

Mission Moments



September, 2014 | **Monthly Newsletter of Hope Lutheran Church** | Wake Forest, NC



Blessings
to
Hope Lutheran
Preschool
Starting a New
School Year!



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HOPE NEWS & EVENTS

ABOUT THE COVER...

Welcome back to families and teachers to the 2014/15 school year. New this year, the Preschool is offering half and full day extended enrichment options, and early care. Visit www.hopelutheranwf.org to learn more.

LABOR DAY CLOSINGS

The Church Office, Preschool, Little Blessings, and Xplore Track Out Camp will be closed on Monday, September 1 in observance of the Labor Day Holiday.

NEW MEMBER CLASS BEGINNING IN SEPTEMBER

New Member Classes begin September 7 from 9:45 - 10:45AM

All persons interested in becoming members of Hope or transferring their membership from another Lutheran church are invited to the next New Member Class entitled "Connecting to Hope!" There is no obligation to join by attending the class!



The people of Hope Lutheran Church proclaim and live the Word and love of Christ.

Mission Statement

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WEDNESDAY Night Alive

Dinner 5:30-6:15PM // Music Ministry // Classes 6:30-7:30PM

September 10 - October 29

Hope's midweek ministry opportunity for all ages to gather for dinner, Bible study, fellowship, and fun.

SEPTEMBER DINNER MENU

Homemade, high-quality dinners will be served Wednesday evenings from 5:30-6:15PM with themed activities for the kids. Sign up on Sundays, online, or by calling the Church office at 919-554-8109. Cost is \$6/adults & youth 11 and older, \$3/children ages 5-10, children under 5 free (\$22 family max).

- **9/10 - Watermelon & Fireflies:** Enjoy one of the last summer evenings at Hope with hot dogs, hamburgers, coleslaw, potato salad and of course, watermelon! The picnic will be served outside with fun activities for the kids.
- **9/17 - Breakfast for Dinner:** Hot, fluffy, homemade pancakes with sausage. A favorite dinner sure to please kids of all ages!
- **9/24 - Italian Feast:** Homemade lasagna, crispy Italian bread, and a fresh green salad. We simply 'mus-tache' you to come to for a great meal!



MUSIC MINISTRY

5:30pm-6:00pm; **Beginner Handbells**
5:45pm-6:30pm; **Children's Choir**
6:00pm-6:30pm; **Youth Handbells**
6:30pm-7:30pm; **Adult Handbells**
7:45pm-9:15pm; **Senior Choir**
(See page 15 to learn how to join a choir!)

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

6:30-7:30PM
Nursery (0-2 yrs) in the Nursery
Kids Connect (3-K yrs) in the Nursery
Kingdom Kids (1&2 Grades) in the Preschool
FLASH (3&4 Grades) in the Children's Center

ADULT STUDIES

6:30-7:30PM
Let's Talk about Marriage
The Mormons: Who They Are,
What They Believe
(See page 5 for class descriptions)

YOUTH MINISTRY

6:30-7:30PM
Confirmation Group on the Adult Ed. Floor
Jr. High Youth (7&8 Grades) in the Youth Cntr.
Sr. High Youth (9-12 Grades) in the Youth Cntr.

Pastor Puls' Reflection... Discipleship

Imagine the Lord Jesus Christ striding into your place of work, or walking into your living room. He smiles at you. He looks you in the eye. In a serious, yet warm, tone of voice, he says to you, "Follow me." Two simple words, but those words are suddenly flooding your brain, stirring your emotions, nudging your heart. Then Jesus turns and walks out of the room.

What happens next?

Back in first-century Galilee, several fishermen, a tax collector, and a few others had that exact same experience. Peter, James, John, Matthew, and eight others became the first disciples of Jesus Christ. They *followed* the Lord! Jesus invited them to literally walk with him every day, and to leave behind their old ways of living. By following Jesus as disciples, those men came to know God in a new and better way. They even participated actively in the divine mission of bringing Good News to the people of the world.

Today, in twenty-first-century North Carolina, you can have that same experience. Whether you are a teacher, an office worker, a retiree, a stay-at-home parent, or a complete slacker, Jesus is calling you to a life of discipleship. He wants you to *follow* him! Jesus invites you to walk with him daily, to leave behind your old ways of living, to get to know God in a more personal and meaningful way, and to actively share in the mission of spreading the Good News.

This fall at Hope we are going to explore, in depth, what it means for twenty-first-century Christians to be disciples of Jesus. Starting on September 6-7, and continuing each weekend in the months of September, October, and November, we're going to be studying and learning together about discipleship. We're not going to be jamming anything down your throat. Our goal is to challenge you to respond to Christ's discipleship call in healthy, faithful, empowering ways. After all, God's Son, Jesus Christ, is smiling at you at this very moment, looking you in the eye right now, and inviting you today. "Follow me," he says to you.

What happens next?

Your fellow disciple of Christ Jesus,



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WEEKEND WORSHIP SERVICES

Saturday Praise Service at 5:30PM
Sunday Services at 8:30 & 11:00AM

Nursery and Children's Church provided at all services

SUNDAY CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Sunday School for ages 3 – grade 4
Youth Bible Classes for grades 5 – 12
Adult Bible Studies

Nursery and beginning Sunday School provided for ages 2 and under.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT ALIVE

September 10 - October 29

5:30 – 6:15: Dinner
5:30 – 6:00: Beg. Handbell Choir
5:30 – 6:30: Youth Praise Team
5:45-6:30: Children's Choir
6:00 – 6:30: Youth Handbells
6:30-7:45: Adult Handbell Choir
6:30 – 7:30: Children, Youth, and Adult Education
7:45 – 9:15: Senior Choir

GET INVOLVED!

WEEKEND SERVICE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Many volunteers are needed in support of weekend services. Specifically, Communion Servers are needed on Saturday and Coffee Hour Hosts are needed on Sunday mornings. Contact Carlin O'Brien at cobrien@hopelutheranwf.org or 919-554-8109 to get involved!

