



October 31, 2014

Thanksgiving Worship Services:

There will be two opportunities for you to join with other Christians in a service of thanksgiving to our God:



Community Thanksgiving Worship –
Tuesday, Nov. 25th, 7:00 p.m. at
Church of the Nazarene Church
(2387 Wisconsin Ave SW)
Thanksgiving Eve Worship
At Hope - Wednesday,
Nov. 26th at 7:00 p.m.

Senior High Youth Group – meets again on Sunday, November 9th at 3:30 pm for a little service project led by Arnie Claeys. Let's meet at the church.....the project will take a couple hours and then supper will be provided for all who help!

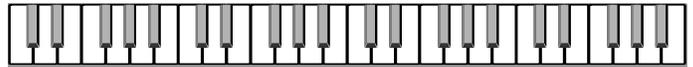
REMINDER TO SENIOR HIGH YOUTH:
Please get the dates of your summer 2015 commitments to Pastor Tom ASAP, as he is checking on the best week for a High Adventure trip!



Middle School Youth & Families – please plan to stay after Sunday School on the 16th of November for a meal, and a time of preparing treats to be served on Thanksgiving Weekend. We plan to make Krumkake, Rosettes, and Lefse. **If there are any church members who would like to help teach the fine art of preparing these delicacies, please contact Pastor Tom.** Thrivent Financial will help provide the funds to cover our expenses, under the **Thrivent Action Team** program.

STILL NEEDED: A couple more Confirmed Youth and/or Adults to serve as Substitute Sunday School Teachers. Contact Sue Krutzfeldt with your willingness to serve.

Need a new Bible? The Worship Committee has provided for the Pew Bibles in our sanctuary, and now some have asked how they could order one. Well, this LARGE print Bible is cheaper by the case, so we would be happy to order one for you at cost. If you would like one or more copies, please make a check payable to "Hope Lutheran" for \$14 per Bible, and give to Kris Claeys or Pastor Tom. **Orders will be taken through Sunday, November 23rd.**

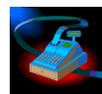


Special Music Welcomed! On almost any Sunday, we would welcome Special Music to enhance our worship of God. If you are a vocalist or instrumentalist that can share your God-given talents, please sign up at the Welcome Center or talk to Pastor Tom about when you would like to share your talents. Beginner musicians and young singers welcome to also "make a joyful noise"!!

Christmas Choir will practice on Wednesday evenings at 6:00 pm in preparation for the Family Christmas Program and possibly Christmas Eve. **PLEASE JOIN US!**



Mission Partner Visit to St. Dysmas Lutheran Church on Thursday, November 13th. Donna LeGrand, Don Maas, Tony and Barb Lorenz, Bill and Diane Campbell, Bill and Kathy Chase as well as Pastor Tom and Janet covet your prayers on the above day as we travel to worship with the men of the St. Dysmas parish, behind the walls of the South Dakota State Penitentiary. The carpool will leave Hope at 3:45 pm so we can be with the members of St. Dysmas for some visiting time both before and after worship. Following the service, we go out to a late "Dutch treat" supper with the St. Dysmas pastor to hear more about the ministry.



Coborn's Receipts for August, September and October are due at the church by Sunday, November 2. Proceeds are provided to the Women of Hope for their ministries.

Friends in Christ - 5:30 Wednesday, November 19th - is a youth-group styled program for our younger children, preschool – grade 5. Meeting once a month this group has a meal, shares in devotions and completes a service project. 22 Christmas boxes were packed at the October Meeting!



We are looking for volunteers to serve the Friends in Christ meals each month (app. 12 kids & adults). If you wish to serve your church in this way on November 19th, please contact Sue Krutzfeldt or Pastor Tom.

Church Women United will meet Friday, November 7 @ 1:30 at the YWCA to celebrate Word Community Day. The theme is “Through God our hands can heal”. All are welcome!



LCMC International Gathering

Pastor Tom, along with Bill and Kathy Chase, attended the LCMC International Gathering in Des Moines, IA October 5-8th. Over 1,000 people attended,

participating in networking, worship and educational sessions. Pictures and keynote speaker notes can be found at www.lcmc.net/event-presentations/summaries.html. Videos of the speakers will eventually be available at the LCMC web site.

The final total for the “Meals for from the Heartland” project was \$91,000. (This was what our “noisy offering” was collected for this summer.) Hope’s delegation was part of the group that assembled 291,168 meals during the gathering.

LCMC now represents 833 congregations around the world. Next year’s gathering will be held in Frisco, TX on October 4-7, 2015.

THANK YOU for cards and greetings to us in observance of our 60th wedding anniversary. We have been very blessed and will continue to be just by knowing all of you! Thank you so Wamuch!

Dick and Shirley Chase

Financial Update

Here is an update on Hope Lutheran’s finances. If you have questions, please contact Peggy Bockorny.

Hope Lutheran Church

Balance Sheet

As of September 30, 2014

ASSETS

CURRENT ASSETS

| | |
|------------------|-------------|
| General Fund | \$27,700.30 |
| Building Fund | \$19,336.61 |
| Contingency Fund | \$34,396.65 |
| Memorial Fund | \$4,144.51 |

TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS

\$85,578.07

FIXED ASSETS

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|-----------------------|--------------|
| Equipment/Furnishings | \$34,955.96 |
| Land and Buildings | \$294,972.08 |

TOTAL FIXED ASSETS

\$329,928.04

TOTAL ASSETS

\$415,506.11

LIABILITIES & EQUITY

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|-------------|--------------|
| Liabilities | \$0.00 |
| Equity | \$415,506.11 |

TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY

\$415,506.11

Hope Lutheran Church

General Fund Budget vs. Actuals

January 1 – September 30, 2014

| | 2014 Budget | Actual thru 09/30/2014 |
|-----------------------|---------------------|------------------------|
| INCOME | | |
| General Fund Offering | \$159,760.00 | \$122,550.66 |
| Miscellaneous Revenue | 100.00 | 199.42 |
| TOTAL INCOME | \$159,860.00 | \$122,750.08 |

EXPENSES

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|----------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| Operating Expenses | \$135,860.00 | \$95,913.59 |
| Transfers to Building Fund | \$24,000.00 | \$26,136.19 |
| TOTAL EXPENSES | \$159,860.00 | \$122,049.78 |

Thrivent Choice Dollars – don't forget to designate them!

Ways to Serve

Looking for a way to serve your church home? Just look throughout this newsletter. Here are some of the options this month:

- Serve meal for Friends in Christ on 11/19
- Sing in the choir
- Provide special music
- Our committees welcome new members
- Serve as substitute Sunday School teacher
- Share your Scandinavian cooking skills

In addition, there are opportunities each week to assist in worship and to serve coffee and snacks during Coffee Fellowship. Sign-up sheets are found at the back of the sanctuary.

How can **you** serve your fellow members?

The Preacher's Ponderings

*"Tom, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, To the **saints** who are in Huron and are faithful in Christ Jesus: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ".*

Those above words are a personalized version of the apostolic greeting which Saint Paul uses to open his letter to the Ephesians. I ask you to read that again, this time giving special attention to how it is that you are addressed in the greeting, since you are the one being addressed as among the saints!

To call the faithful in Christ saints is a fairly common address in the New Testament. For the word saint comes from a Greek verb that means "to set apart" or "make holy". And I'm leading us into this "saintly" word study, due to the fact that as you read this message, All Saints' Sunday will be upon us.

In the history of the church, All Saints Day has been mostly celebrated as a day to venerate the martyrs and other faithful departed. And, in practice, that is still true today.

However, in the early church, and especially as noted in the letters of the Apostle Paul, the saints were not just deceased men and women who had sainthood conferred upon them. The saints were living people who

sought to keep their faith and practice grounded in Jesus Christ. So in this light, I greet the faithful among you as saints!

It is true that God has called you and me to be saints. That is to say that God has "set you apart" for work in His kingdom. God has "made you holy" so that you can witness to his glory.

But, saint is not a title that is earned, rather it is a title that is received. The apostle Paul demonstrates this truth by his careful use of words. Note in Ephesians 1: 1, Paul writes, "*Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God.....*". Notice where the action lies. The action lies with God.

We too, as ones who are "set apart" for work in God's kingdom, need to accept this mission and calling with all humility. We know that apart from God's will for our lives, we would utterly fail every feat. But, because it is by God's will that we are "made holy", we can be confident that God will accomplish through us his will for our lives.

I don't think that Hallmark Cards has made any All Saints' greeting cards, so don't expect to receive one. Instead, pray that God will continue to mold and shape you for the Kingdom work for which you have been "set apart". Blessed All Saints' Sunday!!

In His Exciting Service, Pastor Tom

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Mark your calendar!

November 2nd – “All Saints” Sunday

9:30 am Worship with Holy Communion
10:30 am Coffee Fellowship
10:45 am Sunday School

November 4th – Tuesday

6:00 pm Education Committee Meeting

November 5th – Wednesday

9:30 am Adult Study
11:00 am Huron Ministerial
6:00 pm Confirmation (grades 6-8)
6:00 pm Youth & Adult Choir Practice
7:15 pm Adult Study

November 9th - Sunday

9:30 am Worship
10:30 am Coffee Fellowship
10:45 am Sunday School
1:00 pm Beadle Cty. Thrivent Chapter Mtg.
3:30 pm Sr. High Youth Group Project/Meal

November 11th – Tuesday

7:00 pm Missions & Evangelism Cmte. Mtg

November 12th – Wednesday

9:30 am Adult Study
6:00 pm Confirmation (grades 6-8)
6:00 pm Youth & Adult Choir Practice
7:15 pm Adult Study

November 13th - Thursday

3:45 pm Carpool to St. Dymas

November 16th – Sunday

9:30 am Worship with Holy Communion
10:30 am Coffee Fellowship
10:45 am Sunday School
11:45 am Middle School Meal & Baking!

November 18th – Tuesday

9:00 am ESD Pastor’s Mtg. Fron of Roslyn
9:30 am Global Health Bandage Rolling
7:00 pm Church Council

November 19th – Wednesday

9:30 am Adult Study
5:30 pm Friends in Christ (preschool-5th gr.)
6:00 pm Confirmation (grades 6-8)
6:00 pm Youth & Adult Choir Practice
7:15 pm Adult Study

November 23rd – “Christ the King” Sunday

9:30 am Worship
10:30 am Coffee Fellowship
10:45 am Sunday School

November 25th – Tuesday

7:00 pm Community Thanksgiving Worship
at the Nazarene Church
(2387 Wisconsin Ave SW)

November 26th - Wednesday

7:00 pm Hope’s Thanksgiving Eve Worship

November 28th – Friday

5:30 pm Wedding Rehearsal

November 29th – Saturday

5:00 pm Kannegieter/Morlock Wedding

November 30th – 1st Sunday in Advent

9:30 am Worship
10:30 am Coffee Fellowship-Middle School
Youth

**A printable calendar can also be
downloaded from our church website:**

www.hopelutheranhuron.com

