



Welcome to Hope

SUNDAYS

9:15AM—Worship
10:30AM—Family Bible Hour
4:00PM—Spanish Worship w/Communion

WEDNESDAYS

6:30PM—Worship
6:30PM—Hope Studies

OUR MISSION STATEMENT:

“Anchored in Christ, Empowered by the Spirit, Connecting People to Jesus”

We are glad you are taking the time to worship our Risen Lord and Savior Jesus Christ with us this weekend! We pray God’s blessings on your worship and time spent among us at Hope Lutheran Church! We ask you to please take the time to fill in the Friendship pad (be sure to give us your name and address) and feel free to indicate any prayer concerns on the reverse side of the pad. We are a “Family-Friendly Church” and encourage the participation of children in our worship. However, we realize there are times when children can become disruptive to other worshipers, and for that reason there is a cry room located in the back of the church for your use. Children’s worship bags are available in the narthex for your use during the service (see an usher or elder). Please return the bag following the service to the “Worship Bag Tree.” We encourage you to join us for any and all activities at Hope in the week ahead!

IMPORTANT NOTES: *for the sanctity of our worship and the benefit of those around you, please refrain from excessive talking in the narthex and sanctuary, and turn off all cell phones, pagers, etc. Please time entrances and exits during congregational singing to minimize distraction to our worshipping community. Following our worship, please make every effort to leave God’s House just as you found it. Please do not bring coffee, cans of soda or bottled water into the sanctuary for your use before or even during the service. Also, please be sure to remove any “used” tissues from the pews or hymnal racks. Your help in keeping God’s house neat and clean will most certainly be appreciated! Thank you!*

Hope: Anchored in Christ



Please turn off or silence your cell phone and NO food or drinks in the Sanctuary.

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Activities This Week at Hope:

Sunday 5/7	Confirmation Sunday Summer Worship Schedule Begins Nurse Appreciation Week Ministry Team Leaders: Voter Meeting Reports Due!
9:15	Worship w/Communion
10:30	Confirmation Pot Bless
11:45	Youth Ministry Team Meeting
4:00	Spanish Worship w/Communion
Monday 5/8	Nurse Appreciation Week
6:30	Choir
7:30	Young Adults @ Starbucks
Tuesday 5/9	Nurse Appreciation Week
12:00	Deadline—BOD Reports Due!
12:00	Staff Meeting
Wednesday 5/10	4:30 Youth Group
	5:15 Stephen Ministry Support Group Meeting
	5:30 Bell Choir
	6:30 Living Hope Worship
	6:30 Hope Studies
Thursday 5/11	10:30 Bible Study
	6:30 Board of Directors' Meeting
Sunday 5/14	Mother's Day Youth Scrip Orders Due
9:15	Worship
10:15	Blood Pressure Screening
10:30	Family Bible Hour (<i>snacks: open</i>)
11:45	Voters' Meeting & Pot Bless
11:45	Human Care Ministry Team Meeting
4:00	Spanish Worship w/Communion

Worship Attendance / Communion:

Wednesday, April 26, 2017

Worship: 6:30: 31/28

Hope Studies: 8

Sunday, April 30, 2017:

Worship: 8:00: 43/41 10:30: 70/63

FBH: Adults: 38 Youth: 9 Children: 4

Spanish Worship: 4:00: 26/15

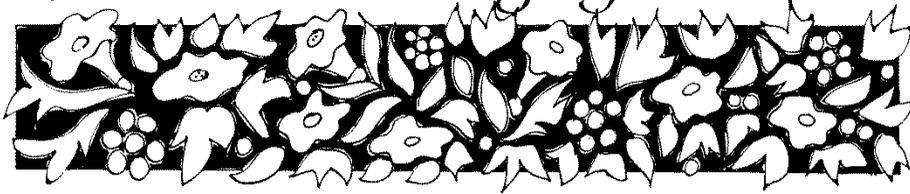
Offerings—General Fund: \$9,099.00

Stewardship Perspective:

1 Peter 2:21 “For to this you have been called, because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, so that you might follow in his steps.” Our heavenly Father wants us to grow into the image of His Son, to follow in His steps. Jesus suffered for us not only to redeem us, but also to show us what love looks like—to leave us an example of self-giving, sacrificial generosity. “Let us ever walk with Jesus, follow His example pure.”

Large Print editions of our Sunday worship folders are available from the ushers. If you are in need of one, don't hesitate to ask!