2014 ANNUAL WOMEN'S RETREAT

November 7-9 at LifeWay
Ridgecrest, NC

The purpose of this experience is to have women feel affirmed and encouraged to walk closer to Jesus. Our retreat is designed to help you deepen your relationship with God while having fun making and growing new friendships.

To register, learn more about rooming options and cost, or pay a deposit, visit www.hopelutheranwf.org.

CONFIRM YOUR MEETING SPACE, GET ON THE MASTER CALENDAR TODAY!

If your Small Group took a break over the summer be sure to notify Shannon Janosko, at sjanosko@hopelutheranwf.org, if you will be restarting your groups and meeting at Hope.

Small Group Ministry

CARDS AT HOPE

Bridge Group; September 8 at 1:00PM & September 22 at 10:00AM

Contact Betty McAlear at bmcalear@nc.rr.com or 919-554-9081 if you plan to play. Note the different times for each meeting.

Pinochle Group; September 8 at 1:00PM

Contact Darlene McKenney at 919-389-5422 or darmckenney@embarqmail.com if you plan to play.

GODLY GRANDPARENTS

2nd & 4th Thursdays from 11:00AM - 12:30PM

The group is starting a new series, "How God Blesses Us Through Our Trials & Afflictions." You're invited to join the discussion! Questions? Susan Hooper, 919-467-6147 or swoozie9@gmail.com.

PRIME TIMERS EVENT

NC Museum of Natural Sciences; September 20 at 10:00AM

Join the group for a day at the museum followed by lunch in downtown Raleigh. If interested in attending, please contact Sue Joslyn at sajoslyn@earthlink.net or at 919-554-2515.

WEDNESDAY MORNING LADIES FELLOWSHIP

Wednesday mornings starting September 10 at 9:30AM

All women between the ages of "still raising the young adults" to "young grandmas" are invited to attend a new study, "Esther: It's Tough Being a Woman" by Beth Moore. Just as it was tough being a woman in Esther's day, it's tough today. This portion of God's Word contains treasures to aid us in our hurried, harried, and pressured lives. Contact Claudia Van Hook at 717-579-2077 or claudiavanhook@gmail.com to order your book or to learn more.

CHRISTIAN CREATION STEWARDSHIP SYMPOSIUM

Save the Date! November 7-8, 2014

The 'Creation Stewardship Small Group' is hosting a Christian Creation Symposium focusing on a "Faith-Based Approach for Environmental Stewardship Ethics for Restoration of Lakes, Rivers, and Marine ecosystems: Reforming NC Legislative Governance for Efficiency." The keynote speaker is Dr. Matthew Sleeth MD, author of the book 24/6. Other speakers include: Dr. Charles Arand (Concordia Lutheran Seminary), Dr. Ellen Davis (Duke Divinity School), Ms. Dianne Reid (NC Government), and Dr. Robert Y. George (GIBS).

To learn more, view the agenda & times, or register, visit www.hopelutheranwf.org.

September Adult Education Classes

Hope's Adult Education Ministry is designed to instruct, feed and challenge an individual's heart, mind and soul. Consider attending Hope's Sunday morning and/or Wednesday evening classes as God illuminates your path with the light of His Word!
Visitors welcome!

SUNDAY ADULT EDUCATION

Sunday Mornings starting on September 7 from 9:45-10:45AM

New Member Class; Adult Education Floor, room 301

All persons interested in learning more about Hope, or transferring their membership from another Lutheran church, are first invited to attend Hope's new member class. This class offers an opportunity to connect with new people and learn more about the mission and vision of Hope. This 8 week class is taught by Pastor Puls & Pastor Upchurch.

One Thousand Gifts; Conference Room 203 (by the Church Offices)

How do women find joy in the midst of deadlines, debt, drama, and daily routines? What does a life in Christ really look like when your days are gritty, long and sometimes even dark? Sometimes it's as simple as embracing the everyday blessings we already have. This 8 week class based on Ann Voskamp's book will explore how becoming present to God's presence can bring deep and lasting happiness.

1 and 2 Peter; Adult Education Floor, room 300

Using vivid imagery and skillful figurative language, the once middle-class fisherman turned disciple of Jesus Christ encourages his readers to endure their hardships by giving themselves entirely to God. The death and resurrection of Christ stands at the center! Join this 4 week Bible Study on the books of 1 and 2 Peter.

Sacred Roots; Adult Education Floor, room 302

The early church was a powerhouse of communal love, self-giving, and service. How do we rediscover these sacred roots? This 4 week class will explore four personal and communal shifts critical to being the kind of church that transforms people and renews the world.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT ALIVE

Wednesday evenings starting September 10; from 6:30-7:30PM

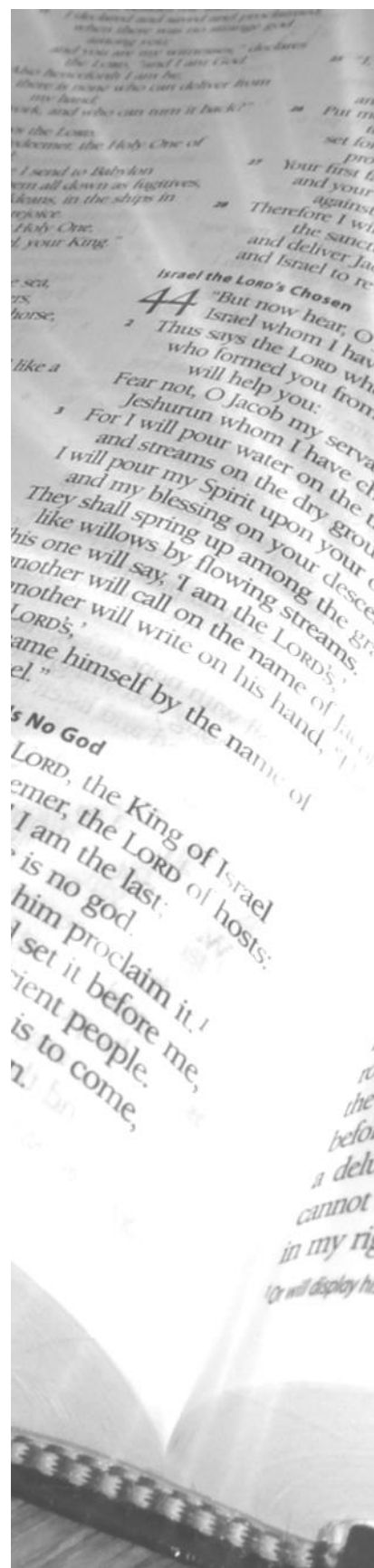
Let's Talk about Marriage; Adult Education Floor, room 300

