue Hutchinson
- 3 Pat & John Seredinski ('71)

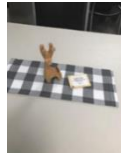
NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

- 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 None

Box Missing

A box containing
12 homemade
wooden deer and 7
homemade wooden



birdhouses is
missing. If you have
information or ideas,
please let Pastor or
Jeff know. No
questions asked. Thank you.

Needed: Release Time Help

Please prayerfully consider how
you can assist with Religious
Release this year. Rob Benson has
played an important role in
teaching High School Religious
Release for the past decade plus
and will be greatly missed. Your
help is needed to teach both High
School and Elementary Religious
Release. Please visit with Pastor
John if you are interested in
helping. Thank you in advance.



New Address

Jan & Rob Benson
407 N 15th Street
Cold Spring MN 56320

Apple Pie Making



The people of Hope Lutheran Church will be making apple pies Friday, October 7th. We need lots of help, and people are responding to the call. Thank you.

Please bring whatever utensils you need with you; like pails to put peelings in, bowls to put the peeled apples in, knives, peelers, spoons etc. A sign-up sheet is posted at church for the ingredients. We'll begin about 9:00, so bring a bag lunch. The price of the pies will be \$10.00. SEE YOU THERE.



Operation Christmas Child Boxes are 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.

Deadline: Sunday, November 13.



By Focus On The Family

Pastor Appreciation Month is a special time that congregations set aside each year to honor their pastors and pastoral families for the hard work, sacrificial dedication and multiple blessings provided by these special people. It is typically scheduled in October but can be held at any time that is convenient for the church and the community. It is also important to remember that appreciation, affirmation and prayer support of our spiritual leaders is appropriate throughout the entire year.

God has instructed us to recognize His servants.

“The elders who direct the affairs of the church well are worthy of double honor, especially those whose work is preaching and teaching” (1 Timothy 5:17).

We believe that the concept of pastor appreciation started with the Apostle Paul as he was establishing the first Christian churches. In 1 Timothy, he wrote, “The elders who direct the affairs of the church well are worthy of double honor, especially those whose work is preaching and teaching” (1 Tim. 5:17). And, in 1 Thessalonians, he said, “Respect those who work hard among you, who are over you in the Lord and who admonish you. Hold them in the highest regard in love because of their work” (1 Thess. 5:12-13).

Accordingly, over the centuries, decades and years, pastors have been recognized and honored, either formally or informally, by many denominations and local churches at various times of the year. It has been a long-standing practice.

Thank You Pastor and Cindy for your faithful service to Hope Lutheran Church.

May the Lord God Bless and keep you and your family.

October 2022 Hope Lutheran Church Planner

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	USHER TEAM: Tim Tollgaard					1
2 9:30 Worship & Communion 10:30 Fellowship	3 USHER TEAM: John Seredinski <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; width: fit-content; margin: 10px auto;"> Pastor attending LCMC Annual Gathering & Convention in Lakeville </div>	4	5 Release Time 12:45-1:30-HS 1:30-2:15-Elem.	6 10 AM Bible Study at Riverview Manor	7 9:00 AM  Apple Pie Making	8
9 8:00AM Church Council Meeting 9:30 Worship 10:30 Fellowship 11:00 Adult Bible Study <i>Pastor Appreciation Day</i>	10 USHER TEAM: Mark Johnsen 8:30-Noon- Pastor's office hours	11 10:00 AM HLCW Bible Study	12 9-11 AM Floodwood Food Shelf Release Time 12:45-1:30-HS 1:30-2:15-Elem.	13	14	15
16 9:30 Worship & Communion 10:30 Fellowship 11:00 Adult Bible Study	17 USHER TEAM: Dave Zieroth 8:30-Noon- Pastor's office hours	18	19 Release Time 12:45-1:30-HS 1:30-2:15-Elem.	20 10 AM Bible Study at Riverview Manor	21	22
23 9:30 Worship 10:30 Fellowship 11:00 Adult Bible Study	24 USHER TEAM: Bob Hosking 8:30-Noon- Pastor's office hours <i>Newsletter deadline</i>	25 9:00 AM Quilting, church basement	26 9-11 AM Floodwood Food Shelf Release Time 12:45-1:30-HS 1:30-2:15-Elem.	27	28	29
30 9:30 Worship 10:30 Fellowship 11:00 Adult Bible Study <i>Reformation Sunday—Wear red</i>	31 USHER TEAM: Dale Rauvola 8:30-Noon- Pastor's office hours	Looking ahead: November 13th, Christmas Child Boxes due				

PRAYER REQUESTS

October 2022



For those who are ill or struggling

Ethel	Roy
Dinah	Gary
Dean S.	Lorraine
Jerry	Bob
Danette	Sadie
Grace W.	Jim
Sue	Willa
Bradley	Theresa
Heather	Wayne
Don	Carlene
Sulo	Willie
Floyd	Jen

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

August 28	\$492.00
September 4	\$1514.00
September 11	\$1875.00
September 18	\$1762.00

Globe Offering



Ukraine Support

August 28 \$240.00

Operation Christmas Child

September 4	\$5.00
September 11	\$15.00
September 18	\$85.00

Youth

August 28	\$10.00
September 11	\$550.00
September 18	\$85.00

Memorials

In Memory of Richard Coccie
from Anonymous \$1000.00 (Mem Savings)

Honorariums

In Honor of Jan & Rob Benson from Floyd & Carole Ahlgren \$50.00 (General Fund)



October Globe Offering is to support Samaritan's Purse and their costs associated with Operation Christmas Child program.

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

An Apple a Day

Word Search

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

- Applejack
- Baked
- Brown Betty
- Butter
- Cake
- Candied
- Caramelized
- Chips
- Cider
- Cobbler
- Crisp
- Danish
- Dried
- Dumpling
- Eve's Pudding
- Fritter
- Juice
- Pie
- Sauce
- Soda
- Strudel
- Tarte Tatin
- Turnover



Name: _____ Date: _____

Harvest Festival

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ANNUAL
APPLES
AUTUMN
CELEBRATION
CONTESTS
CORN
CORNUCOPIA
CROPS
FARMER
FEASTING
FESTIVAL
FIELDS
GAMES
HARVEST



HAYRIDE
LEAVES
MERRIMENT
MUSIC
OCTOBER
PUMPKINS
REGIONAL
SCARECROW
SEPTEMBER
SQUASH



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