

Hope Lutheran Church

Voice of Hope

July, 2018

Serving All Through Jesus Christ In Thought, Word and Deed.

Maker Fun Factory-Created by God, Built for a Purpose -- Vacation Bible School

When: Monday, July 30 – Thursday, August 2

Time: 9:00 am – 12:00 pm

For: Pre-School to 6th grade students

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(Scholarships are available from the Good Samaritan Fund –
Talk to Pastor Collette or Sue Chwala.)

Who: **ANYONE AND EVERYONE!!!**

Bring a friend and you and your friend will receive a **FREE**
gift!

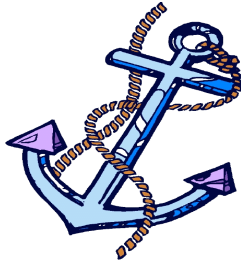
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FOR A REASON.**



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Worship Schedule

Thursday

6:30 pm

Sunday

8:00 am

9:30 am

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 Wisconsin

Church Council

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Voice of Hope Deadline

15th of each month.

Reflections From Pastor Collette

By Grace Alone

⁸⁻⁹ For it's by God's grace that you have been saved. You receive it through faith. It was not our plan or our effort. It is God's gift, pure and simple. You didn't earn it, not one of us did, so don't go around bragging that you must have done something amazing. ¹⁰ For we are the product of His hand, heaven's poetry etched on lives, created in the Anointed, Jesus, to accomplish the good works God arranged long ago. (Ephesians 2:8-10, The Voice)

Dear Hope Lutheran Church Family,

Greetings in the name of Jesus Christ! It is such a privilege to be able to write this as your new Pastor. I look forward to spending time with you and getting to know you, and serving Jesus alongside all of you. Both Mitch and I are very excited about the God possibilities at Hope Lutheran Church and in the community of Milton.

Soon we will be "setting up camp" at the Milton KOA for several weeks until we can move into our new home at, 326 Chicago Street in Milton (aka the parsonage of the United Methodist Church). I think our two pets are just glad to finally be off the road and no longer traveling across the countryside, beautiful though it may be. And even if living in our RV is not exactly ideal, it is nice to be able to say, we will soon be living at home in Milton.

Our days have been full of visits with friends and family since arriving in the Midwest. We also spent two days in Milton getting a post office box and storage facility for our belongings, visiting with staff at the church, sharing a meal with some Hope parishioners, and of course making a stop at the Milton Library. This past Saturday, June 9, I had the pleasure of officiating our daughter's wedding in Peoria, IL. It was an outdoor wedding and though the weather was hot it did not rain. We are now looking forward to celebrating the 150th anniversary of ministry with the Island United Methodist Church in Muscatine, Iowa where I served from 2010 to 2014. That said, I am ready to begin ministry, as is Mitch, with all of you at Hope Lutheran Church.

One of the things I enjoy is watching movies and when it's an exceptionally good one, I like watching it several times. The other night I had the chance to watch yet again one of my all time favorite movies, *The Chronicles of Narnia: The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe*. I just want to say, SPOILER ALERT for those of you who've not seen this movie yet. There are so many things I appreciate and enjoy about this movie, but there is one scene that gets to me every time. And each time I see it, there is something that seems to become more deeply embedded in my heart in a much deeper and deeper way; in a word it's, grace.

Aslan, the lion, is on the move and the sons of Adam and daughters of Eve have arrived in Narnia. The youngest of the 4 children, Lucy discovers Nar-

nia first and then intrigued by her story, her troublemaker brother Edmond follows her. On his visit to Narnia, Edmond encounters the white witch or Queen of Narnia as she calls herself and he is drawn away from the others. Peter, Susan, and Lucy must now find Edmond and get him back and they need Aslan's help to do it. There is a price to pay for Edmond's safe return and the white witch is determined to claim it. Aslan agrees to give up his life for Edmond's to appease the white witch. Susan and Lucy are witness to Aslan's death on the stone table. And while still grieving his death, they then become witnesses to his resurrection. They are stunned as to how this could happen and this is what Aslan tells them; "If the witch understood the true meaning of sacrifice, she might have interpreted the Deep Magic differently, for when a willing victim who has committed no treachery, dies in a traitor's stead, the stone table will crack and even death itself will turn backwards."

