



HOPE *happenings*

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Under the Sun

A Reflection from Pastor Shawn

It always feels silly recognizing Ground Hog's Day (GHD) in WNY. What I mean by that is not that it is silly that an animal's experience of his shadow can somehow predict the coming of Spring, but instead that whether or not the ground hog sees his shadow at all, it will have a bearing on WNY. An animal predicting weather, I can almost believe, but spring in WNY at the beginning of February or the middle of March each seems equally unbelievable.

Of course these days we not only conjure up images of ground hogs in top hats at the mention of GHD, but also of Bill Murray reliving the day again and again. When we have our own experience of redundancy or déjà vu we may even catch ourselves thinking, What is this Ground Hog's Day?

Well, we are not trapped in Bill Murray's fantastic world, but that does not mean we do not continue to see history repeating itself. And this is something we should know by now. After all, the author of Ecclesiastes wrote,

"What has been is what will be.

And what has been done is what will be done;

There is nothing new under the sun."

(Ecclesiastes 1:9)

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WORSHIP NOTES

Sundays at 8:30am: Band Led Worship

Sundays at 10:30am: Piano & Organ Led Worship

Sunday, February 2

4th Sunday after Epiphany

Reading: Micah 6:1-8,

1 Corinthians 1:18-31

Gospel: Matthew 5:1-12

Sunday, February 16

6th Sunday after Epiphany

Baptism of Zoey Malik at 8:30am

Readings: Deuteronomy 30:15-20

1 Corinthians 3:1-9

Gospel: Matthew 5:21-37

Sunday, February 9

5th Sunday after Epiphany

Readings: Isaiah 58:1-9a

1 Corinthians 2:1-12

Gospel: Matthew 5:13-20

Sunday, February 23

Transfiguration of our Lord

Readings: Exodus 24:12-18

2 Peter 1:16-21

Gospel: Matthew 17:1-9



Wednesday, February 26

Ash Wednesday

11am & 7pm

IN OUR PRAYERS:

We pray for Matthew Nourse, Curt Emery, Ben, Dave Carr, Paul Sanders, Betty Offhaus, Traci, Joan Taylor, Roger Day, Matt Weaver, Mary Ann, Jerry Webster, Mary Dell, Angela, Katie Offhaus,, Sue Adams and family, Doug Lavery, Carrie Ruffin, Suzanne Struckmann, Gary Beiersdorf, Rev. John Fehringer, Ken Babbitt, Catherine, Jay May, Ed Cole, Wade, Don Tober, Sandy Semans, David Niver, Betty Howard, Ryley Green, Roxanne, Ally Conrad, Becky, Erin Hammell, Mary Field, Rick Lewis, Lloyd Neamon, Randy Cady, Greg, Mary Ellen, Sharon Brown, Jane Kruse, Cory Weaver, Dennis Rung and the family of Rev. Otto Struckmann, Jeremiah Conde.



We also pray for all those who are struggling with drug and alcohol addictions and also pray for the victims of all forms of abuse. We continue to keep our Servicemen and women, who are serving at home and overseas, in our prayers.

“Under the Sun”...cont.

History repeats itself. For Martin Luther, the reason history had an uncanny ability to keep repeating was because of the main characters: people. People in every time and place share something in common and so we watch as a familiar story continues to unfold.

The economy recycles recessions.

Nations continue to wage familiar wars.

Parents secretly hope their children’s children give them similar treatment. They almost always do.

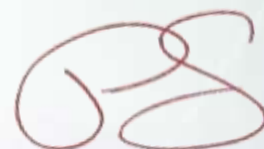
Bell bottoms and scrunchies even have a way of repeating themselves, and it is only a matter of time before shoulder pads return.

“What has been, is what will be. What has been done is, what will be done. There is nothing new.....**Under. The. Sun.**”



But the good news for a Ground Hog Day people, is that while we remain in bondage to our sin and our cycles, there is one who is capable of breaking through with something new. **“So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new!” (2 Corinthians 5:17).** We may never know what finally freed Mr. Murray, but our newness and freedom is in Christ.

Under the sun, on this earth, amongst people, we are destined to watch history repeat itself. But high above, God has already worked out a plan for our deliverance.