Is your marriage time starved? How is the communication going? What gifts do you bring to the relationship? These are important topics so let's talk about it! Join the discussion facilitated by guest couple, and local authors, Charlie & Marty Coe.

The Mormons: Who They Are, What They Believe

Conference Room 203 (by the Church Offices)

Join this video based study that looks at the group's origins; the discrepancy between their beliefs and Christian teachings; the meanings of the rituals; and the prominence of the temple in Mormon life.



SERVICE & OUTREACH OPPORTUNITIES

TRI-AREA MINISTRY FOOD DONATIONS

The Feeding the Faith Small Group collects non-perishables for Tri-Area Ministry Food Pantry, which provides food for the needy in the community. In September, the food collection is **Chef Boyardee and/or easy instant lunches**. Please support Tri-Area by placing your non-perishable donations in the white wicker basket in Café.

TOUCHED BY HOPE

4th Annual Free Medical Clinic on October 25 from 8:00AM - 1:00PM

Touched By Hope is a free medical clinic at Hope open to anyone in need of medical, dental, or vision services. Hundreds of volunteers are needed, especially an optical coordinator. To find out more about the clinic, or about ways in which you can help, visit www.touchedbyhope.org.



READ AND FEED!

Read and Feed, created in 2006, is a nonprofit organization that helps bridge the reading deficiency gap for some of Wake County's economically disadvantaged elementary students. The first Wake Forest location of Read and Feed began in October 2013 at the Wake Forest community center, Hope House.

The program needs volunteers to serve meals and work with individual at-risk children. The children attend the program once a week on Tuesdays at Hope House from 5-7PM where participants have dinner, receive individual attention, and can select three books to take home.

How to Get Involved!

A training session has been scheduled on September 4 at 7:00PM at Friendship Chapel Baptist Church. All volunteers must go through the short training. **Register online at www.readandfeed.org, and select volunteer training.** If you completed training and/or volunteered in 2013 you can now go online to sign up to volunteer. Questions? Contact Shannon Janosko at sjanosko@hopelutheranwf.org.

BROWN BAG MINISTRY

September 20 from 11:00AM-1:00PM

Join the Brown Bag Ministry on September 20 from 11:00 am 1:00 pm. Help reach out to neighbors in Wake Forest with lunch, Bible verses and smiles. All ages are welcome!

Thank You for Your Donations! The Brown Bag Ministry is grateful for the monetary donations from Hope's congregation. As a result, each lunch included fresh fruit! Also, thank you to Texas Roadhouse for donating delicious yeast rolls for the sandwiches. Next time you visit the restaurant, be sure to thank them for their generosity! In September, the ministry is collecting sandwich bags for those wonderful sandwiches! Please place donations in the bin located in the café area.

'Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brothers, you did it to me.' Matthew 25:40

GLEANING THANK YOU!

Thank you to all who have participated in gleaning projects with the Society of St. Andrew-NC. Their work helped to provide fresh produce to many people in need in our community. This ministry is open to new volunteers, no experience is needed!! Questions? Contact Susan Hooper at 919-426-6147 or email Swoozie9@gmail.com.

BACKPACK DONATION THANK YOU!

Hope partnered with Friendship Chapel Baptist Church to provide backpacks to local children on "Back to School Fun Day" on Saturday, August 16. The children gathered at the community center for games and a hotdog lunch before receiving their backpacks - filled with school supplies. Thanks to all who donated a backpack. Over 175 children received a backpack!!



**American
Red Cross**

HOPE BLOOD DRIVE

September 20, 2014

10:00AM-2:30PM

Hope Lutheran Church, Youth Center

To schedule an appointment, visit redcrossblood.org and search by sponsor code Hope.

Facts about blood needs – how many of you have been touched in one of these ways!

- Every two seconds someone in the U.S. needs blood.
- More than 41,000 blood donations are needed every day.
- A total of 30 million blood components are transfused each year in the U.S.
- The average red blood cell transfusion is approximately 3 pints.
- The blood type most often requested by hospitals is Type O.
- The blood used in an emergency is already on the shelves before the event occurs.
- More than 1.6 million people were diagnosed with cancer last year. Many of them will need blood, sometimes daily, during their chemotherapy treatment.
- A single car accident victim can require as many as 100 pints of blood.



Questions? Contact Lynda Watson at
919-761-1587 or Watson.lynda@gmail.com

Mission Ministry Updates

GUATEMALA TEAM UPDATE

Hope team prepares to leave for Guatemala!

Our team of 13 Hope members are very excited about our upcoming trip to Guatemala Saturday, September 20- Saturday September 27! We have been meeting monthly since January to get prepared. We are a well rounded group with three teenagers and many families. Six of us will be making our first trip to Guatemala, while others have been before. We are excited to bring hope and the word of God to many children and adults. We sincerely thank you for all your support, and would appreciate your prayers as we embark on this mission.

Blessings- "Team Guat"

HABITAT MISSION TRIP

Information Session: September 7 following 11AM service

Trip Date: October 7-11

Assist Habitat for Humanity of Mitchell/Yancey County (in the mountains of NC) in building homes for those in need. No construction experience is required, but you will put in a full day's work! Contact Bonnie Petersilge at bpetersilg@aol.com or Don Yakopcic at donaldyakopcic@earthlink.net with any questions.