I am struck over and over again by the powerful message here of God's grace; undeserved and unmerited yet freely given to us all anyway. This scene causes me to reflect on how I've experienced God's grace in my own life and I am awed and amazed. I believe Hope Lutheran Church and the larger ELCA Lutheran Church are well positioned in Milton and in the world with a message of grace for a community and a world greatly in need of it.

So in the words of one of my favorite contemporary Christian music singers from his song, The Great Adventure:

Saddle up your horses, we've got a trail to blaze
 Through the wild blue yonder of God's amazing grace
 Let's follow our Leader into the glorious unknown
 This is the life like no other, this is the great adventure

By grace alone,
Pastor Collette

Hope Treasurer's Report	
Income & expense from Designated Offering does not pay normal operating expenses.	
May General Operating Income	\$21,315.00
May General Operating Expenses	\$22,016.89
Difference	(\$701.89)
YTD Operating Income	\$99,867.01
YTYD Operating Expense	\$105,007.12
Difference	(\$5,740.11)

Church Council

Community Outreach is looking for a liaison from Hope Lutheran Church to work with Faith Works Rock County (formerly Love Inc) in Janesville. Faith Works is a ministry partnering with local churches to help individuals and families who are in need. We are also in need of volunteers for the Food Pantry in Milton. We are only responsible for 2 hours every 6 weeks. If you are interested in serving in either capacity or have questions, please contact the church office or Jane Johns, 262-473-6263, 262-203-1346 or jane.johns517@gmail.com.

Help Wanted

Counter Needed. We are in need of one permanent counter for the 3rd week of each month. Counters, working in groups of 3, are responsible for counting donations from the previous week's worship, preparing a deposit for the bank, and inputting the information into the accounting program. Counters begin at 8:30 am on their scheduled Monday and are generally done between 9:30 and 10:00. If you are interested in becoming a counter, please contact Kirsten in the office, 868-3680. As always, we can use substitute counters as well if you aren't able to commit to once a month.

This summer the **Milton Food Pantry** will continue to serve families with school age children home for the summer with extra food items. They will be including snack items, breakfast and lunch items that are especially appealing to children. Please keep this in mind when you shop and contribute items for the Food Pantry this summer. These things for children are especially appreciated.

Baptized We Live



Emmerson Marie Wojtkunski, daughter of Matt and Cori Wojtkunski, was welcomed into the body of Christ through the waters of baptism on June 10th.

Please keep this new sister in Christ in your prayers.

Lutherdale Dinners at the Lake

Meals served 4:30 – 7:00 pm the last Friday of each month April – August.

Each week has a new theme and a new menu!

Adults \$16 Children 10 and under \$8

July 27th Summer BBQ

Slow Roasted Pork w/ Sweet Cherry Sauce, BBQ Chicken, Pork Belly Baked Beans, Corn on the Cob, Warm Apple Sauce, Fresh Cole Slaw, Potato Salad, Fresh Sliced Watermelon & Dessert

Hope's Happenings

HFFFFFF -We will not be dining out in July because of the holiday. If you have any suggestions of where we can go in August, or this fall, please call Marilyn Krause, 608-868-7939/608-751-2264. Thank you.

Ladies Night Out

Ladies Night Out continues to meet on the second Tuesday of the month at Jake's Junction Pub, 130 Merchant Row, Milton, from 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm. July 10th. No need to RSVP, just come if you can!! Cocktails, food, and even a good cup of coffee are available for purchase. Come and relax with us!

Men's Breakfast Group

First Tuesday of the month we meet at church for Bible study and coffee. On the third Tuesday we meet at Milton Family Restaurant for breakfast and discussion. July's meeting dates are the 3rd and 17th. If you have questions, please contact the church or Ron Parsons.

