

The Beacon of Hope

The Newsletter of Hope Lutheran Church August 2023

Pastor's Corner

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Greetings Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

We are now entering August and the latter days of summer. My hope is that all of you have had a good, safe and enjoyable summer vacation with the opportunity to take God with you on your vacation. My prayer for everyone now is to enjoy the remainder of summer and return to church with enthusiasm to worship our Lord and Maker.

Looking at some special worship opportunities. We will begin with the National Night Out worship prayer service in the Riverwalk Pavilion, beginning at 4:30 p.m., August 1. It will be followed from 5:30-6:30 p.m. with a free BBQ dinner honoring our police, firefighters and EMT providers. I encourage you to attend so we can demonstrate our prayerful concerns honoring all those who serve us in the Floodwood area.

The next special service will be at Hope Lutheran on Sunday August 20. We will be having an outdoor service hosted by our youth at 9:30 followed by a BBQ cookout and picnic lunch. We will be outdoors in our space next to the church. We had our first service there last year, and everyone said how much they enjoyed the opportunity to worship outdoors in our Creator's beautiful blessing to us. Come and enjoy the service and fellowship time. We will have a special emphasis on honoring our students leaving for college.

For those who are interested, we will continue our study of the Book of Revelation on Sunday morning after fellowship time. I invite all to come and learn about this important book of the Bible.

I look forward to seeing you this coming month. May God Bless you and keep you safe this summer.

Pastor John



There will be no Bible Study for the months of June, July or August. See you in the fall.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Hope Lutheran Church Council Meeting Minutes

May 21, 2023

UNAPPROVED

Members Present

Bubba Vance, Carolyn Hosking, Deb Tollgaard, Todd Messner, Kim Hutchinson. Pastor John Burgess and Administrator Jeff Kletscher. Absent: Tanya Johnson, Missy Wojtysiak,

Pastor John opened with prayer.

Meeting was called to order at 8:02 AM by Bubba Vance.

Approval of Agenda

Motion by Carolyn Hosking, second by Todd Messner to approve the agenda as submitted. Motion carried.

Secretaries Report

April 16, 2023 Church Council minutes in packet. Motion by Deb Tollgaard, second by Todd Messner to approve minutes as submitted. Motion carried.

Pastor's Report

Pastor Burgess reported 205 miles and 14 communions given. Riverview Bible Study ended on May 18, none for the summer. National Day of Prayer had 30 attending from the community, 12 from Hope for a total of 42. Men honored ladies on Mother's Day by serving during fellowship. Will be honoring two Floodwood High School graduates during service today: Hailey Bazaard and Brooke Johnson. Will participate in VFW Memorial Day Cemetery Services.

On vacation June 5 – 12. There will be an ecumenical outdoor service during Catfish Days in area between Baptist Chapel and Downtown Fair Center on Saturday July 9. Will be gone Sunday, October 1 to be guest pastor for 75th anniversary of Holy Trinity Lutheran in Mansfield Ohio (our home congregation for 25 years).

Treasurers Report and Administrator's Report

Account Balances, April check register, Youth Account report, and Endowment Fund report provided in packet. April Globe Offering for Earthquake Relief was \$357.98 (sent to Lutheran World Relief). Sue Vance, Jerry and Tanya Hovi completed the 2022 Deposit Audit verification and reported NO issues found. Still working with Tim Tollgaard and Kathy Johnsen on 2022 Audit. CCLI Audit reporting period for April 1 to September 30 (means that every song we sing has to be reported to CCLI). Pulpit Supply for Pastors vacation days: June 11 Heather Ostern and July 23 Ekka's, unsure on August Sunday, and October 1. Motion made by Todd Messner, second by Carolyn Hosking to accept the Treasurers Report and Administrators Report as submitted. Motion carried.

Committee Reports

Christian Education and Youth: Camp Patmos registration is open. VBS is June 12 – 16 with the theme Stellar – Shine Jesus' Light. (Pastor, Todd, Jody, Gary, and youth will be helping.)

Outreach Committee: No update.

