

The Beacon of Hope

The Newsletter of Hope Lutheran Church

November 2022

Pastor's Corner

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Greetings Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

It is now the month of November. I remember it as the month of thanksgiving. It is a time for all of us to pause, remember, and sincerely thank God for the blessings He has given us. For many of us Thanksgiving Day is the one time in the year we may take time to do this. However, for so many in our country, it is a time of busy travel, big dinner, football games, and then on to holiday shopping. It can become so busy that the part of being thankful gets passed over. I suggest we make it our first priority, every day, to thank God for all the blessings we have in life. If you haven't done that before I hope you try it this year and share it with your family and kids. What a great tradition to start!

This month at church we will start the first Sunday by finishing the movie about Martin Luther and the Reformation. Certainly, we need to thank God for that.

On November 13th we will bless the Operation Christmas Child boxes we will send for the kids. We will celebrate thanksgiving at Church this year on Sunday November 20th.

Cindy and I would like to wish you all a safe and blessed Thanksgiving Day. Enjoy some of the apple pies we made at Hope. We give thanks for a successful and safe deer hunt this month for all our members.

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Continuing in November with the topic of the Seven Deadly Sins, the next two sins for discussion will be lust and gluttony. The meeting will be Tuesday, November 8th at 10:00 A.M. at the church ---- led by Cindy Burgess. All women are welcome. *(Continued on page 3)*

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Hope Lutheran Church Council Meeting Minutes August 28, 2022

Members Present

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

Pastor John opened with prayer.

Meeting was called to order at 8:00 AM by Bubba Vance.

Approval of Agenda

Motion made by Carolyn Hosking, second by Deb Tollgaard to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

Secretaries Report

June 12, 2022 Church Council minutes in packet. Motion to approve by Mark Johnsen, second by Carolyn Hosking. Motion carried.

Pastor's Report

Pastor Burgess reported delivering 12 Communion distributed. Pastor will be attending the LCMC conference October 2-5. He will need someone to teach the high school during Religious Release. He will be serving ice cream at the school Open House on September 1 from 4 to 6. He will restart Bible study at the apartments, in September on the 1st and 3rd Thursday of each month at 10 AM. Bible study after church will begin September 18. Special thanks to all who helped with the Outdoor

service, it was a success. He hopes to begin teaching two students Pastoral Ministry for PEG Ministry in October.

Treasurers Report and Administrator's Report

Annual offering is down \$10,000 overall. We will bring this up at annual meeting. Website has been down for several weeks, Kletscher has been trying to resolve this issue. Elevator inspection was 8/23/22 and there were no issues. New dehumidifier was purchased on June 30 for the basement, money was transferred from rental account to cover cost. The fund for religious release is \$270.83. Youth checking \$3,399.33 and the savings was \$297.63.

Committee Reports

Christian Education and Youth: Quake will be March 17-19, 2023 two rooms will be required. Volunteer help will be needed for Religious Release. Religious Release starts September 28.

Outreach Committee: No update.

Building Committee: Issues with the shingles on the roof. Jeff is working with Mike at Peak Roofing.

Quilting Committee: Pastor and Cindy brought in old sheets to use as the backing material for more quilts.

Old Business

- Update Corporate Resolution for Police Account – waiting for it to come back from City Hall.
- LCMC annual conference – October 2-4 in Lakeville, MN. (Pastor would of like

someone else to attend since it's in MN, didn't sound like anyone else could attend).

New Business

- Hazel Bailey request for salary increase from \$12 to \$15. Motion made by Bubba Vance, second by Deb Tollgaard to approve the salary increase effective September 1, 2022. Motion carried.
- Potluck – September 11 for Thank you/ Honor/ Farewell for Rob and Jan Benson. Motion made by Tanya Johnson, second by Deb Tollgaard to approve the potluck for the Bensons. Council will work in the kitchen. Motion carried.
- Religious Release – help needed.
- Usher schedule will likely change with the loss of Rob Benson. Will need someone who is willing to shovel/clear the back and sidewalks (was being done by Rob with his tractor). Ushers need to sit in the back to monitor for possible trouble coming into the church.

Globe Offering: September and October will go to Samaritan's Purse to support Operation Christmas Child. Motion by Bubba Vance, second by Mark Johnsen. Motion carried. (Note: Funds to help cover costs Operation Christmas Child has to

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process and ship packages. It is not for Hope Lutheran boxes or costs.)

Next Meeting – October 9, 2022 at 8:00 AM.

Closing Prayer – Pastor Burgess led the closing prayer.

Adjourn Meeting – Meeting declared adjourned by Bubba Vance at 8:55 AM.



