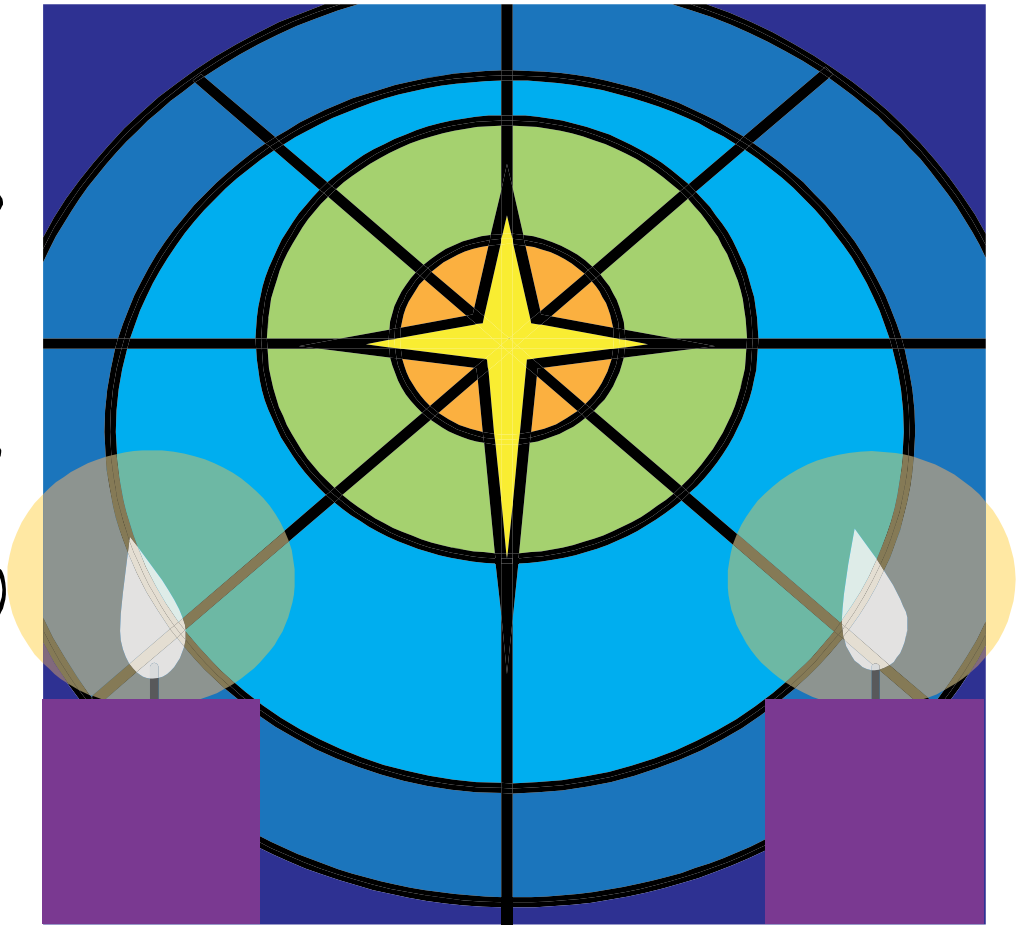


SECOND SUNDAY
OF
Advent



Hope Lutheran Church

a Community of Faith in the Heart of Fond du Lac



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Weekly Worship Services

Saturday 5:30 p.m.

Sunday 8:00 a.m. and 10:40 a.m.

Sunday School/Bible Classes (Sept-May)

Sunday School 9:10 a.m.

Confirmation (Grade 6-8) 9:10 a.m.

High School Bible Group 9:00 a.m.

Adult Bible Classes 9:15 a.m.

SECOND SUNDAY IN ADVENT

December 8, 2018 – 5:30 p.m.; December 9, 2018 – 8:00 a.m. & 10:40 a.m.



