

The Beacon of Hope

The Newsletter of Hope Lutheran Church

January 2022

Pastor's Corner

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Greetings brothers and sisters in Christ,

As we enter the year 2022, my prayer for all of you is that you have a blessed and safe new year full of God's blessings. May God help each of us to let our light shine as we tell someone new about Jesus during the coming year.

Cindy and I want to thank all those who have remembered us during the holiday season with gifts and cards. You make us feel truly welcomed into the Hope Lutheran family, and we love all of you.

Thank you to all who attended the Christmas season worship services and especially to all those who helped make the season special. We emphasized candles and lessons during the dark times we experienced in 2021 with all the Covid related issues that affected so many. We also are grieved by all the violence, increased crime, and anger that is being seen in our country. So many across America have experienced weather-related issues with drought, wildfires, floods and storms wreaking havoc and destruction across our country. We, as a nation, need to turn back to our God and His ways if we are to turn things around to better times.

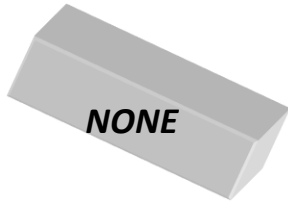
Looking ahead, Floodwood churches will be sponsoring a community celebration of the New Year on January 14. 6:00 p.m. at the Event Center. There will be a free meal and a Christian program to follow with presentations from all of the churches. (*Continued on page 2*)



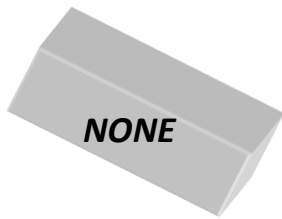
In January, Cindy Burgess continues to lead the women's Bible study series on "Fruits of the Spirit." On January 11th the topics will be goodness and faithfulness. Meeting time is 10:00 A.M. at the church, and all women are welcome. (*Continued on page 3*)

COMMITTEE REPORTS

HOPE LUTHERAN CHURCH COUNCIL MINUTES



HOPE HLCW MINUTES



YOUTH

December was a busy time for the youth of Hope Lutheran. On December 5th the youth decorated the church Christmas tree. Thanks to all who participated. Beautiful job.



On December 19, the youth from Sunday School and Release Time helped tell the Christmas story during the church service.



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One way to prepare for the coming year as we make our spiritual journey together is to dedicate ourselves to the study of God's Word, regular worship attendance and daily prayer. I will be teaching bible class on Sunday mornings looking at prophecy for our times and how God has given us prophecy to better understand and know God's will for his children in the coming years. I will also continue the study of Paul's letter to the Romans and the doctrines we believe as Christians at the apartments on the first and third Thursday of each month at 10:00 a.m. All are invited to attend.

Let us all make a New Year's resolution to try and be a positive influence on all those around us and all we encounter this year.

God Bless, Pastor John

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Quilting

We will resume quilting January 25th at 9:00 AM in the church basement. You don't need to know how to sew, every hand is welcome.

JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

- 2 Rae Rosemore
Deacon Laine
- 6 Elbert Holmes
- 12 Liz Thom
- 15 Lukus Fries
Carter Stokke
- 23 Nolan Heikkila
- 27 Dalton Hutchinson
Drake Laine
- 28 Elsie Tollgaard
Jayna Kemp
- 30 Shannon Lund
Milee Lund



JANUARY ANNIVERSARIES

- 23 Jill & Dean Fries
- 28 Dawn & Marion Shafer ('78)

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

- 1 Bradley Hutton
- 3 Kalen Kuehl
- 7 Jaimen Davis
- 8 John Seredinski
- 11 Greta Fiskness
- 15 Jill Fries
Shirley Johnson
- 16 Madison Wojtysiak
- 17 Barbara Larson-Peterson
- 25 Judy Dressely

FEBRUARY ANNIVERSARIES

- 3 Carole & Floyd Ahlgren ('56)
- 6 Bill & Jan Manner
- 14 Tracy & David Zieroth
- 27 Marlys & Tom Piontek

HAVE A HAPPY AND BLESSED NEW YEAR

Annual Congregational Meeting



The annual congregational meeting will be held January 30th after the church service. A potluck will follow the meeting.

All annual meeting reports should be submitted to Jeff by Sunday, January 9. Email preferred to jeffkletscher@yahoo.com or hopefldwd7@gmail.com.