Fourth Sunday of Easter



May 7, 2017

AS WE GATHER

The Twenty-Third Psalm is echoed in readings, hymns, and responses today, Good Shepherd Sunday. We hear our Shepherd only because of His grace. He wants us in spite of our sins; thus, as David writes, "I shall not want." Our Lord is not only the Shepherd; in the Gospel, Jesus likens Himself to the door, the only entrance to the sheepfold. Inside, we may have "life and have it abundantly." Under God's protection, the Early Church flourished, as Luke reports in Acts. And when some Christians strayed, their faith led them back to their Shepherd, as Peter writes in the Epistle. We gather again, wanting nothing except to hear our Shepherd.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

RINGING OF THE BELLS

PRELUDE AND MEDITATION *"Praise Ye the Lord"* *Roger Moor Park*
The sanctuary is a place of meditation and preparation for worship. Therefore, as the prelude begins, we cease our conversations and quiet our hearts to converse silently with God.

OPENING HYMN *"Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"* *LSB 790*

INVOCATION, CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

P: In the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen.**

P: The LORD is my shepherd;

C: I shall not want.

P: He makes me lie down in green pastures.

C: He leads me beside still waters.

P: Our help is in the name of the LORD,

C: who made heaven and earth.

P: If You, O LORD, should mark iniquities, O Lord, who could stand?

C: But with You there is forgiveness, that You may be feared.

P: Let us confess our sins, confident of His grace, mercy, and forgiveness.

(Silence for reflection on the Word of God and for self-examination.) O Holy Spirit, we give thanks that the Early Church exemplified what it means to be the Body of Christ and that many people came to faith through their witness.

C: We must confess that we have not always been fully devoted to the study of the Word, to a faithful use of the Sacraments, and to loving service to the people around us. Forgive us, and renew in us right hearts and willing spirits.

P: Our gracious Shepherd, we give thanks that You not only endured suffering and death for our sake, but also left us an example that we might follow in Your steps.

C: We must confess that we have avoided suffering for Your name, have not always turned the other cheek when reviled, and have often strayed from Your will. Forgive us, and open our ears to hear Your gracious call to return to You.

P: Heavenly Father, we give thanks that Your Son knows us each by name and that You have given us faith to hear His voice. He alone gives us protection; He alone offers us abundant life.

C: We confess in all humility that often we have not even listened to His voice. Too often, we have feared the dangers of the world around us. Forgive us, strengthen our resolve, and restore to us the joy of Your salvation.

P: Our Lord Jesus Christ, the great Shepherd of the sheep, gave Himself willingly into suffering and death to pay for all our sinning and straying. By His resurrection, He has restored to us eternal and abundant life. We shall dwell in the house of the Lord forever. Therefore, as a called and ordained servant of Christ and by His authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

HYMN OF PRAISE *"At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing"* (tune: LSB 633)

**At the Lamb's high feast we sing Praise to our victorious King,
Who has washed us in the tide Flowing from His pierced side.
Alleluia!**

**Our Good Shepherd Jesus is. He is ours, and we are His.
We, His sheep, need never fear, For our Shepherd's voice we hear.
Alleluia!**

**Father, who the crown shall give, Savior, by whose death we live,
Spirit, guide through all our days: Three in One, Your name we praise.
Alleluia!**

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CONFIRMATION LITANY

P: You, O Lord, have blessed those to be confirmed here today with the gift of faith.

C: **May their faith be a blessing to them throughout their lives.**

P: You, O Lord, have blessed those to be confirmed here today with loving family members and friends.

C: **May their family members and friends be a blessing to them throughout their lives.**

P: You, O Lord, have blessed those to be confirmed here today with the message of the Gospel.

C: **May the Good News of forgiveness and salvation be a blessing to them throughout their lives.**

P: You, O Lord, have blessed those to be confirmed here today with hearts that are devoted to you.

C: **May their relationship with you be a blessing to them throughout their lives.**

P: You, O Lord, have blessed those to be confirmed here today with blessing upon blessing.

C: **May your blessing continue to rest upon them in all they say and do. Amen.**



† **SERVICE OF THE WORD** †

FIRST READING

Acts 2:42–47 (p. 911)

(The Early Church grows.)