~ Those Serving in God's House Today ~

Altar Assistants:

Mert & Bonnie Harmsen, Garv & Carol Shields, Josh & Jill Harmsen, Diane Kaczmarczyk

<u>2nd Week 5:30 PM</u>		<u>2nd Week 8:00 AM</u>		<u>2nd Week 10:40 AM</u>	
Captain	Dennis Holm	Captain	Dale Shipe	Captain	Dean Retzlaff
Ushers	John Graham	Ushers	Stewart Gough	Ushers	Mitchell Mallas
	Ryan Graham		Dave Vogds		John Rosenfeldt
	Nick Holm		Peggy Vogds	Greeters	James & Lorita Driscoll
	Rodney Stobb	Greeters	John & Robin Gleason	Acolytes	Isaac Wuest
Lector	Ann Holm		Gert Hilgendorf		Liz VanNocker
Acolytes	Alyssa Giese	Acolytes	Owen Challoner	Audio Tech	Jacob Demoske
	Jack Glaser		Colton Grinstead	PowerPoint	Braeden Lawson
PowerPoint	Logan Schmitz	DVD Recording	Sylvia Dittman	Elder	Dean Retzlaff
Elder	Ken Provot	PowerPoint	Jamie Reilly		
		Elder	Dave Krahn		

WELCOME GUESTS



- ☺ **Guests are invited** to stop by the Welcome Center in the lobby and take a welcome bag as our gift to you.
- ☺ **Our Common Christian Faith.** In many ways, we at Hope Church are the same as all faithful Christians. We confess Jesus Christ and the faith of the Apostles as recorded in God's Word, the Bible, and as summarized in the Apostle's Creed. We fully and completely accept the Bible, the Old and New Testaments, as God's own inspired Word for all people. Jesus Christ, who died and rose again, is at the center of all that we do.
- ☺ **Our Distinctive Approach to Christian Faith.** The name "Lutheran" refers to our appreciation for and commitment to the biblical gospel that was articulated and reclaimed under the leadership of Martin Luther during the period of church renewal that is known as the Protestant Reformation. In the larger context of the whole Christian church, Hope has a unique flavor.
- ☺ **Portable Amplifiers** (available in over the ear speaker or T-Coil hearing loop) are available from our ushers.
- ☺ **Our Nursery** is not staffed during worship services but is available for parents to use.

HOPE'S WEEKLY NEWS



Attendance – December 1: 5:30 p.m. – 59; December 2: 8:00 a.m. – 79; Sunday School: 38; Confirmation: 35; Bible Classes: 70; Christmas Concert: 10:40 a.m.–289; 4:00 – 160; Advent December 5: 12:00 p.m. - 46

Altar Flowers – are sponsored this week by the Decorating Committee.

Our Café Corner – is serving coffee and treats from 9:00-10:30 a.m. and is sponsored this Sunday by our 2nd Grade Sunday School Class. Next Sunday our Café Corner will be sponsored by our Board of Stewardship and Scholarship Committee.

Our Sympathies – to Jerry Schneider and family at the death of his brother, Eugene Schneider, on November 28.

No Tuesday Morning Bible Class – this week due to Circuit Pastors' Meeting

Overview of Today's Readings for Your Personal Walk of Faith

The Preaching of Repentance Prepares Us for the Coming of the Lord

The preaching and Baptism “of repentance for the forgiveness of sins” (Luke 3:3) prepare us for the coming of the Lord, Jesus Christ. The historic work of John the Baptist was completed with the first advent of our Lord Jesus in the flesh, but the ministry of the forerunner continues in the preaching of Law and Gospel and in Holy Baptism. Through His messengers, the Lord calls people of all nations to “see the salvation of God” (Luke 3:6). Our haughtiness is removed and our mountains of pride are brought low, but the Lord humbles us in order to exalt us in His mercy. As the Lord has begun this good work of repentance in us, so also does He perfect it by His Word and Holy Spirit, and He “will bring it to completion at the day of Jesus Christ” (Phil. 1:6). He purifies us to be His priestly people, precious in His sight and abounding in faith and love, so that we offer our very lives in righteousness to the Lord (Mal. 3:3–4).

