
Hope's Newsletter

"To Know Christ And To Make Him Known"

A Message From Pastor

The readings for the summer offer us plenty of food for thought and prayerful growth. From the Gospel readings, we learn what it means to be a disciple. Several parables challenge us to understand what it means to be planted in fertile ground and to avoid the rocks, birds, and thorny weeds that may distract us from following Jesus.

Lutherans usually read Hebrew (Old Testament) texts that match the Gospel reading, so we read from here and there in the Hebrew Bible. Another option is for us to read sequentially from the Hebrew texts, so this summer we will read some of the stories of Abraham and Sarah; Isaac and Rebecca; Jacob and Rachel and Leah; Joseph and his brothers; and Moses.

We will take this opportunity to learn from these biblical persons

and stories how to be faithful disciples in our time and place. These stories are ancient and timeless, filled with wisdom and experience for all of us, of all ages.



Since we will not be able to read every part of every story, I

suggest you take time during the week to fill in the blanks by reading along in Genesis and Exodus, and in the middle section of the Gospel of Matthew. The readings for next week are always on the back of the bulletin. (Did you know that ☺!?) Your Sunday listening may be enhanced by this preparation.

In HOPE
Pastor Lynn

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Kiwanis Bowling For Books

While this is not a Hope project, we have a lot of bowlers who may be interested in this event, and we hope to have a few Hope teams present.

The Kiwanis Club of Central Ridge – Crystal River (of which Pastor Lynn is a member) is sponsoring a bowlathon to raise funds for books for preschool and kindergarten children. The books will be given to children at Reading Is Fundamental and Tales for Tots programs at several Citrus County elementary schools sponsored by the club.

Bowling for Books is at 3pm on

Sunday, August 21, at Manatee Lanes in Crystal River. Teams of 3-4 will be able to bowl 3 games and rent shoes for a donation of \$15. Contact Pastor Lynn for tickets or more information.

In addition, new or gently loved books for ages 3-6 may be donated and left in Pastor Lynn's office.

Dollars And Sense From The Treasurer's Desk

<u>Date</u>	<u>Communion Attendance</u>	May 2011	
		<u>Regular</u>	<u>Income</u>
May 1	75		3,734.10
May 8	68		2,448.00
May 15	72		2,307.00
May 22	78		1,654.00
May 29	72		1,408.00

Total Inflows: \$ 12,801.88

Total Outflows: \$ 14,531.76

The full financial statement is in Luther Hall.

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Air Conditioner Theft Deterrent

With the spate of recent air conditioner robberies in Citrus and Marion Counties, the Church Council gave permission for the Property Committee to have air conditioner guards with locks installed over our 10 air conditioners. Thieves have been dismantling the air conditioners to remove the very small amount of copper. In doing so, the thieves ruin the air conditioner and they, and the air handler must be replaced. Replacement estimate for our air conditioners would be

about \$60,000. The welded straps cost us \$5024. The guards can be removed for air conditioner servicing. The custom welding and installation was completed by Brumby Welding. If you want more information, contact Property Chairmen, Vic Kahler at 465-4182.

Members Who Are Homebound or Residing in Care Facilities

Johanna Barrett – Home

Ginny Cameron – Home

Jeannette Carnie — Life Care, Lecanto

Sebastian D’Auria – Home

Roy Deck – Hampton Manor West,
Dunnellon

Joan Layton – Home

Joe Rovin – Home

Helen Savinsky – Cedar Creek, Crystal
River

Dorothy Scianna – Crystal Gem Manor,
Crystal River

Karen Summers – Home

Ruby Wagner – Barrington Place

Hope’s History Trivia

On May 18, 1980, a congregational vote to adopt and purchase the new (copyright 1978) Lutheran Book of Worship (LBW) failed to pass a 2/3 majority, with a vote of 83-70. On October 12, 1980, a congregational vote to purchase the LBW passed with a simple majority of 87-80. 183 copies were donated. In addition, approximately 50 members purchased their own copies.

Thanks to:

- Everyone involved in VBS
- Russ and Connie DeTeurk Telfer for a large print hymnal
- Those who so regularly provide yummy treats after worship
- Those who staff our nursery and take care that the busy bags for older children are fresh

Thank you

Thanks to everyone for their assistance in sharing their time, effort, and materials to make our Vacation Bible School a success:

Sue Hovis & Aida Diaz for daily refreshments, Judy Kasco & Vivian Matthews for the craft activities, Deacon John Chiappetta for games, and Pastor Lynn & Pastor Ed for both the beginning and ending presentations. Thanks, too, to Joey, Tanner, and Anthony for their willing hands to assist wherever needed.