THANKS BE TO GOD

Erin Krist & Sue Dressel

for their assistance and organization of the Children’s Christmas Program & Party

Fran Senko & Piper Malik

for leading several of our Hope family and friends in a beautiful wreath making class

Beth Miller

for making bookmarks out of Hope’s altar rail to benefit “A Future with Hope”

Ellen McCarthy

for her passion and faithfulness to our Sprouting Hope Program and Preschool and for being an all around All Star around Hope!

EVENTS at a GLANCE

- February 2:** Sunday Services: 8:30am & 10:30am
- February 4:** Quilting: 10am-2pm
Friends of Night People Volunteering: 3:15pm
Youth Group: 6:30-8pm : Sledding Night
- February 8:** Winterfest Warming Hut: 11am-2pm
- February 9:** Sunday Services: 8:30am & 10:30am
Empty Bowls Planning Meeting: 9:30am
- February 10:** **FINAL DEADLINE FOR BRICKS**
- February 11:** Quilting: 10am-2pm
Youth Group: 6:30-8pm
- February 13:** Hope Respite
Book Club #2 at Carol Boldts Home: 7pm
- February 16:** Sunday Services: 8:30am & 10:30am
Baptism of Zoey Malik: 8:30am
- February 17:** Church Council: 6:30pm
- February 18:** Quilting: 10am-2pm
Book Club #1 at Ronald McDonald House
NO Youth Group
- February 23:** Sunday Services: 8:30am & 10:30am
All Church Breakfast: 9:30am
Confirmation: 5pm
- February 24:** Ale House Church: 7pm at Main Street Grille
- February 25:** Quilting: 10am-2pm
Book Club #3 at Hope: 2:30pm
Youth Group: 6:30-8pm
- February 26:** Ash Wednesday Community Service & Luncheon: 11am
Committee Coffee House: 6:30pm
Ash Wednesday Evening Prayer Service: 7pm



OPPORTUNITIES

TO SERVE:

Winterfest Warming Hut at Hope: We have decided to open Hope and our new building for a short window of time on Saturday, February 8 of Winterfest. We will advertise it as a "Warming Hut" for folks enjoying Winterfest who need a place to warm up, grab a cup of cocoa or coffee, a cup of chili (all free while supplies last), or use the restroom. We will have the new building open for self-guided tours with a display for how folks can help support the project. If you are available to hang at church for any moment of the 11am - 2pm window we will be open and act as hospitality for anyone who might come in, we'd sincerely appreciate it. Please let the church office know if you can share with Hope that day.

Friends of Night People: We are looking for 10 volunteers to take part in a service project on February 4 at Friends of Night People in Buffalo which will involve serving dinner and drinks, cleaning trays and helping in the clothing closet. We will carpool from church at 3:15pm, will serve from 5-7:30pm and then go out to dinner before returning home to Arcade. Participants must be at least 10 years-old. Those who are 10-14 years old must have a parent accompany them. If you have donations of hygiene products, or Adult Male clothes (size 2XL is the #1 request) you would like to donate, feel free to bring them to church by Tuesday, Feb. 4.

TO GIVE:

Brick Campaign Deadline EXTENDED UNTIL FEB 10: To date, we have raised over \$40,000 through 170 bricks for the project. We hope you will consider adding your support as well and help us build more than a wall or even a building, but a place where needs are met, faith is formed, and life is celebrated. ***If you do want your family or business to have a brick this is your last chance.*** We are a church in action, and you are a part of God's plan for this time and place. You can order your brick through the church office or online [HERE](#). Bricks are \$200, payment plans are available.



Baby Wipes & Diapers— C.H.O.I.C.E.S has requested donations of baby wipes for their Blessing Closet in York-shire, NY. We invite you to bring donations from now until February 2 and place them in the social fall.

Lenten Giving: During Lent we will again be collecting donations for local non-profits as a way to practice Alms-giving. Stay tuned for how you can include this practice in your Lenten journey.

Respite Program Opportunity: Our 2nd Year of Respite is officially underway and we look forward to what this next year includes. Ways you can support this program:

- Donating small Bingo Prizes
- Sign up to provide morning snacks or lunch for one of the monthly programs

Please contact Julie Tingué if you would like to help in this capacity: julie@hopearcade.org

Winter Youth Retreat Campships— Our youth are headed for a weekend of spiritual learning and reflection, team building and fun at LCLC in Bemus Point. The cost is \$125/ child. To keep it affordable we are charging youth \$75 to attend which includes 2 nights of lodging and 4 meals. If you would like to sponsor a youth group member to attend and/or help to offset the cost difference in some way, please see Pastor Shawn.

TO FELLOWSHIP & LEARN:

Sledding Party: If weather allows we will be having a church wide sledding party between services again this month. Just bring your sled and snow clothes and join the fun! Time to be announced.

Church Breakfast: On Sunday morning, February 23, between services we will be having a fellowship breakfast. You are invited to come early or stay after service and enjoy breakfast with others. There is a sign-up on the shelf in the parish hall for breakfast items can you bring with you!

Ale House Church: Ale House Church will take place at Main Street Grille on February 24 at 7pm. Come raise a glass, no experience necessary. Topic to be announced soon!

YOUTH

Middle & High Youth Group in February

Tuesdays, February 4, 11 & 25 : 6:30-8pm

Please bring a few dollars for pizza and a friend.

Please note, there will be NO YOUTH GROUP during winter break.

Youth Group Sledding Party: February 4

During YG this week, our Middle & High Schoolers will be headed to the Arcade Park Snow Hill to enjoy an evening of sledding. Bring sleds and snow gear!



Confirmation:

Confirmation this month will be held on February 23 from 5-7pm!

HOPE LUTHERAN CHURCH
MIDDLE & HIGH SCHOOL
YOUTH WINTER RETREAT

Surrounded

\$75 INCLUDES MEALS & LODGING

@ LCLC | MARCH 20-22

GAMES | WORSHIP | TEAM BUILDING | BIBLE STUDY | WINTER FUN

Middle & High School Winter Retreat: Sign up to participate in Hope's 2020 Winter Retreat, themed "Surrounded," that will be held at Lake Chautauqua Lutheran Center in Bemus Point, NY. The weekend will include games, worship, team building, bible study and winter fun! A complete packing list and itinerary will be shared after signing up. The cost to attend is \$75 (scholarships are available). The cost includes all meals and lodging. Contact the church office at 585-492-2530 or office@hopearcade.org with any questions or for more information. Registration is online [HERE!](#)

January's Youth of the Month: Cora Blackwell
Congratulations Cora!



HOPE PRESCHOOL



In January our learning and guided-play focused on Ice and Snow. We explored the science of snow, conducted experiments on materials that melt snow, read many winter books and learned about polar animals. Our students could be found ice skating, ice fishing and playing ice hockey in our pretend center, building ice sculptures and snowmen in our blocks center or creating beautiful snowflakes, winter wonderlands and penguins in the art center. Wednesdays in January we very much enjoyed playing outside in the snow.

We welcomed a new student this month, Hunter. Our current students did a great job introducing him to our routine, modeling good behavior and becoming his friend!

Enrollment for the 2020-2021 Preschool Class will begun on February 15. We can welcome 24 students as part of our program for the new school year. Applications can be found on our website or in the church office. New this year will be an online registration option for families.

Wishlist Item of the Month:

Envelopes, Un-Opened Junk Mail for our Post Office Center, Card Stock



COMMUNION INSTRUCTION:

We welcome all 2nd graders and their parents to take part in **Communion Instruction**. It is a time to gather and learn about this important Sacrament.

Classes:

Sunday, March 8 @ 11:30am

Sunday, March 15 @ 11:30am

Sunday, March 22 @ 11:30am*

**This class will feature Chalice Painting*

Communion Celebration:

Sunday, March 29 @ 10:30am

Please RSVP by February 16 to
the Church Office!

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◀ Our youth took a collection of coloring books, crayons, gas and coffee gift cards, and more to the Family Resource Center at Oishei Children's Hospital. For every family dealing with illness and injury with your littlest members, we see you. Your child's bravery and your strength give us hope. God is with you in this, and so are we.

► Sunday between services a few of our Hopsters made their way to the Arcade Park Snow Hill for a little fellowship!

Stay tuned... we had so much fun we hope to plan another day in February to enjoy the beauty of God's winter wonderland right in our backyard!



▼ January Respite involved a snow and winter theme! We appreciated a wonderful meal from McDonalds in Arcade, created some winter landscapes, made birds feeders for our visiting winter birds, held an indoor snowball fight, watched our service dog Maggie try some new tricks and held our first ever Winter Olympics!



Thanks be to God for our Brick Campaign Supporters:

Individuals:

Sandy & Ron Ashworth
Andy & Ashley Bartz
Paul & Jennifer Blackwell
Scott & Kristin Bley
Marilyn Bley
Vern & Tracy Bliss
Pete & Kim Boldt
Al & Carol Boldt
Chuck & Pam Bradford
Bob & Jodie Buchhardt
Matthew Buck
Mike & Janet Campana
Roger Day
Bryan & Becky Day
Dale & Lisa Deahn
Mary Dell
Mike & Tonya Dodge
Ken & Shirley Doolittle
Len & Sue Dressel
Ron & Cheryl Engasser
Paul & Bev Fehringer
Jim & Shelley Fleischman
Ernest Floyd
Jacalyn Gaston
Dennis & Cindy Gaston
Jason and Ashley Gerhard
Diane Gibbs
Chris Gross
Stacey & Mark Hannon
Shawn & Carol Hannon
Tadd & Shannon King
Jamie & Rachel Kittleson
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Susan Kraft
Ray & Jennifer Kraft
Kevin & Erin Krist
Bob & Sheri Landahl
Judy Lehman
Bonnie Martin
Ed & Ellen McCarthy
Mary Lou Merlau
Tom Milburn
Stephanie Milks

Harry & Karen Monin
Lynn & Carol Mosher
Marsha North
Kim & Joanne Offers
Jacob Offhaus
Dan & Pam Osgood
Janice Page
Robert & Barbara Phair
John & Missy Pleace
Karen Prior
Dorothy Rasmusson
Terry and Monica Reding
Lee & Missy Rhodus
Paul Rigerman
Wyn & Debbie Roll
Sam & Mary Jane Roop
Gary & Margie Rung
Brenda Schmidt
Darla Schwab
Erin Schwab-George
Guy & Ellen Sisson
Dustin & Jenni Smith
Mike & Becky Sonner
Carol Staffehl
JD & Cindy Struckmann
Brian and Angie Tavernier
Amy Thomson
Eric & Julie Tingue
Nick & Megan Titus
Robert & Sharlene Vossler
Bob & Margie Webster
Zachary Wiedemann
George Winfield
Pat Wittenrich
Tracey Wood
Deb Wood
Patti Zeller
Ruth Zimmerman

Businesses:

Always & Forever Flowers
American Red Cross
Arcade VFW
Arcade Village Café
Automotive Alley
Boys & Girls Club of Holland
Butch's Automotive Service, Inc.
Brookfield Farms
Cattaraugus Container, Inc.
Creative Interiors, Missy Pleace
Design Art
Empire Distributing
Five Star Bank
Hanna's Little Shop LLC
Jamestown Gazette
Joan Roberts
JP Tools- John Pleace
KC Tile
Lions Club of Arcade
Mountain View Builders
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Pioneer Credit Recovery
Save A Lot
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Rev. Neil Kattermann
Rev. Lee Miller
Rev. David Young
Rev. Scott Hannon
Rev. Shawn Hannon
Rev. Steve Biegner
In Memory of Rev. Bob Zimmerman
In Memory of Rev. Paul "Chip" Gunsten
Hope's Church Council
Hope Respite
Quilters of Hope
Lake Chautauqua Lutheran Center
Brian Makey, Thrivent Financial

CELEBRATIONS

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

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|------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1- Kathleen LaScala | 22- Allen Nichols |
| 2- Jessica Rung | 23- Alasdair
McCarthy |
| 5- Jana Landahl | 23- Barbara Phair |
| 6- Roger Day | 24- Michael Prior |
| 8- Vince Hammell | 25- Jenni Smith |
| 8- Becky Sonner | 27- Melissa Pleace |
| 10- Edward
McCarthy | |
| 14- Tracy Stiles | |
| 19- Janice Page | |
| 21- Judith Noble | |

FEBRUARY ANNIVERSARIES

- 8- Paul & Diane Gibbs
- 10- Bill & Kathryn Landahl
- 14- Doug & Betty Nichols
- 16- Jim & Amy Burns
- 17- Edward & Ellen McCarthy

Let's Celebrate!

SAVE THE DATE:

Friends of Night People Volunteering: March 5

Lenten Fish Fry: March 6 & April 3

Wednesday Lenten Community Services & Lunch: March 4, 11, 18, 25 & April 1

Youth Winter Retreat: March 20-22

Communion Celebration: March 29

Palm Sunday: April 5 & Easter Sunday: April 12

Empty Bowls Luncheon & Fundraiser: April 26

SERVING IN WORSHIP

	February 2	February 9	February 16	February 23
Sunday Steward: 8:30 am	Evan Frazier	Angie Tavernier	Tracey Wood	Tyler Bley
Greeters: 8:30am	Barb Sonner	Cindy Gaston	Beverly Hallock	Dustin & Jenni Smith
AV Tech: 8:30 am	Ernest & Jacob	Cora Blackwell	Jim Alpin	Cora Blackwell
Acolyte: 8:30 am	Cody Smith	Connor Fleischman	Garrett Milks	Cecelia Titus
Assisting Minister: 8:30 am	Marjorie Webster	Tracey Wood	Mary Songster Alpin	Joanne Offers
Children's Church: 8:30am	Anna Tavernier	Amy Thomson	Anna Tavernier	Deb Wood
Lector: 8:30am	Janet Campana	Ernest Floyd	Monica Reding	MaKenna Smith McKenna Krist
Prayers: 8:30 am	Jen Blackwell	Ashley Bartz	Brian Tavernier	Mike Sonner, Sr.
Ushers: 8:30am	Betsey Craft Ashley Bartz	Mike Sonner, Sr. Terry Redding	Janet Campana Joanne Offers	Tyler Bley Jason Gerhard
HC Assistants: 8:30am	Tracey Wood Joanne Offers Jim Alpin Lisa Deahn	Marjorie Webster Brian Tavernier Jenni Smith Julie Tingue	Missy Pleace Jen Blackwell Tyler Bley Julie Tingue	Mary Songster Alpin Megan Titus Kristin Bley Amy Thomson
Sunday Steward: 10:30 am	Carol Boldt	Margie Rung	Sue Dressel	Bob Vossler
Greeters: 10:30 am	Sandy Ashworth	Kathy La Scala	Margie Rung	Brenda Schmidt
AV Tech: 10:30 am	Cindy Struckmann	Carol Staffehl	Stephen Struckmann	Cindy Struckmann
Acolyte: 10:30 am	Gavin Hammel	Kole Hammel	Clara Gross	Baylee Burfield
Assisting Minister: 10:30 am	Bob Vossler	Sue Dressel	Sue Farris	Stephen Struckmann
Children's Church: 10:30 am	Ellen McCarthy	Ellen McCarthy	Julie Tingue	Julie Tingue
Lector: 10:30 am	Kim Offers	Al Boldt	Sharlene Vossler	Paul Rigerman
Prayers: 10:30 am	Sue Farris	Paul Rigerman	Sue Dressel	Al Boldt
Ushers: 10:30 am	Bob & Jodie Buchhardt	Kim Offers Al Boldt	Al Boldt Len Dressel	Kathy La Scala Sandi Bennett
HC Assistants: 10:30 am	Ellen McCarthy Kathy La Scala Payeton Burfield Rachel Kittleson	Sharlene Vossler Brenda Schmidt Sue Farris Stephen S.	Bob Vossler Sandi Bennett Rachel Kittleson Cindy Struckmann	Carol Boldt Sue Dressel Ruth Zimmerman Ellen McCarthy
Altar Guilds:	Carol Staffehl Sue Dressel	Carol Boldt Cindy Struckmann	Ellen McCarthy Margie Rung	Barb Sonner Margie Rung
Coffee Hour:	Tracey Wood	Missy Pleace	Angie Tavernier	Church Breakfast
Counters:	Scott Bley	Mike Sonner Zach Wiedemann	Joanne Offers Kelly Frazier	Ashley Gerhard Sandy Ashworth

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BREAKFAST

Sunday, February 23 | 9:30am

The poster features a background of various donuts in different flavors and toppings. The text is arranged in a clean, modern layout with a mix of fonts and colors.

In everything there is hope.