Building Committee: Bubba, Sue and Pastor removed the fallen tree

branch at the parsonage. Bubba and Pastor both said there is a tree that needs to be dealt with. John Seredinski (and Nathan) updated light fixtures in office, hallway, and overflow room with LED bulbs, has plans to update others.

Quilting Committee: Next quilting day is been moved to May 30. Will bless quilts in early June. No quilting during the summer.

Old Business

a. none

New Business

a. none

Globe Offering: June 4 & 11 – Camp Patmos. June 18, 25, July 2-23 – Ekka Support. July 30 & August – None.

Next Meeting – August 6, 2023 at 8:00 AM.

Closing Prayer – Pastor Burgess provided the closing prayer.

Adjourn Meeting – Meeting declared adjourned at 8:40 AM by Bubba Vance.

Youth

Camp Patmos



Brooke, Summer and Hannah gave a report on their week at Camp Patmos Bible Camp.

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

- 1 Dinah Tveit
Madison Kuehl
- 5 Grant Lundstrom
- 8 Joey (Joseph) Bennett
- 10 Sue Vance
Mary Rauvola
Gary Gustafson
- 12 Dave Bolstad
- 14 Owen Seredinski
- 16 Bonnie Hall
David Shafer
Kent Wojtysiak
- 17 Linda Christianson
Bob Hosking
- 24 Tricia Love
Charles Shafer
- 26 Lilly Manner
- 27 Jessica Hutton
- 28 Cherie Suonvieri
Summer Johnson

AUGUST ANNIVERSARIES

- 8 Jack & Willie Moe ('58)
- 14 Dave & Ann Bolstad
- 17 Mary & Dale Rauvola
- 27 Carlene & Sulo Jatkola

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

- 3 Haylie Aho
- 4 Sulo Jatkola
Tara Seredinski
- 9 Sydney Lough
- 11 Megan Heikkila Russ
Leonard Stokke
- 12 Jim Pensak
- 14 Kiaja Stokke
- 17 Abby Johnsen
- 19 Levi Suonvieri
- 22 Autumn Peterson
- 23 Jared Seredinski
Phil Bennett
- 24 Dean Fries
Neil Vance
- 26 Savannah Speece
- 28 Jack Moe

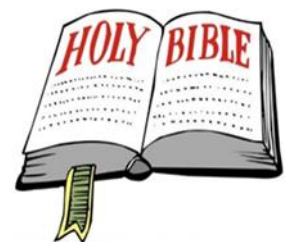
SEPTEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

- 12 Keven & Tanya Johnson ('07)
- 15 Mark & Kathy Johnsen ('84)
- 16 Burt & Cory Suonvieri
Hazel & Doug Bailey

Special Music



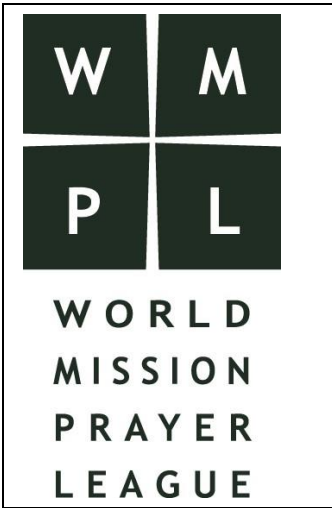
Doug Scholla blessed the congregation on Sunday, July 16 with his rendition of "You Are Mine." Thank you Doug—it was beautiful.



**Sign Up to be a
Scripture Reader**



**Sign Up to Serve
Refreshments**



PRAY FOR

PASHTUN UNREACHED PEOPLE GROUP OF PAKISTAN

Important Information-

- 25-30 million Pashtun in Pakistan.
- Second largest ethnic group in Pakistan.
- Nearly all Pashtuns are Sunni Muslims.
- Strong sense of tribal and cultural identity



PRAYER POINTS

1. Pray that the Lord will send workers among them to share the Gospel of Jesus Christ in word and deed.
2. Pray that the Lord will soften their hearts to hear the Gospel and receive Jesus Christ as their Savior and Lord.
3. Pray for Pashtun families to prosper spiritually and physically as they experience a relationship with Jesus Christ.
4. Pray for Pashtun culture to be renewed and enhanced by the work of the Holy Spirit to be shaped into a God-centered and God honoring activity and mold. *(Continued on Page 5)*

World Mission Prayer League (Continued from Page 4)

Jesus said, "The harvest is plentiful, the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field." Luke 10:2



Thank you, Hope Lutheran Church, Floodwood, MN for joining WMPL for prayer for Pashtun people of Pakistan.