Large Print *Portals of Prayer* – for January-March are available on the Literature Table.

2019 Offering Envelopes – are available in the Narthex. If envelopes have been issued to your family and some are no longer needed, if you are unable to locate your envelopes, or if you have any questions, please contact the church office.

Full-Time Youth Director – As the congregation decided at the October 16 Voters' Meeting, we are moving forward to fill the position of full-time Youth Director. If you are interested in serving on this committee to flesh out the details of this new position and in the interviewing process, please contact congregational president Brian Orvis at 920.929.9511 or email him at borvis@charter.net. The deadline is Sunday, December 23.

Something New – Look for Children's Chapel starting soon. More information coming. ☺

The Acolyte Schedule – for December and January is now posted online at www.lifeathope.org/confirmation. The schedule will also be printed each month in the newsletter.

Sunday School Practice – for 4 year old through 5th grade students will be Saturday, December 15 from 11:00 a.m. to Noon and Sunday, December 9, from 9:15-10:25 a.m. The Christmas Program will be Sunday, December 16, at 4:00 p.m.

Angel Tree Ministry – Thank you for your generosity in supporting this ministry! All of the gift tags have been taken. Monetary donations are still needed and can be put in an envelope marked “Angel Tree” and dropped off at the church office on or before December 9. Wrapped packages need to be returned to church by Sunday, December 9. Our Angel Tree Christmas Party for the families is scheduled on Saturday, December 15, at 1:00 p.m. If you would like to help with the party and distribution of gifts, please call Coral at 920-238-9959 or Stacey at 920-929-4082.

Blue Moose Caboose – provides an opportunity for students to purchase gifts for their family members. The store is located in a classroom by the Music Studio and will be open: Sunday, December 9 from 8:30-9:00 a.m. and 10:30-11:15 a.m. and Sunday, December 16 from 10:30-11:15 a.m. If you have any questions, please contact Jeanette Boda at 920-960-0230.

Ladies Guild – will meet on **Thursday, December 13**, at 1:30 p.m. for their annual Christmas Party. Guild members are asked to bring one dozen cookies for others to enjoy. Rather than purchasing products, the ingathering will be a special collection for Solution Center. The Senior Center Chime Choir will provide entertainment. All women of the congregation and guests are invited to attend.

Hope Preschool – invites you to celebrate Christmas and the birth of our Saviour Jesus on **Tuesday, December 18**, at 6:00 p.m. The children have worked hard to prepare a special program that is sure to delight and inspire. They will be performing both traditional and classic children's Christmas songs.

Women On Their Own – will meet for lunch at Benvenuto's (Holiday Inn) at 11:30 a.m. on **Thursday, December 20**. Take a break from your holiday preparations and relax. Please confirm your reservation with Sylvia at 921-2237 (email syl3@charter.net).

Celebrate the Miracle of Christmas – the gift of God's Son to be our Savior. Now is a great time to invite family, friends and acquaintances to worship with you.



- December 24 – 1:30 p.m. – Christmas Eve Family Service
- December 24 – 3:30 p.m. – Christmas Eve Family Service
- December 24 – 5:30 p.m. – Christmas Eve Communion Service
- December 24 – 7:30 p.m. – Christmas Eve Candlelight Service
- December 25 – 9:00 a.m. – Christmas Day Service

Hope's Board of Outreach – teamed up with Gino's Italian Restaurant on December 5 to provide a meal for the Fond du Lac Warming Shelter. Jack and Jan Knipple, owners of Gino's, prepared and donated all the food, while the Board of Outreach delivered the tasty food to some very hungry people. Grazie Mille (thank you very much) Jack and Jan. Your time, efforts and generosity were appreciated!

