

The Beacon of Hope

The Newsletter of Hope Lutheran Church April 2023

Pastor's Corner

Greetings Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

It is April now with spring just around the corner. We begin the month with the culmination of Lent in our Holy Week services. Special thanks to all those who helped make the Lenten Wednesday night soup suppers and Lenten drama services a success. Our congregation is so blessed to have so many members pitch in to make this a special time despite all the snow this year. There is no soup supper during Holy Week, but we will start with Maundy Thursday communion service on April 6 at 7:00 p.m. On Good Friday, April 7 there will be a community service with all the churches participating at Four Rivers Church at 7:00 p.m. We will be focusing on Jesus' spoken words from the Cross.

Saturday we will be hosting the community Easter Egg Hunt at 1:00 p.m. for children up to age 12, hosted by our youth committee. All are welcome to come and watch or help out.

On Easter Sunday morning the Youth committee will be sponsoring the Easter breakfast at 8:00 a.m. It will feature scrambled eggs, sausages, fruit and baked desserts. The Easter worship service will be at 9:30. Come and celebrate with us as we remember the Resurrection of Our Lord, the hope for our resurrection to come, and His promise of eternal life for all believers.

During April I will continue the Bible study on Revelation Sunday mornings after the Fellowship hour and the Study of Paul's letter to the Romans at the Riverside Apartments April 6 and 20, at 10:00 a.m. (*Continued on page 2*)



Cindy Burgess will begin a discussion on the "I Am's" of Jesus in April. The first session will be an introduction, plus the first one ---- "I Am the Bread of Life". All women are welcome at 10:00 A.M. on April 11th at the church.

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COMMITTEE REPORTS

No Quorum at February meeting

Youth

EASTER EGG HUNT



There will be an Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 8th beginning at 1:00 p.m. at Hope Lutheran Church.

This will be sponsored by the Youth of Hope and children up to age 12 are encouraged to participate. Come for the fun and prizes.

Release Time

During Release Time Dawn Shafer led songs with some awesome song leader helpers.



The last day of Release Time was celebrated with a pizza party.

**Easter Breakfast
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We are all so blessed by God's free gift of salvation and eternal life that Jesus obtained for us by His death and Resurrection. My hope for us all is to take time from our busy schedules to come together to worship, give thanks, and tell others in our families and our community of all that Jesus has done for us. It is all a free gift to those who will repent, believe and accept it. We have this great news to share. **CHRIST IS RISEN HE IS RISEN INDEED!**

God Bless us all!

Pastor John

HLCW (Continued From Page 1)

HLCW Quilting



Quilting will be on April 25th starting at 9:00 a.m. No need to know how to quilt but come for a blessing.

APRIL BIRTHDAYS

- 2 Tracy Zieroth
Courtney Romanek
Jody Messner
- 4 Pat Manee
- 5 Tad Farrell
- 6 Pastor Julie Gellert
- 7 Lilyana Johnson
- 9 David Zieroth
Imijyn Thompson
- 10 Sylvia (Shafer) Romosz
Hunter Rauvola
Morgan Kuehl
- 13 Tracy Hutchinson
- 14 Neva Polo
- 15 Ethel Pensak
Jazmine Johnson
- 16 Caleb Fries
Lane Grady
- 17 Maija Hunt
- 18 Roy Autio
- 21 Marion Shafer
Jeff Romosz
(Sylvia Shafer)
- 22 Tabitha Tollgaard
Quinn Kuehl
Todd Messner
- 24 Hannah Zieroth
- 30 Faith Romanek

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Birthdays and Anniversaries

APRIL ANNIVERSARIES

30 Bonnie & Steve Hall



MAY BIRTHDAYS

1 Telisha Bennett

9 Alice Shafer

11 Tasha Belter

12 Rob Benson

14 Keven Johnson

19 Joyce Andrews
 Jacob Seredinski

22 Don Rosemore

23 Grace Autio
 Ben Rosemore

28 Carol Schminski

29 Kathy Johnsen

30 Laverne Hutton

MAY ANNIVERSARIES

28 Grace & Roy Autio ('55)

Lenten Services

During Lent, Hope Lutheran Youth sponsored Soup Suppers before the Lenten services.

Thanks to all who donated soup and/or hot dogs to this wonderful fellowship time and the Youth for sponsoring the supper.



Also, during Lenten Services, we were visited by several Bible characters who told us about themselves.



Centurion (Marion)



Paul (Dave)



Ruth (Jody) and Samaritan Woman (Dawn)

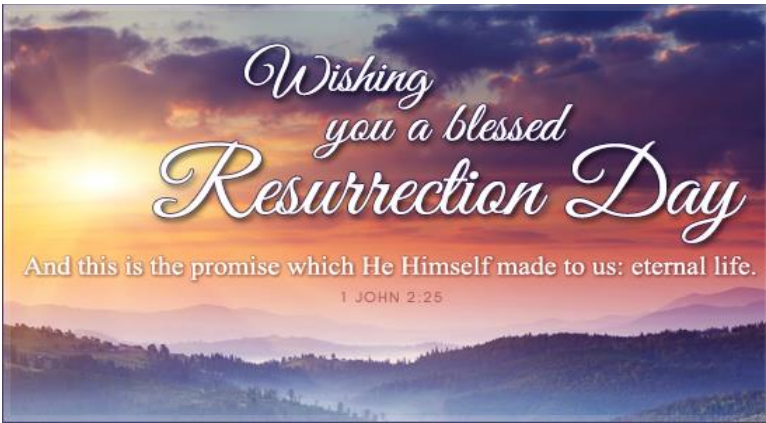


John the Baptist (Bubba)