All donated and loaned supplies will be stored in classroom # 3. You may collect your loaned materials there.

Again thank you for your support of God's smallest and most devoted servants, his children.

In God's Service,
Donna Wilker
VBS Director

It's Hot, Hot, Hot!

Summer came early this year and the electric bill shows it. Our electric bill jumped by \$121.55 to \$770.77. Please conserve where possible.

Hope's History Trivia

- Hope Lutheran Church Woman was organized December 4th, 1973.
- The Men's Group was organized at their first breakfast meeting January 28, 1976.

Family Members in the Military

We remember & pray for those who protect our liberty by serving in the military.

Ginny Cameron's grandson:
Tech Sergeant John Edward Werner

John & Margarita Chiappetta's son:
Luis Jimenez

Janet Esworthy's nephew:
Major Marc Orndorff

Joan Klotz's two grandsons:
Brian Lucas and Kevin Lucas

Vivian Matthews' granddaughter:
Capt. Kari Matthews

Edith Regan's daughter:
Storekeeper Chief Phyllis Thomas

Please let the church office know of others we can add to this list.

Bibles and Translations

2011 marks the 400th anniversary of the King James Bible. It was begun in 1604 and completed in 1611. This was the third official translation from the Greek and Hebrew text. The first translation was the **Great Bible** in the reign of King Henry VIII and the second was **The Bishops Bible** of 1568.

There have been many translations since with slight differences in the wording. For comparison, using the familiar St. John 10:14 verse:

St. James version: "I am the good shepherd and know my sheep, and am known of mine."

The Good News for Modern Man: "I am the good shepherd. As the Father knows me and I know the Father, in the same way I know my sheep and they know me."

Revised Standard version: "I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me."

The New English Bible: "I am the good shepherd; I know my own sheep and my sheep know me."

The Message: "I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd put the sheep before himself, sacrifices himself if necessary."

From my confirmation bible of an unknown version: "I am the good shepherd, and know my sheep, and am known of mine."

The message is the same. What version of the bible are you reading?

Youth Group Sale - September 10

Our Youth Group is growing so we need to raise money to keep the cost of our activities down.

Bring any donations except clothes to the church for our rummage sale. Please mark them SALE so we can store them.

If you need someone to pick up items please call Sue Hovis or Kim Serrano.

Thanks for your continued support.
Sue Hovis

Angel Food Distribution for May 21

Truckers Dick Regan and Steve Kasco picked up the Angel Food orders and they were distributed by Pat Kessel, Kim Serrano, Tanner Serrano, Jim Earl, and Vic Kahler.

Many thanks for a successful distribution.
Council Liaison
Victor Kahler

40th Anniversary Celebrations

Forty years ago, on the day of Pentecost, May 21, 1972, Hope was chartered as a congregation of the Lutheran Church of America. This anniversary is cause for great celebration. How shall we celebrate? How many ways can we use multiples of 40?

Diane Kahler has agreed to temporarily chair a committee. This committee will oversee a large celebration in 2012. It could also oversee and coordinate many smaller events. Four to six people on the committee would mean each person had some but not all the work. Please volunteer your time and talent for this committee.

At the May 11 meeting, Hope's Council voted to permit small groups to plan and

carry out events throughout the next year without needing the prior consent of council. If you or your small group has some good ideas, please share them with Diane, and make sure your event is not competing with other events already on the calendar.

As usual, fundraisers for special ministries would need the consent of Hope's council.

In Hope
Pastor Lynn & Diane Kahler

Thank you from Vic

The property committee has been working hard at keeping the grounds clean. I would like to thank Kelly Murphy, Dick Regan,

Jim Earl, Tom Knipe, and Steve Northsea for 33 hrs hours of help since our last report.

Victor Kahler, Property Chairman

Thrivent Advocate

Hope really needs a person, or two, or three to make sure we know how to access our share of Thrivent funds available for ministry in our name.

An Advocate can be either a benefit member of Thrivent or an Associate member. Benefit members own one or more Thrivent financial products. Associates can join for only \$20/year.