YOUTH MINISTRY

College & Young Adults

Please send your newest address, phone number, and email to Krista Young. Thanks!!

CONFIRMATION

at Hope is for the 5-6 graders. However, older youth who have not been confirmed, are also invited to attend the Orientation and learn about the "Older Class" Confirmation program.

CONFIRMATION ORIENTATION

September 3; 6:30-7:30PM

All parents of confirmation students (grades 5 & 6) or older who have not yet been confirmed, are encouraged to attend.

CONFIRMATION KICK-OFF

September 10; 6:30-7:30PM

Confirmation begins meet on the Adult Education Floor, room 301.

MIDDLE SCHOOL MISSION TEAM

September 27

The first event is serving Raleigh's homeless and working poor at "With Love From Jesus." To learn more, or join the team, email

Jan McCluskey at jmcccluskey@hopelutheranwf.org or Jennifer Owens at rousey_owens@mac.com.

Youth Ministry

For youth in grades 5th grade through college age
Krista Young, Director of Christian Education & Youth Ministry
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BEACH RETREAT - THE FAULT IN OUR STARS; GOD'S PLAN FOR RELATIONSHIP

September 5-7; \$100/person at Agape Kure Beach Center

What does the Bible say about our relationships with others? Staying right on the beach is a wonderful way to connect with God and deepen friendships. Sign up at www.hopelutheranwf.org, selecting 'register for events.'

NATIONAL YOUTH GATHERING

It's time to begin the planning for the 2016 LCMS Youth Gathering, which will be held July 16-20 in New Orleans. The theme of the Gathering is "In Christ Alone." Students who have completed 9th grade (or older) by the summer of 2016, will be able to attend. College students should consider joining the Orange Nation as a Gathering Volunteer.

Hope has the opportunity to send a large group of youth to this event; but it takes planning and fundraising ... which starts NOW! As a group, we will provide families the ability to lessen the cost of the trip through fundraisers. Sign up and receive more details at the Open House or email Krista Young at kyoung@hopelutheranwf.org.

YOUTH PRAISE TEAM PARENT MEETING

September 17 at 5:30PM for Interested and Returning Musicians and Parents

Plan an instrument? Consider auditioning for the High School or Middle School Youth Praise Teams. We lead songs in worship, youth, and children's events.

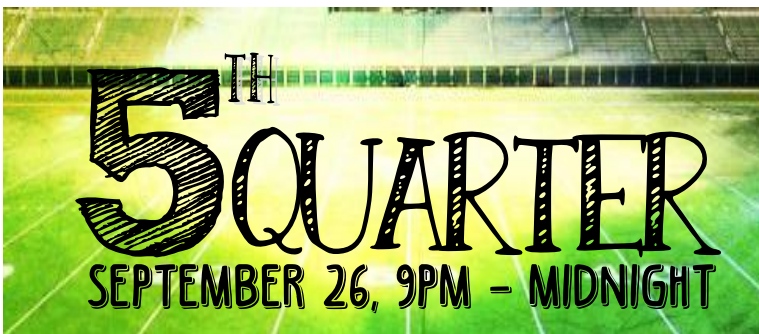
WEDNESDAY NIGHTS GOT A FACE LIFT!!!

Wednesday nights this fall will look and sound different than ever before in the Youth Center. See what all the excitement is all about starting September 10 from 6:30-7:30PM.

THE 5TH QUARTER HANG OUT

September 26; 9PM - Midnight

Where do High School Youth go to hang out after the football game? Hope Youth Center! Leave the school rivalries on the field, and join friends for live music, pizza, pool, volleyball, and hanging out ... spread the word and bring school friends as you continue the Friday night fun.





YOUTH MINISTRY OPEN HOUSE

SEPTEMBER 21 AT 4:30PM
POTLUCK / VOLLEYBALL / SIGN UPS
FOR 7-12 GRADES AND THEIR FAMILIES

YOUTH OPEN HOUSE FOR 7-12 GRADERS

September 21 at 4:30PM

Parents and youth in 7-8 and 9-12 grade are invited to bring a dish to share for a potluck dinner. The evening will include fun, entertainment, volleyball, and EVERYTHING you need to know about upcoming events (see below) in Youth Ministry as you connect with other families and youth leaders.

- **Servant Event 2015.** Camp Linn Haven has become increasingly popular in the last few years. In fact, registration has been filled to capacity within days of opening, so we encourage you to make your plans early. **If you are interested in information about attending the servant event June 2015, you will receive details and be able to sign up at the Open House.** Registration forms and deposit need to be turned in by October 15 to secure a spot.
- **NEW- High School Service Team.** A continuation of the Middle School Mission Team... for high school youth will participate in different service projects in the community throughout the year. Sign up at the Open House.
- **Small Groups.** Want to join a youth Small Group? Sign up and meet the leaders at Open House!

STAY IN TOUCH!

Facebook: Hope Lutheran, Hope Youth – Ignite (7-8 Grade), Parents of Hope Youth, Team Hope – High School Youth

Instagram/Twitter: Search using HOPEYOUTH_WF

Text Updates: Receive one-way texts while keeping your information private to the group. To get started, text the @CLASS CODE to 919-229-8255. Be sure to include the @ sign before the code.

- High School Youth: Text @e4c74 to 919-229-8255
- Parents of HS Youth: Text @c1b3a to 919-229-8255
- Middle School Youth: Text @hope7-8ym to 919-229-8255
- Parents of Middle School Youth: Text @2a527 to 919-229-8255
- Confirmation: Text @473074 to 919-229-825

PRESCHOOL & CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

CHRISTMAS PAGEANT AUDITIONS

September 21 from Noon-1:00PM

Children in 1st Grade or Older

Planning is underway for the annual Hope Christmas Pageant on December 17! All children are encouraged to participate with their Sunday School class or a speaking role with lines to memorize! If your child would like a speaking role or sing a solo, and is in the first grade or higher, please attend the meeting.

