

The Anchor

Hope Lutheran Church "Pointing to Christ...Hope for the Home" September 2, 2018

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THIS WEEK AT HOPE

TODAY
8:00 AM Holy Communion
9:30 AM Sunday School & Adult Bible Study
10:45 AM Holy Communion

MONDAY:
6:30 PM Board of Early Education

TUESDAY:
10:00 AM Ladies Bible Study
7:00 PM Al-Anon

WEDNESDAY:
6:00 PM Worship & Holy Communion
7:00 PM Wednesday Night Bible Study

NEXT SUNDAY:
8:00 AM Holy Communion
9:30 AM Sunday School & Adult Bible Study
10:45 AM Holy Communion
6:30 PM Confirmation

Remember in Prayer

Tim Friedel, Ella Cook, Cindi Hawkins,
Gerry Schumacher and Gil Tritch

Fruits of Our Faith

Week of: August 26, 2018
Gifts to do His Work - General Fund: \$4,552.25
Worshipped: 178

Birthdays

September 2nd Naomi Markland
September 5th Luke Fodor & Darlene Meyer
September 6th Faith Tritch
September 8th Andrew Luckritz

Anniversaries

September 3rd Randy & Kris Hess
September 5th Fred & Yvonne G'Sell
September 8th Ken & Dawn Newberry

ALTAR FLOWERS

Today's altar pieces are given by
Francis and Melanie Friel in celebration
of Kevin's 11th Birthday.

Altar Flowers

Remember to please submit SPECIAL requests AND payment for Altar flowers at least 2 weeks in advance! The florist needs time to order the flowers you desire. We cannot assure your request can be fulfilled without this required lead time. Thank You.

Thank you! Thank you!

A huge thank you to all of Hope's trustees for their work (seen and unseen) around our property. A special thanks to Steve Knese for his weekly (if not daily) work on switching the church's phone lines, installing an updated security system and much more. Also a big thank you to Gary Gregory and George Lowe for their weekly (if not daily too) work outside on landscaping and more! We appreciate all of your tireless service to Christ and His church!

Check it Out!

Hope's Sunday School and ECC are back in full swing for the school year! Stop by the bulletin boards in the friendship to check out the fun we had at Sunday school Rally Day this year. Also, learn more about the fabulous lead teachers we have working at HLECC each and every day!

Bible Class updates

- Sunday Bible class will begin a new study today on the book of Proverbs. Proverbs is a collection of wisdom that points us toward the fountain of all wisdom - Christ. Join us at 9:30am in the basement.
- Wednesday Bible class started back up on August 22nd. Before taking a break for the summer, we had just begun a study of Romans that will continue. Anyone can jump in and join us. So please do!
- Adult Information Class - Pastor is looking to organize an Adult Information Class for those who might be interested in membership or just want a refresher in the basics of the faith (which is always a great thing). If you are interested or know someone who might be, please speak with Pastor Jason, as always you can reach him by phone 636-222-4303 (his cell phone) or by email at pastorwagner@email.com

As the Sunday Bible class works through the book of Proverbs, I wanted to give everyone an opportunity to read along and grow in godly wisdom. Daily reading booklets are available in the Friendship Room that will lead you through the book through October. Please note that the readings started on August 27th.
Pastor Jason

HLECC Corner

Summer Fun in HLECC's Toddler Room!
Ms. Rebecca's toddlers were busy this summer too!
Check out some of the learning, exploring and fun of our youngest ECC kiddos in the photos below!



Shut-in Ministry - New cards are available for your choosing in the Friendship Room! This month our birthday girl is Terry Longworth! There are birthday cards available to send her a Happy Birthday wish or if you would like to send her a card yourself please do!

September 9th - Terry Longworth
6400 The Cedars Court B Hall
Cedar Hill, MO 63016



Questions? Please contact Judy Woolard 636-543-3110

Life Thought in the Church Year

Life issues can present great temptations. The complications of surprise pregnancies pressure folks into adding to God's Word. Infertility and terminal illnesses steer many toward subtracting from the Lord's commands (Deuteronomy 4:2). Still, He who takes ownership of the inner life by His forgiveness also takes responsibility for the body's survival by His resurrection. His presence and promises arm and guard against every threat (Ephesians 6:11)

We Pray: *Good Shepherd and Guardian, give security to us and through us in Your words.
Amen.*

Box Top Collection-Help support our local Lutheran school and the children of Hope who attend there! Our Savior Lutheran School of Fenton collects these box tops as one way to raise money. Simply clip the box tops and place them in the box on the ledge of the mailroom (*please make sure the box tops are not expired*). Any questions? See Julie Wagner or Melanie Friel

Recycling with purpose!

Love Packages is a program that creates an opportunity for all of us to participate in the work of sharing the Gospel of Jesus by saving Christian literature that otherwise would be thrown in the trash!

Examples of things to look for and bring:

- Old Bibles that you don't use
- Portals of Prayer that you have finished
- Any old devotional books that you are not likely to use again

Where to bring your items:

All that you need to do is place your used materials in the mailbox room in the box with the big heart that says Love Packages.

For further information, please contact Marilyn or Ed Bachmann (636) 938-4663.



Dear Hope Members,

Before we know it Sunday September 30th will be here. What's that you say? That's this year's Block Party that Hopes Evangelism/Outreach committee sponsors every year for our members, families and neighbors. This is a great outreach to our community with many activities going on. With contributions sharply cut by Thrivent Financial that we depended on for this activity in previous years and monies available in the budget very tight this year, we are asking for members to sponsor an activity or give a donation to help curtail the cost. The sponsorships are listed on the flyer enclosed, or if you wish to make a general contribution anything would be appreciated. If you would like to do a full or partial sponsorship of one of the items listed, please make out a check to Hope and reference it to the Block Party 2018. If you have questions, please contact Don Boettcher at 314-540-9620. Thank you.

"Hope at Prayer" Emails

If you have not been receiving the prayer emails and would like to, please send your email address to hopehighridge@sbcglobal.net or drop a note in the church secretary's mailbox. Thank you!



Please take some time to review the Bible readings below, they will be the subject of next week's sermon.

September 9th-

(OLD TESTAMENT) – Isaiah 35:4-7. Chapter 35 of Isaiah is titled "The Joy of the Redeemer". We hear a portion of it as this week's Old Testament Reading describes the basis of that joy. Some of its words are very familiar because they were included in the text of Handel's great oratorio, The Messiah.

(EPISTLE) – Selected verses from James, chapter two. The Letter of James will supply the Epistle Lessons for four Sundays. James, one of Jesus' brothers, gives practical guidance to Christians as to how they could live lives consistent with their faith. Here he warns against the sin of partiality, valuing some over others, instead of reaching out to help those who need help. In words that everyone associates with James, we hear, "Faith, by itself, if it does not have works, is dead."

(HOLY GOSPEL) – Mark 7:24-37. What we heard before in Isaiah's prophecy was abundantly evident in Jesus' ministry. In this incident we see him make the deaf hear and the dumb speak. He surely is the one for us to trust in our times of need.

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