OPPORTUNITIES



Sign Up to Serve Refreshments

Reminders:



Sign Up to be a Scripture Reader

January 2022 Hope Lutheran Planner

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	USHER TEAM: Rob Benson & Bubba Vance 8:30-Noon- Pastor's office hours					1 
2 9:30 Worship & Sunday School Communion 10:30 Fellowship	3 USHER TEAM: Don Rosemore & Tim Tollgaard 8:30-Noon- Pastor's office hours	4	5 Release Time 12:45-1:30-HS 1:30-2:15-Elem.	6 10 AM Bible Study at Riverview Manor	7	8
9 9:30 Worship & Sunday School 10:30 Fellowship 11 AM <i>NO</i> Bible Study Undecorate Christmas tree <i>Annual meeting reports due</i>	10 USHER TEAM: John Seredinski & Bryan Hutchinson 8:30-Noon- Pastor's office hours	11 10 AM HLCW Meeting & Bible Study	12 9-11 AM Floodwood Food Shelf Release Time 12:45-1:30-HS 1:30-2:15-Elem.	13	14 6:00 PM Floodwood Churches Community Celebration <i>Free meal and program at Event Center</i>	15
16 9:30 Worship & Sunday School Communion 10:30 Fellowship 11 AM Bible Study	17 USHER TEAM: Dean Fries & Jeff Kletscher 8:30-Noon- Pastor's office hours	18	19 Release Time 12:45-1:30-HS 1:30-2:15-Elem.	20 10 AM Bible Study at Riverview Manor	21	22
23 8:00 AM Church Council 9:30 Worship & Sunday School 10:30 Fellowship 11 AM Bible Study	24 USHER TEAM: Dave Zieroth & Mark Johnsen 8:30-Noon- Pastor's office hours <i>News items due for newsletter</i>	25 9:00 AM Quilting	26 9-11 AM Floodwood Food Shelf Release Time 12:45-1:30-HS 1:30-2:15-Elem.	27	28	29
30 9:30 Worship & Sunday School Annual Meeting and potluck <i>NO</i> Bible study	31 USHER TEAM: Bob Hosking & Dale Rauvola 8:30-Noon- Pastor's office hours					

PRAYER REQUESTS
January 2022



For those who are ill or struggling

Dinah	Gary
Dean S.	Lorraine
Frances	Bob
Danette	Sadie
Grace W.	Theresa
Lois	Sue
Bradley	Coach
Heather	Liz
Willa	Wayne
Ethel	Gary Curly
Roy	

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

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**

**HOPE LUTHERAN CHURCH
GIVING**

General Fund Giving

November 28	\$1377.05
December 5	\$3486.00
December 12	\$2117.00
December 19	\$2687.00

Globe Offering



Samaritan's Purse for Operation Christmas Child

November 28	\$10.00
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Support Casey Aro

December 5	\$145.00
December 12	\$275.00
December 19	\$261.23

Support Christmas Dinner

November 28	100.00
December 12	\$20.00

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

BIBLE WORD SEARCH

Y Z Y A H Y Q Z X Q U D K L F
T M R F T H O T E H O E U V N
F G M N I K A L N C T U X P T
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D C H U R C H N Y Q C R O U A
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C M W G L A S T S U P P E R C
E G N X Y K G P O L A D S Y J
B K T O Q L R D L Y W Q R X Y

FAITH	GALILEE	CHURCH
GOLIATH	GOOD FRIDAY	BETHLEHEM
GRACE	PAUL	REDEEM
MOSES	LAST SUPPER	SANCTIFY
SERPENT	GALATIANS	PSALMS
DEUTERONOMY	ETERNAL LIFE	PARABLE

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H A I S S E M K S A V I O R D
L H S V I O A V Z X F V M E F
O M U H U N K H R G O J I T V
V Z C V P S M N E B K F N C G
I O J W A S W X Q A I Z U E R
N F E C W G O S D R L O Y F M
G K R Z L N W N O E S E D R T
X E M O M I Q L O O S R R E L
D B Z V E T G S D F O I A P I
L G U C R R I H X W G C A E F
R A L Q C O W J E Y H O Y R U
A V W O I F O H B E X M D S P
X M N M F M T C R E G D U J X
V H U T U O N O G T U N K H F
E W X L L C N A Z A R E N E N

COMFORTING

GLORIFIED

HEALER

JUDGE

LOVING

MERCIFUL

MESSIAH

NAZARENE

PERFECT

PRAISED

SACRED

SAVIOR

SON OF GOD

TEACHER

THE WORD

Instructions:

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