Pageant Practice - Now Sunday Afternoons!!

October 5: 12:30-2:30PM;

Speaking roles only

October 12: 12:30-2:30PM;

Speaking roles only

October 26: 12:30-2:30PM;

Speaking roles only

November 2: 12:30-2:30PM;

Speaking roles only

November 16: 12:30-2:30PM;

Speaking roles only

November 23: 12:30-2:30PM;

Speaking roles only

December 3: 5:00-7:00PM;

Speaking roles only

December 7: 1:30-4:30PM; All Kids

December 10: 5:00-7:00PM;

Speaking roles only

December 14: 1:30-4:30PM; All

Kids



Children's Ministry

For children from birth through 4th grade

Beth Agner, Director of Christian Education and Children's Ministry

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WEDNESDAY NIGHT ALIVE BEGINS!!

September 10

All children ages 2 - 4th grade are invited to come to Hope on Wednesday Nights for dinner, music rehearsals, and classes!

Times & Locations:

- **5:30-6:00:** Beginner Handbells for children in grade 3 and older
- **5:45-6:30:** Children's Choir for children in grades 2 - 5 grades
- **6:30-7:30:** Children's Ministry Classes
 - ⇒ **Nursery** (0-2 yrs) in the Nursery
 - ⇒ **Kids Connect** (3-K yrs) in the Nursery
 - ⇒ **Kingdom Kids** (1st & 2nd Grades) in the Preschool
 - ⇒ **FLASH** (3rd & 4th Grades) in the Children's Center

BIBLE BLESSING & GAME DAY

September 14 from Noon-2:00PM; \$3/child for pizza

Parents of 3rd and 4th graders are invited to come learn about blessing and teaching the Bible to your child in the Conference Room (by the staff offices) with Beth Agner. Pizza and an afternoon full of fun will be available during this time for the kids. **Blessed Bibles will be presented to your child during the Children's Message of the September 20 & 21 services.**

MARK YOUR CALENDARS...3 BEARS ACRES

October 11 at 10:30AM; \$10/child (Parents are free)

All children age 3 years old -4th grades (and their families) are invited to 3 Bears Acres in October, please bring a sack lunch. Register now at www.hopelutheranwf.org.

LITTLE BLESSINGS, PARENT'S MORNING OUT PROGRAM

Hope Lutheran offers a morning out program for children ages 0-2 years old. Children learn social skills, participate in stories, crafts, and songs in a warm and safe nursery setting. Classes are Monday – Friday, 9:00AM-Noon, for children ages 0-2. Parents may choose to attend one to four days per week. Contact Erin Ames at Erinssu@yahoo.com or 919-435-0259 to register.

Preschool Ministry

For children from 2 years old through rising Kindergarten
Regina Fisher, Preschool Director
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BACK TO SCHOOL

The Preschool Staff returned for the Fall Program on August 11. The staff participated in a great Sensory Workshop with Lydia Franklin, building relationships, and preparing their classrooms for the new school year. Staff have also been learning more about the new licensing requirements and procedures for our new Extended Enrichment hours to better serve our students and their families.

New options this year include:

- **Half Day & Full Day Options with Extended Enrichment** - Extended hours which will include lunch, rest time, outdoor play, centers and special activities. Offered daily from 12:00pm - 5:00pm, choose 1 – 5 days.
- **Early Drop Off Available** - Daily 7:00am – 9:00am, choose 1 – 5 mornings.
- **Half Day Preschool With More Days Available** - Same high quality preschool program that has been provided for the past 17 years. Now offering more choices of days for all ages.

PRESCHOOL TEACHERS

We would like to welcome the newest members of the staff, **Carolina Bloom, Sara Cutler, Jennifer DeMarco, Susan Kennedy, Jamie Pless, and Fran Sowisdral**. We also welcome back, after a few years away, **Deborah Burns and Lisa Dotson**. And we welcome back our returning staff from last year: **Angela Baker, Ronny Burman, Amanda DeCilles, Regina Fisher, Nikki Helmers, Stephanie Fowler, Christine Murphy, Amber Perry, Renee Pfendler, Carolyn Rathje, Cathy Sandfort, Jen Swearingen, & Suzanne Whiting**.

THANK YOU!

Thank You to all the Teacher Appreciation Team parents who provided lunch for the entire preschool staff for six workdays as the teachers prepared for the first day of preschool on August 25. Also, thank you to Susan Hooper who provided lunch for the Preschool and Church staff on August 19. All of the meals were delicious, and such a big help as we all prepared for the new year!

The preschool will be closed on **Monday, September 1** in observance of Labor Day.

If you are interested in the preschool for your child, please call 919-453-0388. We have limited availability in our 2's, 3's and 4's classes.



REFER-A-FRIEND

Refer a friend to Xplore Track Out Camp and receive \$15 off one full week of tuition if she/he enrolls for one full week, too. Visit www.hopelutheranwf.org for camp themes, rates, and other incentives.

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Carrie Alvis, 9/1
Jeff Comer, 9/1
Mark Gipner, 9/1
McKenzie Bradley, 9/2
Allison Mittner, 9/2
Kenneth Irgens, 9/3
Cameron Mortensen, 9/3
Kim Schunke, 9/3
Jim Barker, 9/4
Peyton Holloman, 9/4
Zachary Hubbell, 9/4
Ann Thompson, 9/4
Rebecca Beaman, 9/5
Joe Gonenc Jr., 9/5
Ryan Lockhart, 9/5
Amy McKeegan, 9/5
Gregory Rom, 9/5
Dore' Bergfors, 9/7
Marilyn Bremer, 9/7
Johanna Falkl, 9/7
Sharon Gipner, 9/7
Brittany Hicks, 9/7
Harper Lindberg, 9/7
Allison McElcar, 9/7
Ben Strom, 9/7
David Klemp, 9/8
Roxanne O'Donnell, 9/8
David Rummel, 9/8
Phelisha Sujat, 9/8
Sandy Wawrzynek, 9/8
Eric Earle, 9/9
Mark Foil, 9/9
Kristen Hayes, 9/9
Kaylee Mercer, 9/9
Connor Rummel, 9/9
Bob Stalder, 9/9
Graceann Tine, 9/9
James Tine, 9/9
Mitchell Wohlhueter, 9/9
Kaileigh Hill, 9/10
Dean Thornell, 9/10
Meredith Adkins, 9/11
Andrew Beaman, 9/11
Nicole Comer, 9/11
Judy Compton, 9/11
Sharon DiMartino, 9/11

