

Hope's Happenings

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From Pastor Shawn

It's hard to believe as I write this that Kelly, our recent addition, is nearly a month old. I honestly have no idea how that happened. Just 5 seconds ago I was sitting in Mercy Hospital waiting for him to arrive. Honest.

I'm not a physicist, so I cannot say completely how that space-time relationship works. If I had to make a hypothesis, however, I'd guess that more going on over a certain period leads to a faster consumption of time.

Perhaps that's why these last 8 months at Hope have gone so fast as well. Maybe that's why it's impossible for me to reconcile how I am writing this September Newsletter article already! We've been busy!

And it is clear as I look ahead to this month and rest of 2017 that that busyness is not likely to stop. Our new ministry hour is bringing us opportunities to gather intergenerationally at least every other week. Our worships will celebrate going back to school, remembering Houston, baptism, Reformation Sunday (500!), and more. Our youth are headed back to the Ronald McDonald House while our High Schoolers are gearing up for the Youth Gathering next summer. Our quilters are just weeks from their bi-weekly quilt show that brings hundreds to the area. And all of that is just the tip of the ice berg.

So I have a feeling how these next couple of months are going to feel. Can anyone say, whirlwind?

But that's why I wanted to take a moment here to make sure we do two things: First pause. Then dedicate. When the Israelites got to the other side of the sea away from Pharaoh and his men, do you know what they did? They paused. They prayed. They sang. Their journey wasn't done yet. In fact, it had barely started! Yet they found time to sit back and give thanks. So breathe. Stop what you are doing right now and breathe. Take a moment to be present. Reflect on how you got here. Say thanks. When a month feels like a couple of days, it's often our mindfulness and gratefulness that gets forgotten. Be present.

Then, as one moment in time slips into another, re-dedicate yourself to the road ahead. Don't just go through the motions. Act intentionally. In Hope's case, with all that God has in store for us, re-dedicating ourselves to God's work is our only hope. Jesus said, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few." Then he called together his disciples and he sent them out. At Hope the harvest is plentiful (Thanks be to God!), and we are the laborers. Commit yourself again to the mission we share.

Before I know it, I'll be back at my computer writing another newsletter article. Kelly will somehow be another month older. But I hope next month I'm not wondering where the time went, because I was much more invested in every moment and then much more invested in what was to come. And I hope you'll join me. Pause, then dedicate.

Worship Notes

New Worship Hours

Starting, Sunday September 10:

8:30am: Worship Band led Liturgy

9:30am: Coffee & Ministry Hour

10:30am: Piano/Organ led Liturgy

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 3

Last Sunday for Summer Hours:

Worship at 8:00am, & 9:30am

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

Ministry Hour: Bookbag Blessing & Breakfast

Wear your VBS shirt, be ready to sing your favorite VBS songs during worship and bring your book bag for a special blessing to kick off the 2017-2018 school year! There is a signup sheet for donations of food on the bulletin board. Breakfast will be served at 9:30am

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 17

Ministry Hour: Prayers For Texas

Our Ministry Hour will include:

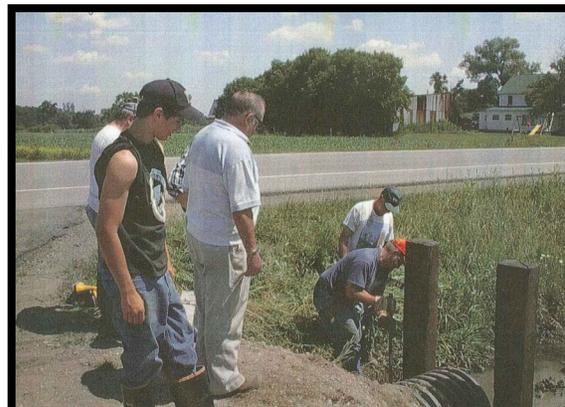
- A special time of prayer for Texas
- A special Collection for Hurricane Relief Efforts through Lutheran Disaster Response
- A day of local Service Projects as part of ELCA's God's Work, Our Hands

A note from Church Council

Earlier this year, Hope was approached by the Wyoming County Economic Development director regarding land for a developer to build much needed Senior apartments here in Arcade. We invited them to make us an offer. Should Hope choose to sell, a meeting of the voting members of Hope would need to be called. More specifics will come forth in the upcoming weeks, but those with questions are encouraged to speak with Bob Vossler or Pastor Shawn anytime.