Release Time Students



High School Release Time



Elementary Release Time

Pastor's Corner (Continued From Page 1)

As the winter season approaches, we pray that God will give us mild weather, safe from the viral diseases that appear during this time. As we prepare for the coming season of Advent let us thank God for all the children attending religious release and for all those who help to plant God's seed of His Word into these kids and their families. We hope they will all come and participate in the Christmas services with us.

May God bless you as we give thanks to Him for loving us all so much every day!
Pastor John

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HLCW Quilting



Quilting is suspended for November and December. We will resume quilting on Tuesday, January 24th starting at 9:00 AM. Bring a lunch. All are welcome.

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

- 2 Ann Knight
- 6 Susan Coccie
- 9 C Jean Hutchinson
Shawna Behrendt
- 12 Dawn Shafer
- 13 Nancy Raihala
- 14 Jan Benson
Wyatt Rauvola

- 16 Pastor Carl Fiskness
- 17 Linda Chambers
Sadie Kiminski
- 19 Eric Hall
- 21 Sue Hutchinson
- 23 Leanne Aho
- 26 Wyatt Peterson
- 29 Carl Kuehl

NOVEMBER ANNIVERSARIES
None

DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

- 3 Jordan Romanek
- 4 Carole Ahlgren
- 5 Carolyn Hosking
- 6 Johanna Abell
Cecilia Abell
- 10 Tony Speece
- 12 Danielle (Tollgaard) White
- 15 Lacey Wojtysiak
- 17 Courtney Young
John Hutchinson
- 19 John Seredinski Jr.
- 26 Bubba Vance
- 27 Tanya Johnson
- 29 McKennah Keil
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30 Lindsey Rosemore

31 Alex Larson

**DECEMBER
ANNIVERSARIES**

19 Bob & Joyce Andrews

25 Bob & Carolyn Hosking
('60)



Pastor Appreciation



Hope Church celebrated Pastor Appreciation month on October 9th.

Apple Pie Making



On October 7th, 28 people of Hope Lutheran Church, men and women, came together to peel, cut, slice apples, make crusts and roll out dough to make 112 apple pies, they have all been sold.

There was \$1150.00 taken in and \$90.00 was paid by the church and the rest was donated. We cleared \$1070.00.

Thank you all who participated and donated to make this happen.



Operation Christmas Child Boxes are on the table in the overflow room.

Handouts – **follow directions!!**

\$10.00 this year for shipping. Include check to OCC or a note stating paid online.

Deadline: Sunday, November 13.

Clean-up at Hope



Thank you, John, Tim, Dave Z., Gary, and Pastor John, for recovering unwanted brush from the parking lot, and around the church, on October 17th. It was a very cold and windy day. Four trailer loads were taken to Floodwood city dump.

November 2022

Hope Lutheran Church Planner

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	USHER TEAM: Dale Rauvola	1	2 Release Time 12:45-1:30-HS 1:30-2:15-Elem.	3 10 AM Bible Study at Riverview Manor	4	5
6 9:30 Watch part 2 of video on Martin Luther, No Communion 10:30 Fellowship 11:00 Adult Bible Study	7 USHER TEAM: 8:30-Noon- Pastor's office hours	8 10:00 AM HLCW Bible Study	9 9-11 AM Floodwood Food Shelf Release Time 12:45-1:30-HS 1:30-2:15-Elem.	10	11	12
13 9:30 Worship with Communion & Sunday School 10:30 Fellowship 11:00 Adult Bible Study <i>Bless Operation</i> <i>Christmas Child</i> <i>Boxes</i>	14 USHER TEAM: Bubba Vance 8:30-Noon- Pastor's office hours	15	16 Release Time 12:45-1:30-HS 1:30-2:15-Elem.	17 10 AM Bible Study at Riverview Manor	18	19
20 9:30 Worship & Communion & Sunday School 10:30 Fellowship 11:00 Adult Bible Study	21 USHER TEAM: Tim Tollgaard 8:30-Noon- Pastor's office hours	22	23 9-11 AM Floodwood Food Shelf Release Time 12:45-1:30-HS 1:30-2:15-Elem.	24 NO SERVICE <i>Newsletter deadline</i> 	25	26
27 9:30 Worship 10:30 Fellowship 11:00 Adult Bible Study	28 USHER TEAM: John Seredinski 8:30-Noon- Pastor's office hours	29	30 Release Time 12:45-1:30-HS 1:30-2:15-Elem.	LOOKING AHEAD: December 11-Church Council 8:00 AM		

PRAYER REQUESTS

November 2022



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
Don	Carlene
Sulo	Willie
Floyd	Jen

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

September 25	\$ 403.00
October 2	\$1743.00
October 9	\$1270.00
October 16	\$1887.78
October 23	\$ 325.00

