



# MISSION MOMENTS

*Monthly Newsletter of Hope Lutheran Church*

March 2020

## Pastor Puls' Message...My Confession

Perhaps the title above made you think I was about to reveal something deeply personal, delicate, or shameful in this article. Not really! I certainly do have plenty of foibles and failings on my record, and I definitely am guilty of sin every day. I'm not going to unload all of that on you right now, though.

What I do want to reflect upon, in this writing, is my absolute need to make a confession of my sins ... to God. Of course, he already knows my record: the good, the bad, and the in-between. As a child of God, however, it is crucially important that I am honest about who I am and what I've done (or not done). It is imperative that I acknowledge my sin before my Maker, and make a sincere, repentant confession. God takes my sin seriously, and so must I.

My confession is important. So is yours. Everything I wrote above, about myself, applies also to you, doesn't it?

Together we, the redeemed people of Christ, have now entered the holy season of Lent in the church. We bring our sins to the cross of Jesus. We pray for healing and forgiveness. We reflect on the Lord's

suffering and death. We remember how great is the Father's love for us, that he would send his Son to die in our place, for our foibles and failings.

During Lent, our sermons at Hope will focus on Bible stories, Bible exhortations, and Bible promises about my confession, and about your confession. Join us for an in-depth exploration of our need to confess our sins, and everything that God has to say about our confession ... and our forgiveness.

May God bless you in this Lent season with a deep sense of honesty, humility, and gratitude.

In Christ,

*Pastor Wayne Puls*

Pastor Wayne Puls  
wpuls@hopelutheranwf.org  
919-554-8109

## Lent & Easter Dates To Remember...

- **Wednesday Dinners** begins February 26 from 5:30-6:15PM
- **Wednesday Lenten Services** begins March 4 at 7:00PM
- **Palm Sunday** is April 5
- **Maundy Thursday** is April 9, 7:00PM service
- **Good Friday** is April 10, 7:30PM service
- **Easter Vigil** is Saturday, April 11, 7:30PM service
- **Easter Sunday** is April 12, 6:30AM, 8:00, 9:30, & 11:00AM

## Contact Information

### Hope Lutheran Church

3525 Rogers Road  
Wake Forest, NC 27587  
919-554-8109, phone  
919-453-0312, fax

### Preschool

919-453-0388

### Xplore Track Out & Little Blessings

919-229-0196

## Worship Services

Saturday at 5:30PM

Sunday at 8:30AM & 11:00AM

*Nursery provided at all services*

## Sunday Christian Education

9:45-10:45AM

Sunday School for

ages 3 – grade 12

Adult Bible Studies

## Wednesday Evenings During Lent

5:30-6:15: Dinner

5:25-5:45: Children's Bell Choir

5:50-6:25: Children's Choir

6:00-6:45: Adult Handbell Choir

6:30-6:55: Confirmation classes

6:30-6:55: 7&8 Youth Group\*

7:45-9:15: Senior Choir

*\*High School Youth Group is  
Sunday Nights from  
6:30-8:00PM.*

## Lent Sermon Series: Confession

Even though a big part of our daily lives as Christians should be Confession—the acknowledgment of our sins—we all wrestle with admitting to God that our sins distance ourselves from him, don't we? But the Bible has a lot to say about Confession, both serious warning and encouraging promises. Our weekend and Wednesday night (7:00PM) sermon series during Lent 2020 is "Confession." Join us for these important, life-related messages during this sacred season.

## Lenten Dinner Menu

The Men of Hope will provide a meal prior to each midweek Lenten service, from 5:30-6:15PM. A free-will donation will be received. Proceeds benefit Men of Hope service projects.

- **March 4 - The Lineberger:** Sausage, peppers, and onion sandwich served with pasta faggioli soup & salad.
- **March 16 - The McCarthy:** Turkey, bacon, & tomato sandwich served with Italian wedding soup & salad.
- **March 18 - The Spottiswood:** Ham & Swiss cheese sandwich served with fresh beef vegetable soup & salad.
- **March 25 - The Varner:** Egg salad & bacon, or pimiento & bacon sandwich, served with ham and bean soup & salad.
- **April 1 - The Vicar:** Meatball parmigiana sandwich served with chicken and rice soup & salad.

## Dates To Remember...

- **Wednesday Lenten Services** begin March 4 at 7:00PM
- **Palm Sunday** is April 5
- **Maundy Thursday** is April 9, 7:00PM service
- **Good Friday** is April 10, 7:30PM service
- **Eggstravaganza Easter Egg Hunt** is April 11 at 10:30AM
- **Easter Vigil** is Saturday, April 11, 7:30PM service
- **Easter Sunday** is April 12, 6:30AM, 8:00, 9:30, & 2 services at 11:00AM

## Easter Children's Service

**Easter Sunday, April 12 at 11:00AM**

Looking for a fun, new way to celebrate Easter? Come join in the excitement at 11:00AM in the Children's Center on Easter Sunday, April 12. We'll have songs, skits, laughs, and most importantly the good news of Jesus' resurrection told in a way that everyone can experience. People of all ages are invited.

## Visitor's & Guests

We're delighted you're attending our church, and you're invited to a special class designed to help you decide if Hope Lutheran Church is the right church for you. In the New member Class, Hope's pastors will share information about our Lutheran Christian faith. Sundays, 3/1-4/6 (no class on Easter), 9:45-10:45AM, on the Adult Education floor, room 301. Advance registration not required, but do us a favor and let one of the pastors know you're coming.

# Masterpiece



## Women's Retreat @ Hope

March 13-14, 2020; cost is \$60/person

[www.hopelutheranwf.org/women](http://www.hopelutheranwf.org/women)

The Women's Ministry Team is hosting a retreat right here in Wake Forest...the same wonderful fellowship, learning, and fun as the destination retreats but with the comfort of home at night. Sign up today! Questions? Contact Lead DCE Beth Agner at [bagner@hopelutheranwf.org](mailto:bagner@hopelutheranwf.org).





