

## Mission Statement

**God calls us to Mission and Ministry in our rural community and to the world. Gathered in Faith and nurtured by Word and Sacraments, we commit ourselves to share a hope for the future, to use our resources and talents guided by the Holy Spirit, and to work together to expand our ministry to serve others in the name of Jesus Christ.**

## HOPE LUTHERAN & ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH NEWSLETTER

June, 2022

### Sunday Worship:

Hope—9:00 AM  
St. Paul's—10:30 AM  
With Communion  
on the first and third  
Sundays

### GLOW:

God's Love On  
Wednesdays  
5:30 PM Supper  
6:00 PM GLOW  
6:00 PM Confirmation  
Classes

### Coffee & Fellowship:

Hope—10:00 AM

**Hope Services Are  
Live Streamed on  
Facebook**

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### A Note from the Pastor

**John 14:15-17**

*[Jesus said,] 'If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you.'*

**John 20:22**

*When [Jesus] had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, 'Receive the Holy Spirit.'*

**Acts 2:1-4**

*When the day of Pentecost had come, [the disciples] were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.*

**Acts 2:16-17**

*... this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:  
'In the last days it will be, God declares,  
that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh,  
and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy,  
and your young men shall see visions,  
and your old men shall dream dreams.'*

On June 5<sup>th</sup>, we celebrate the festival of Pentecost. It is the day we celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit to the church. Some call it the birthday of the church. It is the beginning of the church working in the power of the Holy Spirit. Prior to the coming of the Spirit, the disciples were confused and not sure where to turn. When the Holy Spirit fell upon them, they began to preach, teach, and heal in the name of Jesus.

That same Spirit is alive in us today. The presence of the Holy Spirit sets us apart from other organizations and gatherings. The Holy Spirit is like the music that unites a choir to sing with one voice, or an orchestra to play in concert with one another. The Holy Spirit teaches, comforts and challenges us to go into the world with the good news of God's love. Let us listen for the voice of the Spirit and follow her leading.

Peace Y'all, Pastor Allen

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GLOW Directors: Erin Roberts & Jess Gronke  
Custodians: Jason & Jen Johnson & Family  
Organists: Valerie Buysse, Wendy Sarazyn  
Jubilation: Gayle VanVooren

**Bible Studies for Men and Women**

Circle Bible Study	June 6th, 7:00 pm	At Church
Circle Bible Study	June 1st, 10:00 am	At Church
Men's Bible Study	June 3rd, 8:00 am	At Porter Cafe

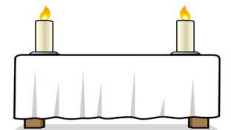


**2022 Church Attendance**

March 6	66	April 3	116	May 1	150
March 9	40	April 10	159	May 8	80
March 13	75 Est.	April 14	36	May 15	120 Est.
March 16	79	April 17 (7 am)	113	May 22	92
March 20	75 Est.	April 17 (10 am)	138	May 29	80 Est.
March 23	60	April 24	120 Est.	Total:	522
March 27	70	Total:	682	Average:	104
March 30	57	Average:	114		
Total:	522				
Average:	65				

**Altar Guild (May 25—June 28)**

Barb Okrina 828-4546  
 Linette Nelson 828-7772



**Workgroup Chairpersons**

Gayle VanVooren 872-6927 or 828-2432

<u>Date</u>	<u>Sound Operators</u>	<u>Video Operators</u>	<u>Acolytes</u>
June 5	Randy Prellwitz	Jon Anderson/Tyler Gronke	Kiersyn Hulzebos & Hannah Fadness
June 12			Logan & Carter Anderson
June 19	Scott Josephson	Keven Larson/Cole Myhre	Cole Johnson & Heydan Danielson
June 26	Greg Gottskalkson	David Dovre	Kyler Lozinski & Chase Johnson



**Money Counters:** June—Barb Knutson & Terri Myhre  
 July—Counters Needed

**Upcoming Dates:**

**June 5th—Final Church Cleaning following Worship Service**  
**June 11-12th—150th Anniversary Celebration**

**Church Council Notes – May 4, 2022**

<b>Fund Balances:</b> General Fund:	\$ 4,109.81	Cornerstone Fund:	\$ 14,034.27
Building Fund:	\$ 2,687.68	Petty Cash Fund:	\$ 718.62
Building Fund Savings:	\$ 4,152.78	GLOW:	\$ 5,844.89

