

The Beacon of Hope

The Newsletter of Hope Lutheran Church September 2018

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WORD FROM PASTOR

Greetings

Greetings to all the members of Hope Lutheran Church in Floodwood! I am busy today packing in the hot, sultry days of late August in Wisconsin for our move to Floodwood the end of this month. My wife, Cindy, and I are looking forward with great anticipation at the opportunity to become your shepherd and join you in worship and service to our awesome God. I look forward to the coming fall season, which is one of my favorite times of the year, when God displays his incredible artistry of fall colors and we return from summer vacation ready to reenergize ourselves working in God's family.

Both Cindy and I want to thank you for your warm hospitality and caring attitude shown us during our visit in July. You made both of us, and my family in attendance, feel welcome and a part of your Christian family. We are excited to be joining you and helping with all the ministry opportunities the Lord is working through in your community.

We would especially like to thank Pastor Julie and Jeff for all of their help and guidance in making our transition to Floodwood a smooth and enjoyable experience. I would like to thank all those who worked on your call committee and church council during the call process for their enthusiasm and energy in demonstrating all the activities and ways in which you are bearing fruit for the Lord. It is an honor for us to become a part of all that you are doing. We look forward to exploring new opportunities and ways to enhance our worship and educational programs in your church. Working together we can further our spiritual growth and our ability to invite others in our community to come and join us in God's family.

Thank you again for the opportunity to serve you. We will see you all soon. Come and worship with us Labor Day weekend September 2. May God continue to bless us, watch over us and keep us in His ways in Jesus name We pray. Amen

Pastor John

COMMITTEE REPORTS

HOPE LUTHERAN CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES July 17, 2018

Members Present: Pastor Julie Gellert, Susan Coccie, Mark Johnsen, Pat Seredinski, Dean Fries, Jeff Kletscher. Absent: Rob Benson

Mark Johnson Opened with Prayer.

Meeting Called to order at 7:05 PM by Mark Johnson.

Motion by Susan Coccie, 2nd by Mark Johnson to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried

Secretaries Report

June 14, 2018 Council Minutes – Motioned by Susan Coccie, 2nd by Pat Seredinski. Motion carried.
July 8, 2018 Special Congregational Meeting Minutes - Motioned by Dean Fries, 2nd by Pat Seredinski. Motion carried.

Treasurers Report

Reviewed financial report. Motioned by Dean Fries, 2nd by Pat Seredinski to approve the Treasures report as submitted. Motion carried.

Pastors Report: Written report was provided.

Administrator's Report Jeff's report was provided in packet.

Committee reports

Call Committee – No report
Christian Education and Youth – No report
Outreach Committee – No report

Building Committee – No report
Quilting – None in Summer

Old Business

Church Steeple update (Mark) – There has been no interested purchasers

Electronic Sign (Pastor) – LCMC Pastor, Stewart Carlson from Silver Bay. They purchased a new electronic sign from the same company we are looking at and they have seen **no** increase in attendance.

Elevator Update (Jeff) - Looking for replacement to Arrow lift, they have not been timely in getting work completed. Motion by Mark Johnson, 2nd by Dean Fries to allow Jeff Kletscher the ability to get the work completed by Arrow Lift or another company. Motioned carried

New Business

End of Pastor Gellert Contract - Accepted Pastor Gellert's 30-day verbal notice. August 19, 2018 will be her last Sunday, August 15, 2018 will be her last paycheck. Pastor also asked to attend an Ordination / Installation in Cook / Orr, so we will need Pulpit Supply for August 12th. Motioned by Mark Johnson, 2nd by Dean Fries. Motion carried.

Extend Call to John Burgess – Discussion held on salary, benefits and other negotiable items. Mark given permission to make needed decisions in consultation with Jeff. Motioned by Mark Johnson, 2nd by Dean Fries to extend a Call to Serve Hope Lutheran Church to John Burgess beginning September 1, 2018. Motion carried.

Parsonage Work – The following items need to be addressed as it relates to the Parsonage. AC need new remote, Garbage disposal

replacement, upstairs bathroom sink leaks, cat room stinks. These items will be addressed by the building committee. Jeff Kletscher will line-up carpet cleaning after August 22nd. Motioned by Pat Seredinski, 2nd by Dean Fries. Motion carried.

Dehumidifier Purchase – Discussed on the purchase of a 115-pint dehumidifier for the basement. Current dehumidifier to be used for elevator shaft. Approximately \$400.00. Motioned by Mark Johnson, 2nd by Pat Seredinski. Motion carried.

Globe Offering – July Summer Camp, August – Globe Free Month

Next Meeting – Sunday August 19, 2018 after Potluck..

Pastor Julie Gellert closed with Prayer at 8:37 PM.