Tim Holt, 9/11
Gordon Hunt, 9/11
Brayden Montague, 9/11
Crystal Rebollar, 9/11
Todd Wohler, 9/11
Rachel Broughton, 9/12
Bonita Comer, 9/12
Cohen Kuntz, 9/12
Mackenzie Kuntz, 9/12
Matt Kuntz, 9/12
Steve Martin, 9/12
Jared Atti, 9/13
Keaton Brown, 9/13
Karen Stephenson, 9/13
Rodney Farlow, 9/14
Graham Harris, 9/14
Gail Hogshire, 9/14
Chris Rasmussen, 9/14
James Roberts, 9/14
Weston Lane, 9/15
Ilyssa Levy, 9/15
Carol Miksa, 9/15
Braden Nease, 9/15
Marilyn Featham, 9/16
Charlotte Mittner, 9/16
Bonnie Pierce, 9/16
Blake Ellison, 9/17
John Hogshire, 9/17
Grace Kellum, 9/17
Sydney Law, 9/17
Rhonda Lee, 9/17
Larry Metzger, 9/17
Alice Piacenti, 9/17
Julie Torsone, 9/17
Madison Whitmer, 9/17
Grace Johnston, 9/18
Noah Krogh, 9/18
John Trusch, 9/18
Thomas Viscosi, 9/18
Ray Zill, 9/18
Amy Carlyle, 9/19
Brandi Hughes, 9/19
Amanda Jones, 9/19
Ethan Pless, 9/19
Dawn Ponsolle, 9/19
Bobby Francisco Jr., 9/20
Isabella Francisco, 9/20
Connor McCool, 9/20
Pandora Schmid-Gill, 9/20

Larry Verny, 9/20
Macey Watt, 9/20
Hadley Blalock, 9/21
Heleen Bloomer, 9/21
Mary Ka, 9/21
Tyler Wilcox, 9/21
Hannah Broders, 9/22
Taylor DeCilles, 9/22
Maria Ismay, 9/22
Jordan Lopez, 9/22
Aidan Markusen, 9/22
Heidi Rogers, 9/22
Mimi Upchurch, 9/22
Dave Dietz, 9/23
Jeff Vukovich, 9/23
Alex Comer, 9/24
James Gonenc, 9/24
Sonny Hunt, 9/24
Ken Knudsen, 9/24
Cynthia Wegner, 9/24
Rob Clark, 9/25
Kathy Marker, 9/25
Donna McElcar, 9/25
Ian Brown, 9/26
Vickie Gelfo, 9/26
Gannon Guin, 9/26
Gordy Koehler, 9/26
Harrison McCleary, 9/26
Jaden Rotosky, 9/26
Matthew Wrenn, 9/26
Lynne Dille, 9/27
Gary Massey, 9/27
Sara Perez, 9/27
Shannon Arner, 9/28
Jim Buddo III, 9/28
Mark Koziel, 9/28
Mary Smith, 9/28
Cheryl Barth, 9/29
Barbara DeMarco, 9/30
Georgie Edwards, 9/30
Lindsay Joyce, 9/30
Ethan Mullen, 9/30
Danielle Otlin, 9/30
Sophie VanSickle, 9/30
Nia Whitted, 9/30

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

Joe & Holly Bloomer, 9/1
John & Kim Nugent, 9/1
Miranda & Mike Bailey, 9/3
Bob & Nancy Sakowski, 9/4
Kevin & Suzanne Brown, 9/5
Andy & Nancy Hoh, 9/6
Matthew & Heather Wrenn, 9/6
Ron & Carol Miksa, 9/7
Peter & Deborah Muller, 9/8
Lee & Kelly Hortman, 9/9
Kevin & Kate Smith, 9/9
Don & Nancy Wilhelm, 9/9
Paul & Rene Hieter Jr., 9/12
Dennis & Linda Hutson, 9/13
Robert & Joelle Weltzin, 9/13
Rodger & Virginia Fulbright, 9/15
Jody & Alicia Harris, 9/15
Chris & Kim Schunke, 9/15
Tim & Jenny Holt, 9/16
Dave & Debi Lilienthal, 9/16
Bill & Linda Turman, 9/18
Neil & Helen Turner, 9/18
Bob & Tracie White, 9/19
Greg & Julie Torsone, 9/20
Jay & Harriet Clapper, 9/21
Luis & Beth Fondo, 9/21
Mark & Kelly Slaybaugh, 9/21
Kevin & Linda Sutton, 9/21
Andy & Bette Barrett, 9/23
Ed & Lori Levy, 9/24
Raymond & Elizabeth Pekrul, 9/24
Jilian & Joseph Criscuola, 9/25
Brian & Tracy Gentry, 9/25
Chris & Amy Minor, 9/25
Charles & Jamie Pless, 9/25
Gary & Leta Massey, 9/27
Robb & Cindy Dussault, 9/28
John & Joyce Habuda, 9/28

Blessings!