**Finances:**

General Fund Balance as of April 30th	\$4,109.81
General Fund Offering Income May 1 <sup>st</sup>	<u>\$2,414.36</u>
	\$6,524.17
Projected Expenses for May	\$14,283.59

**Attendance:**

- **Attending in Person:** Terri Myhre, Deb Belaen, Rose Van Uden, Moriah Reiss, Emily Hennen, Barb Knutson, Dave Dovre, Lizzy Davis, Barry Gronke, Jen Anderson, Jason Johnson, Aimee Ascheman, Gayle Van Vooren, Chris Pesch-Church Secretary, Pastor Allen Campbell
- **Attending via Phone:**
- **Absent:**

**Pastor's Report**

- 3 home visits, 4 nursing home visits, 1 hospital visit, 1 Bishop/Synod meeting, 1 Committee meeting, 1 First Communion class and service, 3 Easter services, 2 Holy Week services, and 1 high school play.

**Treasurer's Report**

- Bills – Bills for the month of May were presented by Barry Gronke. Total General Fund bills are estimated at \$14,283.59.
- **Motion made by Deb Belaen to approve the Treasurer's Report. Emily Hennen seconded the motion. Motion carried.**

**Board of Trustees Report**

- Bills – The MEI Elevator service call bill will be paid from the Building Savings. The washing machine at the parsonage had to be replaced, and this will also come from the Building Savings. The bill from Lynn's Woodworking for the work in the balcony will be paid by the Endowment Fund.
- Organ Repair – The issue with this comes and goes, and the goal is to have Val Buysse be here when the repair person comes, if it works out.
- Bulletins for 150<sup>th</sup>: Chris will print the bulletins on our printer for the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary using heavier paper for the cover.
- Front of church landscaping – Several options were discussed including putting pavers in with large planters with annuals. Dave Dovre mentioned that the forms for the cement sides of the benches like the one sitting at the end of the lawn on the west side of church were in the shed in the cemetery, so this would also be another option. We are planning to use money from the memorial funds with a budget of \$1,000, and if more is needed, we will take it from the building fund.
- 4H Club – A 4H club has asked to use the church on Sunday night once a month for their meetings. They had been doing this prior to COVID. It was agreed that they could do this and asked them to clean up after.
- **Motion made by Rose Van Uden to approve the Board of Trustees' report. Dave Dovre seconded the motion. Motion carried.**

**Board of Deacons Report**

- Walk Around Offerings: 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the month
  - May 22 – SMSU Campus Ministry
  - June 26 – VBS
  - July 24 – ELCA World Hunger
  - August 28 – Bible Camps
- Flyers for the 150<sup>th</sup>: A draft copy was provided, and these will be ordered through an online service. We are planning to order about 1500 of them.
- Usage Fees: The sound system had been missed on the last draft, so we will review the corrected version at next month's council meeting.
- Video system: The video is ready to live stream, but it can't be done unless an ethernet cable is run from the route to the balcony, and this needs to be done by an electrician. We already have the ethernet cable. The estimate is \$350 to have this completed.
- **Motion made by Barry Gronke to move forward with running the ethernet cable to balcony at a cost of up to \$500 and to approve the Board of Deacons' report. Barb Knutson seconded the motion. Motion carried.**

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**Council Minutes (con't)**  
**Board of Education Report**