Hope Lutheran Church Women



The new study on Proverbs will start in September. The first lesson is titled "The Choice" based on Proverbs Chapter 9 [included in the study book]. In this reading Lady Wisdom and Woman Folly invite the same people to a feast. Which invitation should be accepted? The choice made could have an impact on the rest of life. Join the discussion on Tuesday, September 11 at 10:00 A.M. All women are invited. New books can be obtained from Jeanette for \$9.00 — or share one with a friend. (*continued page 3*)

QUILTING



We will resume quilting on September 25th, the fourth Tuesday, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Bring a bag lunch and we welcome any newcomers who want to join us.

THANK YOU

Thank you to all who attended and helped at the potluck for Pastor Julie, especially Mary Circle.

APPLE PIES



Looking ahead to October, I see the apple Festival at Bayfield is the weekend of October 6-7. So, if we decide to do pies again, it will be Thursday and Friday, October 11th and 12th. You will hear more later.

Thank You

Thanks to all for your prayers and cards during my recovery and Willa's cancer treatment.

The best news of all is that WILLA (our granddaughter) has been cancer free for one year. God is good.

Ann Bolstad



Tea Theme:
Country Sheik

Christian Way Fellowship
Meadowlands, NJ
Is hosting our 2nd annual Ladies Tea/conference
Saturday, September 15, 2018
Morning session 9:30a.m.-12:00p.m., then
Afternoon session will begin at 1:30p.m.
Luncheon to follow morning session
Speaker: Andrea Waitley
"Living in the More"

Please RSVP by:
Wednesday, September 8th
Or for more information to:
Jara Thronson @ 218-966-9181
Hope Skripsky @ 218-343-2696



Blessed are those who hunger
and thirst for righteousness,
for they shall be satisfied.
Mathew 5:6



Worship and Music Committee Meeting

Worship and Music Committee will meet Thursday, September 20th at 9:30 am. We welcome new participants in the group. Suggestions for hymns/music can be submitted to Jeannette or Pastor John before that day.



SAYING GOOD-BYE TO PASTOR JULIE



PRAYER REQUEST SEPTEMBER 2018



For those who are ill or struggling

Dinah	Lorraine	Joy G.	Linda	Phil
Sadie	Danette	Coach	Gary	
Frances	Grace W.	Lois	Nick	
Theresa	Joy C.	Willa		

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

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

- 3** Haylie Aho
- 4** Sulo Jatkola
Tara Seredinski
- 9** Sydney Lough
- 11** Megan Heikkila Russ
- 12** Jim Pensak
- 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
- 27** Jessica Hutton
- 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
- 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
- 22** Shannon Johnsen
Jim Hutton
- 24** Bob Andrews
Tamera Lundstrom
- 27** Marissa Johnson
- 30** Davia Hayes

**OCTOBER
ANNIVERSARIES**

- 1** Liz & Wayne Thom ('66)
- 2** John & Sue Hutchinson
- 3** Pat & John Seredinski ('71)

**HOPE LUTHERAN CHURCH
GIVING**

General Fund Giving

July 29	\$ 503.00
August 5	\$3128.00
August 12	\$1414.00
August 19	\$1310.00

Memorials

In Memory of Leanne Saari from
Floyd and Carole Ahlgren
\$ 20.00
(Memorial Savings)

**FOR SALE
CHURCH STEEPLE**



\$500.00
**CONTACT MARK
JOHNSEN**

September 2018 Hope Lutheran Church Planner

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	USHER TEAM: Dave Zieroth & Mark Johnsen					1
2 9:30 Worship with Pastor Burgess & Sun.Sch. 10:45 Fellowship	USHER TEAM: Bob Hosking & Dale Rauvola	4	5	6 9-10:30 AM Ruby's Pantry @ Arrowhead Town Hall	7	8
9 9:30 Worship & Sun.Sch. 10:45 Fellowship	USHER TEAM: Rob Benson & Bubba Vance	11 9:00 HLCW Bible Study	12 9-11 AM FW Food Shelf at FST	13	14	15 9:30 Christian Way Fellowship Ladies Tea/Conference
16 9:30 Worship & Sun.Sch. 10:45 Fellowship Church Council after coffee	USHER TEAM: Don Rosemore & Tim Tollgaard	18	19	20 9:30 Music and Worship Committee meeting	21	22
23 9:30 Worship & Sun.Sch. 10:45 Fellowship	USHER TEAM: John Seredinski & Bryan Hutchinson	25 9:00-3:00 HLCW Quilting	26 9-11 AM FW Food Shelf at FST	27	28	29
30 9:30 Worship & Sun.Sch. 10:45 Fellowship						

SUNDAY COFFEE TEAMS

September

*Leader: Rob & Jan Benson
Bubba & Sue Vance
Jan Metso*



October

*Leader: LuAnn Heikkila
Dave & Tracy Zieroth
Judy Dressley
Leigha Kuehl*

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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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED