

Mission Moments



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

Responding to Christ's Invitation



Connecting with
Christ's People

Learning
Christ's Word

Applying
Christ's
Word



HOPE NEWS & EVENTS

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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. 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
6:30 – 7:30: Children, Youth, and
Adult Education
7:45 – 9:15: Senior Choir

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Pastor Puls' Reflection...

Dear Fellow Disciples of Jesus,

Here at Hope, we've been talking a lot recently about **discipleship** in our worship services. What does it mean for you and me to be followers of Jesus? Are we really living out our faith, and walking in the footsteps of the Savior? Do our daily lives reflect the teachings and values of Jesus?

We started off, last month, with two sermons about **“Responding To Christ's Invitation.”** We heard the amazing stories of Simon Peter and Matthew, and how they managed to leave everything behind and begin following Jesus. The challenge, for every modern-day Christian, is to consider how we are responding to Christ, and to his personal invitation to follow him.

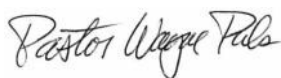
Next, we talked about **“Connecting With Christ's People.”** This is certainly an important aspect of being a Christian disciple for every one of us. If we're truly following Jesus, we are mixing and mingling with other Jesus-followers: building each other up, holding each other accountable, sharing each other's struggles, learning from one another. We all need to take on the challenge of intentionally and genuinely making valued connections with the people of Christ, here at Hope and wherever we may find them.

In the month ahead, we're going to be focusing on another vital aspect of Christian discipleship. It has to do with the Bible, the Word of God. When Jesus calls you to “Follow me,” he is challenging you to be familiar with his words, to live by his words, and to put them into practice. Our sermons in October will explore two crucial discipleship elements: **“Learning Christ's Word,”** and **“Applying Christ's Word.”** You may be a Bible scholar, or you may know nothing at all about the Bible; but I encourage you today to ask yourself these questions.

- Does Jesus have something to say about my life?
- Am I paying enough attention to what Jesus has to say about my life?
- Am I really living out my life according to what Jesus is saying is important ... or am I letting some other voice(s) dictate what's important?
- Are my day-to-day life choices in sync with what I know about God's will, and God's plan for my life?

Join us for worship each weekend in October! I promise you that we'll give you a lot to think about, and some strong principles to live by. God bless you in your discipleship journey this month!

In Christ,



Pastor Wayne Puls
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TOUCHED BY HOPE

October 25, 2014

8:00AM – 1:00PM

www.TouchedByHope.org

The primary purpose of the Touched By Hope (TBH) Ministry is to meet basic human needs in Christ's name. Services included: breakfast/lunch, medical, dental, and optical screenings, clothing drive, food pantry, children's used books & Bibles, and spa amenities. Visitors leave the clinic armed with bags of food and clothing, a fresh haircut, dental & vision vouchers, and most importantly knowing "the people of Hope Lutheran Church proclaim and live the Word and love of Christ."



Last year approximately 375 guests were "Touched By Hope" and over 300 volunteers and medical professionals donated their time and talents. **This year more guests are expected, so this event needs over 300 volunteers!** Please sign up online at www.TouchedbyHope.org.

HOW YOU CAN CONTRIBUTE TO THIS IMPORTANT MINISTRY

Purchase a T-Shirt: If you are planning on volunteering the day of the event, please purchase a 2014 t-shirt. This is the only fundraising for this group. Purchase online at www.touchedbyhope.org.



Volunteer Your Time: Help is needed on the day of the event to escort guests to their various appointments. Register online to become an advocate... training will be held prior to the clinic. Also, Dental Assistants and Hygienists, Eye Doctors and Assistants, Hair Stylists, and Spanish Translators are needed too!

OTHER WAYS TO GET INVOLVED...

BOOK COLLECTIONS

Women of the Word (WOW) Small Group will be collecting **gently used children's books and Bibles** every weekend until Touched By Hope. These books will be distributed to guests attending the events. Donations may be placed in the gallery collection bin. For larger donations, contact Judy Compton at judygcomp@earthlink.net.



FOOD PANTRY COLLECTIONS

As you do your weekly shopping consider buying extra non-perishables for the TBH event. Please place items in the "Touched By Hope Food Pantry" bin in the café. For more information contact Sue Joslyn at sajoslyn@earthlink.net.



HOPECHEST

Clothing collection for Touched By Hope will be October 18-19. Please bring your winter/fall good condition, used clothing to Hope before and after services that weekend. Sorting volunteers are needed October 23 starting at 5:00PM and during the event. Questions? Contact Shannon Janosko at sjanosko@hopelutheranwf.org

GET INVOLVED!

CHRISTMAS CANTATA

"The Greatest Story Ever Told"

December 14; 8:30 & 11:00AM

If you enjoy singing Christmas & Advent music or thought about giving the Senior Choir a try, you are cordially invited to participate in this year's Cantata. The senior choir is made up of a wonderful group of people who have a passion for singing, love to fellowship, and glorify God through their musical offerings. If interested in joining the choir, see the rehearsal schedule in the Narthex or online at www.hopelutheranwf.org.