World Mission Prayer League associates, the Ekkas' with Dave and Ann Bolstad



FLOODWOOD AREA NATIONAL NIGHT OUT 2023

TUESDAY AUGUST 1, 2023

RIVERWALK PAVILION - RAILROAD ST., FLOODWOOD

4:30 COMMUNITY PRAYER SERVICE

5:30 WELCOME

5:30 - 6:30 FREE BBQ DINNER

EVERYONE IS WELCOME!



FLOODWOOD FOOD SHELF

NEW HOURS:

2ND WEDNESDAY

12:00-2:00 PM

4TH WEDNESDAY

9:00-11:00 AM

August 2023

Hope Lutheran Church Planner

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	USHER TEAM: John Seredinski	1 <i>National Night Out</i> <i>Floodwood Riverwalk Pavilion</i> 4:30-5:30 Prayer Service 5:30-6:30 Free BBQ Picnic	2	3	4	5
6 8:00 AM Council Meeting 9:30 Worship with Communion 10:30 Fellowship 11:00 Bible Study	7 USHER TEAM: Mark Johnsen 9:00-Noon- Pastor's office hours	8	9 12-2:00 PM Floodwood Food Shelf	10	11	12
13 9:30 Worship 10:30 Fellowship 11:00 Bible Study	14 USHER TEAM: Gary Gustafson 9:00-Noon- Pastor's office hours	15	16	17	18	19
20 9:30 Outdoor Worship Service (bring your own chairs) No communion Picnic to follow provided by the youth	21 USHER TEAM: Dave Zieroth 9:00-Noon- Pastor's office hours	22	23 9-11 AM Floodwood Food Shelf	24 <i>Newsletter articles due</i>	25 <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; width: fit-content; margin: auto;"> SW St. Louis County </div>	26
27 9:30 Worship with Communion 10:30 Fellowship <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; width: fit-content; margin: auto;"> Fair </div>	28 USHER TEAM: Bob Hosking 9:00-Noon- Pastor's office hours	29	30	31	No Globe Offering in August Resuming in September and Beyond: Sunday School, Riverview Bible Study, HLCW, Quilting, RR	

PRAYER REQUESTS

August 2023



For those who are ill or struggling

Ethel	Roy
Dinah	Gary
Dean S.	Lorraine
Jerry	Bob
Danette	Sadie
Grace W.	Jim
Sue	Willa
Bradley	Theresa
Heather	Wayne
Carlene	Willie
Sulo	Jen
Floyd	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
Pashtun People Group
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
Globe Offering**

General Fund Giving

June 25	\$1136.00
July 2	\$2906.56
July 9	\$1550.00
July 16	\$ 738.41

**Globe Offering
Camp Patmos**

July 9	\$ 20.00
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Ekka Support

June 25	\$ 10.00
July 2	\$ 320.76
July 9	\$ 210.00
July 16	\$ 67.00

In Memory of

Don Rosemore from Floyd & Carole Ahlgren	\$25.00	(Memorial Savings)
Don Rosemore from Bubba & Sue Vance	\$50.00	(Memorial Savings)
Don Rosemore from John & Pat Seredinski	\$50.00	(Memorial Savings)
Don Rosemore from Rhaelyn Rosemore	\$500.00	(Memorial Savings)



NO GLOBE OFFERING IN AUGUST

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



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AND FACEBOOK PAGE FOR
INFORMATION AND UPDATES**

HOPE LUTHERAN CHURCH WEB SITE

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

www.hopelutheranfloodwood.org

Also visit us on FACEBOOK:

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