Blast From the Past



Andy Deahn's Eagle Scout Project Building Up the Entrance for the Driveway to Church

Thanks Be to God for YOU!

July 2017:

Julie Tingué:

Future with Hope Banquet and Presentation

Vince & Erin Hammell:

Banquet Desserts; Brothers Keeper

Zach Wiedemann:

helping with the youth

Scott Rimbey:

Brother's Keeper Project



We Remember In Our Prayers

We pray for Matthew Nourse, Carmon Becker, Sharlie Mullin, Hyland Day, Curt Emery, Laura Bley, Myrtle Rammacher, Pastor Bob Zimmerman, Irene Eichinger, Shirley Spencer, Isabelle Wagner, Luke Fries, Kathy Washburn, Ben, Roger Day, Carol Colon, Dave Carr, Jeannette, Nicole Gremmel, Paul Hammond, Joe Strobele, Jr., Joan Taylor, Linda Widrig, Rita Francisco, Greg Kent, Melissa Ackerman, Lorelei and Team Mandu, Shirley Doolittle, Daniel Stimson and the many people in Texas impacted by Hurricane Harvey.



We pray for all those who are struggling with drug and alcohol addictions and we 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.

From Julie Tingue, Ministry Coordinator.

When I was “church shopping” with an infant three years ago, I was looking to find a place that welcomed children with open arms and had opportunities for my daughter. Bailey may have only been 4-months-old at the time but I was already **Hoping for a Future** for her faith journey. I was, at the time, not fully aware of the great future that would lie ahead for not only her but our entire family. I am in both thanks and awe of how much time and energy is put into supporting, encouraging and developing the next generation at Hope.

Our VBS had record attendance last month with 72 children and over 40 volunteers. After our VBS we had a remarkable golf tournament that raised over \$8,000 for our campaign to build a Ministry and Community Center at Hope for our next generation. These events were supported by so many of you for which I give thanks. You can see lots of great pictures of the event on our social media sites and on pages 8 & 9.

I am still on such a spiritual high after those two great events. In fact, it just has me gearing up for what lies ahead in the next year for the youngsters of hope and has me again looking to you for support. Our new Children’s Church Ministry will need several volunteers to help teach our little ones about the stories in the bible. Please consider teaching or even just assisting with this ministry in anyway that you can. I am looking for a partner to help teach with me this month, will it be you?

Chaperoning up to 18 eligible youth from Hope who will attend the ELCA Youth Gathering in Houston next summer is also on my calendar. As a youth, some of my greatest opportunities, friendships and development came from attending national level events for church, 4-H and FFA. Please look for ways to encourage our young people in the weeks and months ahead on our road to Houston. You can start by coming out to our car wash on Saturday, September 9th at Advanced Auto Parts from 10am-12:00noon.

I am so blessed I found Hope three years ago and every day I look forward to our future here together.



Christian Education & Youth Ministry

Children’s Church— This new program will start for our youngest hoppers on **Sunday, September 10**. We will be taking the children ages 2-5th grade out of the service between the children's sermon and communion for a bible story lesson and activity. This will take place during both of our services. We are still seeking volunteers to help with teaching or assisting with this new ministry.

Youth Group— Our middle and high schoolers are encouraged to come every **Tuesday from 6:30-8:00pm** for dinner, fellowship and further developing their faith.

ELCA Trip To Houston— Youth in 8th-12th grade are able to attend this years ELCA’s Youth Gathering that will be taking place this **June 26-July 1** in Houston, Texas. We are asking for a firm commitment from youth by September 15 designating their desires to attend so we can start planning. Please seek Pastor Shawn or Julie with any questions you or your child may have about this experience. Our first fundraiser for this event will be:

- **Youth Car Wash at Advanced Auto Parts**
- **Saturday, September 9 from 10:00am-12:00noon**
- **At Advanced Auto Parts in Arcade**

Cooks for Kids- Our youth ages 14 and up are invited to cook and serve dinner to families at the Ronald McDonald House in Buffalo on **Tuesday, September 26**. We are limited to 8 youth, so sign up soon!