The key responsibility is communication, within the congregation, and between the congregation and the Chapter board.

A congregation may have up to 8 Advocates. Currently, Pastor Lynn is the only Thrivent Advocate. If you are able to help, it would be greatly appreciated.

Please contact Pastor Lynn for more information or to offer your assistance.

Sunday's Altar Flowers

Every Sunday we have fresh flowers on the altar to the glory of God and in memory or honor of someone(s).

The cost of each arrangement is \$13. Sign up sheet for altar flowers is by the window in Luther Hall by the coffee counter. Near the chart there are forms to use so Kelly can include your memorial or honorarium in the bulletin. Please allow at least 2 weeks prior to the date for your flowers. Just sign up on the chart for the week you want and fill out the information on the sheet and either place

it on Kelly's desk or put in the offering plate along with a check..

You have the option of taking the flowers or donating them to the sick and those in care facilities. By doing this you not only honor or memorialize those that you love but you also give the glory to God. Please think about this donation. It will be recorded on your donation record to the church.

The Altar Committee.

First Saturday

First Saturday was attended by Monica Seeger, Diane Kahler, and Vic Kahler. There were a few people with tables in our area. We handed out Angel Food pamphlets and daily prayer booklets for June, July, and

August. We had one prayer request. Thanks to Monica and Diane for helping.

Vic Kahler

Thrivent Night At The Ballpark!

Join us for a wonderful afternoon as we cheer on the Tampa Bay Rays. This is a Care in Regions Fund-raiser with Thrivent Financial for Lutherans to benefit Luther Springs Camp.

The tickets are \$20.00 for "Tickets Only" or \$30.00 for "Bus and Ticket" \$5.00 of every ticket will be used to benefit the fundraiser for Luther Springs Camp. See Diane Kahler for more information.

Tampa Bay Rays vs. Seattle Mariners
Saturday, August 20, 2011 at 4:10 p.m.
Tropicana Field, St. Petersburg, FL

Known Birthdays and Anniversaries in July

Birthdays

2 Casey Gaylarde
7 Judy Thomason-Kasco
14 Len Kowalsky
Helen Savinsky
15 Anthony Diaz
18 Diane Kahler
Marge Maschino
19 Monica Seeger
24 Barbara Stetson



25 Anita O'Donnell
Fred Seeger
28 George Larson
29 Edna Zent
31 Joan Layton

Anniversaries

17 Dave & Judy Howe (31)
19 Don & Wanda Copple (31)

Those Assisting in Worship for July

Communion Assistants and Acolytes

3—Jackie Dean/Renate Wilms-Rovin
10—Dee Forsyth/Lynn Polack
17—Deacon John Chiappetta/Brian Whittler
24—Steven Penn/Jacob Penn
31—Casey Gaylarado/Renate Wilms-Rovin

Assisting Ministers

Deacon John Chiappetta
Diane Kahler
Steve Northsea
Ted Polack
Ryan Towne
Renate Wilms-Rovin

Altar Guild

Margaret DeWalt
Margarita Chiappetta
Diane Kahler

Guest Greeter

Kay Schaller

Nursery

3—Janice Pitre
10—Judy Thomason-Kasco
17—Sue Hovis
24—Ann Becwar
31— TBA

Greeters

Dick Regan
Carole Warden

Lay Readers

3—TBA
10—John Chiappetta
17—Dee Forsyth
24—Carole Warden
31—Ryan Towne

Ushers for the Month

Lynn & Ted Polack



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		<h1>July 2011</h1>			1	2
3 Communion 8:00 Adult Bible Study 9:30 Worship 10:45 Fellowship 2:00 Deeper Life in L.H.	4 Office Closed 4th of July	5	6 1:00 Art Group	7	8	9
10 Communion 8:00 Adult Bible Study 9:30 Worship 10:45 Fellowship 2:00 Deeper Life in L.H.	11	12	13 1:00 Art Group 2:30 Council Mtg	14	15	16
17 Communion 8:00 Christian Ed. Mtg 9:30 Worship 10:45 Fellowship 2:00 Deeper Life in L.H.	18	19	20 10:00 Worship & Music Mtg 1:00 Art Group	21	22	23
24 Communion 8:00 Adult Bible Study 9:30 Worship 10:45 Fellowship 2:00 Deeper Life in L.H.	25	26	27 1:00 Art Group	28	29	30 10:30 Angel Food Distribution
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