⁴²And they devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. ⁴³And awe came upon every soul, and many wonders and signs were being done through the apostles. ⁴⁴And all who believed were together and had all things in common. ⁴⁵And they were selling their possessions and belongings and distributing the proceeds to all, as any had need. ⁴⁶And day by day, attending the temple together and breaking bread in their homes, they received their food with glad and generous hearts, ⁴⁷praising God and having favor with all the people. And the Lord added to their number day by day those who were being saved.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING

1 Peter 2:19–25 (p.1015)

(You have been healed by your Shepherd's wounds.)

¹⁹For this is a gracious thing, when, mindful of God, one endures sorrows while suffering unjustly. ²⁰For what credit is it if, when you sin and are beaten for it, you endure? But if when you do good and suffer for it you endure, this is a gracious thing in the sight of God. ²¹For to this you have been called, because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, so that you might follow in his steps. ²²He committed no sin, neither was deceit found in his mouth. ²³When he was reviled, he did not revile in return; when he suffered, he did not threaten, but continued entrusting himself to him who judges justly. ²⁴He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By his wounds you have been healed. ²⁵For you were straying like sheep, but have now returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of your souls.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

RESPONSE*"Good Christian Friends, Rejoice and Sing" LSB 475; vs. 1 & 4*

1 Good Chris-tian friends, re-joice and sing! Now is the tri-umph
 4 Your name we bless, O ris-en Lord, And sing to-day with



of our King! To all the world glad news we bring:
 one ac-cord The life laid down, the life re-stored:



Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia!
 Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia!

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HOLY GOSPEL*John 10:1–10 (p.896)**(The sheep know their Shepherd's voice.)*

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the tenth chapter.

C: *(Sung)* **Glory to You, O Lord.**

¹Truly, truly, I say to you, he who does not enter the sheepfold by the door but climbs in by another way, that man is a thief and a robber. ²But he who enters by the door is the shepherd of the sheep. ³To him the gatekeeper opens. The sheep hear his voice, and he calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. ⁴When he has brought out all his own, he goes before them, and the sheep follow him, for they know his voice. ⁵A stranger they will not follow, but they will flee from him, for they do not know the voice of strangers." ⁶This figure of speech Jesus used with them, but they did not understand what he was saying to them. ⁷So Jesus again said to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, I am the door of the sheep. ⁸All who came before me are thieves and robbers, but the sheep did not listen to them. ⁹I am the door. If anyone enters by me, he will be saved and will go in and out and find pasture. ¹⁰The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life and have it abundantly.

P: This is the Gospel of our Lord!

C: *(Sung)* **Praise to You, O Christ.**

HYMN OF THE DAY *"Water, Blood, and Spirit Crying"**LSB 597*

MESSAGE

Confirmands: Joslin Kinkead, Jules Kinkead, Andrew MacDonald
Scarlett Gembala; Thomas Goethe; Bryan Greatens; Keaira Griffin

CELEBRATION OF FRIENDSHIP

As the offerings are received, please sign the register in the pews, whether you are a member of Hope Lutheran or a visitor. The person at the end of the pew should start and then pass it along. Thank you for making worship with us a priority this Lord's Day.

GIVING OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Our tithes are our regular, top priority, proportionate, grateful gifts to the Lord for the work of the gospel. Our offerings are our special gifts for special causes over and above our tithes.

VOLUNTARY

"Wonderful Words of Life"

Lani Smith

PRAYERS OF GOD'S PEOPLE

P: Let us pray for the people of God's pasture and the sheep of His hand, and for all people according to their needs. Almighty God, receive our humble and unending thanks that Christ suffered for us so that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. When it is given to us to suffer for Your name's sake, grant that we might follow in the steps of our Savior, act in love and entrust ourselves to You. Strengthen those who endure persecution for the name of Jesus, thwart the plans of those who oppose the Gospel, and grant to them repentance so that they, too, might die and live in Christ. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: O Lord, our Creator and Redeemer, the culmination of all beauty is found in Your Son. Bless all artists and artisans, that in the midst of a world made ugly by sin, their labors might remind us of the beauty with which You have endowed our creation and our redemption. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: Heavenly Father, in the wake of Your Son's resurrection, Your people devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. Unite Your people in the one true faith, and grant penitent hearts to all who come to receive Christ's body and blood this day. We especially lift to You Lord, our confirmands as they

