

# The Beacon of Hope

The Newsletter of Hope Lutheran August 2024

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## Pastor's Corner

Greetings brothers and sisters in Christ,

We are now entering August, the hot month of summer. For many of us it is a reminder that summer is coming to a close soon, and fall is approaching. It is the end of summer vacations, and we will soon return to back-to-school activities.

Here at Hope Lutheran, we will celebrate summer with our now annual outdoor worship service and picnic on Sunday August 4<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 a.m. The youth will be hosting and serving us during this service and picnic. A freewill offering will be taken for our youth ministry fund. The service will focus on God's creation around us and how much the God who created it all loves us and has called us to be part of His Family. We will have some special music by Pastor Fred at our picnic. The service, food, and fellowship will be a great day for us all. We look forward to seeing as many of you as possible.



On Tuesday evening August 6<sup>th</sup>, we will participate in the National Night Out worship service at the Riverwalk Pavilion. We will honor our police, firefighters, ambulance teams, healthcare workers, teachers and government employees that God has provided for us in Floodwood. It will begin with an ecumenical church service given by the churches of Floodwood from 4:30-5:30 p.m., followed by a picnic dinner served from 5:30- 6:30 p.m. Please come and honor those who serve us with their special talents and abilities.

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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 Minutes

NONE AVAILABLE

## Youth



Summer, Hannah and Lilyana gave a wrap up of the week that they attended Bible Camp at Camp Patmos

### AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

- 1 Dinah Tveit  
Madison Kuehl
- 5 Grant Lundstrom
- 8 Joey (Joseph) Bennett
- 10 Sue Vance  
Mary Rauvola
- 12 Dave Bolstad
- 14 Owen Seredinski
- 16 David Shafer  
Kent Wojtysiak
- 17 Linda Christianson

- 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

### SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

- 3 Haylie Aho
- 4 Tara Seredinski
- 9 Sydney Lough
- 10 Gary Gustafson
- 11 Megan Heikkila Russ
- 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



### Thank You

Tom and Marlys Piontek have been blessing our outdoor spaces with beautiful landscaping for years. Thank you Tom and Marlys for your blessings.



## Healing Service



On July 7<sup>th</sup> Hope Lutheran held a healing service. Many came forward for healing prayer.



Doug Scholla blessed us with a beautiful rendition of “You Are Mine.”



Tuesday, August 6  
Riverwalk Pavilion  
(Rain site: FST)  
4:30 – 5:30 Ecumenical Service  
5:30 – 6:30 Dinner

## FLOODWOOD FOOD SHELF

2<sup>ND</sup>  
WEDNESDAY  
12:00-2:00 PM

4<sup>TH</sup>  
WEDNESDAY  
9:00-11:00 AM



### Reminders

Sign up to serve  
refreshments!

And

Sign up to be a  
Scripture reader!

## Outdoor Church Service (Note Time Change)



On Sunday, August 4<sup>th</sup> we will be having an outdoor church service beginning at **10:30 AM**. Bring your own chairs. As you can see from last year’s service, it was a little bit nippy. Be prepared for whatever.

The youth will be blessing us with a barbequed meal following the service.

### Pastor’s Corner (Continued from Page 1)

My prayer for us is to have a safe and enjoyable time during the rest of summer as we get ready for a busy fall which will include returning to Bible studies, religious release classes, weekly fellowship and worship together. For Floodwood students this will begin with the back-to-school night registration and orientation on August 28. The churches of Floodwood will be serving a picnic dinner that evening. I will need someone to help me serve ice cream to returning students and their families that evening from 5- 6:00 pm. Let me know if you can help. Let us all pray for the students to have a great school year and to take advantage of the opportunity to learn about God in religious release classes.

May God Bless us all, Pastor John

## August 2024 Hope Lutheran Planner

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	<b>July 29</b> <b>USHER:</b> Bubba Vance	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>4</b> <b>10:30</b> Outdoor Worship <b>11:30</b> Picnic sponsored by youth 	<b>5</b> <b>USHER:</b> Tim Tollgaard  <b>9:00-Noon:</b> Pastor's office hours	<b>6</b> <b>4:30:</b> Riverwalk Pavilion-Worship service    <b>5:30:</b> Dinner	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>11</b> <b>9:30</b> Worship & communion <b>10:30</b> Fellowship	<b>12</b> <b>USHER:</b> John Seredinski  <b>9:00-Noon:</b> Pastor's office hours	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>  <b>12-2:00 PM</b> Floodwood Food Shelf	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>
<b>18</b> <b>9:30</b> Worship <b>10:30</b> Fellowship	<b>19</b> <b>USHER:</b> Mark Johnsen  <b>9:00-Noon:</b> Pastor's office hours	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>       <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; text-align: center;">                         Southwest St. Louis County Fair (August 23-25)                     </div>	<b>24</b> Newsletter items due
<b>25</b> <b>9:30</b> Worship with communion  <b>10:30</b> Fellowship  <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; text-align: center;">                         Downtown Fair Building                     </div>	<b>26</b> <b>USHER:</b> Gary Gustafson  <b>9:00-Noon:</b> Pastor's office hours	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b> <b>9-11:00 PM</b> Floodwood Food Shelf  <b>4:00-6:00 PM:</b> School Open House <i>(we will be serving ice cream)</i>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>

PRAYER REQUESTS

August 2024



**For those who are ill or struggling**

Ethel	Roy
Dinah	Gary
Dean S.	Lorraine
Jerry	Danette
Sadie	Carlene
Grace W.	Willie
Sue	Willa
Bradley	Theresa
Wayne	Doug S.
Doug B.	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  
\*Floodwood Police Department Officers and all law enforcement officers

**Peace and healing in Ukraine and Israel and the world!**

**HOPE LUTHERAN CHURCH  
GIVING**

**General Fund Giving**

June 30	\$1278.98
July 7	\$1770.89
July 14	\$1040.00
July 21	\$2097.00

**Memorials**

In Memory of Jim Pensak from Marilyn Stephen \$25.00 (Mem Savings)  
 In Memory of Jim Pensak from Jack & Willie Moe \$50.00 (Mem Savings)  
 In Memory of Jim Pensak from John & Pat Seredinski \$50.00 (Mem Savings)  
 In Memory of Jim Pensak from Bubba & Sue Vance \$25.00 (Mem Savings)

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



**CHECK OUT OUR WEBSITE  
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](http://www.hopelutheranfloodwood.org)

**Also visit us on FACEBOOK:**

Hope Lutheran Church,  
Floodwood, MN

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