- Baccalaureate: We will be honoring our 12 graduates on Sunday, May 15<sup>th</sup>. A letter was sent out, and a breakfast will be served to the graduates and their families. Roberta talked to Brian Jeremiason about doing yard signs for the graduates. The meal will be egg bake, fruit and muffins. It was agreed to change communion to the following Sunday, May 22<sup>nd</sup>.
- GLOW:
  - The LET IT SHINE church service on May 1<sup>st</sup> went very well and we had approximately 150 people.
  - We are still looking for another teacher for 2022-2023.
  - We have found a person to lead music on Wednesday evenings and for one Sunday per month. His name is Daniel Jun-ker, and he is a sophomore music major at SMSU. He will start in the fall, and he be starting up the Bell Choir, also.
  - Someone has approached us about preparing meals for GLOW for next year 2022-2023.
  - The last day of GLOW for this year will be on Wednesday, May 11. We are looking at ending GLOW at the end of April next year.
- Confirmation: We will conduct a parent/student meeting at the start of the year (fall 2022) to discuss expectations and re-quirements for Confirmation. The confirmands are doing well on sermon notes.
- Teen Power: They will be taking the shoes to St Cloud in the next few weeks.
- YBS: Green Lake Lutheran ministries will be here to do the program, and it will be from August 1<sup>st</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup>. Pastor Allen and Sally will be hosting the counselors at the parsonage.
- Mission Trip 2023: There are 2 opportunities for fund raising. One is to help with the Hope Cemetery cleanup starting at 10 am. They will also be serving lunch at the Spring Blow Out at Bethel Fellowship Church.
- Youth of Hope: Bowling and Food gathering for all 7<sup>th</sup> thru 12<sup>th</sup> graders planned for Sunday, April 24, 2022, was cancelled due to lack of interest. There is a “mini” mission trip to Duluth, MN planned for June 27<sup>th</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup>. We will be working at the Union Gospel Mission. Preliminary schedule is to drive up and sightsee on Monday, Work on Tuesday and Wednesday. Sightsee and drive home on Thursday. There are about 20 students interested currently.
- **Motion made by Barry Gronke to approve the Board of Education report. Rose Van Uden seconded the motion. Mo-tion carried.**

**Other Business**

- Work Day: We need one more work day to finish up the painting and cleaning. Two dates that are planned are Monday, May 30<sup>th</sup> (Memorial Day) at 4 pm and June 5<sup>th</sup> after church. Painting in the kitchen, narthex, and Sunday School room still needs to be completed.
- Cemetery Clean Up: Saturday, May 7<sup>th</sup> is the cemetery clean up day. The following Saturday, May 14<sup>th</sup> is the makeup day, if needed.
- **Motion made by Barry Gronke to adjourn. Jason Johnson seconded the motion. Motion carried.**

Next Executive Discussion on Agenda: Week of April May 30th via e-mail

Next Council Meeting – Wednesday, June 1, 2022, Boards at 6:45 pm; All together at 7:00 pm

**Respectfully Submitted, Deb Belaen, Council Secretary**

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We had a great year of GLOW and due to the crazy weather we had in May, we needed to postpone our party. We will now have our end of year party on June 11th. We are so grateful to all of the families that cam to GLOW each week and for all that made it a success! Have a wonderful summer!

In Christ, Jess and Erin

# Hope Lutheran Church

## 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Schedule

### Saturday, June 11, 2022

#### Afternoon and Evening Activities at Hope Lutheran Church:

- ◆ 3:00-5:00 Bean Bags and Carnival Games
- ◆ 3:00-4:30 Parsonage and Cemetery Walk-through
- ◆ 4:00 Little Scrapper Kiddie Tractor Pull  
(Thanks Angie and Derek DeVos)
- ◆ 5:00-6:15 Picnic Supper (outdoors as the weather permits)  
(Grilled Burgers/Hotdogs, beans, chips...Bring your favorite lawn chair)
- ◆ **6:30** Outdoor Praise Band Church Service  
(GLOW students singing)
- ◆ 7:30 Root Beer Floats
- ◆ 8:30 Memorial Lantern Lift-Off Ceremony
- ◆ 8:45 Reunion Choir Practice
- ◆ 9:00 Fire Pit Fellowship

### Sunday, June 12, 2022

- ◆ 9:30 Reunion Choir Practice
- ◆ **10:00** 150<sup>th</sup> Celebration Church Service
- ◆ 12:00 Church Dinner in Fellowship Hall  
(Ham O'Brien, Cole Slaw, Glazed Carrots, Rolls, Ice Cream Dessert)
- ◆ 1:00-3:00 Parsonage and Cemetery Walk-through

Many former Hope Pastors will be joining us to celebrate!  
 Commemorative ornaments, apparel and Memorial Lanterns are available to purchase.  
 Invite your family and friends to join us for the festivities.  
 All are welcome!

Enjoy a morning golf opportunity at Countryside Golf Course.  
 Visit our downtown treasures, the Minneota Public Library and newly-renovated Opera Hall.  
 Both are open from 9 am to noon on June 11th, and we now have an elevator!

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### Memorial Lanterns

**If you would like to purchase a Memorial Lantern to be sent up during our 150th celebration, please complete this form and put it in the offering plate with your donation or mail to the church office. A \$5.00 donation is requested. Thank you!**

**In Memory Of:** \_\_\_\_\_

**In Honor Of:** \_\_\_\_\_