Confirmation Classes— Orientation day for the 2017-2018 Confirmation year will take place on Wednesday, **September 27 at 7:00pm** at Hope. Confirmation is designed for our 7th-9th graders. Our new confirmands are asked to bring a parent with them to the first class.

Announcements:

Ale House Church—The next Ale House Church will take place on **September 25 at 7:00pm**. Come raise a glass while you share your thoughts on a topic that helps us learn about our faith and the culture around us. All are welcome... no experience necessary!



Archery- Hope's Archery Group meets on Tuesday evenings. Bring your own equipment or borrow from our stash. The last night for Archery of the year will be **September 26**.

Blood Drive

The next Red Cross Blood Drive will be **Tuesday, September 19** from **11:30-5:30pm**. Please drop by to donate or to volunteer! Contact Tracey Wood to see how you can assist.



Care Givers Support Group

Care Givers Support Group will meet on the last Thursday of the month, **September 28 at 6:30pm**. We gather to care for those who care for others, to listen, and to share both our experience and our support. If you know of anyone that could benefit from this group please reach out to Bob Vossler

Committee Coffee House- The next Committee Coffee House will take place on **Wednesday, September 27 at 6:30pm**.



Church Council- Church Council will meet **September 11 at 6:30pm** If you have anything you'd like Church Council to be aware of or discuss, please let PS or Bob Vossler (716-496-8967) know.

Fairy & Container Garden Night- Join us for an evening of fun and creating fairy and container gardens on **Thursday, September 14 at 6:00pm**. We will have some plants, containers, miniature figures, animals, and décor, but if you have any, please feel free to bring them along or purchase them from presenters. Cost is \$10/person.



Future with Hope Committee Meeting- The Future with Hope Committee will meet **September 21 at 6:30pm**

Ladies Bible Study – The Ladies of Hope Bible Study will be meeting monthly in the Fall and Winter. Any interested individuals are welcome to attend as we explore devotions related to the season. In the spring we will break into small groups and read another book, suggestions are welcome. The next Bible Study will take place **Thursday, September 28 at 6:30pm** at Hope.

Quilt Show— Save the date for Hope's Bi-Annual Quilt Show. It will take place October 13-15 at Hope. It will feature a special raffle of a hand quilted duo— a queen size quilt and a 48x48 wall hanging. Tickets for the quilt raffle are \$1.00/each or 6 for \$5.00. The Quilt Show will also include many quilts and quilted items on display, a chicken and biscuit dinner, a basket raffle to benefit Hope Preschool and more.

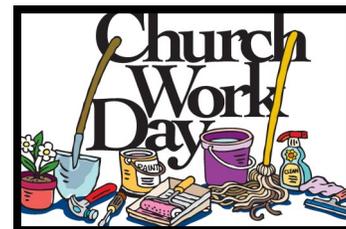


Opportunities to Give & Serve

Youth Group Car Wash— Stop by the new Advanced Auto Parts store in Arcade and get your car washed by the Hope Youth who are fundraising to go to the 2018 ELCA Youth Gathering in Houston. They will be washing cars on Saturday, **September 9 from 10:00am-12:00noon.**



Fall Work Day— In preparation for the upcoming Quilt Show, we invite you to come and serve at a fall work day. Let's work together to make Hope look its best for the many expected visitors. We will meet at **9:00am on September 30** to get to work.



Ronald McDonald House- Our youth are headed to Ronald McDonald house on Tuesday, September 26 to cook meals for the families at the Ronald McDonald House in Buffalo through a program called "Cooks for Kids." Here is how you can help:

- Meal Sponsor- Your \$25 donation will go to support the food supplies we need to prepare our meal.
- Gift Card Sponsor- Your \$20 donation will provide a gift card for an individual family at Ronald McDonald House to enjoy a meal out.
- Household Item Sponsor- Your \$15 donation will provide us with the funds to purchase items for the Ronald McDonald house like dish soap, paper towels, dryer sheets, laundry soap and more!