ALL MEN 18+ ARE INVITED TO THE

# 2020 MEN'S RETREAT

April 24-26, 2020

[www.hopelutheranwf.org/men](http://www.hopelutheranwf.org/men)

Camp Cheerio Mountain Lodge

Cost is \$170/person and includes 2 nights lodging and meals.

Questions? Contact DCE Steve McCarthy at

[smccarthy@hopelutheranwf.org](mailto:smccarthy@hopelutheranwf.org) or Mike Owens at

[mjowens98@gmail.com](mailto:mjowens98@gmail.com).

# Hope Missions

## local & trips

*In January, Hope held a mission festival showcasing 17 community-based local missions, and several mission trips coming up in the year ahead. Find out how you can support and be involved in Hope's mission to reach people for Christ in our church, in our community, and in our world by visiting [www.hopelutheranwf.org/missions](http://www.hopelutheranwf.org/missions).*

### NC Disaster Relief

Hope volunteers will be making several trips in 2020 to continue helping to rebuild homes that were flooded and damaged by Hurricane Matthew, Florence, and Dorian in recent years. Volunteers (18 and above; 16 and above with parent/guardian) can work all five days, or whichever days preferred. To sign up for any of these trips, or for further information, contact Pastor Wayne Puls at [wpuls@hopelutheranwf.org](mailto:wpuls@hopelutheranwf.org) or DCE Steve McCarthy at [smmcarthy@hopelutheranwf.org](mailto:smmcarthy@hopelutheranwf.org).

- **March 16-20 Fayetteville, NC**
  - \* Working with Methodist project managers
  - \* Lodging at Camp Rockfish in Parkton (\$15/day for meals)
  - \* Sign up by March 5
- **May 18-22 Ocracoke, NC**
  - \* Working with Methodist project managers
  - \* Lodging on the island (volunteer group will prepare meals)
  - \* Sign up by May 7
- **June 22-26 New Bern, NC**
  - \* Working with Fuller Center project managers
  - \* Lodging at local church (\$25/day for meals)
  - \* Sign up by June 11

### Tri-Area Ministry

This wonderful organization serves families that live in Wake County and Youngsville. The ministry allows registered families to come in once a month to pick up a bag stuffed with groceries for no charge. Nearly 200 families go to the ministry each week. A collection bin is available in the café area at Hope, and you are welcome to donate at any time to this blessed ministry. For this month, cereal, oatmeal, and peanut butter are needed. Questions? Contact Jill Schaefer at [jmschaefer@yahoo.com](mailto:jmschaefer@yahoo.com).

### Puerto Rico Roof Project


Hope volunteers are going to Mayaguez last month to replace roofs damaged by Hurricane Maria over two years ago. We are also helping organize three other trips for volunteers from other LCMS churches, in March, April, and May. If anyone from Hope is interested in participating in those later trips, contact Hilary Tew at [htew@hopelutheranwf.org](mailto:htew@hopelutheranwf.org) or Wesley Spottiswood at [wspottiswood@hopelutheranwf.org](mailto:wspottiswood@hopelutheranwf.org).

## Night To Shine Thank You!!

On February 7, 2020 Hope welcomed over 100 guests (and their families/care givers) for the Night To Shine event. Guests were treated to an evening of glamour and fun including a crowning ceremony, red carpet walk, dancing, karaoke, a sensory room, and limousine rides.

A special thank you to all the volunteers (over 120!) and Restoration Church. The evening was a night that won't be forgotten soon.





# THE GREAT BAKE-OFF!

APRIL 18 FROM 6:30-8:00PM

REGISTER AT [WWW.HOPELUTHERANWF.ORG](http://WWW.HOPELUTHERANWF.ORG)

Are you Hope's next great baker? Enter now to win the challenge! Enter your finest creation in either the cookies, cupcakes, or cakes! Learn more about entry fees and contest rules online.

Can't bake but love sweets? Bring your appetite on April 18 from 6:30-8:00PM. Admission is \$5/person (\$20/family max) for all you can eat.

*Proceeds go to support the 7-8 grade Summer Mission Trip.*

[WWW.HOPELUTHERANWF.ORG](http://WWW.HOPELUTHERANWF.ORG)



# Small Groups @ Hope

## PrimeTimer Event: Raleigh Little Theatre Play

April 26 at 3:00PM; cost is \$24.76/ticket

Join the PrimeTimers at the Raleigh Little Theatre for its performance, "A Raisin In The Sun." Afterwards, the group will head to Cameron Bar & Grill for dinner. Please RSVP to Paul & Rene Hieter at [phieter@nc.rr.com](mailto:phieter@nc.rr.com) or 919-562-3775 by March 29.

## Bridge Group

March 9 and March 23 at 1:00PM

If you plan to come, please notify Pam Jay at [pjay0826@gmail.com](mailto:pjay0826@gmail.com) or 919-528-1011. New Players are always welcome!

## Pinochle Group

March 2 & March 16 at 1:00PM at Hope

Contact Peggy Koehler at 919-231-9563 or Jan Hubbard at 919-850-2542 if you plan to play. New Players are always welcome!

## I Am The Way (Walking The Greenway)

March 19 at noon

There is a beautiful greenway just outside of Hope's doors. Come walk along the path and partake in a devotion the 3rd Thursday of each month. Meet just before noon in the Prayer Garden, we will return by 1:00PM. Questions? Contact Wesley Spottiswood at [wspottiswood@hopelutheranwf.org](mailto:wspottiswood@hopelutheranwf.org).

## Trivia Night

March 26 from 7:00-8:30PM

Calling all trivia buffs! Come gather at Real McCoy's for Trivia Night the 4th Thursday of each month from 7-8:30PM. The team needs knowledge of music, sports, geography, movies, and more. Come for the trivia, stay for the wings. Text or call DCE Wesley Spottiswood to RSVP at 818-642-7570.

## New Small Group For Veterans!

"The Warriors" will hold their first meeting on March 10 from 12:00 - 1:30PM. The group will open with a devotion, enjoy Christian fellowship, and have food for thought. This group is open to all those who have served our country. For more information and to reserve a spot, contact Mel Hempstead at [melvin.r.hempstead@gmail.com](mailto:melvin.r.hempstead@gmail.com) or 919-909-1157.



## Hope Landscape Volunteer Workday

Come out Saturday, March 7 at 8:30AM to help spruce up the grounds at Hope!

We are blessed with a large property that we need your help maintaining to a standard that is inviting to our visitors. Many hands will make for light work on some tree and hedge trimming, weeding of plant beds, and other items. This workday is open to people of all ages, a great way to earn service hours for high school youth!

## Stephen Ministry Training Class

Do you have one hour per week to share with someone who is facing a life challenge? Do you have a caring heart and concern for your fellow man? Are you willing to have God use you to take his love and concern for a fellow believer who is struggling with a life issue?

If so, then consider becoming a Stephen Minister. Stephen Ministers are God's care givers enabling God to provide the cure for their struggles. A training class will begin March 2. Questions? Contact Andy Barrett ([andy27609@yahoo.com](mailto:andy27609@yahoo.com)), Jerry Garlington ([garlingj@hotmail.com](mailto:garlingj@hotmail.com)), or Wendi Pallozzi ([wpallozzi@gmail.com](mailto:wpallozzi@gmail.com)).

## Men's Bowling

March 10 at strike and Barrel (formerly Brooks Street Bowl) at 7PM. Cost is \$2 shoes, \$2 games, \$2 drinks. All men 18+ are invited to knock down some pins on the second Tuesday of every month!

# March Adult Education

Sunday Mornings, 9:45-10:45am; Visitors welcome!

## The "400" Silent Years

Dates: March 1

Leader: Luke Tew

Location: Adult Education floor, room 300

Even though the world changed drastically between the last writings of the OT and the appearance of Christ, God seemed silent. But was he? You are invited to explore some of the ways in which God used significant people and events during this time between the testaments, to not only change the landscape that Christ would eventually inhabit, but to pave the way for the spread of the Gospel!

## New Member Class

Dates: March 1 - April 26

Leaders: Pastor Puls and Pastor Lew

Location: Adult Education floor, room 301

If you are interested in learning more about our congregation, the teachings of the Lutheran Church, and ways you can serve God and others out of faith and love, we encourage you to attend Hope's New Member Class.

## Puerto Rico Roof Project Presentation

Dates: March 8

Location: Conference room 203

Twelve Hope members spent a week last month repairing roofs on a hurricane damaged homes in Mayaguez, Puerto Rico. Come hear about their trip and future plans for this ministry.

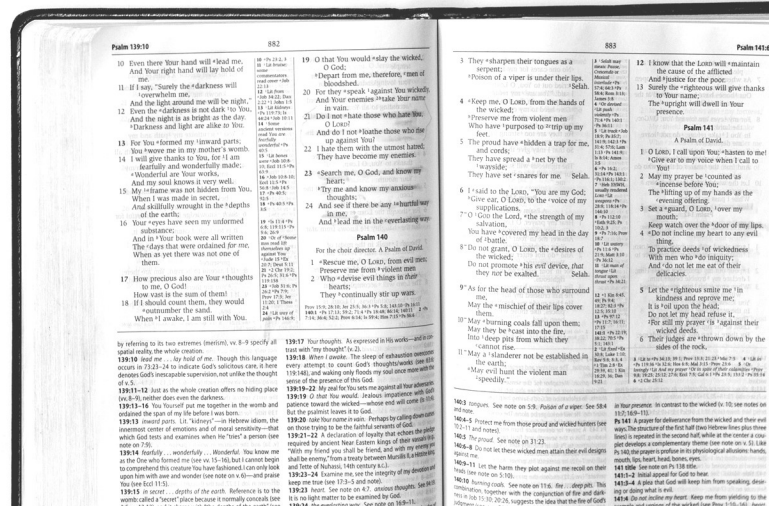
## Romans: 5-8

Dates: March 8-29

Leader: Jack Pizzolato, Dr. Peter Muller, Vicar Zach

Location: Adult Education floor, room 300

Lent is a time for humble reflection, repentance, and a renewed awareness of what it means to be reconciled to God through the atoning sacrifice of Jesus Christ. Join us as we explore these themes within Paul's letter to the Romans, Chapters 5-8.



# Hope Lutheran Preschool News

## Lutheran Schools Week

The Preschool will celebrate **Lutheran Schools Week** March 2-6. The greatest celebration centers on Jesus Christ – the number one reason for operating a Lutheran School! This year the theme will be the “Treasure Island,” based on John 16:33b. The children will sing songs and have a special lesson each morning in the Church Sanctuary at

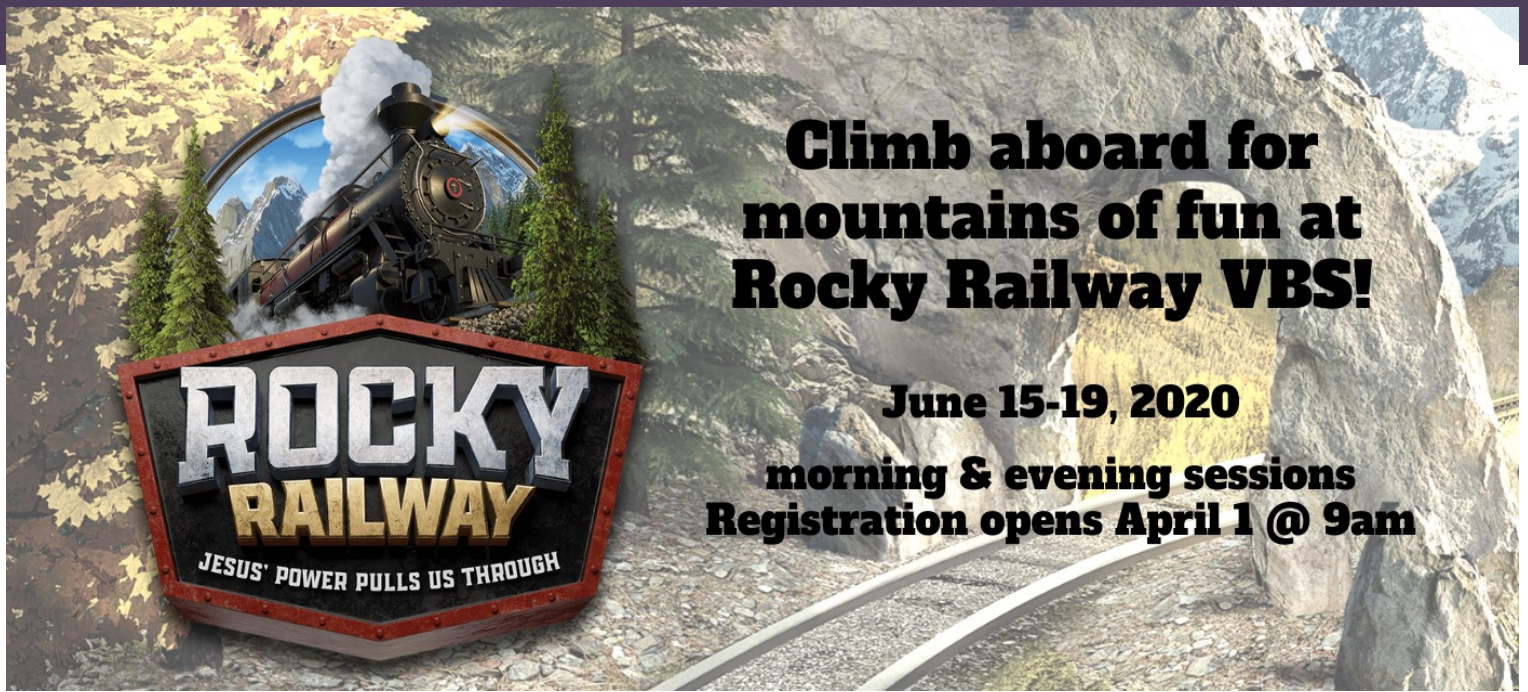
9:15AM, and children will dress up in a different way each day for Spirit Week.

## Summer Expressions

Registration forms are now available in the Preschool foyer for Hope's half-day and full-day summer program for rising 2 year olds through rising Kindergartners. Summer Expressions will be held each week from May 26 through August 7. For questions, contact the Preschool Office at 919-453-0388.







# Children's Ministry Events & News



## Flash Super S'mores Indoor Campout

March 6 from 6:00PM-8:00AM; Cost is \$15 (dinner & breakfast included). All 3 & 4 graders are invited to grab your sleeping bags, pillow, & tent (if you have one) to camp in church all night! There will be dinner, s'mores, games, and lots of fun. In the morning the group will share a breakfast together and then head home. Register online at [www.hopelutheranwf.org/children](http://www.hopelutheranwf.org/children).

## Little Blessings, Parents' Morning Out Program

New Family Online Registration will begin March 2 for the 2020-21 session. Hope offers a morning out program for children ages 0-2 years old. Children learn social skills, participate in stories, crafts, and songs in a safe nursery setting. Visit [www.hopelutheranwf.org/LB](http://www.hopelutheranwf.org/LB) to learn about pricing or to register.

## Xplore Track Out Camp

Open to all rising Kindergarten-5<sup>th</sup> Grade

Monday-Friday, 8:00-5:00PM

Early Care (7:30-8:00) & Late Care (5:00-5:30)

\$180 per week, \$40 per day; \$22 for half day

### March Themes:

Track Out Camp Out (March 9-13)

Nature Unleashed (March 16-20)

Secret Life of Pets (March 23-27)

Anything Goes! (March 30-April 3)

### DISCOUNTS

The following discounts are available and will be applied to FULL weeks of camp:

- Multiple consecutive weeks, \$10 off per week
- Hope Lutheran Church Members receive \$10 off or
- Multiple Child Discount: 2nd child is \$10 off; 3rd child is \$15 off
- Refer-A-Friend Discount: Refer a friend who attends a full week of camp and receive \$15 off your next week of camp.

Register today at [www.hopelutheranwf.org/Xplore!](http://www.hopelutheranwf.org/Xplore!)

Questions? Contact Erin Ames, Family Program Director, at [eames@hopelutheranwf.org](mailto:eames@hopelutheranwf.org) or 919-229-0196.

# Youth Ministry

Youth ministry at Hope Lutheran focuses on friendships, faith, and service for youth in grades 5-12.

## 5-6 Grades

### 5-6 Grade Outdoors Day

March 8 from 1:30-3:30PM

Come for a day in the great outdoors. The group will go for a hike, watch for birds, and maybe even try some fishing afterwards (optional). Drop off is ok, but the whole family is invited. Meet at Falls Lake Tailrace Parking Lot (next to the “Big Guy” shop). Please sign up so we know you are coming at [www.hopelutheranwf.org/5-6](http://www.hopelutheranwf.org/5-6).

### Confirmation

Keep up the sermon summaries and memory work! To see a schedule for the rest of the year, visit [www.hopelutheranwf.org/5-6](http://www.hopelutheranwf.org/5-6).

### Sunday School

Stop by the Youth Center from 9:45-10:45AM to play games, create artistic masterpieces, make friends, and strengthen their relationship with Jesus. It will be a fun combo of learning, playing, and creating! And don't forget to BARF (Bring a Real Friend)!

## 7-8 Grades

### St. Patrick's Day Event

March 14 from 1-3PM; Cost is \$5

Top O' the morning to yam, come celebrate St. Patrick's Day with some Irish-themed games and snacks including making Shamrock Shakes. We will be bringing out the GaGA Ball pit as well so don't miss out. If you help deliver pine straw 7:30AM-1:00PM you not only earn service hours, but admission is free.

### Youth Group Time Change

During the season of Lent (February 26-April 1) youth group will begin at 6:30PM and end at 6:55PM for some games and activities. There will be a Lent worship service in the Sanctuary from 7:00-7:45PM where youth may attend with their parents. All youth will leave the Youth Center and walk upstairs to the service at 6:55PM. If parents arrive later, you'll have to go upstairs to pick up your kids.

### Sunday School

You are invited to the Youth Center from 9:45-10:45AM for 7-8 grade Sunday School! This month the group will cover, “Dangerous People of the Bible” and a Mystery Sunday!

### The Great Bake-Off

April 18 from 6:30-8:00PM

As the fundraiser for the 7-8 grade Mission Trip in July, the team puts on the annual The Great Bake-Off. The competition this year includes cookies, cupcakes, & cakes! Registration will open soon. Can't bake but love sweets? Bring your appetite on April 18. Admission is \$5/person (\$20/family max) for all you can eat.



# 9-12 Grades

## Winter Jam!

**March 22, meet at church at 2:25PM, then carpool to PNC Arena**  
Come out to the hottest Christian concert of the year featuring Crowder, Hillsong, and more! It is not just music either, enjoy the comedy acts, skits, and Jam out! Meet at the church Sunday March 22 at 2:15PM. We will carpool over to PNC area and return around 9:30PM. Cost is \$15 cash at the door and \$2 to give your driver for parking. Sign-up is required by Monday March 16 at [www.hopelutheranwf.org/9-12](http://www.hopelutheranwf.org/9-12). Questions, Contact DCE Wesley Spottiswood at 919-554-8109.



## Sunday School

Sunday school meets each week in the Youth Center from 9:45-10:45AM. This month, come discuss various books of the Bible and the weird applications to your life.

## Sunday Night Youth Group

Every Sunday from 6:30-8:00PM in the Youth Center. Meets Sunday nights with games, snacks, and study. Friends are always invited. No youth group March 22, enjoy Winter Jam!

## 2020 High School Servant Event, July 12-17—Last week to sign up!

Serve alongside with other High School youth to rebuild homes that were destroyed/damaged during the hurricanes back in 2017 and 2018. Cost is \$425 and includes transportation, lodging, meals, and supplies. The Servant Event is a chance to get off of the couch, break out of your boring routine, and to use your hands and feet to do some serious work in service to others. Register today at [www.hopelutheranwf.org/9-12](http://www.hopelutheranwf.org/9-12).

## 6-9 Grade Spring Camping Retreat

**All 6-9 graders are invited for an awesome Camping trip!**

**April 24-25, 2020 at Falls Lake**

Second year confirmation students are expected to attend, all other 6-9 graders are encouraged to join. We'll spend the night in the great outdoors at Falls Lake B.W. Wells Campground, play night games, roasting s'mores around the campfire, and more!

This year we expanded to include 9 graders. The hope is to help make meaningful connections between the 6 & 7 graders as they get ready to hop up into 7-8 grade ministry this summer, and between 8 & 9 graders as they hop up into high school ministry together. Please join us for this adventure in nature, in friendships, and in faith. Early-bird registration with a reduced cost of \$25 will be available through March 31, then the cost will increase to \$30 in April.

Register today at [www.hopelutheranwf.org/youth](http://www.hopelutheranwf.org/youth). Questions? Contact DCE Steve McCarthy at [smccarthy@hopelutheranwf.org](mailto:smccarthy@hopelutheranwf.org) or 919-554-8109.







## Hope's Logo - What Does It Mean?

To make sure that our focus is always on the people God is calling us to reach for Christ, Hope launched a new logo in 2017. The logo communicates who we are as a church, and what's important to our congregation.



The cross symbolizes Jesus Christ, who's always at the heart and center of our church. Bringing people, young and old, to the cross to learn of Christ's grace for them is a central activity of Hope.



The cross' shape is similar to the shape of the distinctive wooden cross in our worship Sanctuary. Our life together at Hope revolves around our Word and sacrament worship, where all are welcomed, forgiven, and called to mission.



The cross' arms are open to each end, pointing the people of Hope outward. Christ commands us to "Go," so that more people make know his great love for them.



# Noteworthy News & Events

## Hope Yard Sale

May 30, 2020

Cleaning out your closets? Consider donating your items to Hope's Yard Sale. Proceeds will benefit the youth attending the summer servant event. Questions? Contact DCE Wesley Spottiswood at [wspottiswood@hopelutheranwf.org](mailto:wspottiswood@hopelutheranwf.org) or 919-554-8109.

## Prayer Chain

The Prayer Chain at Hope is an email that is sent out as prayers are needed. If you would like to join the email Prayer Chain, please contact Communications Manager, Amy Elder at [aelder@hopelutheranwf.org](mailto:aelder@hopelutheranwf.org).

## Stay Connected

In addition to weekly bulletins and this newsletter, you may 'like' us on Facebook, or visit Hope online at [www.hopelutheranwf.org](http://www.hopelutheranwf.org). Still have questions? Call 919-554-8109!

## 2020 Flower Chart

The 2020 Flower Chart is located on the wall in the church office hallway. You may sign up to donate flowers in memory or in honor of loved ones or to observe special occasions. Flowers are \$55.00 with checks earmarked "flowers." if you don't have time to stop in the office, you can email DeanNa Clelland at [dclelland@hopelutheranwf.org](mailto:dclelland@hopelutheranwf.org) to reserve your weekend.

## Ways To Give at Hope

There are several ways to give offerings that benefit Hope's ministries. To start contributing or change your contribution format, please contact Hope's Operations Manager, Hilary Tew at [htew@hopelutheranwf.org](mailto:htew@hopelutheranwf.org) or 919-554-8109 or visit [www.hopelutheranwf.org](http://www.hopelutheranwf.org), selecting, "About Us - Donate."

- **Donate with Amazon Smile**  
When you shop at [smile.amazon.com](http://smile.amazon.com), you'll find the exact same shopping experience as Amazon.com, with the added bonus that Amazon will donate a portion of the purchase price to Hope Lutheran Church.
- **Offering envelopes** are mailed out on a monthly basis. If you do not currently receive envelopes but would like to, please contact Hilary Tew.
- **Mobile App Giving Option**  
You can now make a contribution to Hope through a mobile app! To get started, simply search for "Give+ Church" in the App Store or Google Play to download the free app today. Then, by selecting Hope, you can easily make donations directly from your smartphone using your debit/credit card or checking/savings account.
- Hope also offers two options for **electronic giving**. You may either schedule automatic payments through Hope's Simply Giving program or make one-time donations online.
- A number of **other giving formats** are also available. Did you know that if you are over age 70 ½ and taking a required minimum distribution from certain types of IRAs, you may be able to designate funds to Hope as a qualified charitable distribution?

# Happy Birthday!

Lexi Alexander, 3/1	Linda Leasure, 3/6	Sharon Gregory, 3/12	Diane Pribac, 3/20	Phil Rittmueller, 3/28
Jay Boriotti, 3/1	Jenna Mahoney, 3/6	Brayden Lee, 3/12	Julia Smith, 3/20	Debbie Swenson, 3/28
Ryan Einzig, 3/1	Simone Mahoney, 3/6	Jane Case, 3/13	Logan Coyne, 3/21	McKenzie Zinani, 3/28
Rodger Fulbright, 3/1	Hayden McCleary, 3/6	Abigail DeCiantis, 3/13	Shannon Lewis, 3/21	Andrew Becton, 3/29
Avery McCaskill, 3/1	Sarah Reeves, 3/6	Katelyn Gipner, 3/13	Debi Ritter, 3/21	Laura Brown, 3/29
Nick Reiss, 3/1	Dan Schaffer, 3/6	Diane Lynn, 3/13	Will Roland, 3/21	Chase Matala, 3/29
Jerry Repak, 3/1	Charles George, 3/7	Elissa Miller, 3/13	Nicole Boriotti, 3/22	John Podszus, 3/29
Addie Ultis, 3/1	Dustin Howard, 3/7	Steven Mercadante, 3/14	Douglas Wilkinson, 3/22	Vera Zinani, 3/29
Marcia Weidner, 3/1	Leslie Lanzilli, 3/7	Meg Parmelee, 3/14	Caroline Broughton, 3/23	Brad Boney, 3/30
Sam Bedford, 3/2	Jim Lockhart, 3/7	Karen Skowronski, 3/14	Emily Crawford, 3/23	David Critchley, 3/30
Kendall Ikerd, 3/2	Nicole McCleary, 3/7	Ian White, 3/14	William Fritz, 3/23	Diana Keane, 3/30
Justin Marr, 3/2	Steve Mortensen, 3/7	Evander D'Ugo, 3/15	Mike Kaess, 3/23	Noah Weitzel, 3/30
Cole Meyer, 3/2	John D'Onofrio, 3/8	Jeff Horsley, 3/15	Bryce Rummel, 3/23	Keith Brown, 3/31
Chery Rousseau, 3/2	Gayle Fritz, 3/8	Joanna Kirkendoll, 3/15	Rachel Sharpstene, 3/23	Scott Ikerd, 3/31
Wesley Spottiswood, 3/2	Josh Hoopingarner, 3/8	Mike Long, 3/15	Greg Torson, 3/23	James Irgens, 3/31
Mike Randall, 3/3	Michaela Isaacson, 3/8	Mario Novelli, 3/15	Ariana Flanagan, 3/24	Easton Machesky, 3/31
Elly Saunooke, 3/3	Camille Knudsen, 3/8	Catherine Strom, 3/15	Comilla Jomp, 3/24	Nicholas Trusch, 3/31
Riley Saunooke, 3/3	Kim Koehler, 3/8	Lynroy Thomas, 3/15	Connie Jones, 3/24	Bennett Wagner, 3/31
Dickie Davis, 3/4	Sidney Ross, 3/8	Stephen Farlow, 3/16	Greta Requena, 3/24	
Sophia Foster, 3/4	Rex Stokes, 3/8	Harry Hintz, 3/16	Irene Robinson, 3/24	
Olivia Holley, 3/4	Karen Taylor, 3/8	Karen Critchley, 3/17	Maury Taylor, 3/24	
Kyle Matala, 3/4	Alicia Bennett, 3/9	Vince D'Ugo, 3/17	Katherine Williams, 3/24	
Doug Nelson-Dibble, 3/4	Lauren Brence, 3/9	Ryan Gipner, 3/17	Amie Becton, 3/25	
Caden O'Brien, 3/4	Carol Fischer, 3/9	Jeff Bruck, 3/18	Dee Rasmussen, 3/25	
Amy Ellis, 3/5	AJ Lasater, 3/9	Meredith Huffine, 3/18	Karin Edwards, 3/26	
Steve Hall, 3/5	Tim Merrill, 3/9	Nathan Pallozzi, 3/18	Amanda DeCilles, 3/27	
Amy Knight, 3/5	Abby Gundry, 3/10	Dylan Saunooke, 3/18	Carol Hoy, 3/27	
Peter Muller, 3/5	Sammy Hoh, 3/10	Cassie Stack, 3/18	Mike Lainhart, 3/27	
Elizabeth Sakowski, 3/5	Kaeleigh Maxwell, 3/10	Britt Wester, 3/18	Eve Owens, 3/27	
Kristine Burns, 3/6	James Noon, 3/10	Callen Austin, 3/19	Robbie Warren, 3/27	
Todd Elder, 3/6	Jalyn Alexander, 3/11	Megan Janok, 3/19	Olivia Gentry, 3/28	
	Friede Ham, 3/11	Michael McCleary, 3/19	Brad Mercer, 3/28	
	Bryce Miller, 3/11	Terry McKnight, 3/19	Tanya Neuman, 3/28	
	Ethan Weitzel, 3/11	Nancy Repak, 3/19	Karen Noon, 3/28	
	Deborah Winiewicz, 3/11	Tim Sargent, 3/19	Kristen Replogle, 3/28	
	Holly Bruck, 3/12			

# Happy Anniversary!

Jeff & Holly Bruck, 3/1	Brian & Kelly Friend, 3/11
Jim & Cindy Marriott, 3/1	Eric & Tammy Scherrer, 3/13
Tim & Bonnie Smith, 3/1	Bonita & Donald Comer, 3/15
Steve & Karin Edwards, 3/2	Greg & Shannon Novelli, 3/15
Luke & Hilary Tew, 3/2	John & Donna Collins, 3/16
Michael & Nicole McCleary, 3/3	Valerie & David Miceli, 3/16
Barry & Donna Agner, 3/4	Donna & Frank Pierre, 3/18
Brian & Stephanie Harris, 3/6	Ryan & Christine Ames, 3/20
Lew & Lisa Upchurch III, 3/6	Ken & Dottie Reading, 3/21
Kathryn & Richard Mesner, 3/7	Steve & Janice Mortensen, 3/25
Mark & Hilary Macenas, 3/8	Greg & Debra Sanders, 3/25
Cynthia & John Woolard, 3/8	



## Prayer Requests from February 1-2

**Praise and Thanksgiving for...** Adam DeRose's successful surgery;  
**Comfort for...** Bob Stalder and family at the death of Hope member, Janet Stalder; DeAnn Melhinch, receiving end-of-life hospice care; Jenny Holt and family as they mourn the death of her brother-in-law, Dave Dailey; Kathleen Medina's uncle & cousin at the loss of a son & brother; Beth Webb's co-worker, mourning the loss of her husband; Green family, mourning the loss of a family friend; Kevin Scott, friend of Rob Niesel, mourning the loss of a friend; Eva Allen, mourning the loss of a friend; **Strength and Healing for...** A father hospitalized with pneumonia; Carson & Lawson Gipple's Grandma recovering from surgery; Lawson Gipple's friend, who broke an ankle; The oncology patients & staff at Duke Raleigh Hospital; James Lumia, brother-in-law of Sharon Dimartino, diagnosed with congestive heart failure; Carol Smith, sister-in-law of Donna Neubaum, who suffered a stroke; Chris Bender, hospitalized at Wake Med; Bob Crosser's father, recovering from illness; A friend of the Noon family, recovering from surgery; Christy, a friend of Rob Niesel, having another biopsy; Alex, a friend of the Noon family, awaiting a bone marrow transplant; Ilene, neighbor of Emily Sanchez, going through cancer; Janet Sasanko, dealing with Mike's stroke recovery; 13 year-old Daniel Summa, friend of Sharon Gipner, recovering from surgery; A girl diagnosed with Diabetes; Dante Venditti, friend of Roger Madariaga, fighting cancer; Keith Lawrence, son-in-law of Andy & Bette Barrett, suffering from severe back, hip, and sciatica pain; Katy, niece of Jean Futrell, hospitalized with a severe kidney infection; **Guidance, Protection, and Safety for...** Job challenges; Helping a family member with faith; Eric & Susan Van Tassel, Anne Hall's brother and sister, on a medical mission trip to Nicaragua; Mike, Tom & Pam Williams Godson, in finding a job; The Parsons daughter, on a medical mission trip in Senegal.

## Prayer Requests from February 8-9

**Praise and Thanksgiving for...** Good test results for a daughter;  
**Comfort for...** DeAnn Melhinch, receiving hospice care; Linda Shindledecker and family at the death of her husband, Ron; The family of Carmen Bringham at the death of her mother; The Monto family in the unexpected of their daughter; **Strength and Healing for...** Bill Spencer, hospitalized with pneumonia; Eli Ames, son of Ryan and Christine Ames, recovering from major surgery; Charles Valone, having radiation for lung cancer; Everyone dealing with health issues; The father of Mike Holloway's co-worker, recovering from surgery; The VanHook's son, Dave, struggling with pneumonia; Bob Hendrickson's friend Jack Creaner, diagnosed with stage 4 cancer; Vann Bragg, friend of Ronald O'Neal, recovering from shoulder surgery; James Noon's friend having cancer surgery; James Noon's friend suffering from a concussion; Kelly, family of the Noon's, diagnosed with cancer; Justine, friend of Gale & Tom Perez, beginning treatment for Hodgkin's; Norm Bell, recovering from hip surgery; Jerry Garlington, recovering from knee replacement surgery; Barbara Readling, recovering from back surgery; Amy Ray's family member undergoing testing for memory loss; Anne Hall's mother, Marianne Van Tassel; Melaine Barker's co-worker, Chasity Ashby, undergoing testing for long-term health issues; **Guidance, Protection, and Safety for...** All those recovering from the storms that struck the south last week; All surgeons that care for patients.

## Prayer Requests from February 15-16

**Praise and Thanksgiving for...** Good test results for a daughter;  
**Comfort for...** Charlie Melhinch, the D'Ugo and Baldwin families at the death of Hope member, DeAnn Melhinch; Linda Shindledecker and family at the death of her husband, Ron; The family of Carmen Bringham at the death of her mother; The Monto family in the unexpected of their daughter; **Strength and Healing for...** Bill Spencer, hospitalized with pneumonia; Eli Ames, son of Ryan and Christine Ames, recovering from major surgery; Charles Valone, having radiation for lung cancer; Everyone dealing with health issues; The father of Mike Holloway's co-worker, recovering from surgery; The VanHook's son, Dave, struggling with pneumonia; Bob Hendrickson's friend Jack Creaner, diagnosed with stage 4 cancer; Vann Bragg, friend of Ronald O'Neal, recovering from shoulder surgery; James Noon's friend having cancer surgery; James Noon's friend suffering from a concussion; Kelly, family of the Noon's, diagnosed with cancer; Justine, friend of Gale & Tom Perez, beginning treatment for Hodgkin's; Norm Bell, recovering from hip surgery; Jerry Garlington, recovering from knee replacement surgery; Barbara Readling, recovering from back surgery; Amy Ray's family member undergoing testing for memory loss; Anne Hall's mother, Marianne Van Tassel; Melaine Barker's co-worker, Chasity Ashby, undergoing testing for long-term health issues; **Guidance, Protection, and Safety for...** All those recovering from the storms that struck the south last week; All surgeons that care for patients.

## Prayer Requests from February 22-23

**Praise and Thanksgiving for...** A successful surgery for Jerry; A daughter 30 years clean and sober; **Comfort for...** The family of Dan Ransford; The family mourning the loss of Faye; Bill Schultz, father of Susan Johanson, entering hospice; **Strength and Healing for...** Rosie Miller's son, David Carte, will begin cancer treatments; Maureen Schandert, diagnosed with a brain tumor and undergoing testing to determine a treatment plan; Jackson, a friend of the Whitmer family, undergoing testing; A co-worker of Karen Critchly, battling cancer; A young member suffering with emotional issues; Jamie Whitcomb, dealing with terminal cancer; Jonathan, a friend of Peter Muller, suffering with chronic fatigue syndrome; Penelope Wilson, baby girl of Wilson-Callahan family, as she battles Leukemia; Tim Means, for physical strength and pain relief; Brian Cail, friend of Marilyn Marr, awaiting surgery; Lorrie Bregni, a friend of Marilyn Marr; Bill Spencer, hospitalized with Pneumonia; Betty & Hugh McAlear's sister-in-law, having a lung biopsy; Myla Grace Lambert and family, during her MRI; Eli Ames, as he recovers from surgeries; Bette Barrett, recovering from a knee replacement; Paul Hieter, recovering from a knee replacement; Betty Holloway's brother, William, hospitalized; Teresa Johnson, Shannon Johnson's sister, undergoing radiation; Barb Readling recovering from surgery; **Guidance, Protection, and Safety for...** Those in the world requesting God's help.





**Ministry Leadership Team:** Eric Arner (Chairperson), David Critchley (Vice-Chairperson), Sarah Crawford (Secretary), Megan Baldwin, Andy Barrett, Mike Dennen, Michelle Hellmann, Bill Jay, Rob Niesel, Maurice Samuels, Jill Schaefer, and Emily Smathers.

**Hope Lutheran Staff:**

Rev. Wayne Puls.....**Senior Pastor**  
 Rev. Lew Upchurch.....**Associate Pastor**  
 Beth Agner.....**Lead DCE**  
 Zach Sarrault.....**Vicar**  
 Steve McCarthy.....**DCE**  
 Wesley Spottiswood.....**DCE**  
 Rev. Larry R. Lineberger.....**Assistant to the Pastor**  
 Rev. Preston Wagner.....**Pastor Emeritus**  
 Amy Elder.....**Communications Manager**  
 Hilary Tew.....**Operations Manager**  
 Kelly Faris .....**Administrative Assistant**  
 Steve Ebberts.....**Facilities Manager**  
 DeanNa Clelland.....**Receptionist/Office Assistant**  
 Paul Hieter.....**Evening Receptionist/Office Asst.**  
 Rob Varner.....**Organist and Choir Director**  
 Kathy Vockeroth.....**Handbell Choir Director**  
 Michael Case, Paul Taylor, & Ray Sharpstene.....**Praise Team**  
 Regina Fisher.....**Preschool Director**  
 Lisa Ackerman, Angela Baker, Sam Basinger, Heleen Bloomer, Stephanie Breemes, Deborah Burns, Denise Christopoulos, Ashley Clary, Sara Cutler, Amanda DeCilles, Lisa Dotson, Sheila Flanagan, Stephanie Fowler, Jean Futrell, Shari Gerhold, Lauren Jackson, Christine Murphy, Gretchen O'Haire, Jannelle Pizzola, Stefanie Saba, Kelsey Sarrault, Cindy Seitz, Fran Sowisdral, Kristen Winkle, Susan Young, Elizabeth Walker, & Suzanne Whiting...  
 .....**Preschool Staff**  
 Erin Ames.....**Family Program Director**  
 Tara Cook, Kelly Friend, Natasha Hoyle, Amanda Glodic, Kim Shope, & David Swan.....**Xplore Staff**  
 Elizabeth Bulloss, Rebekah Carrillo, Karen Ragone, Jamie Terry, Tonya Watt, Kati Zick, Tracy Zwickis, Angeni Miller, Jennifer Disney, Julia Lowe, Kimberly Bailey, Kris Davis, Shannon DeCriscio, and Stephanie Castor  
 .....**Little Blessings Staff**  
 Ashley Allred, Briana Evans, Stephanie Lippens, Carly Turman, Elizabeth Bulloss & Morica Viens-Groff.....**Nursery Attendants**

Hope Lutheran Church & Preschool  
 3525 Rogers Road  
 Wake Forest, NC 27587  
 ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED