

# The Beacon of Hope

The Newsletter of Hope Lutheran September 2024

## Pastor's Corner

Greetings brothers and sisters in Christ,

I can hardly believe it, but it is September already. Summer is over, and autumn is beginning. It is the time of year where we fall back.

Let us fall back into a time of learning like the kids who are returning to school. As adults, we will be starting adult bible classes, a time to dig deeper into the Word of God. Let us better understand how much God loves us and how much of what is going on in our world is fulfilling the things He foretold us would be happening as it gets closer to the time Jesus will return.

I will be teaching adult bible class on Sunday morning from 11:00 -12:00 as we continue our study in Genesis. I will be teaching bible class at the Riverview Apartments at 10:00 a.m. on the first and third Thursday of each month. We will be studying the epistles of Jude and James, the two brothers of Jesus. Cindy will be teaching the ladies bible study at the church on the second Tuesday of each month at 10:00 a.m. They will be finishing up their study of their favorite bible verses and then start a study of women in the bible.

If you can't attend these classes, I encourage you to pick up and use the daily devotionals we have available at church. I also encourage you to try and make regular church attendance a priority so you can continue to hear God's Word each Sunday and to receive the sacrament of Holy Communion. There will be fellowship time following the service with tasty refreshments and time to visit and encourage one another on our weekly walk with the Lord. *(Continued on Page 3)*



& HLCW NEWS

Cindy Burgess will lead the discussion on Tuesday, September 10th at 10:00 A.M. finishing the series on examining favorite Bible verses of those in attendance. In October the discussion will switch to various women of the Bible. All women are welcome. *(Continued on Page 3)*

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**COMMITTEE  
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None Available

**Youth**



**L**iliyana Johnson serving up water and pop for the outdoor service barbeque on August 4 at Hope. *(Continued on Page 3)*

**SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS**

- 3 Haylie Aho
- 4 Tara Seredinski
- 9 Sydney Lough
- 10 Gary Gustafson

- 11 Megan Heikkila Russ
- 14 Kiaja Stokke
- 17 Abby Johnsen
- 19 Levi Suonvieri
- 22 Autumn Peterson
- 23 Jared Seredinski  
Phil Bennett
- 24 Dean Fries  
Neil Vance
- 26 Savannah Speece
- 28 Jack Moe

**SEPTEMBER  
ANNIVERSARIES**

- 12 Keven & Tanya Johnson ('07)
- 15 Mark & Kathy Johnsen ('84)
- 16 Burt & Cory Suonvieri  
Hazel & Doug Bailey

**OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS**

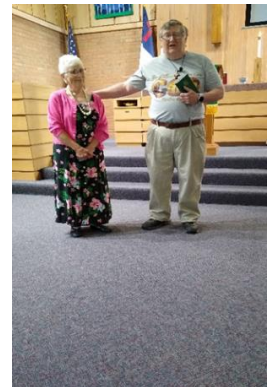
- 3 Liam Seredinski  
Dale Rauvola  
Cindy Burgess
- 4 Molly Johnsen  
Elvie Tollgaard  
LuAnn Heikkila
- 5 Cory Suonvieri
- 6 David Jatkola
- 9 Russ Abell  
Ella Bennett

- 11 Wayne Thom
- 12 Ann Bolstad
- 13 Pastor Owen Christianson  
Anna Hall  
Jennifer Wedin
- 17 Mark Johnsen
- 22 Shannon Johnsen  
Jim Hutton
- 24 Bob Andrews  
Tamera Lundstrom
- 27 Marissa Johnson
- 30 Davia Hayes

**OCTOBER ANNIVERSARIES**

- 2 John & Sue Hutchinson
- 3 Pat & John Seredinski ('71)
- 23 Shelley Arjes & Gary Gustafson ('99)

*New Member*



Janet Zganjar was installed as a new member of Hope Lutheran Church on Sunday, August 11<sup>th</sup>. Welcome Janet to the family of Hope Lutheran.