receive their first Communion this day, that they may treasure and look forward to regularly receiving Your gifts to us. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: Almighty God, by the work of Your Holy Spirit through the Means of Grace, You daily add to the number of believers those who were being saved. Grant to Your people courageous hearts and bold tongues to LIVE BOLDLY and proclaim Your truth, trusting that You will gather more in keeping with Your gracious will. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: O Lord, You worked many miracles through the hands of the apostles in the name of Jesus. Hear our prayers on behalf of all who cry to You including *Carlos Floyd, George Hayes, Lauren Matthews, Rick Nilles, and Rose Thomas*. Provide them help according to Your will, and within our vocations, grant that we might help those in need with glad and generous hearts. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: Lord Jesus Christ, You still gather Your sheep, and we still hear Your voice through Your holy Word. Receive our thanks for all the saints whom You have shepherded through the valley of the shadow of death to eternal life. Grant that we might fear no evil until we are gathered with them before Your throne; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever, who taught us to pray:

C: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

HYMN OF CONFIRMATION *"Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"* *LSB 686*

COMMENDATION OF PARENTS & GRANDPARENTS

P: The church commends you for your faithfulness in the Christian training of these young adults. Since their baptisms, you have prayed for them, brought them to God's house for worship, and have ensured that they were taught the essentials of the Christian faith. Though today they make public confession of their faith, your prayers and encouragement remain important

to them. Will you continue in fervent prayer for them, and as it is appropriate, support them in their Christian faith and walk?

R: Yes, with the help of God.

CONFIRMING THE FAITH

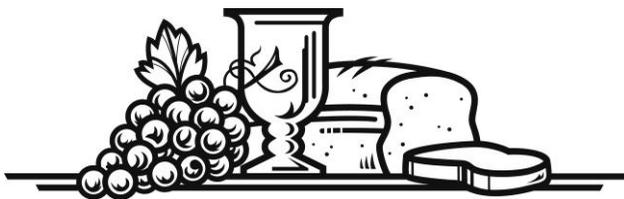


*Joslin Alexis Kinkead
Jules David Kinkead
Andrew Thomas MacDonald*

SPECIAL MUSIC

"All I Need"

Jubilation Singers



+ HOLY COMMUNION +

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

We listen again to the very words spoken by Jesus Christ in the upper room, "take and eat, this is my body... take and drink, this is my blood". We prepare to receive what Jesus has promised to share with us, His very presence. As we eat this bread and drink this wine, Christ nourishes us, forgives us and strengthens us with His presence.

P: The peace of the Lord † be with you always.

C: **And also with you.**

AGNUS DEI

(tune: LSB 474)

**Jesus, God's Lamb, Jesus, have mercy.
Jesus, You take all the world's sin away.
Jesus, God's Lamb, Jesus, have mercy.
Risen Lord Jesus, grant Your peace today.
Jesus is risen and we shall arise:
Give God the glory! Alleluia!**

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(The congregation may be seated.)

COMMUNION STATEMENT

If you desire to receive the Sacrament of Holy Communion, please remember that the Sacrament of Holy Communion is available to those who: ¹Are baptized AND instructed in the Christian faith; ²Examine themselves in a manner appropriate to adult maturity and recognize their own need for forgiveness; ³Believe that the Crucified and Risen Lord is truly present in, with and under the bread and wine; ⁴Believe that in this sacrament God gives us forgiveness of sins and strengthening of faith; ⁵Accept their place of responsibility in the whole church on earth. If this is your sincere belief, then joyfully share this sacrament with us. If this is not your belief, please remain seated for a time of prayer on the many blessings God has given you. If you have any questions, please see a pastor or an elder. Please remember the words of St. Paul, "For anyone who eats and drinks without recognizing the body of the Lord eats and drinks judgment on himself." (1 Cor. 11:29) For those with dietary restrictions, a light-colored grape juice is also served in the center of the tray, and gluten-free wafers are available upon request.



Note: During distribution, one of our pastors will be in the back of the church for a time of individual prayer with anyone desiring.

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

"The Lord's My Shepherd, I'll Not Want"

LSB 710

"Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us"

LSB 711

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE

(tune: LSB 474)

**Lord God above, Now let Your servant
Go from here with the assurance of sight.
My eyes have seen Jesus, my Savior,
Glory of Israel; for nations, Light.
Praise we the Father, the Spirit and Son,
Now and forever! Alleluia!**

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BENEDICTION

P: Now may the God of peace who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, equip you with everything good that you may do His will, working in us that which is pleasing in His sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever.

C: **Amen.**

P: We are now entering the mission field!