Thank You

Thanks For Everything

I would like to thank you for all the kindnesses and remembrances during my last few weeks as your interim at Hope. The potluck on June 3 was a wonderful event for my wife, Pam, and me. It was the perfect celebration of my forty years of ordained ministry as well. I would like to thank the congregation for the wonderful gifts that I received in appreciation—the beautiful engraved clock that will help me remember my “time” here, gift cards for restaurants, a gift certificate to the Overture Center for the Arts in Madison, and some other monetary gifts. I will be thanking individuals for their kind remembrances as well, but for now thanks to all who expressed their gratitude in this way.



As I have said before, your support of me along the way was great! I look forward to hearing great things about Hope in the future. I wish Pastor Collette well in her ministry, and the very best thing any interim pastor can have is a great following and success for the settled pastor.

I am only Norwegian by proxy (because my wife is), but there is a perfect phrase for communicating appreciation in Norwegian—Tak for alt—Thanks for everything!

Pastor Roger Black (and Pam)

SHY Mission trip participants would like to give thanks and appreciation to all those who donated to offset the cost of our trip. Two Thrivent Cards worth \$250.00 ea. generously applied for by Marie Benson and Janet Parr, which will help pay for our gas and other supplies. Monetary donations to help on traveling meals and incidentals. We will be back on Sunday to share our spiritual experiences with you all. Thanks

DATE	<u>Assisting Minister</u>	<u>Lector</u>	<u>Ushers</u>	<u>Communion Assistant</u>	<u>Altar Guild</u>	<u>Greeters</u>	<u>Sacristans</u>	<u>Bread for Both Services</u>
8:00 AM								
01-Jul	Karl Westlund	Sherry Wille	Ken Whitford Bob Gohde	Linda Blade	Sherry Barringer	Rob Malewicki	Denise Webb	Sandy Randall
08-Jul	Patrick Russell	Janet Arndt	Karl Westlund Les Hartzell	Penni Hoppe	Brian & Penni Hoppe Heidi Logterman	Cresswell Family	Lois Mengoni	Lois Mengoni
15-Jul	Stu Bloom	Eileen Hansing	Ron & Pat Parsons	Sarah Olson	Rob Malewicki	Bette Dabson	Larry & Evelyn Preston	Rob Malewicki
22-Jul	Marie Benson	Jordy Getchel	Dave Benson Al Astin	Pat Parsons	Marilyn Krause	Ron & Pat Parsons	Jake & Jeanette Koele	Marilyn Krause
29-Jul	Sherry Wille	Carol Polarski	Frank Maxwell Chuck Hansing	Tammy Russell	Marge Ware	Gary & Carole Anderson	Frank & Mary Maxwell	Marge Ware
05-Aug	Karl Westlund	Marie Benson	Bob Gohde Les Hartzell	Janet Arndt	Sarah Olson	Glenn & Jordy Getchel	Kristin Mathesius	Suzanne Mickelson

July 20

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY
1 8:00 am Worship 9:30 am Contemporary Worship	2	3 8:00 am Men's Bible Study @Hope	4 OFF
8 8:00 am Worship 9:30 am Contemporary Worship	9 6:00 Board of Education	10 1:30 pm Staff Meeting 7:00 pm Ladies Night Out	11
15 8:00 am Worship 9:30 am Contemporary Worship	16 6:30 Master Plan Committee	17 8:00 am Men's Bible Study @MFR 6:30 pm Church Council	18
22 8:00 am Worship 9:30 am Contemporary Worship	23	24 3:00 pm VBS Set up	25
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OFFICE CLOSED	5 6:30 pm Worship	6	7
	12 6:30 pm Worship	13	14
	19 6:30 pm Worship	20	21
	26 6:30 pm Worship	27	28 9:00 am VBS Set up
-Green	2 VBS-Gold/Yellow 6:30 pm Worship	3	4

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1-Jul	Donna Usher	Karen O'Rourke	Jake Koele	Rebecca Garber	Carmen Hume	Jake & Jeanette Koele	Denise Webb	Sandy Randall
8-Jul	Jen Watson	Julie Lebakken	Randy Lebakken	Claire Lebakken	Ken & Karen Holland	Arlene Miland	Lois Mengoni	Lois Mengoni
15-Jul	Paula Yanke	Brenda O'Beirne	Kevin Shea	Cliff O'Beirne	James Mickelson	Carmen Hume	Larry & Evelyn Preston	Rob Malewicki
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Volunteer for Vacation Bible School – Maker Fun Factory!

