



## 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

September, 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/Teen Power

### Coffee & Fellowship:

Hope—10:00 AM

*Hope Services Are  
Streamed on  
Facebook*

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### A Note from the Pastor

Today I thought it would be good to say a word about visits. I'll talk about "pastoral visitation" in a moment, but first I would like say a bit about a different kind of visitation. Sally and I are always open to invitations for supper or another meal, so that we can get to know you all in a more casual setting. These meals could be either in your home or in a restaurant. If in a restaurant, then we would pay for our own meal, knowing that can get expensive. We can also just meet for coffee. I would love to spend time with you and your family in whatever setting that might be. I am gluten and lactose intolerant, but that is not as complicated as it sounds, and Sally would be more than happy to provide guidelines. My issues with those foods are sensitivities, not allergies, so exposure to those things is not life-threatening to me in any way. A little milk is okay, and I can still eat cheese.

As to "pastoral visitation," I regularly visit with the homebound, nursing home residents, and hospital patients. I usually share communion with those who are homebound. With shorter hospital stays, those visits do not happen as often as in years past, but I do make every effort to visit with those confined to the hospital. I will visit anyone who desires a visit, and if you know of someone who would like to visit with me, please let me know. I am typically in the office in the mornings, Tuesday through Friday (Monday is my day off,) so feel free to drop by, my door is always open. My cell phone ringer is always on, and I am available to text and email. (507-828-0272; [pastorallencampbell@gmail.com](mailto:pastorallencampbell@gmail.com).) I want to be here for you in any way that I can, and I'm a great listener!

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 September 5th, 7:00 pm At Church  
 Circle Bible Study September 7th, 10:00 am At Church  
 Men's Bible Study September 2nd, 8:00 am At Porter Cafe

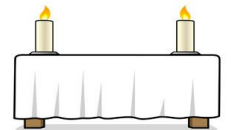


**2022 Church Attendance**

June 5 100 Est.	July 10 55	August 7 63
June 12 147	July 17 80	August 14 50
June 19 87	July 24 49	August 21 70
June 26 43	July 31 50 Est.	August 28 60 Est.
June 29 50 Est.	Total: 234	Total: 243
Total: 427	Average: 59	Average: 61
Average: 85		

**Altar Guild (August 24—September 27)**

Marilyn Kompelien 872-6496  
 Sally Campbell 828-1109



**Workgroup Chairpersons**

Fig & Linda Nuytten 829-9379

<u>Date</u>	<u>Sound Operators</u>	<u>Video Operators</u>	<u>Acolytes</u>
September 4	Randy Prellwitz	Jon Anderson/Tyler Gronke	Adam Dalager & Chase Johnson
September 11	NO SERVICES	NO SERVICES	NO SERVICES
September 18	Scott Josephson	Keven Larson/Cole Myhre	Hannah Fadness & Tiffany Gronke
September 25	Greg Gottskalkson	David Dovre	Kyler Lozinski & Brody Larson



**Money Counters:** September—Barry Gronke & Jen Anderson  
 October—Moriah Reiss & Lizzy Davis

**Upcoming Dates:**

- September 1st—Mission Trip Fundraiser—Minneota Farmer's Market, 5-7 pm
- September 7th—Confirmation Meetings: 6:30 pm, Grades 7 & 8, 7:30 pm, Grades 9 & 10
- September 9th—Mission Trip Fundraiser—Food At Football, 5-7 pm
- September 11th—Mission Trip Fundraiser—Bug Day Food Stand following community worship service
- September 21st—First night of GLOW, Confirmation, Teen Power
- September 22nd—Mission Trip Fundraiser—Food At Football, 5-7 pm
- October 2nd—Bible Distribution for 3rd and 7th Grades
- October 7th—Mission Trip Fundraiser—Food At Football, 5-7 pm
- October 13th—Mission Trip Fundraiser—Food At Football, 5-7 pm
- October 16th—'Let It Shine' Service
- October 30th—Confirmation

