

The Beacon of Hope

The Newsletter of Hope Lutheran November 2024

Pastor's Corner

Greetings brothers and sisters in Christ, November is here which reminds me of Thanksgiving Day and all the blessings we have been given by God. He truly loves us so much and provides for all our needs. Sometimes I feel like we get so busy planning for the holiday meal we forget the being thankful part. Let us strive to remember to do so this year.

We begin the month with All Saints Day where we remember all those who have died in our congregation this year. We pray for their families while rejoicing that they are now in heaven with the Lord. We are thankful for the blessing of having known them and seen their example of a good Christian role model for us during their lifetime.

We give thanks to God during the deer hunting season for providing a successful hunt and bringing all the hunters safely back to us.

We give thanks to all those who can contribute with money or shoeboxes of gifts for the children in the Samaritan Purse Operation Christmas Child program. We will bless the gifts on Sunday November 17.

We celebrate Veteran's Day on November 11th as we remember and give thanks for all those who have served in military service for our country. We thank them and their families who have given much so that we can enjoy the freedoms and blessings of living in this country we call home. Thank you, veterans, for your service. *(Continued on Page 3)*



Cindy Burgess will lead the women's Bible study at 10:00 A.M. on November 12th at the church. The topic will be Women of the Bible, this month featuring Sarah, the wife of Abraham. All women are welcome. *(Continued on Page 2)*

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COMMITTEE REPORTS

Hope Lutheran Church
Council Minutes

NO MINUTES AVAILABLE

YOUTH



The youth served coffee time on Sunday, October 13th for Pastor's Appreciation Sunday.

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
- 30 Lindsey Rosemore
- 31 Alex Larson

DECEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

NONE



Reminders

Sign up to serve
refreshments!

And

Sign up to be a
Scripture reader!

FLOODWOOD FOOD SHELF

2ND
WEDNESDAY
12:00-2:00 PM

4TH
WEDNESDAY
9:00-11:00 AM

HLCW
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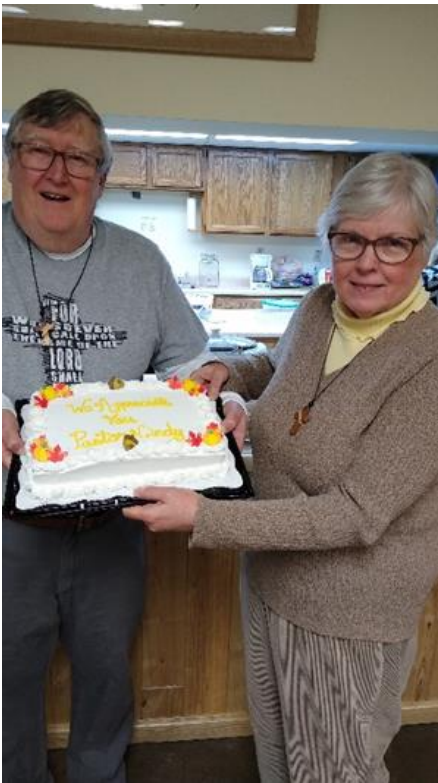
Quilting



No quilting this month. Check the newsletter and bulletin for future dates. (Continued on Page 4)

Pastor Appreciation

On Sunday, October 13th the congregation celebrated Pastor and Cindy with Pastor Appreciation Sunday.



Pastor's Corner (Continued from Page 1)

As we reach the traditional end of the church year November 24th we honor and remember Christ as our King. We are created to be citizens of His Kingdom. Sometimes in a year like this with all the political focus on elections, we forget that Jesus Christ is our true ruler, and that He has promised to return for us and usher in a thousand-year reign of peace soon. We are to be preparing ourselves for His coming by accepting Him as our Savior and establishing a personal relationship with Him in our daily worship and

prayer life. Again, we can start by giving him thanks for all He has done to save us and His great love for us even though we are sinners. He has truly blessed us so much. We can dedicate ourselves to studying God's Word and receiving His Sacraments to help us learn how we might better serve Jesus in the time left to each of us on this earth.

In closing Cindy and I want to thank all of you for your special surprise reception at the fellowship hour for Pastor Appreciation month. You have warmly welcomed us into your congregation family. We have been blessed by all your support and hospitality. Thank you and may God continue to bless us all.

God Bless us all,

Pastor John



Boxes will 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.

(Giving in the GLOBE is NOT for a shoe box you make. Globe Offering is to Samaritan's Purse and their costs associated with Operation Christmas Child program.)

Deadline: Sunday, November 17 (Shoe boxes will be blessed during the service.)





Apple Pie Making

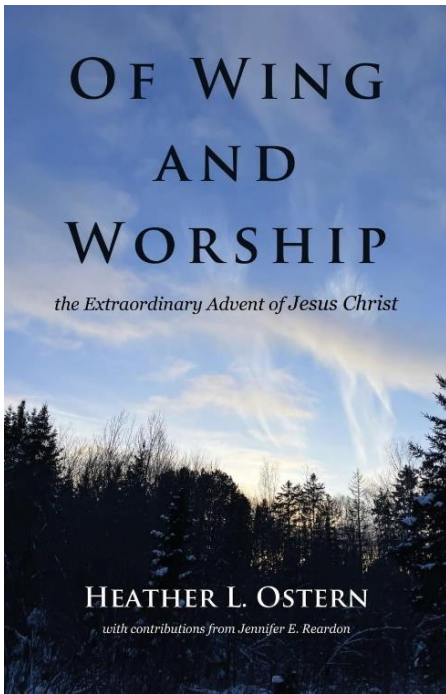


Thank you to all who helped make our annual apple pie making day a success. 116 pies were made, with 2 eaten [to test the product, of course] leaving 114 available for sale.

A special thank you to Mark & Kathy Johnsen for making the trip to the Bayfield area to get the apples; to Susan Coccie for donating the pie tins; to Ann Bolstad and Jan Metso for covering the cost of the apples; to the many others who donated the rest of the needed ingredients, plus the willing workers who peeled, mixed, rolled, bagged, and stored the finished product. Pat Seredinski is keeping track of sales. Contact her to order additional pies, or to pick up those already ordered.



New Book
By Heather Ostern



Chaplain Heather Ostern – who has provided pulpit supply at Hope Lutheran and is a good friend to many in the Floodwood Community, has recently published a new book titled **Of Wing and Worship: The Extraordinary Advent of Jesus Christ**.

Heather will be talking about book during the announcements on November 10th. She will be available to sell her book after the service.

No doubt Heather's book would make a wonderful Christmas Present!

Name: _____ Date: _____

I LOVE FALL

- Acorn
- Apple
- Autumn
- Chestnut
- Cider
- Cobweb
- Fall
- Football
- Gourd
- Halloween
- Harvest
- Hay Bale
- Hayride
- Leaves
- Maize
- November
- Nuts
- October
- Pumpkin
- Quilt
- Rake
- Scarecrow
- September
- Sleet
- Thanksgiving

ACROSS

1. They fall from trees.
6. Popular autumn sport.
7. Jack-o-lantern gourd.
8. The 10th month of the year.
10. The gathering of crops.
12. The fourth Thursday in November.
15. Might be patchwork.
16. Seat at a square dance (two words).
18. Leaf gathering yard tool.
19. They are roasted on an open fire.
22. Halloween decoration made by a spider.
23. The 9th month of the year.
24. Decorative squash.

DOWN

2. Oak tree's fruit.
3. October 31st.
4. Honeycrisp.
5. Also known as corn.
6. The season that follows summer.
9. Fun activity on a farm.
11. Drink made from apples.
13. Used to keep birds off of crops.
14. The 11th month of the year.
17. Another word for the fall season.
20. Semi-frozen rain.
21. What squirrels often gather.

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PRAYER REQUESTS
November 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

September 29	\$1223.24
October 6	\$3147.25
October 13	\$1566.00
October 20	\$2267.00

Globe Offering

Support Operation Christmas Child

October 6	\$45.00
October 13	\$30.00
October 20	\$25.00

Memorials

In Memory of Hazel Bailey from Marilyn Stephen \$25.00 (Mem Sav)
In Memory of Hazel Bailey from Sadie Stokke \$30.00 (Mem Sav)
In Memory of Hazel Bailey from Bubba & Sue Vance \$50.00 (Mem Sav)
In Memory of Hazel Bailey from John & Pat Serdinski \$50.00 (Mem Sav)
In Memory of Hazel Bailey from Jeanette Johnsen \$50.00 (Youth)
In Memory of Hazel Bailey from Carole Ahlgren \$25.00 (Mem Sav)

Financial Update – General Fund


	Income	Expense
January 2024	\$6,777.00	\$6,485.91
February 2024	\$4,655.50	\$6,969.60
March 2024	\$7,749.71	\$10,373.01
April 2024	\$5,381.00	\$8,362.11
May 2024	\$4,908.00	\$8,079.16
June 2024	\$7,449.70	\$10,327.35
July 2024	\$5,703.89	\$6,679.55
August 2024	\$5,718.39	\$5,703.83
September 2024	\$14,177.24	\$6,292.06
Year to Date	\$62,520.43	\$69,272.58
Year to Date Deficit		\$6,752.15



Through November 17 support Samaritan's Purse and their costs associated with Operation Christmas Child program. **(Is NOT to cover cost of boxes you pack.)**

**Offerings can be mailed to:
Hope Lutheran Church**

November 2024 HOPE LUTHERAN PLANNER

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
27	28 USHER: Dave Zieroth 9:00-Noon- Pastor's office hours	29	30	31	1	2
3 Daylight Savings time ends - Clocks Back one hour 9:30 Worship & Sunday School with communion 10:30 Fellowship 11:00 Bible Study	4 USHER: Gary Gustafson 9:00-Noon- Pastor's office hours	5	6 Release Time 12:45-1:30-HS 1:30-2:15-Elem	7 10 AM Bible Study at Riverview Manor	8	9
10 9:30 Worship Heather Ostern – Presentation on her Book & Sunday School 10:30 Fellowship 11:00 Bible Study	11 USHER: NO Pastor's office hours 	12 10:00 AM-HLCW Bible Study	13 12-2:00 PM Floodwood Food Shelf Release Time 12:45-1:30-HS 1:30-2:15-Elem	14	15	16
17 9:30 Worship Blessing of OCC Shoe Boxes & Sunday School with communion 10:30 Fellowship 11:00 Bible Study	18 USHER: Dale Rauvola 9:00-Noon- Pastor's office hours	19	20 Release Time 12:45-1:30-HS 1:30-2:15-Elem	21 10 AM Bible Study at Riverview Manor	22	23
24 9:30 Worship & Sunday School 10:30 Fellowship 11:00 Bible Study <i>Newsletter articles due</i>	25 USHER: Kent Wojtysiak 9:00-Noon- Pastor's office hours	26 No Quilting today	27 9-11 AM Floodwood Food Shelf Release Time NONE TODAY	28  NO SERVICE	29	30



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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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