### We Appreciate each of YOU!

The staff here at Hope is so grateful to each of YOU! We appreciate all of the time and talents that you share with this community of Hope! We would like to say a great big THANK YOU to all of you and invite you to stop in at coffee connections for treats. On **Sunday, August 24th** please come for some yummy Kringle and coffee served by the staff.

We could not do what we do without each of you!

Thank you,

Ann, Grace, Jody, Jim, Lauren, Brian, Stephen, and Korena

There will also be an education hour this day. Grace will host the topic of Spiritual Practices. Come and learn about and engage with some spiritual practices.

# As God's people, abounding in HOPE and empowered by the Holy Spirit, we invite all to share in the unfolding experience of Jesus Christ.

At Hope Lutheran we acknowledge that we are on the ancestral homelands of indigenous peoples of the Council of Three Fires including the Ho-Chunk, Dakota, and the Anishinaabe (Ojibwe). Each of these Nations is unique and sovereign. We are grateful to their ancestors for their deep commitment to caring for the land.

Thank you for the gifts given to Hope Lutheran Church.

In honor of:

Our 64th Wedding Anniversary.....Larry and Helen Keith



## PARISH PAPER

## **Weekly Calendar**

Sunday, August 17

8:50am Hymn sing

9:00am Worship

10:00am Coffee Connections

Monday, August 18

8:30am Monday Morning Coffee

6:30pm Book Club

Tuesday, August 19

8:00am ROMEO

Wednesday, August 20

5:00pm 9th Grade Confirmation

5:45pm Bells

6:00pm High School Input Meeting

7:00pm Choir

Thursday, August 21

10:00am Feed My People

Friday, August 22

Saturday, August 23

Sunday, August 24

9:00am Worship

10:00am Coffee Connections/

**Congregation Appreciation** 

10:00am Educational Hour—Spiritual

Practices Pt. 2



### This week we pray for:

Leona Fuerbringer, Jeanette Perry, Bob Adams, Allison Price, Sue Carlson, Heidi Grange, Larry Bates, Julie Petersen, Mary Lantz, Lance Leek, Clay Matthew Clemmans, Richard Brownell, The Family of Jenni Hardie

Thank you Pastor Eric Neilson for leading worship today!

Worship Stats at Hope

July 27—117—\$6,526.00 Aug 03—129—\$2,773.00 August 10—136-\$7,347.00 Thank you to our Hope family for your many prayers for Jenni Hardie. Jenni passed away on Sunday, August 10th Of Creutzfeldt-Jakob Disease. Jenni leaves behind a husband Matthew and daughter Harper (7) as well as many friends and relatives. There will be a private funeral ceremony in Woodbury, MN on August 23rd. Thank you for your prayers, love and support throughout her illness. Kevin and Kathryn Hardie

<u>PB&J Drive</u>—For the month of August, Hope will be collecting peanut butter and jelly for neighborhood food charities. Look for the collection bin in the gathering area.

<u>Summer Stretch Single Day</u> - Our final Summer Stretch day will now be held on August 28th, from 9:00am - 4:00pm! Open for youth between 6th and 12th grade! Email Grace if someone in your family plans to attend!

Women's Book Club Please join us this summer for our next meeting on Monday, August 18th, at 6:30 pm in the Fireside Room. In August, we are reading "The Thursday Murder Club" by Richard Osman, and in September, we will be reading "The God of the Woods" by Liz Moore. We also have quite a few books (adult and children's) on the book stand in the Gathering area. Feel free to enjoy any of them.

Volunteering with Youth & Family Ministries - this year we are looking for a handful of volunteers to lend their talents to being 8th grade mentors, confirmation small group leaders, JAM teachers, JAM substitutes, and adult presence on Wednesday evenings! If you're interested even part-time reach out to Grace! grace@hopechurchec.com

Fall Registration - Join our Youth & Family Ministries this Fall! If someone in your family is interested in joining JAM Children's Classes, Confirmation, After School Hours, Youth Group, or High School Bible Study please register today on our website or using the QR code!

## Register for Fall today!



## **Help Local Kids Start the School Year on the Right Foot!**

We're collecting *new gym shoes* for Sam Davey and Northwoods elementary students now through **Sunday, September 7th** in the Gathering Area. Requested sizes: **Kids 11 through Youth 5**. Preferred styles: **Velcro or slip-on** for younger grades (K–2), **lace-up sneakers** for older students. Let's help make sure every student is ready for gym class this fall. Thank you for your support!

<u>Green Team Summer Collection</u>—On August 24th, Green Team will be collecting reusable tote bags for the Eau Claire Downtown Farmers Market, boots and shoes for King's Closet, Street Ministry, and Soles 4 Souls, and batteries for recycling. *Make note the batteries are not being collected the last Sunday of the month in August.* 

<u>School Supplies</u> — Board of outreach is still collecting school supplies for Sam Davey and Northwoods. There is a collection box in the Gathering Space. The list of needed supplies can be found on electronic Parish Paper in your email inbox or in Hope's Happenings. Thank you for all the support of the local elementary schools!

## August 17, 2025

## Time After Pentecost

## **Order of Service**

Welcome & Announcements

Mission Statement

**Confession and Forgiveness** 

Opening Hymn: #876

Greeting

Hymn of Praise #122

Prayer of the Day

Special Music—Summer Choir

First Reading: Hebrews 11:29-34 12:1-2

Gospel Acclamation — Page 142

Gospel Reading: Luke 12:49-56

Sermon—Pastor Eric Nielson

Hymn of the Day: #796

Apostles' Creed

Prayers for the People

Sharing God's Peace & Noisy Offering

Offertory #186

Offering Prayer

Communion Dialogue & Lord's Prayer

Distribution

Distribution Hymn: #491

Post Communion Prayer

**Blessing of Pastoral Partners** 

Benediction

Sending Hymn: #634

Dismissal