CHILDREN'S CHOIR

is open to all children in grades 2-6 and is looking for additional choristers! The choir meets Wednesday evenings at 5:45-6:30PM and sings in worship throughout the church year.

SENIOR CHOIR

The Senior Choir is looking for new members to share the joy of music with one another this fall. If you like to sing, enjoy a great time of fellowship, and love to learn new music, then we encourage you to join us on Wednesday evenings. We glorify God each week throughout the year and invite you to come and be a part of this ministry group.

Rehearsals are Wednesday evenings from 7:45-9:15PM in the choir loft. Come on a Wednesday evening and give it a try! You can also talk with Choir Director & Organist, Rob Varner between services or send him an email at rww912@gmail.com.

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THE HANDBELL CHOIRS NEED MORE RINGERS!

The Handbell Choir is a group of welcoming, inclusive ringers who enjoy bell ringing, each other, and praising the Lord. We would be delighted to have you join us on Wednesday evenings. Come to a rehearsal to see if bell ringing is for you!

Rehearsals are held in the Sanctuary at the bell table area.

- **Beginning Bells;** for anyone who has not rung bells before, beginning with third graders through adults. Meets Wednesdays @ 5:30PM
- **Youth Bells;** Youth in grades 3 - 8 who have bell ringing experience. Meets Wednesdays @ 6:00PM
- **Adult Bells;** All adults, all ages. Meets Wednesdays @ 6:30PM.

For more information, call or email Kathy Vockerath at 919-876-4329 or kvock@bellsouth.net.



CARDS AT HOPE

Bridge Group; October 13 at 1:00PM & October 27 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; October 6 at 1:00PM

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

PRIME TIMERS EVENT - CHILI POTLUCK

October 19 at 5:00PM; Hugh & Betty McAlear's Home

The hosts will provide traditional chili as well as chicken chili and all the fixings. Guests are asked to bring a side dish or dessert. Please call 919-554-9081 or email bmcalear@nc.rr.com if you plan to attend - don't forget to indicate the dish you plan to bring. New members and singles are always welcome at these events!!

NEED A FRIEND...BE A FRIEND!

Next meeting is October 30 at 6:30PM

Hope Friends is a Christ-centered ministry whose volunteers provide a listening ear, supportive presence, encouragement, and friendship through regular visits to a resident of a local nursing home, assisted living or other senior care facility, or shut-in. If you would like to learn more about this ministry, contact Lois Nielsen at relenielsen@gmail.com or 919-435-7492. or attend the next meeting!

ADOPT-A-HIGHWAY CLEAN UP

October 18; 9:00AM at Hope

Adults and youth (12 and older) are invited to participate, just wear long pants and long sleeves. Volunteers will be provided with vests, gloves, and water. Questions? Contact Jeff Vukovich at 919-556-9174 or jmvukovi@gmail.com.

ADULT EDUCATION

SUNDAY ADULT EDUCATION

Sunday Mornings from 9:45-10:45AM; October 5 - 26

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 8 week class is taught by Pastor Puls & Pastor Upchurch.

It All Goes Back In the Box;

Adult Education Floor, room 300

A steward is one who manages what belongs to someone else. The Scriptures tell us that it all belongs to God (Psalm 24). He is the owner; all that we have and all that we are belongs to Him. We are the managers. So what does this really mean in our Christian lives? What should a life as God's manager look like? Join this 4-week class led by Pastor Lineberger, which explores our responsibility to God to manage what he's given us for His glory and for the benefit of our neighbors.

One Thousand Gifts; Conference Room 203

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.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT ALIVE

Wednesday Evenings from 6:30-7:30PM; through October 29

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 and Marty Coe.

The Mormons: Who They Are, What They Believe;