PRAYERS FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 3

Praise and Thanksgiving for... Adelphine's 80th birthday, mother of Maurice Samuels; thanks and praise for the wonderful life of Rosie Miller's godmother, Clara Auman, who died at the age of 103; **Comfort for...** Linda Wellnitz and the Edwards family as they grieve the loss of Jeff Edwards; the family of 16 year-old Miranda Eckard, who died after a 3 year battle with cancer, friends of the Raynor family; Marge Haubold as she nears the end of her earthly life, mother of Dawn Walters; Joanne Andrews, and family, at the loss of her Aunt; David Huffine and co-workers at the deaths of Kevin Goetz and Barbara Lunsford; Tim & Robin Clary as they mourn the loss of their father. Submitted by Mark & Cathy Foil; the Ponsolle family, as they remember the 13th anniversary of the death of Mike Ponsolle's brother, Scott; **Strength and Healing for...** JB Bowers son, Bill, recovering from surgery; Amy to have a full restoration of health and peace (no last name given); Robert Schlee, friend of Neil & Helen Turner, who suffered severe injuries from a fall; Austin, friend of David Siderio, who has an infected elbow; Kathy Harris, family of Coleman & Suzanne Harris, as she recovers from heart surgery; Lenora Hoffman, hospitalized with internal bleeding. Friend of the Case family; Frances Von Spreckelsen, friend of Sophie Eisenhardt, who is battling Leukemia; Teresa Jones' brother, Joe Fordham, undergoing additional chemo therapy; Sue Fletcher, godmother of Lynne Beaman, recovering from surgery; Arlen Schwerin, brother of Elaine Willers, having surgery on his foot due to infection; Sheila, Jan Christner's niece, who is dealing with problems due to mental illness and is presently in the hospital; Todd Elder's aunt, Phyllis Jones, as she under goes cancer testing; Julie Bowling's father, Sam Harvey, for strength and healing as he continues his battle with cancer; **Guidance, Protection, and Safety for...** The Folscher family, friends of the Siderio family, as they move to Australia; Those seeking employment; College students preparing to leave home; Robbie Warrene as he travels home from California; Bill Winiewicz as he travels to India.

PRAYERS FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 10

Praise and Thanksgiving for... Susan Fletcher, godmother of Lynn Beaman, that her cancer has not spread; the birth of Gordon & Peggy Koehler's great-granddaughter, Aleigha Rose Koehler, born August 1; **Comfort for...** the Winiewicz family on the loss of great-grandmother Mary; the Bilsky and Yakopcic families as they mourn the loss of Don Yakopcic's cousin, Steven Bilsky; **Strength and Healing for...** Ron & Cindi Vaughn as Ron battles Alzheimer's with deteriorating symptoms and his wife who is caring for him; Nancy O'Dwyer, niece to Kathy & Norm Bell, undergoing new treatment for cancer; Bob Moore, recovering from surgery; Flo Shaeffer recovering, friend of Effie Draetta and Agnes Van Alstyne; Donna McElveen's mother, Veronica Alleto, recovering from heart surgery; **Guidance, Protection, and Safety for...** 'Hope Friends' at The Lodge in Wake Forest; Marie Moore to have good MRI test results; Bill Winiewicz as he returns from India; a cousin celebrating a birthday but also struggling with personal issues; Doug Chalke in need of God's guidance, protection, and safety.

PRAYERS FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 17

Praise and Thanksgiving for... the birth of Adeline Dunlap, granddaughter of Barbara and Tom Reading; **Comfort for...** the Bloomquist & McGrain families as they mourn the loss of Peter McGrain. Submitted by Diane Keane; Ronny Burman and her family at the death of her father; Beth Theiss' mother, nearing the end of her earthly life; Dawn Walters and family, grieving the death of Dawn's mother; the extended family of Shannon Jansoko, as they grieve the sudden death of Cindy Peterson, following a car accident; **Strength and Healing for...** Joyce Daniel, recovering from a fall; friend of Becky Horsely, Brian Briggs, as he starts his battle with stage 4 pancreatic cancer; Jessica, friend of Susan Hooper, for good chemo results; Carol Miksa recovering from a severe kidney infection (and doing much better); John Wolters, father of Elizabeth Lopez, in his continued recovery; Rosa Lopez mother of Felix Lopez, in her continued pain management; the mother of Jennifer Price's co-worker, recovering from back surgery this week; Mike Featham, recovering from sinus surgery; Marie Moore, waiting for biopsy results; Dorothy Piekarski, friend of the Clark family, who recently suffered a stroke; Brenda Duensing recovering from retinal eye surgery; Susan Fletcher, friend of Lynne Beaman, starting chemotherapy; John and Elaine Willer's brother-in-law, Jim Plagmann, as he battles cancer; **Guidance, Protection, and Safety for...** persecuted Christians in Iraq; Bonnie Petersilge and her sister Wanda, that they will find peace and direction for elderly parents; 10 year-old Logan's first words... "Holy Bible;" Barbara & Stephen Puryear, friends of Rob Bailey, to ease financial burdens and overcome serious health afflictions.

PRAYERS FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 24

Praise and Thanksgiving for... clear test results for Shirley Holzschuh's son-in-law, Buddy Council; Ken & Nancy Hall who helped the Lewis family, stranded on the highway; Bill Jay's brother, Ruben, who is cancer free. Please keep in your prayers as he has surgery to remove the mass; **Comfort for...** the Koehler family during this time of loss, friends of the Clark Family; Collard family, friends of Lynda Watson, at the loss of Carol Collard; the family of a baby who died at the daycare of Rosie Miller's grandson; **Strength and Healing for...** Pam Schodt's neighbor who was bitten by a copperhead snake; Pam Schodt's neighbor who has lost mobility after hospitalization; Harley Taylor; all those suffering from Ebola; Libby, suffering from temporary paralysis; Flo Shaffer currently hospitalized; Neil Holden fighting cancer; Alvin Barrett, brother of Andy Barrett, recovering from bypass surgery; Barbara Medley, friend of Marlene & Larry Lineberger, in CCU with pneumonia and serious heart issues; Joe Fordham, Teresa Jones' brother, whose cancer has spread; Al Neubaum recovering from a heart cauterization; Jim Whittaker, recovering from surgery; Sue Kepley having continued medical problems since the death of her husband, Pastor Emeritus of St. Philip Lutheran Church/ELCA; **Guidance, Protection, and Safety for...** Stephanie, daughter of Jan Wilczynski, accompanying her husband to Okinawa for 3 years; Verunack Family as they sell their house and relocate due to a job.

