

Be merciful,  
**JUST AS YOUR FATHER**  
is merciful.

**LUKE 6:36**

## 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.

# SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

February 23, 2019 – 5:30 p.m.; February 24, 2019 – 8:00 a.m. & 10:40 a.m.



## ~ Those Serving in God's House Today ~

Worship Team: 10:40 AM Logan Schmitz, Larissa Schmitz, Makena Hanke, Abby Schelk, Kaeli Marsh, Megan Serwe, Joe Krahn, Devin Thompson, Wyatt Federman, Bailey Horton

Altar Assistants: Kris McEssy, Judy Pedersen, Sharon Lohmann, Mert and Bonnie Harmsen

<u>4<sup>th</sup> Week 5:30 PM</u>		<u>4<sup>th</sup> Week 8:00 AM</u>		<u>4<sup>th</sup> Week 10:40 AM</u>	
Captain	Tom Wepner	Captain	Mark Barber	Captain	Brian Orvis
Ushers	Chuck Gorske Jane Wepner Don Wolf Jeanette Wolf	Ushers	Steve Kohlman Ron Nieman Jeff Ruhnke Rollie Schumacher	Ushers	Marcus Carus Jill Harmsen Josh Harmsen Mert Harmsen
Lector	Chuck Gorske	Greeters	Joanne Greisch John & Pam Kollmann		Joe Rens Dan Schneider
Acolyte	Madison Miller		Lorraine Schultz	Acolytes	Sierra Riske Alyssa Giese
PowerPoint	Andy Schultz	Lector	Stephanie Hopf	PowerPoint	Liz VanNocker
Elder	Tom Bartelme	Acolytes	Aden Anderson Adalin Anderson	Audio Tech	Jacob Demoske
		PowerPoint	Cindy Cook	Elder	Ken Provot
		DVD Recording	Sue Girard		
		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** – February 16: 5:30 p.m. – 71; February 17: 8:00 a.m. – 91; 10:40 a.m. – 190; Sunday School – 38; Bible Class – 70

**Altar Flowers** – are sponsored this week by Jan Hulderson in memory of Ray.

**Our Café Corner** – will serve coffee and treats from 9:00-10:30 a.m. and is sponsored this Sunday by our Board of Music. Next Sunday it will be sponsored by our Board of Trustees.

**2018 Contribution Statements** – are available on the counter under the Library Bulletin Board.

**2018 Annual Report** – and information provided at the Voters' Meeting on Tuesday, February 19, can be found on the Literature Tables at the back of church.

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

### ***As the Son of God Is Merciful and Forgives Your Sins, You Also Be Merciful and Forgive***

*Your inheritance as a child of Adam is sin and death, but in Christ you are made alive through His resurrection from the dead (1 Cor. 15:21–22). As you have died with Him in Holy Baptism, so are you raised with Him to newness of life. Therefore, “do not go on sinning” (1 Cor. 15:34). Instead of serving your desires and harming your neighbors, live as “sons of the Most High,” and “be merciful, even as your Father is merciful” (Luke 6:35–36). Deal with others as you would have others deal with you (Luke 6:31, 37–38). As Christ loved you when you were at enmity with Him, as He blessed and prayed for those who abused Him, and as He did good to those who hated Him and hurt Him, so also “love your enemies, do good” (Luke 6:27–29, 35). For God sent His Son to bear the cross and suffer death, not to condemn the guilty, but “to preserve life.” So does He provide a place for you within His Church, where He is near and deals kindly with “you and your children and your children’s children” (Gen. 45:5–10).*

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### **Sermon Series – Mountains, Gardens and the Sea**

<b>Location:</b>	<b>Text:</b>
The Garden of Eden	Genesis 2:8, 9, 15, 16, 17; 3:1-19
The New Eden and Gethsemane	Matthew 26:36, 37, 38, 39; Revelation 22:1-5
Mount Moriah	Genesis 22:1-19
Elijah at Mount Horeb	1 Kings 19:1-18
Mount Sinai and Mount Zion	Hebrews 12:18-24
Jonah and the Sea	The Book of Jonah
<b>Jesus Walks on Water</b>	<b>Matthew 14:22-32</b>
The Mount of Transfiguration	Luke 9:28-36

**Newsletter Deadline** – All articles to be included in the April *Messenger of Hope* should be in the church office no later than noon this **Friday, March 1**. Thank you!

**Midweek Lenten Services** – Six 30-40-minute midweek Lenten services begin on Ash Wednesday, March 6, at noon and 6:30 p.m. Lunch following noon service and supper at 5:30 p.m. prior to service (freewill offering).

**Traditional Services** – Beginning on March 10 at the Saturday 5:30 p.m. service and Sunday 8:00 a.m. service you will notice the notes of the hymns and liturgy on the screen in addition to the words. This is being done to assist the congregation in our worship. If you prefer to follow along in the hymnal, or if the words appear too small, the services will continue to follow the standard liturgies and we will continue to use the hymns in our hymnal. In consultation with Board of Elders this action is being pursued. As with all matters, *“Let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds.”* Hebrews 10:24

**Worship Assistance** – Volunteers are needed to usher, greet, read scripture, help with PowerPoint be an altar assistant and record services. Call the church office at 922-5130 to learn more!

**CANCELED Blood Drive** – Monday, March 11.

**Games, Ice Cream** – and pizza too on **Sunday, March 24**, at noon in the Fellowship Hall. We'll have games or bring your own. Two of our favorites last month were Apples to Apples and Sequence! This is a fellowship event for all ages from 3 to 103. Bring your friends. Please sign up with Beth Kettner if you plan to attend at: [childrensministries@lifeathope.org](mailto:childrensministries@lifeathope.org) or 920-642-3810.

**Are You Ready for the 2019 Fond du Lac MobilePack?** – Thank you to everyone for your donations! If you would still like to donate, information is available in the Narthex. Please select a paper heart ornament from the tree and giving envelope from the Narthex display. Send in the dollar amount on the heart in the addressed envelope to FMSC. Make sure your check includes the mobile pack number on the envelope. Donations can also be made at the website for Fond du Lac's MobilePac, at [give.fmsc.org/campaign/1905-055au-fond-du-lac-wi-fond-du-lac/c211214](http://give.fmsc.org/campaign/1905-055au-fond-du-lac-wi-fond-du-lac/c211214). Questions? Contact Barb Sippel at [pbjsippel@charter.net](mailto:pbjsippel@charter.net). Thank you for your generous prayers, gifts and service!

❤️ **April 1** – Sign-up online opens to volunteer for this MobilePack at website listed above

❤️ **May 4** – One-day-only MobilePack at the Fond du Lac Fairgrounds Rec Building

**The Director of Youth Ministry Committee** – has met and the general mood is one of excitement and joy as we discuss further staffing needs at Hope. If you have questions or thoughts you would like to share with the committee, feel free to send an email to [youthdirectorsearch@lifeathope.org](mailto:youthdirectorsearch@lifeathope.org) or speak to one of the members: Kurt Petik, Bob Mengert, Dan Joseph, Cindy Cook, Sara Karweick, Kelleen Grucza, Tana Laudloff, Anola Huck, Jill Gendron, Brian Orvis and Pastor.

**Hope Prayer Chain** – All Christians pray, and members of Hope's Prayer Chain pray for others. An individual with a prayer request contacts the leader of Hope's Prayer Chain who then shares the prayer anonymously to the members of the Chain. Would you like to pray for the needs of others? Contact Darlene Engle at 923-5314 to learn more or to become a member and share the needs of others with our loving and omniscient God.

**Volunteers Needed** – to videotape worship services on a rotating basis. You would record approximately 12 times per year. This important ministry allows our services to be available online and for those unable to attend services. To learn more, please contact Sue Girard at [smgirard@att.net](mailto:smgirard@att.net).

**Martha Ministry** – Did you know Hope has a Martha Ministry? It is an opportunity to serve members of Hope who may need help with meals for a few days after being hospitalized. Hope members volunteer to make a meal and deliver it to the home. Are you interested in preparing a meal? Have you been released from the hospital and need help with meals? Please contact Joan Roberts at 923-0591 or Angie Thompson at 979-7496.

**Lifest 2019** – If you don't want to miss out on Lifest (July 11-14), you can start planning now! Please contact Marci at the church office with any questions or to reserve your full-event adult (ages 16+) \$52.00 and/or youth (ages 8-15) \$27.50 easy-access wristbands. Check out the great lineup at [www.lifest.com](http://www.lifest.com)

# YOUTH MINISTRIES



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

- **SLYF Bible Study** – Join us this **Sunday, February 24**, at 9:00 a.m. in the Youth Room. The topic for this week is how a love of success is dangerous, using a clip from *Little Shop of Horrors!* Friends are always welcome and hope to see you there. Next Sunday our topic will be about dinosaurs! Hope to see you there!
- **SLYF Gathering** – We will meet this **Sunday, February 24**, 12:00-1:30 p.m. in the Youth Room for a service project! We'll have pizza, soda and snacks while we're there. Join us next Sunday to play *Magic the Gathering*. Friends are always welcome!
- **Fellowship of Christian Athletes (FCA)** – FCA meets 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. We will meet next this **Monday, February 25**. 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 6-8)

- **Service Opportunity** – We need 2-4 youth volunteers to help refill pew pockets after the 10:40 a.m. service on **Sunday, March 17**. Sign up on the Service Center Bulletin Board or call Ruth Lutze at 583-4280 if you can help. A service hour is awarded for volunteers.

## Youth Fundraisers (Grades 6-12)

- **Pizza Sales Start Today!** – Forms for youth to sell pizzas are available for pick up from the Library Bulletin Board and in Confirmation classrooms. Orders and money are due to the church office or Cindy Cook no later than Sunday, March 10, so supplies can be ordered. Setup will be Friday, March 22, and pizza making will be Saturday, March 23, beginning at 8:00 a.m. Remember that if you sell pizzas you must be there on Saturday, March 23, to help make them.
- **Fundraiser Supper Only March 27** – Help will be needed from 4:00-6:30 p.m. This year the youth have an opportunity to make money for their youth accounts by preparing and serving a lent supper. This fundraiser is in place of the annual spaghetti dinner and silent auction. Parent help is also needed for meal planning (if this is your forte please contact Beth at 920-642-3810), preparation, setup, serving, clean up, etc.

## Kids & Families

- **Hunting for Jesus** – **Sunday, April 7**, at Noon. A nontraditional Easter Egg hunt for the family.
- **Dirty Ninja Mud Run for Kids** – You **MUST** register through Hope Children's Ministry by contacting Beth Kettner at 920-642-6810 on or before April 21 to get Hope's rate of \$20 (Board of Youth sponsoring \$10/child through this year's 8<sup>th</sup> graders). The run is open to kids 4-15 years old and will be held **July 13** in Regner Park. There will be a variety of obstacles scattered throughout the park for each route, and mud pits for each age group.

# 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, Linda Walgenbach, Lorraine Pluedeman, Christine Scott, Suzanne Thompson and Roberta Thompson.

## For Your Family and Friends

### † Birthdays:

24-Karen Gust	24-Matthew Manthey	24-Thomas Ohlinger	25-Jane Wepner
26-Tom Gendron	26-Taylor Pelot	26-Diana Stadler	27-Jim Horning
27-Brian Lutze	28-Caitlin Joseph	1-Shyanne Diels	1-Samantha Mengert
1-Christopher Reynolds	2-Betty Atchison	2-Matthew Cook	2-Gerald Dietsche
2-Henry Durkin	2-Richard Kettner	2-Hank Leistikow	2-Margie Winter

### † Wedding Anniversaries:

24-Bryan & Lauren Collies (4)	25-Dean & Linda Kranig (35)
26-John & Robyn Gleason (36)	

## For South Wisconsin District Missions

- † Remember our "SOS" Center ministry to the children of Milwaukee's inner city, asking the Lord to keep the children safe from those who would harm them, equipping them with the armor of faith through those who provide after-school programs, meals and guidance in the Word of God.

*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



<b>Sunday – February 24</b>	<b>Monday – February 25</b>
8:00 AM – Traditional Service 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) 10:40 AM – Blended Service 12:00 PM – SYLF Gathering (Youth Room)	8:30 AM – Retired Men’s Breakfast (Oasis Restaurant) 10:00 AM – Women’s Bible Class (Office Conference Room) 11:00 AM – Sweet Hour of Prayer (Office Conference Room) 6:00 PM – Adult Bells 6:15 PM – Fellowship of Christian Athletes (Fondy High)
<b>Tuesday – February 26</b>	<b>Wednesday – February 27</b>
9:15 AM – Staff Meeting (Office Workroom) 10:00 AM – Adult Bible Class (Fellowship Hall) 3:00 PM – Exercise (H-102) 3:45 PM – Junior Worship Team 5:00 PM – Board of Early Childhood Education (Office Workroom) 6:00 PM – Board of Youth (H-102) 6:30 PM – Board of Education (Office Conf. Room)	8:30 AM – TOPS Meeting (H-102) 7:00 PM – Adult Choir (Music Studio)
<b>Thursday – February 28</b>	<b>Friday – March 1</b>
9:00 AM – TOPS Meeting (H-102) 3:00 PM – Exercise (H-102)	12:00 PM – April Newsletter Deadline
<b>Saturday – March 2</b>	<b>Sunday – March 3</b>
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) 10:40 AM – Blended Service w/HC 11:45 AM – Junior Worship Team 12:00 PM – SYLF Gathering (Youth Room)

***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)***