C: **'Here am I! Send me!'**

CLOSING HYMN

"Thine the Amen, Thine the Praise"

LSB 680

POSTLUDE

"To God Be the Glory"

William H. Doane



*Congratulations to
our Confirmands*

Joslin Alexis Kinkead

Jules David Kinkead

Andrew Thomas MacDonald

*Please join us in Fellowship Hall
For a Pot Bless
in honor of our Confirmands*

Connecting Points

TODAY: the church continues to rejoice as we celebrate the season of Easter which **lasts for 7 Sundays and culminates with the Festival of Pentecost (50 days after Easter)**. During



the Easter Season, the *Pascal candle* is lit to remind us of our Lord's physical presence on earth prior to His ascension to the right hand of the Father. During the season as well, we 'resurrect' our *Alleluia's* that have been buried since the beginning of Lent. The color of the season is *WHITE*~ the color of purity and completeness as we rejoice in our Lord and what He has done for us through His suffering, death and resurrection.

ON VACATION: We pray God's blessings for our Music Director, *Christine Mansell* who is taking some well-earned time off—**4 weeks** to be exact—to travel with her friend and fellow Music Director *Gloria Klockziem* from *St. Paul, Lakeland* as together they explore *Australia, New Zealand, and Fiji*. We pray God's richest blessings on your journey as we **THANK Pat Bender** who will be covering for Christine during her time off.



GOD'S BLESSINGS: to *Joslin Kinkead, Jules Kinkead, and Andrew MacDonald* who **today** will make their public profession of faith in the Rite of Confirmation. These youth have undergone **two years** of instruction in the Christian faith and Lutheran Church teaching in particular. We pray God's blessings on them as we all recall that simple fact that Confirmation is **NOT** graduation.



SPECIAL THANKS: to the many hands that will make **today's** Confirmation reception so special for our youth and their families.



MINISTRY TEAM LEADERS: TWO special notes for your attention: 1) your report for the **May 21st Voters' Meeting** is due to *Jessica* **TODAY**. 2) Don't forget to submit your report for our **May Board of Directors' Meeting** **by THIS TUESDAY, NOON** so that all information for our meeting can be dispersed in a timely fashion.



CONGRATULATIONS: to *Brittany Warner & Matthew Jones* as they became husband and wife **yesterday afternoon**.

"What God has joined together let no man separate."

CHRISTIAN LOVE & SYMPATHY: to Lev & Kathy Stone as they mourn the death of Lev's mom and Hope member Peg Stone **last Sunday**. For many years Peg fought the good fight with Alzheimer's and now wears the crown of victory.



"Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of his saints."

HOPE'S YOUNG ADULTS: gather on **Monday evenings 7:30PM** @ Starbucks in Plant City. So, if you're a Young Adult (age 19-39) and like fun & fellowship or just coffee then join us Monday nights at Starbucks.



CALLING ALL YOUTH: Join us **beginning this Wednesday, May 10th** as we kickoff *Hope's Summer Youth Group*. If you're in middle school or high school, join us **every Wednesday from 4:30PM to 6:00PM** right here at *Hope!* We'll have tons of fun and fellowship...and bring your friends—the more the merrier!



WEDNESDAY OPPORTUNITIES: for *Living Hope Worship* and *Hope Studies* have returned to Hope once again. Worship and Bible study both **begin at 6:30PM and end at 7:30PM**. Take advantage of these great opportunities for a mid-week faith lift of Word and sacrament as you continue on your journey in the mission field!



GOD LOVES YOU: He always has, He always will! This new series of Bible study meets **Thursdays at 10:30am** in the *Stephen Ministry Room*. This is an in-depth look at the amazing attributes of God's love towards us and our relationship with HIM. All (men and women) are welcome to come. *Join us...and invite a friend.*



BOARD OF DIRECTORS: Don't forget—we meet **THIS THURSDAY at 6:30PM** in the *Conference Room*. Please be sure to read chapter 4 of "*Autopsy of a Dead Church*" in advance of our meeting. Your meeting packet will be emailed to **you by Thursday morning**. If you need yours printed, please contact *Jessica* in advance of our meeting.



HUMAN CARE'S BABY BOTTLE DRIVE: Baby bottles will be passed out on **Mother's Day, May 14**. Please take one home, fill it with change, and return it **by Father's Day, June 18**.

DEADLINE APPROACHETH: for your **June** issue of "*Hope's Anchor*." Please be sure to submit all news, information, and calendar dates to *Jessica* (hopepcsecretary@gmail.com) **no later than May 15th** to be included.





VOTERS' MEETING: Your packet of information for our **May 21st Voters' Meeting** will be emailed to you **in the week ahead**. For those who prefer a "printed copy," they will be available under the mailboxes **next Sunday (May 14th)**. Please plan to attend this **IMPORTANT** meeting **immediately following Family Bible Hour (11:45AM)**.



ABSOLUTE LAST CALL—CALLING ALL GRADS & PARENTS OF GRADS: If you or your child will be graduating **this year** (or did graduate **anytime during this 2016-2017 academic year**) from high school or college, please contact *Pastor Pfeffer* (hopepcpastor@gmail.com). Please do not assume that he is aware you are graduating—notify us **no later than May 21st**. Don't let the day pass without your brothers and sisters in Christ recognizing your achievements! Our recognition of graduates will take place during our **Sunday morning** worship on **June 4th**.



THANK YOU NOTE: is posted on the bulletin board in the narthex from the *United Food Bank of Plant City Board of Directors* for our congregations continuing support of the mission of the UFB!



EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY: *Christ Lutheran Church, Lakeland (2715 Lakeland Hills Blvd.)* is currently accepting resumes for a church secretary. This is a part-time position, **Monday-Friday**. Pay is commensurate with experience. Please forward all questions and/or resumes to: christlutheran17@gmail.com.

Walk to Wittenberg Update: WE MADE IT!

We have walked 8,650 of our 5,001 miles—we're on our way home now.



HEAR YE! HEAR YE! CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

Date: May 21, 2017

Time: 11:45AM (*Immediately Following Family Bible Hour*)

Place: In the Church

PROPOSED AGENDA:

- Approval of minutes from November 2016
- Approval of Pastors' Reports
- Approval of Ministry Team Reports
- Building committee Update

FELLOWSHIP MINISTRY TEAM POT BLESS TO FOLLOW!

Please bring **only a side dish** to share;

Fellowship will provide main dish;

Board of Directors will provide desserts

NOTE: Voters' Meeting information packet will be available by **5/14**.

MINISTRY TEAM MEETING SCHEDULE

TODAY—5/7	11:45AM	Youth Ministry	Fellowship Hall
Thursday, 5/11	6:30PM	Board of Directors	Conference Room
Sunday, 5/14	11:45AM	Human Care	Fellowship Hall

Ministry Team Leaders, please remember to email *Jessica* (hopepcsecretary@gmail.com) your meeting notes by **NOON** on the **Tuesday before** our Board of Directors' Meeting.

SUMMER Worship

SUNDAYS

9:15am—Worship

10:30am—Family Bible Hour

4:00pm—Spanish Worship

WEDNESDAYS

6:30pm—Living Hope Worship

6:30pm—Hope Studies



FAMILY BIBLE HOUR @ 9:15AM

ADULTS

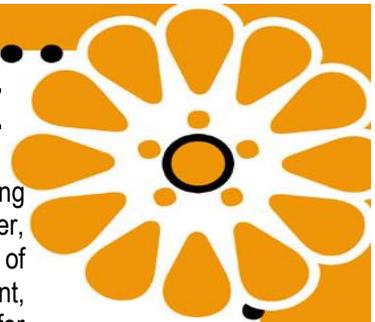
GODCONNECTS: a Lutheran Hour Ministries video/discussion series explaining the Christian faith in a way that makes it easy to invite a friend, family member, or church visitor. Plain language and helpful illustrations present God's work of salvation in a concise manner; ideal for those with questions about sin, judgment, redemption, Jesus, the believer's life, and more. This class is also great for anyone interested in becoming a member of Hope who has not been part of a Lutheran Church. *Leader: Pastor Pfeffer*

YOUNG ADULTS & GRADES 9—12

LIVE.BOLDLY: Join us in 2017, as we look and learn from Christians throughout the ages—from Abraham to Paul to Martin Luther—how to live boldly in Christ so that we may “continue to speak the word of God with boldness” (Acts 4:31) in our everyday lives through actions and attitude in order to connect people to Jesus. #LiveBoldly *Leader: Pastor Shea*

PRE-SCHOOL—GRADE 8

GROWING IN CHRIST: The fall quarter begins with an overview of the New Testament beginning with the birth of John the Baptist through the calling of Jesus' first disciples. *Leaders: Yolanda Heipp, Tracy MacDonald, Liz Pfeffer, Ellen Whitehurst*



WEDNESDAY WORSHIP

6:30PM

LIVING HOPE WORSHIP

Our Wednesday evening worship continues this spring as we celebrate the goodness and mercy of our God in an alternative worship format and style. Holy Communion is celebrated each Wednesday. Join us for a relaxed, celebrative worship alternative!

HOPE STUDIES

INQUIRING HEROES OF THE FAITH: In an era of great challenge, the Heroes of the Faith Series highlights men and women in the Bible who overcame extraordinary difficulties. Their stories show that God chooses ordinary people—people like you—to do His extraordinary work. *Leader: John Koren*



YOUTH DATES

May 20—Youth Rival Nerf Tag @ Grace, Winter Haven

Summer Youth Group @ Hope
begins Wednesday, May 10, 4:30–6:00PM

Grades 6 through 12—*friends are always welcome!*
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The
Lutheran
Hour

can be heard EVERY Sunday morning at 7:30 on 540AM

Topics for this month:

May 14: "To Know God, Look to Jesus"

Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Dr. Gregory Seltz

To be saved by Jesus Christ is not religion--it is reliance upon God's grace, God's doing, and God's amazing love for you. (John 14:1-14)

May 21: "Comfort in the Spirit for Our Spirits"

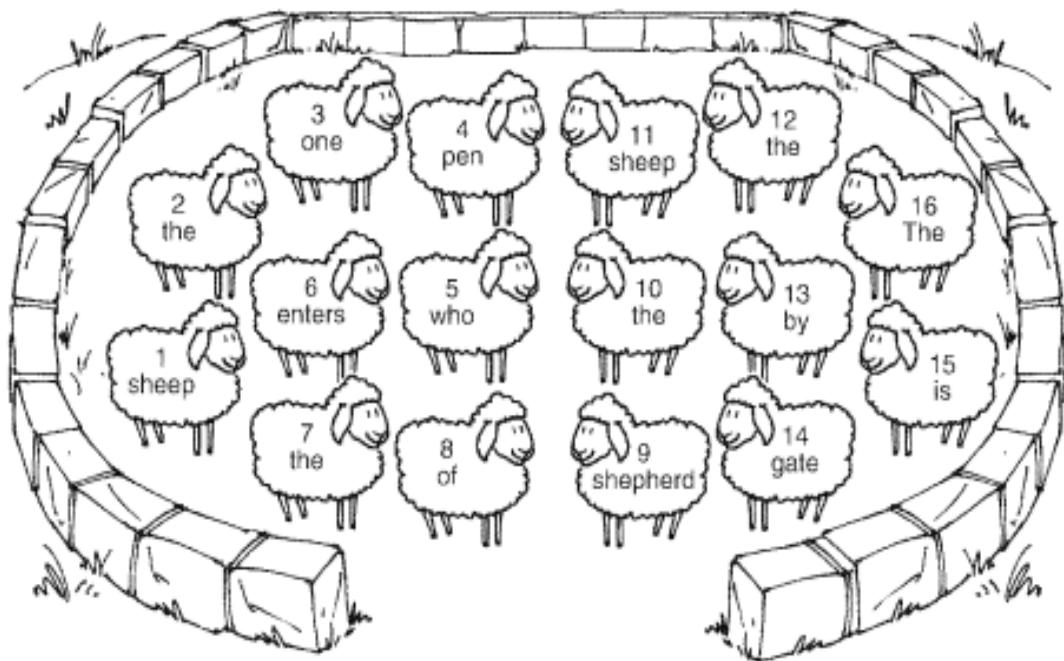
Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Dr. Gregory Seltz

To be the people God created us to be, we must be connected to His power, to His Word, by His Spirit. (John 14:15-21)

The Shepherd and His Flock

Jesus talked about a shepherd and sheep.

Write the words from the sheep on the lines below.



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In Our Thoughts and Prayers

SHUT-INS:

Melva Dennison
Bonnie Genrich

Tom & Nancy Kohr
Dorothy Maltzahn

Rick Nilles
Richard Van Matre

LEADERS:

Pastor Dean & Liz Pfeffer
Pastor Shea Pennington
Hope Staff

Hope's Ministries
LCMS Synod & District
Our Nation & Armed Forces

Family and Friends of Hope

NEW REQUESTS:

Joe Baamonde
Curtis Floyd
Lev & Kathy Stone & family

friend of Jim & Lana Baldwin—hospitalized; testing recovering; injured in altercation trying to arrest someone family of Julie Gates' daughter—recovering; lost home to fire mourning death of Peg

CURRENT REQUESTS:

Sylvia Bosler
Brad
Carlos Floyd
George Hayes
Mari
Lauren Matthews, Josh & family
Rick Nilles
Ken & Wendy Plate
Vivian Stahl

recovering from fall; broken hip
young nephew of Jesilynn Pfeffer's boss—cancer
recovering; shoulder surgery
recovering; hip replacement
friend's aunt of Jeff & Theresa Justice—cancer
friend of Niver-Kimbrell family—serious medical concern
celebrating birth of Micah James Blocker
Hospice
health concerns
father of Holly Reese—prostate cancer
recovering; Carpal Tunnel surgery

BATTLING CANCER:

Jennifer Barkley	Dee	Lynnie Green	Victor Miranda	Sherrie
Tom Battling	Austin Dobbs	JoAnne Hayashi	Larry Morrell	Al Simmons
Laura Blake	Ginnie Donaldson	Lori Heneka	Jim Moore	Judy Strait
CanDee Brandon	Donna	Jeanette Herndon	Joy Neely	Chuck Sullivan
John Brom	Casey Doyle	Delores Huseth	Thomas Onderdonk	Rose Thomas
Laura Brom	Jace Driggers	Maggi Hutto	Sharyl Pallard	Mr. Wells
Bob Broschelle	Kori Dunke	Dale Jarvis	John Rademacher	Tom
Ken Buschbacher	Marcus Elam	Dot LaBar	Alan Rauner	Millie Wetz
Chantal	Ellen	Delores Lopresto	Andrea Reichard	Laura Winkel
Carol Chapman	Joy Fritzke	Lucille Luedke	DeAnne Reiter	Candy Wolfe
Chrissie	Gail	Pat Mailloux	Sara	Rick Ward
	Idele Green	David Miller	Abbey Sedlacek	Heather Whitehurst

Serving in the Military (R—Reserves)

Zachary Allen	Trevor Dahlke	Joshua Kinkead—R	
Alex Almaguer	Triston Dahlke	Brad Landis	Derek Quackenbush
Zachary Bennett	Lorrie Daniell—R	Ian Matthews	Justin Rappa
Matt Bracken	Stephen Daniell—R	Bobby Martin	Ryan Sonnenberg
Matthew Clissold	Joshua Gross	Aaron Morley	Caleb Strand
Rachael Clissold	Ira Kinkead	Donnie Pittman	Mike Szostkiewicz—R
	Erika Grosskopf	Stephen Olliff—R	



"Think of us in this way as servants of Christ and stewards of God's mysteries."

1Corinthians 4:1

SERVING THE LORD THIS SUNDAY (5/7/2017) ARE:

Bell Ringer 9:15/Savannah Gembala
Greeters 9:15/Harold & Tami Hastings
Crucifer 9:15/Holly Drapp
Torch Bearers 9:15/Thomas Goethe & Bryan Greatens
Acolyte 9:15/Scarlett Gembala
Lector 9:15/Keaira Griffin
Elder on Duty 9:15/Todd Warner; 4:00/Pastor Shea
Communion Assistant 9:15/Todd Warner
Flowers Atalla & Pfeffer families
Offerings Dale & Jonie Wenzel
Ushers Team 1
8:00/Wayne Warner,* David Booher, David Niver, Jeff Reaume

*Altar flowers are given to the glory of God by
the Attalla & Pfeffer families in honor of Alex's 2nd birthday*

SERVING OUR LORD THIS WEDNESDAY (5/10/2017) ARE:

Lector 6:30/Carl Bergner
Elder on Duty/Communion Assistant 6:30/Mike McMinn

SERVING OUR LORD NEXT SUNDAY (5/14/2017) ARE:

Bell Ringer 9:15/Kaylee Greatens
Greeters 9:15/Ken & Becky Hartmann
Lector 9:15/Sheila Goethe
Elder on Duty 9:15/Brian Heipp; 4:00/Andy Anderson
Flowers Hartmann & McMinn families
Offerings Alison Reaume & Cathie Warner
Ushers Team 2
8:00/Tom Whitehurst,* Carl Bergner, Harold Hastings, James Tennyson

SERVING OUR LORD THIS MONTH OF MAY:

Altar Guild James & Laurette Tennyson
Nurse/HMT Member Sally Kimbrell