Many willing volunteers are needed for the week of VBS. Sign-up sheets are located in the narthex. Take a minute to sign up and be a part of this great mission at Hope. Call Jen Watson, VBS Coordinator, at 757-8322 or Sue Chwala 868-3680. Volunteer for: advertising, arts and crafts, snack preparation and kitchen, Bible stories, singing and music, recreation, group guides for each age group, decorating, clean-up, etc. Confirmation students and High school students are encouraged to volunteer for Vacation Bible School. Volunteering for VBS counts for Confirmation service hours and Silver Cord hours.

VBS Donations Wanted

Changing Hope Lutheran Church into the “Maker Fun Factory” requires lots of imagination - from Jen Watson, lots of helping hands – from volunteers, and lots of supplies – from the congregation! Please help by donating any of the following materials:

Decorating and Craft Supply Donations: plastic and metal coffee cans, cleaned -out non-sharp edged soup cans, bright colored plastic tablecloths, duct tape,

fishing line, colored plastic clothes pins, vibrant colors of spray paint, clear or white heavy-duty plastic 5' x 15' pieces, Poster Board putty, cardboard, Goodwill gift cards.

Snack/Food Donations: raisins, mini-marshmallows, teddy grahams, cheerios, animal crackers, goldfish crackers, grapes, blueberries, apples, 1 pound or larger blocks of cheddar & mozzarella cheese (we will be cutting it into cubes), pizza sauce, string cheese, small soft flour or corn tortillas, milk, apple juice, toothpicks, Kwik Trip or Woodman's gift cards.

Want to Borrow: Lincoln Logs, Tinker Toys, oscillating sprinkler, spray bottles

VBS Set-Up

Come to help change our church into "Maker Fun Factory!" Many hands are needed to decorate and set-up areas of Hope and Friendship Hall for Vacation Bible School. Come on Tuesday, July 24 from 3:00 – 5:00 pm, Saturday, July 28 from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm and Sunday, July 29 from 10:30 am until finished. Snacks &/or lunch provided. All Hope members are welcome to participate. Come for an hour, one day or all the days. Let us know if you will be participating and lending a hand, sign-up in the narthex, or call Jen Watson 757-8322 or Sue Chwala 868-3680.

Do you sew?

We're looking for someone to make the Confirmation Stoles. Caroline Britton has graciously been creating these beautiful stoles for many years for the 9th grade students for Confirmation Sunday. She is considering retiring and is willing to help the next "sewer" learn how it's done! She will sew this year's stoles and we want to have someone in line to carry on this tradition. Call Sue Chwala 868-3680 if you are interested and to learn more.

Acolytes

All Confirmation students are reminded to sign-up to acolyte as part of your expectations for Confirmation. Hope needs acolytes for worship services in July and August. Get a jump on your requirements by acolyting this summer. Sign-up in the narthex!

Notes from your Christian Education Coordinator

By Sue Chwala

Please prayerfully consider volunteering in Christian Education this year. We are seeking teachers, helpers and Small Group Leaders for Pre-K to 8th grade. Hope especially needs people willing to work with the Wednesday LRE classes. We are willing to work with your schedule! Sign-up to help every class time, once a month, every second Wednesday for instance, or for a month at a time, or for a unit. Call me and we can set-up times that will be best for you. All volunteers work together as a team for each class; materials and training are provided; and you can set your own schedule to help. Call Sue Chwala, 868-3680 or email sue@hopemilton.org to make a difference in the life of our children at Hope.