Abraham (Bubba)



Jeremiah (Mark)



Easter Breakfast

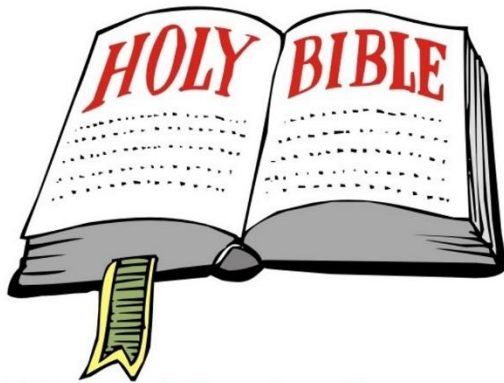
Hope Lutheran Church

Beginning at 8:00 a.m.

Scrambled Eggs,
Sausage, Fruit and
Breakfast Dessert

Free Will Offering

Sponsored by the Hope Lutheran Church Youth



Sign Up to be a Scripture Reader



Sign Up to Serve Refreshments

New Addition



Congratulations David and Nicole Shafer on your Valentine's Day blessing---*Abigail Shafer.*

April 2023 Hope Lutheran Planner

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
26	27 USHER TEAM: John Seredinski	28	29	30	31	1
2 9:30 Worship with communion & Sunday School 10:30 Fellowship 11:00 Bible Study 	3 USHER TEAM: Mark Johnson 8:30-Noon- Pastor's office hours	4	5	6 10 a.m. Bible Study at Riverview Manor 7:00 p.m. Maundy Thursday Communion Service	7 7:00 p.m. Good Friday Community Service at Four Rivers Church	8 1:00 p.m. Easter egg hunt 
9  8:00 a.m. Easter Breakfast 9:30 Worship & Sunday School	10 USHER TEAM: Gary Gustafson	11 10:00 AM HLCW Bible Study	12 9-11 AM Floodwood Food Shelf	13	14	15
16 8:00 a.m. Church Council Mtg 9:30 Worship with communion & Sunday School & Installation of Church Council 10:30 Fellowship 11:00 Bible Study	17 USHER TEAM: Dave Zieroth 8:30-Noon- Pastor's office hours	18	19	20 10 AM Bible Study at Riverview Manor	21	22
23 9:30 Worship & Sunday School 10:30 Fellowship 11:00 Bible Study	24 USHER TEAM: Bob Hosking 8:30-Noon- Pastor's office hours <i>Newsletter deadline</i>	25 9:00 AM -3:00 PM Quilting	26 9-11 AM Floodwood Food Shelf	27	28	29
30 9:30 Worship & Sunday School 10:30 Fellowship 11:00 Bible Study	Looking ahead: June 12-16 Vacation Bible School					

PRAYER REQUESTS

April 2023



For those who are ill or struggling

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| Ethel | Roy |
| Dinah | Gary |
| Dean S. | Lorraine |
| Jerry | Bob |
| Danette | Sadie |
| Grace W. | Jim |
| Sue | Willa |
| Bradley | Theresa |
| Heather | Wayne |
| Don | Carlene |
| Sulo | Willie |
| Floyd | Jen |
| Kitty | |

Those suffering from natural disasters.
Spiritual healing and salvation for our family and friends.

Those mourning the loss of loved ones.

For those in the military:

Owen Seredinski, Liam Seredinski, Jacob Seredinski

For places where wars and conflict take place

Ukraine
Syria and Iraqi Christians and missionaries threatened by ISIS and the refugees.
Those suffering from terrorism.
Israel and Palestine and the peace of Jerusalem.
Persecuted church around the world.

For our missions and world missionaries

- Ekka family & WMPL
- Robert & Ulla Suhonen
- Vision Petrozavodsk
- Judy Yund and Bethel Hospital
- Peace*Love*Haiti
- Madagascar Mission Project

- *For our congregation and Church Council
- *Pastor Julie
- *For Pastor Carl, Jodi, and Greta
- *Floodwood Police Department Officers and all law enforcement officers
- *For our world and nation on dealing with the Covid-19 virus

Peace and healing in Ukraine and the world

HOPE LUTHERAN CHURCH GIVING

General Fund Giving

February 26	\$ 709.00
March 5	\$3241.00
March 12	\$ 655.00
March 19	\$ 712.00

Globe – Souper Bowl of Caring (for Life House)

February 26	\$100.00
March 19	\$ 1.00

Globe – Floodwood Area Food Shelf

March 5	\$171.00
March 12	\$ 20.00
March 19	\$115.61

Youth – Soup Suppers

March 1	\$ 20.00
March 8	\$ 82.00
March 15	\$ 34.00
March 22	\$ 33.00



Globe Offering

April- Earthquake Relief (Syria & Turkey)

**Offerings can be mailed to:
Hope Lutheran Church
PO Box 288
Floodwood, MN 55736**



Easter Story

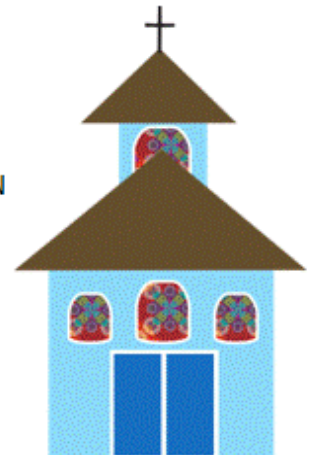
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HOPE LUTHERAN CHURCH WEB SITE

Hope Lutheran Church now has its
very own web site. Visit us at:

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