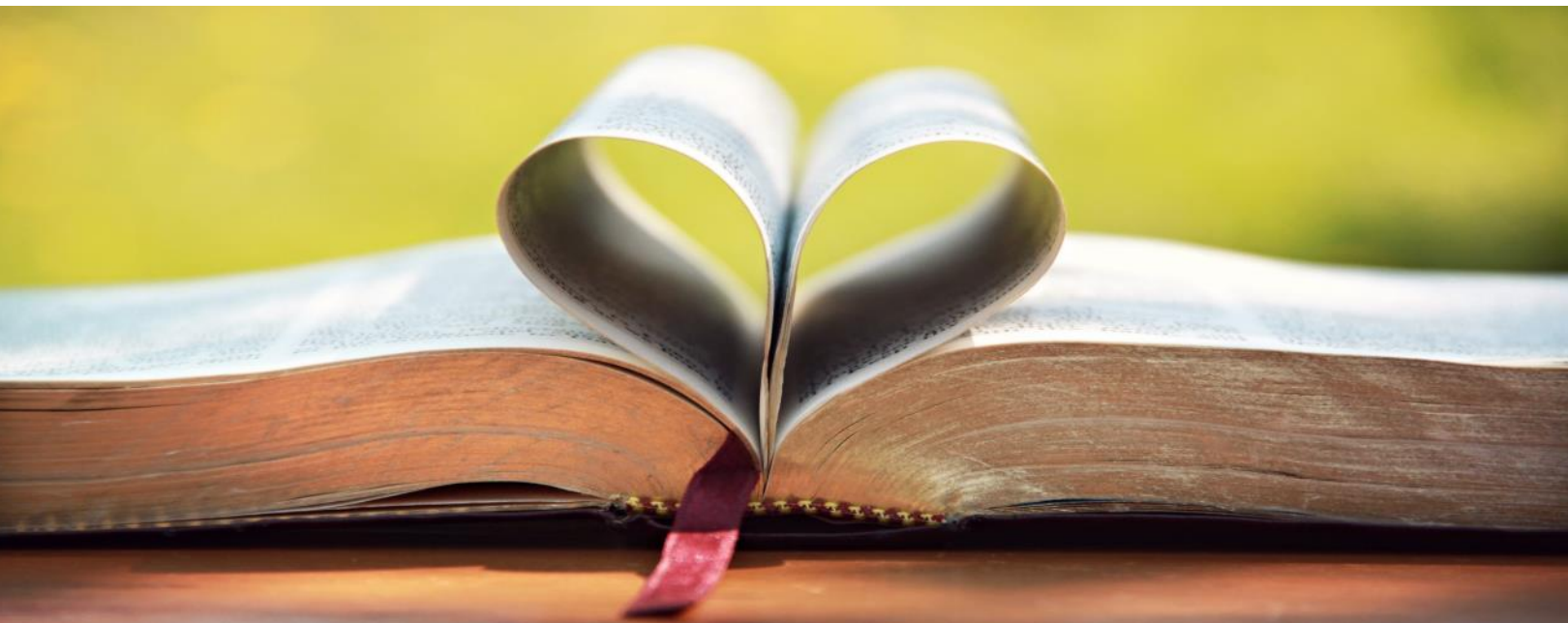
Conference Room 203

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.

Martin Luther - October 29 Only

In honor of the 497th anniversary of the Reformation, join this one session class exploring the life of Martin Luther.

If you have any questions or comments about the Adult Education Program at Hope, please contact Pastor Lew at lupchurch@hopelutheranwf.org.





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.

OCTOBER DINNER MENU

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

- **10/1 - Family Game Night:** Chicken fingers, macaroni & cheese, green beans, salad, and dessert. Come play your favorite board/card games and hang out with your Hope family!
- **10/8 - South Of The Border:** Tacos, tortilla chips with salsa, sour cream, and Mexican corn.
- **10/15 - Cloudy With A Chance of Meatballs:** Spaghetti, meatballs and/or sausage, salad, & Italian bread.
- **10/22 - Home style Chicken Dinner:** Parmesan crusted chicken, mashed potatoes, veggies, rolls, & dessert. As the weather turns cooler, come join us for some comfort food.
- **10/29 - Monster Mash!:** Wear your costumes and enjoy hamburgers & hotdogs!

MUSIC MINISTRY

5:30pm-6:00pm; **Beginner Handbells**

5:45pm-6:30pm; **Children's Choir**

6:00pm-6:30pm; **Youth Handbells**

6:30pm-7:45pm; **Adult Handbells**

7:45pm-9:15pm; **Senior Choir**

(See page 15 to learn how to join a choir!)

ADULT STUDIES

6:30-7:30PM

Let's Talk about Marriage

The Mormons: Who They Are,
What They Believe

Martin Luther - October 29 Only
(See page 5 for class descriptions)

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

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.

BROWN BAG MINISTRY

Hope's Brown Bag Ministry makes and distributes 450 nutritious lunches in Wake Forest every month. Each lunch includes a sandwich, fresh fruit, granola bar, bag of chips or crackers, and a Bible Verse. After the lunches are prayed over, they are distributed to families in the New Hope Village area of Wake Forest.

There are numerous ways to get involved with the Brown Bag Ministry:

- **First** - Pray for the ministry, volunteers and those who receive the lunches. Also offer a prayer of thanksgiving for the Texas Roadhouse, who generously donate fresh baked rolls for the sandwiches.
- **Second** – Bring your aluminum cans and rinsed foil for collection on the fourth weekend of the month. Recycling proceeds are donated to Brown Bag.
- **Third** – Donations of granola bars, individual bags of chips or crackers, sandwich bags, and brown bags may be placed in the Brown Bag box in the café.
- **Fourth** – Monetary contributions to defray the cost of the fresh fruit, meat and cheese may be placed in the collection plate. Please designate **Brown Bag** in the memo line. The cost is \$2.00 per lunch.
- **Fifth** – Join us on the third Saturday of each month to help make and distribute lunches. We meet at 11:00AM by the kitchen. If you are part of small group (all ages welcome) looking for a service project, contact Debbie Irgens at 919-373-9181 or dliргens@earthlink.net to schedule a Saturday (first Saturday of the month) for your small group to volunteer.

For more information, contact Nancy Repak at 919-279-3801 or kapernan@gmail.com.

NIFTY NEEDLEWORKERS

Annual Quilt Raffle/Craft Sale October 26 & November 1-2

The Nifty Needleworkers of Hope (Seam Team, Threads of Hope, and Hand Quilters) have another beautiful quilt to be won by some lucky person as well as many hand-made items for the holidays and other special events. Thanks to your generosity in July, our group was able to donate over \$1200 as well as \$500 in matching Thrivent funds to the Lineberger Scholarship Fund. If you would like more information about our group or are interested in joining, please contact Betty McAlear at 919-554-9081 or bmcalear@nc.rr.com.



HABITAT FOR HUMANITY GROUND BREAKING

October 19 at 3:45PM at the corner of Lake Wheeler Road & Kirk Avenue in Raleigh

The Building Independence Project brings people together to build and maintain safe, affordable housing for 9 low-income adults with intellectual and/or developmental disabilities enabling them to live at their highest level of independence.

Three adjacent homes will be built through a partnership with Lutheran Services Carolinas, Habitat Wake, the Lutheran Coalition for Habitat For Humanity, and others. If interested in attending the ground breaking, email Shannon Janosko at sjanosko@hopelutheranwf.org

MARK YOUR CALENDARS NOW! FRESH WREATHS!

Fresh, North Carolina grown wreaths will be for sale at Hope in November. Proceeds for the sale go towards the Youth for servant event trips and the National Youth Gathering in 2016.

PRESCHOOL & CHILDREN'S MINISTRY



“Xplorers” spend **School Breaks & Teacher Workdays** at a safe, local, Christ-centered camp where they will have fun with friends playing games, enjoying outdoor sports, taking nature walks, and getting crafty with food, art, and science. Come discover what Xplore is all about!

Kindergarten - 5th Grade

Monday - Friday, 8:00AM - 5:00PM
\$175 for the week - \$37 per day -
\$20 per half day
(with an online preregistration)

Register online at
www.hopelutheranwf.org



* Refer-A-Friend is \$15 discount when you refer a new camper and they register for a full week.

Children's Ministry

For children from birth through 4th grade

Beth Agner, Director of Christian Education and Children's Ministry
bagner@hopelutheranwf.org

AFTERNOON AT 3 BEARS ACRES

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



Join Children's Ministry for a fun afternoon where the whole family is welcomed (but parents only pay for the kids). The 50 acre facility offers old-fashioned family fun where children can run loose and put their imagination to work. 3 Bears Acres is located at 711 Beaver Dam Road, Creedmoor NC 27522 and takes about 25 minutes driving time from Hope. Sign up today at www.signupgenius.com, searching under bagner@hopelutheranwf.org.

CHRISTMAS PAGEANT

Thank you to all those who auditioned for a speaking role and/or solo in September! Even if you didn't audition, all children are encouraged to participate with their Sunday School class! All children are asked to wear their "Children of Hope" t-shirts. If you do not have a shirt (\$10) or would like to order a CD (\$7), please email Beth Agner at bagner@hopelutheranwf.org to order yours today.

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

LOOKING AHEAD!

- **November 14:** FLASH Lock In/Sleepover at Church; 6:00PM for 3 & 4 grades
- **November 16:** Operation Christmas Child; 12:30PM for children in Kid's Connect & Kingdom Kids (ages 3 - 2nd grade).

Preschool Ministry

For children from 2 years old through rising Kindergarten

Regina Fisher, Preschool Director
rfisher@hopelutheranwf.org



**VOTED "BEST OF
THE BEST"
3 YEARS IN A
ROW!!**

On September 4, the Wake Forest newspaper, *Wake Weekly*, announced Hope Lutheran Preschool won "Best of the Best" for the preschool category. There were more than 35,000 votes cast in the 100 categories ranging from businesses to individuals whose talents impacted the area. Thank you to everyone who voted!!

WELCOME BACK!!

The preschool fall program is off and running. We welcome all the new children and their families!!

THE PRESCHOOL SCHOLARSHIP FUND

The Preschool Scholarship Fund is available to help families who are experiencing financial hardship. We currently have several families in need of assistance, but we can only help if funds are available. Please prayerfully consider helping another family experience the love of God at the preschool by making a donation. All donations are welcome at any time; please make checks payable to Hope Lutheran Preschool, earmarked "Scholarship Fund".

SCHOLASTIC BOOK ORDERS

We are now taking Scholastic Book Orders online! If you would like to order books, the online ordering is available for the first two weeks of each month. Go to the website, www.scholastic.com/bookclubs, and enter our code HVBZ4. Contact the Preschool with any questions.

WAYS TO SUPPORT THE PRESCHOOL

HARRIS TEETER VIC CARD

Don't forget to support the preschool by providing your Harris Teeter VIC card number to the Preschool office, or you can link your card yourself by going to www.harristeeter.com.

CAMPBELL SOUP LABELS FOR EDUCATION

The preschool also participates in the Campbell Soup Labels for Education program. Bring your clipped labels and place them in the Campbell collection container located in the kitchen or in the Preschool Building.

PRESCHOOL SERVICE PROJECT

Hope Lutheran Preschool's outreach program, **Hope Kids Care**, Helping Others in Our Community is helping to teach our students the value of caring for others.

Every couple months the preschool will collect different items that will be donated to local charities. We are currently collecting School Supplies. If you would like to make a donation, the collection boxes are inside the front and back doors of the Preschool.

YOUTH MINISTRY

TOUCHED BY HOPE

Middle School Students are encouraged to connect with the Middle School Mission Team and work as a group – contact Jan McCluskey at jmclcluskey@hopelutheranwf.org for details. High School students are encouraged to sign up and serve as advocates or help in the spa area with painting nails.

NEW HIGH SCHOOL SERVICE TEAM

Contact Krista or Jan McCluskey at jmclcluskey@hopelutheranwf.org if you are interested in joining this team – an extension of the middle school mission team. They will do local service projects throughout the year.

CONFIRMATION NEWS

Stay Connected

Parents, Receive one-way texts alerts & reminders from Confirmation. To get started, text @473074 to 919-229-8255. Be sure to include the @ sign.

Lock In for 5 & 6 Grades

October 10 @ 7:00PM through Saturday morning at 8:00AM. The night will be filled with a lot of fun and games and is also a great way to help friendships grow! Please bring a snack and/or drink to share. Parents are welcome to help chaperone and bring an air mattress. Sign up at www.signupgenius.com, searching under kyoung@hopelutheranwf.org.

Youth Ministry

For youth in grades 5th grade through college age
Krista Young, Director of Christian Education & Youth Ministry
kyoung@hopelutheranwf.org

MISSED OPEN HOUSE?

Go to website and catch up on Retreats, Events, and ways to stay connected to Youth Ministry.

- Wednesday Nights at 6:30PM – try it!
- Sunday Mornings at 9:45AM – be there!

HIGH SCHOOL SMALL GROUPS - SUNDAY NIGHTS!

A place to grow deeper in friendships and faith. All groups meet on the first and third Sundays of the month in the Youth Center from 6:30-8:00PM. Contact leaders for more information. See ya October 5!

- **GRITS: Girls Relying In The Savior** – Valerie Hoy (vhoy0623@yahoo.com) and Sara Zinck
- **Servant Event Small Group** – Chris Hoh (choh@nc.rr.com)
- **SLAM- Students Living a Mission** – Krista Young (kyoung@hopelutheranwf.org)

SERVANT EVENT REGISTRATION

Camp Linn Haven is a beautiful spot in the mountains of NC. Teens from around the country gather to serve God and the community. They offer VBS for children living at Crossnore Home, partner with Habitat in the area to beautify schools and build at sites, and offer a field day picnic for adults with special needs. There is also time to enjoy the camp atmosphere, build friendships, and learn from Bible Study.

All High School students are encouraged to participate in the servant event there in July 28-July 4, 2015. Space fills up very quickly. Please return the registration form (found on church website, or in the youth center) and \$100 deposit to the church office by October 15. Late registrations will be accepted only if space is available.

The total cost for the week is \$340 (cost has increased this year). Please see the church website for fundraisers you can participate in to help offset the costs to your pocket. After registrations are collected, we will begin monthly meetings with the team on the second Sundays of each month.

SAVE THE DATES!

- **Crossnore Christmas Party:** For youth in 7-12 grades on December 12-14 at Camp Linn Haven. \$35 per person for lodging and transportation.
- **High School Ski Retreat:** February 20-22, Winterplace, VA.
- **Youth Quake:** Retreat for youth in 7-8 Grade. April 10-12 in Charlotte, NC.



In Christ Alone

We Stand

LCMS YOUTH GATHERING
NEW ORLEANS • JULY 16-20 2016

Who?

To attend, youth participants must have **completed 9th grade by Summer of 2016.**

Students who are 19 and older, one year out of high school, and have been to at least one previous Gathering should apply to be a Young Adult Volunteer.

When?

July 16-20,
2016

Where?

New
Orleans, LA

What?

Held every 3 years since 1980, the LCMS Youth Gathering provides thousands of youth and adults the opportunity to come together as a community of God's people to learn more about Jesus Christ, the Christian faith, and their Lutheran identity.

During the five days of the Gathering, youth spend time together in God's Word, worship, service, and fellowship with others from across the country. This event is organized by LCMS Youth Ministry in Saint Louis, MO.

Why?

It's an amazing, life changing, faith enhancing experience. You can't avoid having fun, learning, and growing in faith.

Start Planning Now!!

- **Email Krista Young** at kyoung@hopelutheranwf.org to get on the email distribution lists for information, updates, deadlines, and meeting announcements.
- The total estimated cost is \$1,200. This includes the registration fee, travel expenses, hotel accommodations, and food.
- **Participate in Hope fundraisers** to help offset the costs of the trip and start a small savings account NOW!! See the website for all Fundraisers.
- Official Registration for the 2016 LCMS Youth Gathering will open in **October, 2015**. Money earned by participating in current fundraisers can be applied towards the trip.

