

Mission Moments

September, 2015 | **Monthly Newsletter of Hope Lutheran Church** | Wake Forest, NC

LIVING THE WORD – FAMILY STYLE!

“How’s your family?” We often ask that question of people whom we care about, right? We want to know that their loved ones – those nearest and dearest to them – are safe and sound, healthy and happy.

In August and September, we’re focusing on our Christian homes and families in some special ways here at Hope.

- Our “Living the Word” sermon series is challenging us to apply the Ten Commandments in the everyday life of our Christian homes.
- We’ve been sending home family devotions each week, and encouraging Hope families of all ages and sizes to spend time in the Word and in prayer together.
- Many of our families have been having fun with our “Little Luther” project, taking pictures of their family members using their time and talents for the Lord Jesus.
- Our Children’s Mission Offering envelopes are giving the kids of our congregation a chance to provide a water buffalo, to help out a needy family overseas.
- Sunday School classes for children, youth, and adults have begun for the fall already, and Confirmation classes begin early this month.

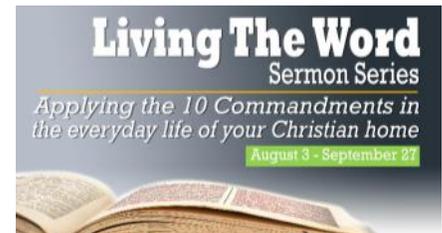
“How’s your family?” I want to encourage you to give your family some special emphasis this month. Join in the family-centered activities and worship services at Hope, and find other ways to keep strengthening and building up the spiritual life of your family.

May God bless your family in powerful ways this month, and bless our Hope family, too!

In Christ,

Pastor Wayne Puls

Pastor Wayne Puls
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LIVING THE WORD SERMON SERIES

Through September 27

Applying the Ten Commandments in the every day lives of your Christian home.



WEEKLY FAMILY DEVOTIONS

Through September 27

Take-home family-friendly resources will be handed out each week for use in your home.



CHILDREN'S MISSION OFFERING

Through September 27

Children of Hope, share some of your blessings to help support a special mission project overseas (water buffalo), and to plant a beautiful “mission bush” here at Hope.

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WEEKEND WORSHIP SERVICES

Saturday at 5:30PM
Sunday at 8:30AM & 11:00AM

*Nursery and Children's Church
provided at all services*

SUNDAY CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Sunday School for
ages 3 – grade 4
Youth Bible Classes for
grades 5 – 12
Adult Bible Studies

*Nursery and beginning
Sunday School provided for
ages 2 and under.*

WEDNESDAY NIGHT ALIVE

Begins September 9, 2015

5:30 – 6:15: Dinner
5:30 – 6:30: Youth Praise Team
5:30 – 6:30: Beg. Handbells
5:50 – 6:25: Children's Choir
6:00 – 6:30: Youth Handbells
6:30-7:45: Adult Handbell Choir
6:30 – 7:30: Children, Youth,
and Adult Education
7:45 – 9:00: Senior Choir

LABOR DAY CLOSINGS

The Church Office, Preschool, Little Blessings, and Xplore Track Out Camp will be closed on Monday, September 7 in observance of the Labor Day Holiday.

THANK YOU FROM PASTOR C!

Thank you people of Hope for all the kind cards and well wishes for my 10th anniversary in ministry. It was an honor to serve at Hope for 8 of those 10 years plus one vicarage year! I will never forget the blessing you were to my family and I while serving there. I pray only the best for Hope and it's ministry. May God continue to bless your ministry and may many come to know the love of Christ Jesus our Lord because of your work.

Thank you again for your kindness and may God's light shine brightly through you as you proclaim and live the love of Christ, doing whatever it takes for the sake of God's Kingdom.

In Christ,
Pastor C

JUST FOR MEN MEN'S BOWLING NIGHT

Men, you are invited to Brook Street Bowling on Tuesday, September 8 from 7:00-9:00PM for a night of fellowship and of course, bowling! Cost is \$7.00 for shoes and two games plus food and drinks. Plan to meet at Brook Street at 7:00. Bowling begins at 7:30. Sign up at the Welcome Desk in the Narthex.

WHITE STREET TRIVIA NIGHT

Every Wednesday night from 7:00-9:00 PM, White Street Brewery in downtown Wake Forest hosts a trivia night. If you are interested in joining other men from Hope on September 23 for this event, email Mike Siderio at Mike.Siderio@msiderio@fmrealty.com.

UNC VS DUKE FOOTBALL GAME

A group of men from Hope will be attending the game in Chapel Hill on November 7. Stay tuned for details!

MEN'S WEEKEND RETREAT

Planned for March/April 2016. Look for more information soon.



Kick-off a new season of Wednesday Night Alive at Hope with hot dogs, hamburgers, coleslaw, potato salad and fresh, hot doughnuts!

Activities and a special treat for the kids.

Register in the Narthex, online, or by calling the Church office at 919-554-8109.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT ALIVE

Beginning September 9, WNA is Hope's midweek ministry opportunity for all ages to gather for dinner, Bible study, Confirmation, fellowship, and fun.