**Church Council Notes – August 3, 2022**

<b>Fund Balances:</b>	General Fund:	\$ 6,624.60	Cornerstone Fund:	\$ 6,034.63
	Building Fund:	\$ 381.63	Petty Cash Fund:	\$ 224.00
	Building Fund Savings:	\$ 2,640.87	GLOW:	\$ 5,115.16

**Finances:**

General Fund Balance as of July 31st	\$ 6,624.60
General Fund Offering Income	\$ 0
	\$ 6,624.60
Projected Expenses for August	\$12,135.76

**Attendance:**

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

**Pastor's Report**

- 1 marriage prep meeting, 1 hospital visit, 7 pastoral visits, 1 nursing home visit, 1 committee meeting, and 4 days of vacation (including 1 Sunday)
- Will be meeting with the Education committee to set confirmation requirements and compose contract for parents/students.

**Treasurer's Report**

- Bills – Bills for the month of August were presented by Barry Gronke. Total General Fund bills are estimated at \$12,135.76.
- **Motion made by Barb Knutson to approve the Treasurer's Report. Deb Belaen seconded the motion. Motion carried.**

**Board of Trustees Report**

- Bills – Bills for the Building Fund included the annual service fee for the elevator, and a bill from Minneota Building for materials for the fire door. The bill for the fire door will be paid by the Building Endowment Fund. VK Services gifted all of the work done related to the 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary – thank you for this gift!
- Propane Summer Fill – This was tabled for now due to the high price of propane.
- Cemetery Long Term Care Fund Investment: Barry was delayed in checking with the Bank of the West, and with this delay, there were several changes in personnel. With this delay, we avoided losing money on our investment with the recent downturn in the market. He then followed up with Trent Fisher at Thrivent Financial who recommended a Municipal Bond that would pay 5% annually which would cover the cemetery's annual expenses with little downside risk. **Motion made by Deb Belaen to move the cemetery long term care funds to a Municipal Bond through Thrivent Financial. Barb Knutson seconded the motion. Motion carried.**
- Church Ridge Cap Repair – Barry followed up with the company that did the shingles on the church about the ridge cap, and it will cost \$1,200 just to get a lift here to get on the roof.
- **Motion made by Rose Van Uden to approve the Board of Trustees' report. Emily Hennen seconded the motion. Motion carried.**

**Board of Deacons Report**

- Walk Around Offerings: 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the month
  - August 28 – Bible Camps
  - September 25 – VBS
  - October 23 – Esther's Kitchen
- Jubilation Choir: Gayle has retired as Jubilation Choir director, so we are looking for a replacement. Thank you Gayle for your many years of faithful service.
- Let it Shine Services: Planning to do the GLOW Let it Shine services on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month. We will be moving the walk around communion to the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month and do communion at the rail on the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of the month. The altar guild will be notified of this change.
- **Motion made by Deb Belaen to approve the Board of Deacons' report. Rose Van Uden seconded the motion. Motion carried.**

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### Council Minutes (con't)

