The Beacon of Hope

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A Word From Pastor Carl

CELEBRATING SUCCESS

his month will conclude our third spring that Hope Lutheran Church has facilitated Homework Help. Thank you to Rob and Jan Benson for their leadership in the program. As you may remember, Homework Help began in December of 2014. Each Wednesday afternoon when the school dismisses at 2:30, students come over to eat a snack and then work on their homework and receive help. Later in the day, the students are served a nutritious supper.

In addition to the Benson's, faithful regulars Elvi Tollgaard and Willie Moe have been active in the kitchen along with other individuals who have come in and out. This year, the program has also been fortunate to have the assistance of Dave and Ann Bolstad when they are home. Ann was helpful in preparing and serving food and Dave did a great job working alongside the students with math and science assignments in addition to other subjects. Dave also had fun interacting with the kids by thinking of brainteasers to solve along with bringing in a few items of interest from his career for show and tell. Jim Dusek has also been gracious to help a number of times putting his science and math skills to work, too.

When the younger students finish with their homework, they go upstairs to the library to find a book to read. While the students frequently find it a challenge to settle down, the kids have shown progress in focusing better and completing their work.

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Hope Lutheran Church Women

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY & MEETING

The final Bible study in the "Decisions" series is "Worry-Free Decisions" based on Luke 12: 13-34. What do people in our society worry about? How does worry dishonor God? Join in the discussion on Tuesday, May 9th at 10:00 AM. Elsie and Elvi Tollgaard will serve coffee. Jan Benson will lead the last lesson. All women are welcome. (*Continued on Page 3*)

COMMITTEE REPORTS

MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING (UNAPPROVED)

Hope Lutheran Church Floodwood, MN April 10, 2017

President Mark Johnsen called the meeting to order @ 6:25 pm.

Present Pastor Carl, Admin Jeff Kletscher, Rob Benson, Susan Coccie, Elvi Tollgaard, Lonna Hutchinson, Mark Johnsen. Absent Pat Seredinski

Pastor Carl led with prayer.

Because we have a non-vented roof the original shingles the building committee picked would not be under warranty so now looking at a Tamko shingle with 30-year warranty. 1st-15-year full replacement 16-30 a prorated warranty. Also the Tamko shingles run about 10% less over the original Owens Corning.

We are also waiting for the insurance adjuster's report.

Discussion held on issues regarding the steeple and possible removal if not repairable.

Motion by Tollgaard, second by Benson to approve the roofing project not exceed \$45,000, with \$25,000 to come out of the endowment fund and the remaining \$20,000 to come from fund raising. Motion carried.

Motion by Coccie, second by Benson that building committee have the authorization to make the final decision regarding the repair or removal of the steeple. Motion carried.

A motion made by Johnsen, second by Tollgaard to have Coccie and Benson to be authorized signatures to withdraw up to \$25,000 from the endowment fund. Motion carried.

Mark will create a PowerPoint presentation for the Special Congregational meeting scheduled for Sunday, April 23, 2017.

Meeting adjourned at 7:14 PM. Respectfully submitted,

Lonna Hutchinson

Hope Lutheran Church Special Congregational Meeting, March 23, 2017

Congregational President Mark Johnsen called the Special Congregational Meeting to order at 10:17 AM. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss re-roofing the Church and how to pay for it. A quorum was present.

President Johnsen shared that bids were received for both metal and shingle roofing. Metal roofing bids ranged from \$76,659 to \$167,737. Shingle bids ranged from \$41,900 to \$95,585.

Building Committee of Nathan Manner, Bubba Vance, Rob Benson and Mark Johnsen reviewed all bids. The committee set up a meeting with the low shingle bidder to review the bid and discuss warranty and other issues. The building committee recommended that the Church Council to accept the low bid from Peak Roofing in Hermantown.

President Johnsen also discussed the condition of the steeple and its possible removal. Bubba Vance shared that it makes sense to remove the steeple when the shingling is taking place.

On Monday, April 17th, the Church Council recommended approving a roofing project not exceed \$45,000. \$25,000 will be requested from the Endowment Fund and the remaining \$20,000 to come from fund raising. The motion carried unanimously.