Hurricane Harvey Relief: Consider making a gift through Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA). Gifts to Lutheran Disaster Response, designated for "Hurricane Response – United States" will be used entirely (100%) for this disaster until the response is complete. Together, we can help provide immediate and long-lasting support. Give today to support the needs in this response and others like it. Bring a check to church made payable to Hope or ELCA Hurricane Response - United States and we will take care of sending it to the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America to support the relief efforts of Hurricane Harvey. You can also donate online and by phone at 1-800-638-3522.



Future with Hope: Our Future with Hope Campaign has gained a lot of momentum in the last month after our Future with Hope Banquet and recent Golf Tournament. Our hopes and desires for this first phase of the process have far exceeded. In just over a year we have reached 80% of our \$400,000 initial goal. This is something to be proud of, however our work is not done.

For those that made our dinner in July we hope you have had time to get excited, digest the information, ask questions you may have and pray about what your involvement looks like in the campaign. At this time we are charging you to make your pledge to our campaign. Pledges help us budget, focus on our goal, and keep our timeline on track. We are asking for your commitments by September 15. *See the next page for the donation form.*

For those that were not able to make the dinner and who desire to learn more about how they can support our campaign, please contact Julie Tngue, Pastor Shawn or any member of the Future with Hope Committee: Brian Tavernier, Margie Webster, John Kossow, Kim Boldt, Scott Bley, Tracy Bliss, Bob Vossler, Anna Sonner, Lee Rhodus.



Donation Form

Donor Information:

Name: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

Gift Information:

I (We) pledge a total of \$ _____

Amount Enclosed: \$ _____ Balance of Pledge: \$ _____

—and/or—

I (We) pledge \$ _____ given (check one) __ weekly | __ monthly | __ yearly

—and/or—

I (We) pledge an in-kind donation of goods or services (please explain): _____

Donor Recognition:

Donors will be recognized in campaign materials and on the recognition wall unless otherwise requested. Please refer to our "recognition level" sheet for more information.

Please note how donor name (s) should appear: _____

Donor Signature: _____ Date: _____

Donation Information:

Please make checks payable to:

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MEMO: A Future With Hope

*Those who desire may make electronic payments through PayPal, Givelify, or Simply Giving**

**More information is available upon request.*

Faces of Hope

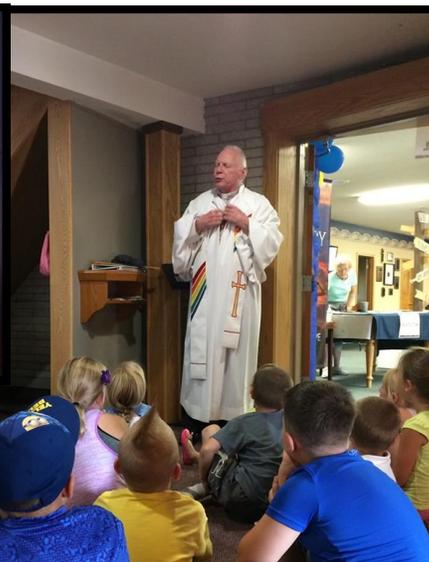


Several of Hope's Youth had life changing opportunities to grow their faith while attending LCLC through out the summer.



The Second Annual Hope FORE a Future Golf Tournament raised over \$8,000 for the Future with Hope Campaign. The tournament involved 48 golfers and 30 volunteers and featured a golf cart race, steak dinner and a good time had by all!

Faces of Hope



Hope's 2017 VBS was one of our best ever, with 72 children and 40 volunteers. Our kiddos had visits from famous superheroes and a couple very special local heroes too. They collected canned food and books for those in need and created blessing bags for our military, police officers and firefighters. They enjoyed crafts, bible stories, snacks, science and games on a nightly basis and lived by the motto: "Do Good, Seek Peace and Go after It!"

Celebrations!

Birthdays

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|------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1— Michael Campana | 16-- Debbie Carr |
| 2-- Cora Fleischman | 16-- Mary Songster-Alpin |
| 2-- Anna Tavernier | 17-- Kim Wittenrich |
| 3-- Beth Miller | 19-- Anthony Petrillo |
| 4-- Kristy Boehmer | 20-- Kara Boldt |
| 6-- Kasey Osborn | 21-- Jim Alpin |
| 7-- Delaney Petri | 21-- Jesse Polcz |
| 7-- Megan Sonner | 23-- Jennifer Blackwell |
| 8-- Carmen Petrillo | 23-- Olivia Boehmer |
| 8-- Tracey Wood | 24-- Kaitlyn Wood |
| 8-- Ruth Zimmerman | 26-- Jim Fleischman |
| 9-- Robert Vossler | 28-- Tyce Monin |
| 11-- Stephanie Milks | 29-- Brandon Boehmer |
| 12-- Madelyn Tavernier | 29-- Tyler Burns |
| 13-- Eloise Lambert | 29-- Andrew Deahn |
| 15-- Tracy Bliss | 29-- Eleanora Winfield |
| 16-- Melissa Brown | 30-- Kole Hammell |

Anniversaries

- 4-- Andrew & Ashley Bartz
6-- Doug & Mary Lou Merlau
8-- Bob & Jodie Buchhardt
8-- Gary & Margie Rung
9-- Kenneth Babbitt & Edla Reynolds
12-- Jeanne & David Holmes
12-- Holly & Brent Nowak
21-- Steve & Sue Metzger
29-- Timothy & Marcy Sonner
30-- Joe & Judy Strobele
30-- Albert & Judith Noble



Congratulations
Jim & Isabel Vitale
Ezra John Vitale (left)
August 17, 2017 — 11:44pm
8 pounds, 10 ounces — 21"



Congratulations
Pastor Shawn & Carol Hannon:
Kelly William Hannon (above)
August 2, 2017 — 10:09am
9 pounds, 13 ounces — 22"

Hope Preschool

Hope Preschool will be opening on Monday, September 11 with 18 students. They are looking forward to the year ahead and are still accepting applications for more students.



Duty Roster– September

	September 10	September 17	September 24
<i>Acolyte 8:30 am</i>	Sydney Schrock Riley Bliss	Garrett Milks Cora Fleischman	Timmy Sonner Connor Fleischman
<i>Acolyte 10:30am</i>	Alyssa Boldt Payeton Burfield	Anna Tavernier Grace Tavernier	Gavin Hammell Zach Rimbey
<i>Altar Guild</i>	Sue Dressel Judy Strobele	Margie Rung Carol Staffehl	Carol Boldt Barb Sonner
<i>Assisting Minister 8:30 am 10:30 am</i>	Joanne Offers Sue Dressel	Helena Blackwell Victoria McCarthy	Margie Webster Pam Bradford
<i>AV Tech 8:30 am 10:30 am</i>	Trevor Bley Scott Rimbey	Cora Blackwell Alyssa Boldt	Trevor Bley Scott Rimbey
<i>HC Assistant 8:30am 10:30am</i>	Diane Gibbs Pam Bradford	Joanne Offers Dale Deahn	Lisa Deahn Judy Strobele
<i>Council Rep 8:30am 10:30am</i>	Jen Blackwell Bob Vossler	Paul Fehringer Rachel Kittleseon	Jim Alpin Carol Boldt
<i>Greeters (10:30)</i>	Pauline Brown	Brenda Schmidt	Bob and Jodie Buchhardt
<i>Lector 8:30am 10:30am</i>	Monica Reding Sue Dressel	Kim Offers Victoria McCarthy	Helena Blackwell Sharlene Vossler
<i>Prayers 8:30 am 10:30 am</i>	Jim Alpin Sandi Bennett	Mike Sonner, Sr. Paul Rigerman	Ashley Bartz Chris Gross
<i>Children's Church 8:30 am 10:30am</i>	TBD Julie Tingue	TBD Julie Tingue	Janet Campana Ashley Bartz
<i>Ushers (10:30)</i>	Al Boldt Dale Deahn	Len & Sue Dressel	Kathy LaScala Carol Staffehl
<i>Coffee Hour 9:30</i>	VBS/Backpack Breakfast	Margie Webster	Angie Tavernier

11:30am-4:00pm Sunday, October 15
10:00am-4:00pm Saturday, October 14
11:00-8:00pm Friday, October 13

HOPE QUILT SHOW



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