- **Board of Education Report**
- GLOW: September 21<sup>st</sup> will be the first night of GLOW for this year. We will be doing hot dogs and hamburgers on the grill and council members are asked to bring salads. There will be a sign up sheet at the next council meeting. We are still looking for someone to prepare meals for GLOW on Wednesdays for upcoming year. There are some who are interested in helping or doing it part time, so please contact Erin Roberts or Jessica Gronke if you are interested. The 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month will be Let it Shine Sunday; October 16<sup>th</sup> will be the next Let it Shine service. Daniel Juncker will be our Music Director this year. If anyone is interested in doing a 5 minute message at GLOW, please let Erin or Jessica know. Council members are encouraged to help with that. Erin, Jess, and Daniel would like training on the sound system. With the addition of music, the GLOW times will be adjusted slightly per the below schedule.
  - Supper – 5:30 - 6:00 pm
  - Classes – 6:00 – 7:00 pm
  - Closing – 7:00 – 7:15 pm
- VBS: Started on Monday with 42 students registered and 4 counselors. Green Lake Lutheran ministries is leading the program, and they are doing an excellent job. Thursday at 5 pm, there will be a program with a light supper of hot dogs, baked beans and chips to follow for a free will donation. The students are mainly pre-school thru 4<sup>th</sup> grade, and there are some older students helping out.
- Mission Trip 2023: We are continuing to fundraise. We will be serving a meal at two of the Minnesota Farmers' Markets on Thursday, August 4<sup>th</sup> starting at 5 pm. and September 1<sup>st</sup>. We will be working at the Food Stand at Polish Days on Saturday, August 13<sup>th</sup>. We will be serving lunch at Bug Days on September 11<sup>th</sup> from 10 am to 1 pm after the community worship service. We will be serving Roast Beef and Pulled Pork Sandwiches for this.
- Confirmation: Confirmation will be for 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders, while the 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> graders will be attending confirmation classes until their confirmation and will then be joining Teen Power. Confirmation is October 30<sup>th</sup> for the 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> graders. September 7<sup>th</sup> is a parent meeting for confirmation. August 17<sup>th</sup> there will be an Education Committee meeting to put together expectations for the confirmation students.
- Upcoming Dates: On October 2<sup>nd</sup>, the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> graders will be presented with their Bibles. April 16, 2023, has been set for First Communion for the 5<sup>th</sup> graders; this is the Sunday after Easter.
- **Motion made by Lizzy Davis to approve the Board of Education report. Rose Van Uden seconded the motion. Motion carried.**

### Other Business

- Video System: The tv needs to come down as it is half owned by the Bug committee, and they will be using it for Bug Days. Do we want to purchase a larger one now, so we don't have to put this one back up again? The estimated cost for a 75" tv was approximately \$1,000. **Motion made by Barry Gronke to purchase a new TV with funds from the Memorial Fund. Barb Knutson seconded the motion. Motion carried.**
- **Motion made by Deb Belaen to close the meeting to discuss the Pastor's contract which is up for renewal in November of 2022. Rose Van Uden seconded the motion. Motion carried.**
- **Motion made by Deb Belaen to open the meeting. Barry Gronke seconded the motion. Motion carried.**
- **Motion to adjourn made by Deb Belaen. Barry Gronke seconded the motion. Motion carried.**

Next Executive Discussion on Agenda: Week of August 29th via e-mail

Next Council Meeting – Wednesday, **September 14, 2022**, Boards at 6:45 pm; All together at 7:00 pm

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



**Jubilation Director**—Gayle VanVooren has retired as our Jubilation Choir Director after many years of service. We thank her for her leadership for all these years! As a result, we are looking for a new director to continue our strong musical tradition at Hope Lutheran Church. Please contact the church office if you would be interested in serving in this role at Hope.

**GLOW Food Coordinator**—GLOW is getting ready for another great year! We are still looking for someone to cook our meals on Wednesday evenings, so if you know anybody that's able or interested, please send them our way!

**GLOW Kickoff!** - Mark your calendars! The kickoff for GLOW is scheduled for September 21st! The calendar for the GLOW year with important dates will be ready soon. It is extremely important that each child is registered for GLOW so that we know expected numbers in classrooms and for planning purposes. Please watch for this to be posted on Facebook and via email. We are excited for another great year of GLOW, where church is filled with kids and their families on Wednesday nights! See you SOON!



*Jess & Erin*

**Mission Trip Fundraisers!** The Minneota Area Mission Trip will once again be doing **Food At Football** from 5-7 pm at each of the Minneota Vikings home games! Stop down before the game for a meal and support the Mission Trip! They will all be running the Food Stand at Boxelder Bug Days on Sunday, September 11th following the Community Worship Service in Bug Square. Thanks for all your support!!