**Reminders**

**Sign up to serve refreshments!**

**And**

**Sign up to be a Scripture reader!**

**FLOODWOOD FOOD SHELF**

**2<sup>ND</sup> WEDNESDAY 12:00-2:00 PM**

**4<sup>TH</sup> WEDNESDAY 9:00-11:00 AM**

**HLCW (continued from page 1)**

**Quilting**



Quilting will resume on Tuesday, September 24th, beginning at 9:00 A.M. at the church. Anyone who can thread a needle and/or tie a knot is welcome!!

**Pastor's Corner (Continued from Page 1)**

We will also begin religious release on Wednesday, September 25, from 12:45-2:15 with the high school students first followed by the elementary students. If you could volunteer with teaching classes or providing treats, please let me know how you would like to help. It is a joy God provides to each of us to teach those who will be the members of His church in the future.

Quilting will begin again, on the fourth Tuesday of the month at 9:00 a.m. Our startup date for September will be the 24<sup>th</sup>. Come and help prepare quilts for those in need.

My prayer for us all is to have a safe and wonderful fall experience this year. I look forward to seeing you soon.

God Bless us all,

Pastor John

**(Youth, Continued from Page 2)**

The annual outdoor church service was held on August 4<sup>th</sup>. The youth group provided a barbeque with hamburgers, hot dogs and bratwurst. Plenty of salads, *desserts* and beverages were also available. Thank you, Youth and leaders.



## September 2024 Hope Lutheran Planner

| Sun   | Mon   | Tue  | Wed   | Thu  | Fri       | Sat       |
|---|---|--|---|--|-----------|-----------|
| <b>1</b><br><b>9:30</b> Worship with communion<br><b>10:30</b> Fellowship                                     | <b>2</b><br><b>USHER:</b> Gary Gustafson<br><br><b>NO</b><br>Pastor's office hours          | <b>3</b>   | <b>4</b>  | <b>5</b><br><b>10 AM</b> Bible Study at Riverview Manor  | <b>6</b>  | <b>7</b>  |
| <b>8</b><br><b>8:00</b> Council<br><b>9:30</b> Worship<br><b>10:30</b> Fellowship<br><b>11:00</b> Bible Study | <b>9</b><br><b>USHER:</b> Dave Zieroth<br><br><b>9:00-Noon:</b><br>Pastor's Office Hours    | <b>10</b><br><b>10:00 AM-</b><br><b>HLCW</b><br>Bible Study                          | <b>11</b><br><b>12-2:00 PM</b><br>Floodwood Food Shelf  | <b>12</b>  | <b>13</b> | <b>14</b> |
| <b>15</b><br><b>9:30</b> Worship with communion<br><b>10:30</b> Fellowship<br><b>11:00</b> Bible Study        | <b>16</b><br><b>USHER:</b><br><b>9:00-Noon:</b><br>Pastor's office hours                    | <b>17</b>  | <b>18</b>   | <b>19</b><br><b>10 AM</b> Bible Study at Riverview Manor | <b>20</b> | <b>21</b> |
| <b>22</b><br><b>9:30</b> Worship<br><b>10:30</b> Fellowship<br><b>11:00</b> Bible Study                       | <b>23</b><br><b>USHER:</b> Dale Rauvola<br><br><b>9:00-Noon:</b><br>Pastor's office hours   | <b>24</b><br><b>9:00AM-3:00 RO</b><br>Quilting<br><br><i>Newsletter articles due</i> | <b>25</b><br><b>9-11 AM</b><br>Floodwood Food Shelf<br><br>Release Time<br><b>12:45-1:30-HS</b><br><b>1:30-2:15-Elem.</b> | <b>26</b>  | <b>27</b> | <b>28</b> |
| <b>29</b><br><b>9:30</b> Worship<br><b>10:30</b> Fellowship<br><b>11:00</b> Bible Study                       | <b>30</b><br><b>USHER:</b> Kent Wojtysiak<br><br><b>9:00-Noon:</b><br>Pastor's office hours |  |   |  |           |           |





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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](http://www.hopelutheranfloodwood.org)

**Also visit us on FACEBOOK:**

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