HOPE LUTHERAN'S MISSION MINISTRY PRESENTS...

10TH ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

September 14, 2014
2:00PM SHOTGUN START
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THRIVENT MEMBERS - SAVE THE DATE

Thrivent Member Appreciation Day; October 12 from 1-5PM, Pullen Park, Raleigh
 Please join your fellow Thrivent members from the Capital NC Chapter for an afternoon of fellowship and cast your vote for next year's Chapter Board. Thrivent members are encouraged to bring blankets and/or chairs, will receive ride tickets to the amusement area, and have some great pork BBQ. The gathering will take place at the Event Lawn and Stage area. Questions concerning this event may be directed to Hugh McAlear, 919-554-9081, or hmcalear@juno.com.

3 CHEERS FOR HOPE'S CO-ED SOFTBALL TEAM!!

Hope Lutheran Church's co-ed softball team may not have had a winning season but had lots of fun and fellowship! The team is looking forward to a fun season next year. Congrats to Leon Zinck, Lee & Jill Backstrom, Amy Minor, Rick & Jessica Nilles, Billie Kay Roland, Ed & Julie Gundry, Carlin O'Brien, Dawn Walters, Kevin Wilson, Barry Agner, Josh Agner, Emily Walters and Joel Theiss on a great softball season! Special thanks to our coach, Joe Walters who always kept it entertaining!



LCEF LUNCH & LEARN

September 25 at Noon

This session will provide a time for fellowship over lunch followed by a short presentation to provide you with information on this vital LCMS ministry and NEW options for both children and adults to become ministry partners through opening LCEF accounts. These accounts, which can be established with an initial outlay of as little as \$25, generate funds that are then put to work for ministry purposes through loans and services to congregations like Hope. RSVP to Vicki Edwards not later than September 22 at 800-637-5723 or vedwards@lcef.org.

MUSIC MINISTRY AT HOPE

Vocal Choirs, Handbell Choirs, and Youth Praise teams are resuming Fall rehearsals. You're invited to share your musical talent with Hope this fall!

Wednesday Rehearsal Schedule in September

- 5:30 – 6:00: Beg. Handbells
- 5:30 - 6:30: Youth Praise Team*
- 5:45-6:30: Children's Choir
- 6:00 – 6:30: Youth Handbells
- 6:30-7:45: Adult Handbell Choir
- 7:45 – 9:15: Senior Choir

Rob Varner

Organist and Choir Director
 rwv912@gmail.com

Kathy Vockeroth

Handbell Choir Director
 kvock@bellsouth.net

Krista Young,

Youth Praise Teams
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**Youth Praise Team begins
 September 17*

Celebrating Gifts & Givers

Weekly Services	Attendance	Offerings	Special Gifts
July 26-27, 2014	675 (169, 226, 280)	\$14,203.16	Building Fund: \$1,997.00
August 2-3, 2014	709 (132, 257, 320)	\$20,120.75	Brown Bag Ministry: \$45.00
August 9-10, 2014	711 (191, 272, 248)	\$17,413.53	Thrivent Choice: \$106.00
August 16-17, 2014	711 (133, 198, 380)	\$13,904.25	Jeannene Smith Memorial: \$200.00
			Alms Fund: \$45.00

* my hope offerings are reported in the weekly bulletin at the beginning of each month.



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Saturday Celebration Service
5:30PM

Sunday Worship

8:30AM & 11:00AM

Sunday Christian Education Hour
9:45AM

Ministry Leadership Team: *Mike Owens, Beth Theiss, Kelly Slaybaugh, Rodger Fulbright, Rob Petersilge, Jeff Vukovich, Angela Whitted, Susan Hooper, Joe Hummel, Terry Murphy, Mike Siderio, and Tracie White.*

Ministry Staff:

Rev. Wayne Puls.....**Senior Pastor**
Rev. Lew Upchurch.....**Associate Pastor**
Rev. Larry R. Lineberger.....**Assistant to the Pastor**
Rev. Preston Wagner.....**Pastor Emeritus**
Krista Young.....**Director of Christian Ed. & Youth Ministry**
Beth Agner.....**Director of Christian Ed. & Children’s Ministry**
Shannon Janosko.....**Parish Administrator**
Amy Elder.....**Communications Coordinator**
Jan McCluskey.....**Bookkeeper**
Carlin O’Brien.....**Receptionist/Office Asst.**
Paul Hieter.....**Evening Receptionist/Office Asst.**
Rob Varner.....**Organist and Choir Director**
Kathy Vockeroth.....**Hand Bell Choir Director**
Joe Walters, Michael Case, Ray Sharpstene.....**Praise Team**
Regina Fisher.....**Preschool Director**
Angela Baker.....**Preschool Administrative Assistant**
Carolina Bloom, Sara Cutler, Jennifer DeMarco, Susan Kennedy, Jamie Pless, and Fran Sowisdral, Deborah Burns, Lisa Dotson, Ronny Burman, Amanda DeCilles, Regina Fisher, Nikki Helmers, Stephanie Fowler, Christine Murphy, Amber Perry, Renee Pfendler, Carolyn Rathje, Cathy Sandfort, Jen Swearingen, & Suzanne Whiting.....**Teachers**
Billie Kay Roland.....**Xplore Program Director**
Bonnie Petersilge, Kelly Friend, Kyrstin Draney, Chelsea West, Eileen Obrien & Audra Long**Xplore Staff**
Renee Pfendler, Erin Ames, Michele Buddo, Lauren Hugelmaier, Julie Gundry, Cynthia Leonard, & Kathy Dipillo**Nursery Attendants**
Erin Ames.....**Little Blessings Director**
Holly Bruck, Cynthia Leonard, Marlene Spencer, & Lindsay Mitchell.....**Little Blessings Staff**

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