Christian Education Calendar

9th Grade Confirmation

July 1, Sun. *Adult Mentors 2nd letter due to Hope office*
July 18, Wed. Students Mentor Letter due to Hope office
Aug. 5, Sun. *Adult Mentors 3rd letter due to Hope office*
May to August Summer service hours to Hope and Community
July to August Family Conferences with Pastor

Vacation Bible School – Maker Fun Factory

July 24, Tues. - 3:00-5:00 pm Set-Up & Decorating
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July 30 – August 2 – 9:00 am to 12:00 pm Vacation Bible School

Complete the Kit

We have once again been awarded a Thrivent Action Team grant to complete baby care kits for Lutheran World Relief. It will allow us to purchase a case of cloth diapers (20 dozen). This will be enough to make 60 baby care kits. Two local knitting groups, Riverview Heights Knitters and Fairweather Stitchers, are providing sweaters and hats again. Flannel receiving blankets and diaper pins have also been donated. Our goal is to complete the kit by supplying the rest of the items needed for the kit.

In the back of the church there are paper bags with instructions to complete the kit. The items needed, which should range in size from 6-24 months, are:

TWO lightweight cotton t-shirts (no Onesies ®)
TWO long- or short-sleeved gowns, two piece outfits or sleepers (without feet)
TWO pairs of socks
ONE hand towel, dark color recommended
TWO 4 oz. or THREE 3 oz. bath-size bars of **gentle** soap, any brand, in original wrapping; no mini or hotel size bars

Items must not have any religious symbols, messages, your group's name, U.S. flags, patriotic or military symbols, or references to the armed forces, including camouflage.

Feel free to pair up with someone to complete a kit or just bring in an item or two and place in the container provided if you prefer not to complete a whole kit.

We are also in need of cardboard boxes to pack the kits for shipping. Items will be collected in June and July.

If you have questions, please contact Jane Johns, 262-473-6263 or jane.johns517@gmail.com. Thank you for your support of this project.



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| 2 | Sandy Berge, Mike Fredrick,
Grady Hergert | 20 | Joyce Box, Dane Nelson |
| 3 | Nichole Williams, | 21 | Barbara Matthews, Jeremy
Woodcock |
| 4 | Meghan Gasser, Bette Dabson | 22 | Lisa Heinen, Karen Puerner,
Danielle Heitsman |
| 5 | Quinn Vegter, Sharon Hensley | 23 | Les Hanson, Shannon
O'Rourke |
| 6 | Iyla Labansky | 24 | Vern Klitzke |
| 7 | Nancy J. Anderson, Cody Anderson | 25 | Mark Muth, Sandy Keeser,
Talia Graff |
| 9 | Sandra McShane, Kyle Kolloff
Madalyn Ellefson | 26 | Olivia DeRemer, Sydney
Watson |
| 10 | Ryley Thippayoth | 27 | Jason Berthiaume, Carrie
Turk, Eric DeWilde, Lindsay
Shefka |
| 11 | Carol Hulburt | 29 | Katrina Henry, Abbigail Klenz |
| 12 | Nicole Fladhammer, Ed Nicolaus,
Katy Ellefson, Lindsay Hergert | 30 | Chuck Hansing, Laurie
Kersten, Bob Willett,
Michael Gransee |
| 13 | Carol Hill, James Mickelson | 31 | Bill Storm, Kashton Labansky |
| 15 | Dawn Jensen, Brandon Benson,
Jadyn Graff | | |
| 17 | Phil Johns | | |
| 18 | Jeff Hansing | | |
| 19 | Renee Kolloff | | |

Special Birthday Wishes to

	Bette Dabson	July 4
	Nancy Anderson	July 7
	Ed Nicolaus	July 12
	Carol Hill	July 13
	Joyce Box	July 20
	LaVerne Klitzke	July 24
	Bob Willett	July 30

CHURCH STAFF

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Brinda & Kevin Shea

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MISSION STATEMENT***

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