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Paul Hieter Jr., 10/1
Marie Ismay, 10/1
Pat Kramer, 10/1
Melanie Barker, 10/2
Roy Carlson, 10/2
Rod Civis, 10/2
Nicholas Gallo, 10/2
Rana Groves, 10/2
Mary Hitzeman, 10/2
Paula Hubbell, 10/2
Ben Malone, 10/2
Evan Nugent, 10/2
Sean Powley, 10/2
Beth Stitt, 10/2
Barry Bowling, 10/3
Aidan Brown, 10/3
Samantha Green, 10/3
Katie Valchar, 10/3
Gerry Autenrieth, 10/4
Aaron Bailey, 10/4
Marlene Civis, 10/4
Kyle Cook, 10/4
Debbie Gaynor, 10/4
Camden Hall, 10/4
Joanne Hillyer, 10/4
Samantha Ponsolle, 10/4
Nathan Replogle, 10/4
Anna Grace Scheuerle, 10/4
Olivia Atti, 10/5
Brian Joyce, 10/5
Lizi Ames, 10/6
Camden Michel, 10/6
Tony Piacenti, 10/6
Ethan Evans, 10/7
Logan Gill, 10/7
Ann Wagner, 10/7
Brenda Duensing, 10/8
Patricia Thomas, 10/8
Parker Coyne, 10/9
Max McKeeman, 10/9
Abby Minor, 10/9
Rob Niesel Jr., 10/9
Michala Ponsolle, 10/9
Jenna Tameling, 10/9
Ryan Hughes, 10/10
Richard Kaess, 10/10

Jack Lilienthal, 10/10
Andy O'Neill, 10/10
Judith Spinola, 10/10
Rachel Alvis, 10/11
Jared Lockhart, 10/11
Ian Queen, 10/11
Phillip Sebastian, 10/11
Beth Swenson, 10/11
Mike Valchar, 10/11
Charlotte Dickens, 10/12
Preston Helmers, 10/12
Holly Hoffman, 10/12
Madelynn Kusy, 10/12
Alyssa Ponsolle, 10/12
Bob Sakowski, 10/12
Clay Self, 10/12
Kathy Vockeroth, 10/12
Ella Bright, 10/13
Nick Lassiter, 10/13
Mason O'Brien, 10/13
Deidra Peacock, 10/13
David Phillips, 10/13
Lisa Upchurch, 10/13
Jennifer McCool, 10/14
Lauren Loomis, 10/15
Micajah Owens, 10/15
Terry Ultis, 10/15
Brian Friend, 10/16
Jean Kile, 10/16
Alexis Roberts, 10/16
Bruce Green, 10/17
Mason Haller, 10/17
Matt Lancaster, 10/18
Lynne Long, 10/18
Kristen Stitt, 10/18
Erik Tameling, 10/18
Sean Bachand, 10/19
Herman Cole, 10/19
Doug Haller, 10/19
Janie Lauther, 10/19
Brett Michel, 10/19
Bryce Torsone, 10/19
Hannah Elder, 10/20
Amy Minor, 10/20
Olivia Lewis, 10/21
Ben Horsley, 10/22
Paula Reeves, 10/22
Gaby Turgeon, 10/22
Kylee Brown, 10/23

Mary Jane Frietsche, 10/23
Debbie Irgens, 10/23
Ashley Naegele, 10/23
Jacob Naegele, 10/23
Don Yakopcic, 10/23
Bridgette Wood, 10/24
Jan Christner, 10/25
Kara Lockhart, 10/25
Nicholas Allen, 10/26
Mark Fisher, 10/26
Calvin Holt, 10/26
Tom Thompson, 10/26
David Lambert, 10/27
Bella Allen, 10/28
Callie Bright, 10/28
Bob Francisco, 10/28
Sydney Goodsell, 10/28
Roland Henault, 10/28
Sarah Hitt, 10/28
Bob White, 10/28
Mary Klemp, 10/29
Barbara Readling, 10/29
Tim Smith, 10/29
Kailey Boomsma, 10/30
Christopher Hall, 10/30
Ryan Hall, 10/30
Drew Roland, 10/30
Jodi Boomsma, 10/31
Kelly Friend, 10/31

Harold & Martha Haun, 10/10
Joe & Johanna Falkl, 10/11
Wayne & Colleen Puls, 10/11
Chandler & Trina Harrell, 10/12
Todd & Crissie Hoelzle, 10/12
Jerry & Nancy Repak, 10/12
David & Heather Phillips, 10/13
Ken & Stephanie Knudsen, 10/14
Mike & Kim Zimmerman, 10/15
Bob & Chandra George, 10/16
Chris & Sharon Leary, 10/17
Alissa & John Carroll, 10/18
Jimmy & Carlin O'Brien, 10/18
Todd & Patricia Wohler, 10/18
Craig & Nikki Helmers, 10/21
Steven & Renee Mercadante, 10/22
Doug & Lynn Haller, 10/23
Brian & Lindsay Joyce, 10/24
Doug & Miriam Whitmer, 10/24
Joe & Christine Gonenc Jr., 10/25
Ray Zill & Denise Moline, 10/25
Mel & Debra Desha, 10/28
Pasqual & Janet Gagnon, 10/28
Lynroy & Patricia Thomas, 10/28
Alan & Sandra Turgeon, 10/28
Dennis & Sharon DiMartino, 10/30