Worship Service DVD – The 8:00 a.m. worship service is recorded on a DVD each weekend. These DVD worship services are available to be checked out from the Church Office.

Prayer Chain – Hope has an active Prayer Chain. All prayers are confidential and may be submitted anonymously. Fill out a request card in the pew or call Darlene Engle at 923-5314.

Weekend to Remember – FamilyLife's Weekend to Remember is a marriage getaway that has equipped over 1.5 million couples with practical tools and resources. Don't just survive, discover a marriage that thrives. Events in our area: February 22-24, 2019 at the Radisson Paper Valley Hotel in Appleton and May 17-19, 2019 at the Madison Marriott West in Madison. More information can be found on the Literature Tables at the back of church.

YOUTH MINISTRIES



SLYF-Senior Lutheran Youth Fellowship (Grades 9-12)

- **SLYF Bible Study** – Join us this **Sunday, December 9**, at 9:00 a.m. in the Youth Room. This week we will pack college care packages and talk about Christmas in the Old Testament. Friends are always welcome. Hope to see you there! Next Sunday our topic will be about keeping Christ in Christmas!
- **SLYF Gathering** – We will meet this **Sunday, December 7**, from 12:00-1:30 p.m. in the Youth Room to play Dungeons and Dragons! We'll have pizza, soda, and snacks. Join us next Sunday to play different card games. Friends are always welcome! Hope to see you there!
- **Fellowship of Christian Athletes (FCA)** – FCA is not only for athletes, but also for anyone that would like to come, even those who do not go to Fondy High. We meet twice a month at Fondy High from 6:15-7:30 p.m. for free pizza and dessert and then have a short Bible study. In December we will only meet once, this **Monday, December 10**. We'd love to have you join us whenever it works out. If you have questions, contact Anola (Granola) Huck at 922-8746.

Youth (Grades 6-12)

- **Camp Luther Deep Freeze January 18-20, 2019**

DEADLINE: Turn in your permission slip and \$75 to

Service Center Box no later than Sunday, December 16, 2018.

Invite your friends (grades 6-12) and experience a weekend in the Northwoods that's filled with adventure, laughter, and some amazing hot chocolate. More than that, this weekend provides you with the opportunity to recharge and be reminded again of who you are in Jesus Christ. Even better, the entire weekend is led by incredible Camp Luther staff members. This allows you to focus on hanging out and building relationships. Prepare to experience: Broomball, Downhill Tubing, Cross-Country Skiing, Campfires, Group Building, Worship, Devotions and Bible Study. We'll leave Hope at 4:00 p.m. on Friday and return approx. 1:30 p.m. on Sunday. Cost of \$75.00 includes four meals, two nights lodging and ALL program recreation costs. (Bring additional money for Friday supper and Sunday lunch. Canteen optional.) (\$125.00 per person with the Board of Youth sponsoring \$50.00 per student)

Confirmation Students

- **8th Grade Prayer Partner Appreciation Sunday, December 9** – Christmas is a wonderful time to tell your Prayer Partner how much you appreciate the prayers throughout the year. Show your appreciation with a card, letter or gift. Before Confirmation class on Sunday, December 9, there will be a cardboard box on the Service Center table by your classroom. Put your item there with your name on it. It will be given to your Prayer Partner on Thursday during the Ladies Guild Christmas Party. Email Beth Kettner at childrensministries@lifeathope.org with questions.

HOPE'S HOUSE OF PRAYER THIS WEEK



For the Sick and Hospitalized

- † Prayers of healing for those who are sick and/or hospitalized: Anne Orvis, Erv Voigtschild, Rose Kirchner, Dan Walgenbach, Sonya Stevens, Becky Isaacs, Roberta Thompson, Suzanne Thompson and Christine Scott.

For Your Family and Friends

- † Prayers of comfort for Jerry Schneider and family at the death of his brother, Eugene.

- † Birthdays:

9-Joyce Latimer	9-Bob Marten	9-Jeff Shell	9-Kylee Sippel
10-Betty Bigsby	10-Devon Burdette	10-Mariah Burdette	10-Troy Farrell
10-Nate Heisler	10-Kyle Walljasper	12-Alicia Horton	12-Barb Huff
12-Ruth Lutze	12-Maya Mallas	12-Pete Pedersen	12-Blake Piwoni
13-Joshua Habeck	13-Aidan Krahn	13-Korbin Kranig	13-Breanna Schmoltd
14-Ethan Andrews	14-Joanne Bunkelman	15-Judi Mattefs	15-Timothy Natzke
15-Marie Tabbert	15-Vicki Zoch		

- † Wedding Anniversaries:

12-Mike & Sue Mowbray (3) 14-Jason & Jessica Miller (16)

For South Wisconsin District Missions

- † In your prayers this week, please include the mission outreach to the Karenni ministry that has increased through the people of Trinity-Freistadt, Beautiful Savior-Mequon, Chapel of the Cross-Milwaukee, and Faith-Germantown. Boldly ask God to graciously open their hearts to the saving Gospel of Jesus Christ.

*Please keep the pastor informed if the need for these special prayers has passed. Have we missed your birthday or wedding anniversary or would you like a prayer request included? Please call the church office (922-5130).
Deadline for information included in the weekly bulletin is Wednesday at Noon.*

WEEKLY CALENDAR OF EVENTS



Sunday – December 9	Monday – December 10
8:00 AM – Traditional Service 8:30 AM – Blue Moose (Classroom by Music Studio) 9:00 AM – SLYF Bible Study (Youth Room) 9:10 AM – Confirmation (Classrooms) 9:10 AM – Sunday School (Classrooms) 9:15 AM – Adult Bible Class (Fellowship Hall) 10:30 AM – Blue Moose (Classroom by Music Studio) 10:40 AM – Blended Service 11:40 AM – Junior Worship Team 12:00 PM – SYLF Gathering (Youth Room)	8:30 AM – Retired Men's Breakfast (Oasis Restaurant) 11:00 AM – Sweet Hour of Prayer (Office Conference Room) 6:15 PM – Fellowship of Christian Athletes (Fondy High)
Tuesday – December 11	Wednesday – December 12
8:30 AM – Circuit Pastors' Meeting (Trinity, Oshkosh) 3:00 PM – Exercise Class (H-102) 5:30 PM – Board of Trustees (Office Conf. Room) 6:00 PM – Board of Finance (Office Workroom) 7:00 PM – Church Council (H-102)	8:30 AM – TOPS Meeting (H-102) 3:30 PM – Board of Stewardship (Office Conference Room)
Thursday – December 13	Friday – December 14
9:00 AM – TOPS Meeting (H-102) 1:30 PM – Ladies Guild Christmas Party (Fellowship Hall) 3:00 PM – Exercise Class (H-102)	
Saturday – December 15	Sunday – December 16
11:00 AM – Sunday School Practice 1:00 PM – Angel Tree Party (Narthex) 5:30 PM – Traditional Service w/HC	8:00 AM – Traditional Service w/HC 9:00 AM – SLYF Bible Study (Youth Room) 9:10 AM – Confirmation (Classrooms) 9:10 AM – Sunday School (Classrooms) 9:15 AM – Adult Bible Class (Fellowship Hall) 10:30 AM – Blue Moose (Classroom by Music Studio) 10:40 AM – Blended Service w/HC 11:40 AM – Junior Worship Team 11:45 AM – Youth Organize Pews 12:00 PM – SYLF Gathering (Youth Room) 4:00 PM – Sunday School Christmas Program

***Our mission is to share the Gospel with the lost and the saved,
in fervent hope that all may live with Jesus now and in eternity. (Matthew 28:19-20)***