President Johnsen said that the project is approximately 80 square of shingles. Goal would be to have \$250 per square fund raising effort.

President Johnsen also reported that an insurance claim has been submitted to our insurance company.

Motion by Rob Benson, support by Shirley Johnson to approve spending up to \$45,000 for the re-roofing of the Church. \$25,000 from endowment, \$20,000 from fund raising. Motion carried.

No further business. Meeting declared adjourned at 10:31 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeffrey Kletscher, Church Administrator

HLCW Meeting April 11, 2017

The meeting opened at 10:50 a.m. following the bible study at which there were 8 members and 2 guests.

President Grace Autio noted the Easter breakfast coming up Sunday, April 16, and the list of donations of food and money which has been filled out by Hope members.

Grace read a thank you note from the local food shelf for the HLCW collection of money from members in recent months.

Grace also read a report from the area Christmas Box coordinator, Pam Brons of Nashwauk, noting the tremendous number of Christmas boxes contributed by area church members for overseas shipment.

The secretary read the minutes of the March meeting, and on motion by Elsie Tollgaard, seconded by Jan Benson, voted approved by all.

Jeanette Johnsen gave a treasurer's report that showed a checking balance of \$333.70; a savings balance of \$636.37 and available funds of \$451.75. Upon motion by Elvi Tollgaard, seconded by Lois Hendrickson, the report was accepted as given after a unanimous vote by the members.

Under Old Business, Grace thanked all those who helped with the Lenten soup suppers, which she noted were all well attended this year. She reminded members of their Easter donations on Sunday and to reveal their Secret Prayer Pals on Easter. Grace noted that Hazel Bailey, who has taken care of church yard work for a long time, needs help with the work and would appreciate any volunteers this spring.

Grace also reported that a member of our church family, Telisha Bennett, has broken an ankle, and with a husband and four children, she may need some help. To anyone who wishes to contribute food or money for the family, there will be a sign-up sheet in the narthex or see Grace about it.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:15 a.m.

Nancy Raihala, Secretary

QUILTING

No date has quilting. for details.



been set for May Watch the bulletin

Word From Pastor Carl CELEBRATING SUCCESS (Continued from page 1)

This past year, the program has seen more elementary students, although with the spring sports season, softball coach Brea Wallaker and assistant coach Sydney Lough have directed the softball players to make good use of this opportunity for help completing their homework before going home for the night.

Thank you, once again, to all who have contributed their time, food donations and finances for groceries for the work of Homework Help. It has been a good effort of not only encouraging success in school but in forging relationships between adults and various kids of the community.

MAY REFRESHMENT TEAM



MAY LEADER: Tim & Deb Tollgaard
Shirley Johnson
Don & Rae Rosemore

JUNE LEADER: Coach & Susan Coccie

Jim & Ethel Pensak

Jeff Kletscher

Bev & Gary Wiita

Roy & Grace Autio

GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE



The sixteen member Floodwood Community Choir, under the fine direction of Liz Thom, sang several stirring numbers during the Good Friday service at Hope Lutheran Church on April 14th

EASTER BREAKFAST







Thank you to all who helped out in one way or another to make our Easter breakfast a success and for supporting the youth. Thanks also to the youth for helping with the breakfast or the egg hunt.

PRAYER REQUEST MAY 2017



For those who are ill or struggling

Dinah Tveit Sadie Stokke Char Kadin Frances Haubrich
Theresa Fisher Danette Johnson Grace Wagner Mallory Norrell
Joy Cich Lorraine Guentzel Tim Ahrendt

Joy Greene Willa Jonas

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

For those in the military

Michael Thom David Shafer Damien Autio

For places where wars and conflict take place

Syria and Iraqi Christians and missionaries threatened by ISIS and the refugees 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

Thanksgiving:

HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY



May 2017 HOPE LUTHERAN CHURCH PLANNER							
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
	1 USHER TEAM: Roy Autio & John Seredinski	2	3 2:30-5:30 Homework Help 3:00-4:00 2 nd Conf. class		5 3:30 PM Baccalaureate service planning meeting at Hope Cinco de Mayo	6 Floodwood Farm Fest 10:00-4:00 Four Rivers Fellowship Open House 6:00 Holy Hootenanners sing at Four Rivers Dedication	
7 Acts 8:26-39 Ekka family visiting Hope 9:30 Worship & Sun.Sch. Special offering for the Ekka's 10:45 Fellowship		9 10:00 HLCW Bible Study and meeting 10:00 Lake Superior Pastors' meeting at New Life Lutheran in Duluth	9-11 AM FW Food Shelf at FST 2:30-5:30 Homework Help 3:00-4:00 2 nd Conf. class		12 3:30 PM Baccalaureate service planning meeting at Hope	13	
9:30 Worship & Sun.Sch. 10:45 Fellowship 1:00 Millie Samuelson burial at Arrowhead Township Cemetery Mother's Day	15 USHER TEAM: Dean Fries & Jeff Kletscher 6:00 PM Church Council Meeting	16	17 2:30-5:30 Homework Help 3:00-4:00 2 nd Conf. class		19 10:00 Bible Study at Riverview Apt	20	
21 Galatians 1:13-17; 2:11- 21 9:30 Worship & Sun.Sch. 10:45 Fellowship	USHER TEAM: Mark Johnsen & Dave Zieroth	23	24 9-11 AM FW Food Shelf at FST 7:00 PM Baccalaureate service at Four Rivers Fellowship	25 9:30 Worship & Music Committee 1-3 PM Pastor's Office Hours	26	27 Floodwood School graduation	
28 Galatians 3:1-9, 23-29 9:30 Worship 10:45 Fellowship	29 USHER TEAM: Bob Hosking & Dale Rauvola Memorial Day	30	31	Notes: Friday, June 2-Saturday, June 3- 10 th anniversary of the Institute of Lutheran Theology at Mount Carmel, Alexandria Sunday, June 4 Pentecost Sundaywear red 9:30 worship 10:30 coffee fellowship			

MAY BIRTHDAYS

- Joe RahjaTelisha Bennett
- **9** Alice Shafer
- **10** Gordy Granmoe
- 11 Tasha Belter
- 12 Rob Benson
- **14** Keven Johnson
- 19 Joyce AndrewsJacob Seredinski
- 22 Don Rosemore
- 23 Grace Autio
 Ben Rosemore
- 24 LeRoy Samuelson
- 29 Kathy Johnsen Bob Rahja
- 30 Laverne Hutton



MAY ANNIVERSARIES

28 Grace & Roy Autio ('55)

JUNE BIRTHDAYS

- 2 Emily Hall
- 4 Sarah (Bolstad) Chambers
- 5 Cooper Tollgaard
- 7 Kim Maki
- 10 Kolt Bennett
- 14 Michelle Myrvold
- 16 Travis Young
- 17 Preslie Kjoberg
- 18 Sheryl Abell
- 19 Deb Tollgaard
- Jamie Peterson Timothy Myles
- 23 Richard Coccie
- 28 Karly Tollgaard
- 29 Leigha Kuehl

JUNE ANNIVERSARIES

- **8** Jan & Rob Benson ('62)
- 10 Sylvia (Shafer) & Jeff Romosz Tammy & Jamie Peterson Russ & Sheryl Abell
- 24 Pastor & Linda Christianson

HOPE LUTHERAN CHURCH GIVING

General Fund Giving

Total	\$14,723.14
April 23	\$ 906.51
April 16	\$ 2067.27
April 13 (Lent)	\$ 310.00
April 9	\$ 968.86
April 2	\$ 9447.00
March 26	\$ 1023.50

Good Friday Offering for Floodwood Police Fund

\$ 244.00

Food Shelf Total \$ 350.00

Youth

Soup Suppers \$ 154.00

Easter Breakfast \$ 404.00



See the calendar for dates and time of Boy Scout meetings at Hope Lutheran.

BACCALAUREATE SERVICE



Four Rivers Fellowship
May 24, 2017
7:00 PM

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:

Hope Lutheran Church, Floodwood, MN

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Sunday School & Worship 9:30 a.m.

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