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

Mark & Tiffany Brockmann, 10/1
Erin & Bryan Ames, 10/2
Bill & Jamie Atti, 10/2
Marianne & Richard Tine, 10/2
Dan & Tanya Doeblor, 10/3
Dan & Karen Johnson, 10/3
Brian & Katie Lauther, 10/3
Greg & Jenny Elkins, 10/4
Brad & Carrie Mercer, 10/4
Eric & Gina Goodsell, 10/7
Darrin & Heather Blalock, 10/10



OUR PRAYERS

PRAYERS FOR WEEK OF AUGUST 31

Praise and Thanksgiving for... the baptism of Sawyer Nicole, child of Tim & Amanda Blough; Joanne Hillyer, 15 years and cancer free; Rick & Anne Hall's 34th wedding anniversary; Al Neubaum's clear test results; Family in San Francisco is ok after the earthquake; Good biopsy results; **Comfort for...** Savannah Flinch, acquaintance of Mike Ponsolle, who has lung cancer and is near the end of her earthly life; **Strength and Healing for...** Melinda Martens, friend of Barbara Bradley, recently diagnosed with lymphoma; Carol Miksa as she continues to heal; Nicole Isaacson's mother, Sherry, hospitalized due to chest pains; Allen Gehring, having foot issues; Diane, friend of Renee White, just diagnosed with ALS; Valerie Wilson's friend, Kenny Gupton, diagnosed with cancer again; Matthew Long for successful liver transplant; Bill Jay's brother, Ruben Jay, having another biopsy; **Guidance, Protection, and Safety for...** All military; training and deployed; those in need of Jesus and those seeking employment; those suffering from depression.



PRAYERS FOR WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 7

Praise and Thanksgiving for... John & Kim Nugent's 18th wedding anniversary; **Comfort for...** Beth Theiss and her family, as they mourn the loss of Beth's mother, who died after a 5 ½ year struggle with ALS; Carlin O'Brien and her mother, Cindi Vaughn, as they grieve the loss of Carlin's step-father, Ron; the Meyers family, who lost their father this week; **Strength and Healing for...** Neil & Deborah, friends of Sandy Stokes, as they start chemotherapy to fight Neil's cancer; Steve, friend of Ed Rathgeber, with severe health issues; Joe Fordham, Teresa Jones' brother, battling cancer; Mark Bloodworth, hospitalized with gastro-intestinal issues; Pam Ermer at WakeMed with heart issues; **Guidance, Protection, and Safety for...** those helped along the roadside. Pray their hearts are touched by the Holy Spirit; the Guatemala Mission team as they finalize their planning and preparations to travel to Guatemala; for Matt Slaybaugh who left for a 3 month mission trip to Africa, and Maddie Upchurch headed to South Africa this week for her school mission trip.



PRAYERS FOR WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 14

Praise and Thanksgiving for... new Bible studies & classes; Ron & Carol Miksa's 51st anniversary; Tim & Jenny Holt 25th wedding anniversary; John West, brother of Lori Hugelmaier, uncle to Beth Agner, did not suffer a stroke but did have a neurological migraine; **Comfort for...** Pam Schodt and the family of Nora, a Hope Friend at the Lodge, who has died; the family of Deborah Weston, grieving her death; **Strength and Healing for...** Nicole Comer, recovering from spinal fusion surgery; Trina, 20 year old

niece of Kim & John Nugent, diagnosed with Lymphoma; Jerry Glenn, friend of Pandora Gill, recently diagnosed with cancer and is beginning treatments; Steve, friend of Ed Rathgeber, with severe health issues; Bob, friend of Ed Rathgeber, as he battles cancer; Edward Regelski, brother of Marcia Hughes, recently diagnosed with emphysema and undergoing further testing; Carolyn Randall, Melanie Barker's sister, in rehab following a knee replacement; Jennifer Alphin, friend of Diane Keane, fighting breast cancer; Garrett Blomquist, friend of Diane Keane, suffering from depression; All those in West Africa (Sierra Leone) who are battling the Ebola virus; Dale Hugelmaier, recovering from surgery; Pastor Puls' mother, Martha Puls, recovering from knee replacement surgery; Joyce Daniel's daughter-in-law and her 3 sisters; **Guidance, Protection, and Safety for...** the leaders and volunteers of Touched By Hope as they prepare and plan for the next clinic on October 25; co-workers of Melanie Barker, recently laid off; Brian & Tracy Gentry traveling out of the country for vacation next week; a daughter, that God will give her strength and send her someone to help.