Operation Christmas Child

September 25	\$ 42.00
October 2	\$ 25.00
October 9	\$ 10.00
October 16	\$110.00

Memorials

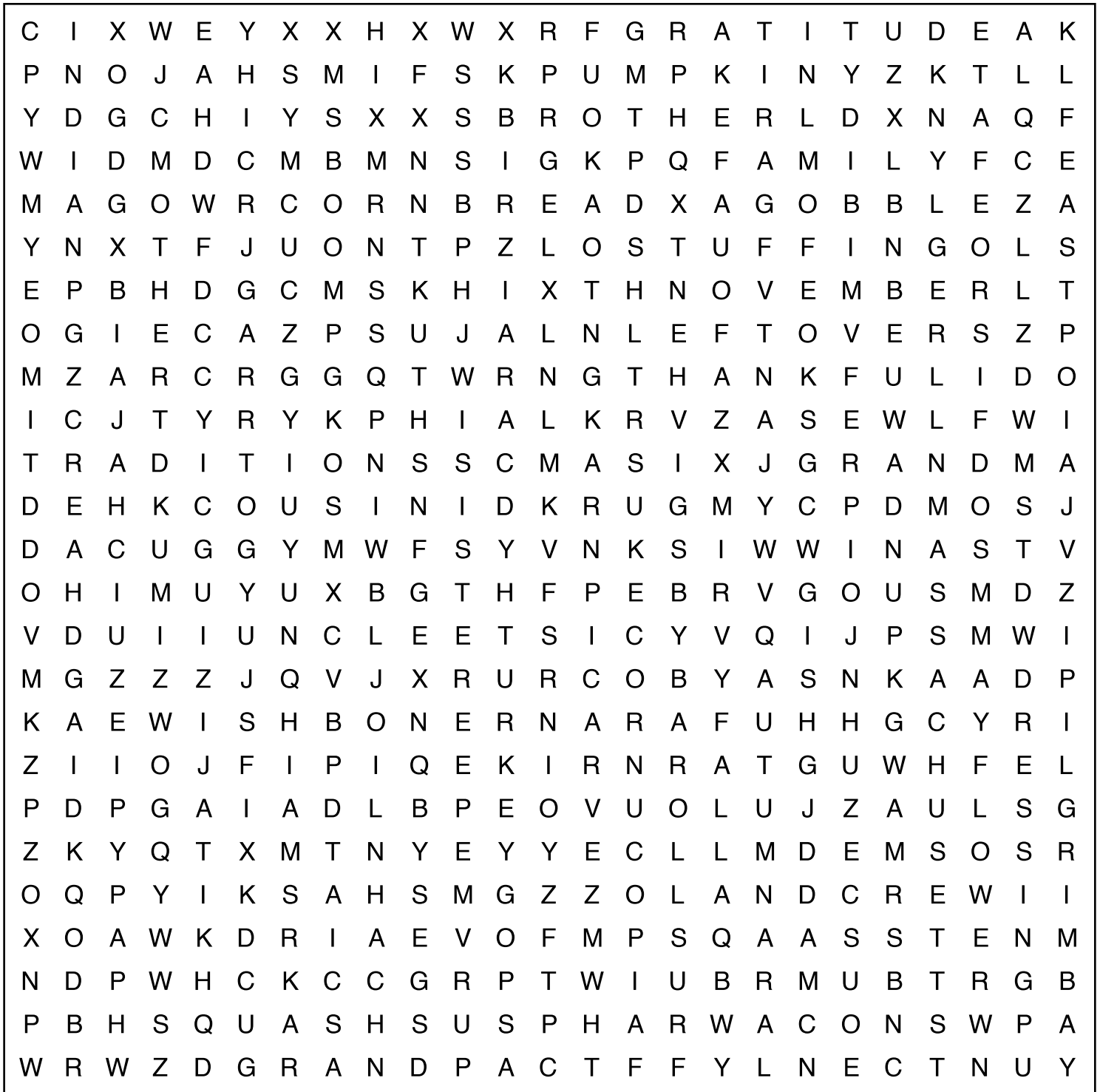
In Memory of Brad Wotjysiak from John & Pat Seredinski \$50.00 (Mem Savings)
In Memory of Brad Wotjysiak from Bubba & Sue Vance \$25.00 (Mem Savings)



Globe Offering

November & December Globe Offering is to provide a special year end gift to our missionaries – the Suhonen's and the Ekka's. Total received will be split in half.

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



Thanksgiving
pilgrim
mayflower
gratitude
yams
family
gobble

pilgrim
indian
november
thankful
grandma
mother
traditions

pumpkin
autumn
stuffing
Massachusetts
grandpa
father
fall

turkey
pie
rolls
Plymoth
uncle
brother
leftovers

dressing
cornucopia
cornbread
squash
aunt
sister
acorns

cranberries
feast
drumstick
wishbone
cousin
carve

Thanksgiving Word Search



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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