PRAYERS FOR WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 21

Praise and Thanksgiving for... Via De Cristo Team & Kairas Team & guests at Camp Agape; Peggy Koehler's parents, Walter & Dorothy Thomas, celebrating their 70th wedding anniversary; **Comfort for...** Comfort for the family of John Gupton, Franklin Co. firefighter; Lois Manier, friend of Hugh and Betty McAlear, who has entered Hospice care after a long battle with cancer; **Strength and Healing for...** Roy, friend of Neil & Helen Turner, in rehab after suffering a stroke; Gloria Siaw's brother, Samuel Adjei-Ampoto, having a second surgery in South Africa for a brain tumor; Trina, niece of John & Kim Nugent, beginning treatment for Hodgkin's Disease; Alvin Barrett, Andy Barrett's brother, having surgery for a staph infection; Brenda Duensing recovering from surgery; Kimberly LaPorte's friends who have recently separated and courage and peace for Stacey & her 7 children; Mel DeSha with a fever and infection in his leg; Effie Draetta's friend, Gail Christine, recovering from a fall and broken leg; Clint Kyhl and family as they deal with a diagnosis, friend of Bill & Rosie Miller. Lori Hugelmaier, recovering from surgery; 15 year old Laura Yost, friend of the Hunt family, in severe condition after a car accident; Marie Moore, having surgery on September 25; Bob Nielsen, experiencing surgery complications; **Guidance, Protection, and Safety for...** a safe delivery for Victoria and her baby girl; Teens and young adults who suffer from depression. Pray they have support and caring parents.





CHRISTIAN CREATION SYMPOSIUM

Let's Be "Care Takers" of God's Creation

Symposium at Hope Lutheran Church, Wake Forest
Friday, November 7 from 1:00-5:00PM
& Saturday, November 8 from 9:00AM-6:00PM

Register at www.hopelutheranwf.org

Select 'Christian Creation Stewardship Symposium'
in the Upcoming Events section.

Friday, November 7 Agenda

- 1:00PM:
 - ⇒ Welcome by Pastor Wayne Puls (Hope Lutheran), Provost Bruce Ashford (SEBTS), Dr. Kenneth Keathley (CFC), and Dr. Robert Y. George (GIBS)
- 1:15-5:00PM:
 - ⇒ Professor Charles Arnand (Concordia Lutheran Seminary) "Why Creation Matters" and
 - ⇒ Dr. Matthew Sleeth (Blessed Earth) "Biblical Case for Earth Stewardship"

Saturday, November 8 Agenda

- 9:00AM-Noon:
 - ⇒ Dr. Robert Y. George (GIBS) "Christian Creation Stewardship: North Carolina Model"
 - ⇒ Dr. Ellen Davis (Duke Divinity School) "Fountain Of Life"
 - ⇒ Dr. Ben Quinn (SEBTS) "St. Augustine's City of God and the City"
 - ⇒ Lunch at Heritage Golf Club
- 1:00PM-5:00PM:
 - ⇒ Ms. Dianne Reid (NC Government) "Management of NC Lakes, Rivers, and Reservoirs"
 - ⇒ Panel Discussion
- 5:30PM:
 - ⇒ Hope Lutheran Worship Service



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. Food will be provided by Ole Time BBQ and music will be provided by the Triangle Jazz Orchestra. Thrivent will also provide ride tickets for the Pullen Park amusements that will be open on that day. 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. Please email rsvp@capitalnc.org to reserve your spot or nominate someone to the Board.

UNITED MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

October 24 - 26; Crabtree Holiday Inn Raleigh

John and Elaine Willers have been active in the United Marriage Encounter movement since 1992, and invite all married couples to prayerfully consider attending the October event! All who come will be blessed in their marriages, because of the Holy Spirit's presence there! You can find more info at www.unitedmarriage.org, or call John and Elaine Willers at 919-848-3027.

CONCORDIA SEMINARY VISIT

November 5; 10:00AM-1:00PM

Have you ever considered being a pastor or deaconess? If so, Rev. Bill Wrede from Concordia Seminary, St. Louis would like to meet with you! Meetings are open for prospective students of all ages from high school through adults who are already employed in other vocations. If you would like to schedule a specific time, email Rev. Wrede at wredew@csl.edu.

LUTHERAN WITNESS SUBSCRIPTIONS

Due by October 16

The monthly publication of our church body, The Lutheran Witness, speaks directly about what's important to today's Lutherans. To subscribe contact Carlin O'Brien at 554-8109 or cobrien@hopelutheranwf.org office by October 16. The cost is \$12.95 and checks may be payable to Hope, earmarked Lutheran Witness.

WAIT NO MORE

Finding Families for Waiting Kids

Right now, more than 100,000 legal orphans in the US foster care system are awaiting for adoptive families to call their own.

Visit iCareAboutOrphans.org to learn more about adopting kids from foster care.

Celebrating Gifts & Givers

Weekly Services	Attendance	Offerings	Special Gifts
August 30-31, 2014	676 (108, 254, 314)	\$17,514.80	Building Fund: \$1,406.00
September 6-7, 2014	751 (144, 229, 378)	\$19,892.92	Brown Bag Ministry: \$35.00
September 13-14, 2014	709 (115, 263, 331)	\$16,987.37	Thrivent Choice: \$65.00
September 20-21, 2014	623 (136, 190, 297)	\$12,687.60	Alms Fund: \$30.00

* 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 (Chair), Beth Theiss (Vice Chair), Angela Whitted (Secretary), Kelly Slaybaugh, Rodger Fulbright, Rob Petersilge, Jeff Vukovich, 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**
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 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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