SEPTEMBER DINNER MENU

Homemade, high-quality dinners will be served Wednesday evenings from 5:30-6:15PM with themed activities for the kids. Sign up in the Narthex, online, or by calling the Church office at 919-554-8109. Cost is \$6/adults & youth 11 and older, \$3/children ages 5-10, children under 5 free (\$22 family max).

- **9/9 - Outdoor Picnic:** Enjoy one of the last summer evenings at Hope with hot dogs, hamburgers, coleslaw, potato salad and fresh baked doughnuts! The picnic will be served outside with fun activities for the kids.
- **9/16 - South Of The Border:** Tacos, tortilla chips with salsa, sour cream, and Mexican corn.
- **9/23 - Breakfast for Dinner:** Hot, fluffy, homemade pancakes with sausage. A favorite dinner sure to please kids of all ages!
- **9/30 - Family Game Night:** Chicken fingers, macaroni & cheese, green beans, salad, and dessert. Come play your favorite board/card games and hang out with your Hope family!

MUSIC MINISTRY

5:30pm-6:00pm; **Beginner Handbells**

5:50pm-6:25pm; **Children's Choir**

6:00pm-6:30pm; **Youth Handbells**

6:30pm-7:30pm; **Adult Handbells**

7:45pm-9:15pm; **Senior Choir**

(See page 6 to learn how to join a choir!)

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

6:30-7:30PM

Nursery (0-2 yrs) in the Nursery

Kids Connect (3-K yrs) in the Nursery

Kingdom Kids (1&2 Grades) in the Preschool

FLASH (3&4 Grades) in the Children's Center

ADULT STUDIES

6:30-7:30PM

Do We All Worship The Same God?

(See page 7 for class descriptions)

YOUTH MINISTRY

6:30-7:30PM

Confirmation Group on the Adult Ed. Floor

Middle School Youth (7&8 Grades) in the Youth Cntr.

High School Youth (9-12 Grades) meet Sunday Nights



Be Refreshed

Women's Retreat

November 13-15, 2015

Shell Island Resort @ Wrightsville Beach

www.hopelutheranwf.org

This year, women will journey through the psalms of the Bible, studying the different kinds of songs, poems, and psalms that have inspired people for centuries. Participants will leave with a fresh approach to prayer that will grow their faith throughout the months to come.

Visit www.hopelutheranwf.org to learn about pricing, agenda, or to register!

WEDNESDAY GAL'S BIBLE STUDY

Wednesday, September 2 at 9:15AM

The group is beginning a new study, *What Love Is*, by Kelly Minter. The 7-week study of 1, 2, & 3 John, encourages you to remain faithful to the truth by looking at contrasting themes such as, walking in the light instead of darkness, truth versus lies, and the meaning of true community rather than shallowness. If you have been thinking about joining a Bible study, now is a great time! The actual study will begin September 30 to give everyone time to order their books. Questions? Contact Claudia Van Hook at 717-579-2077.

CARDS AT HOPE

BRIDGE GROUP

September 14 at 1:00PM & September 28 at 10:00AM

If you plan to come, please notify Betty McAlear at bmcalear@nc.rr.com or call 919-554-9081. New Players are always welcome!

PINOCHLE GROUP

September 7 & September 21 at 1:00PM at Hope

Contact Darlene McKenney at 919-389-5422 or darmckenney@embarqmail.com or Rose Spencer at rospencer99@hotmail.com if you plan to play. All skill levels welcome!

CAREGIVERS SUPPORT GROUP

Tuesday, September 15 at 6:00PM

Do you have or know someone that is struggling with Alzheimer's or Dementia? Do you often feel lost, lonely, or that you can't hang on? Or just wish you had someone you could talk with?

Please join the Caregivers Support Group to get support, ideas, and comfort from others who are going through similar issues. We can learn as well as get the support and uplifting that is needed around these diagnoses. Questions? Contact Ruth Lassiter at ruthlassiter@yahoo.com or 919-270-9824.

UNITED MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

If you are a married couple, please prayerfully consider attending the United Marriage Encounter weekend which will be held in Raleigh on November 13-15, 2015. It is a Christ-centered weekend, complete with speakers focused on different aspects of marriage with time for private conversations with your spouse. Visit www.unitedmarriage.org to read more about it or email John and Elaine Willers, members of Hope, at elainemwillers@gmail.com.

NIFTY NEEDLE- WORKERS OF HOPE

The Nifty Needleworkers of Hope (Seam Team, Threads of Hope, and Hand Quilters) held two successful workshops during the summer and are busy preparing for the fall craft sale (weekends of October 4 & 11).

Our groups make quilts for baptisms at Hope, Lutheran World Relief, mission trips, the VA hospital, and other charities. We recently donated 40 quilts to the Agape Kure Beach Retreat Center for their bunk beds and donated a quilt to a recent Habitat for Humanity recipient. The Threads of Hope ladies knit and crochet prayer shawls and lap robes that are given to those in need of comfort and support during difficult times.

You're Invited! The Hand Quilters meet every Tuesday at 6:00PM in the Youth Center. The entire group meets on the third Tuesday of the month at 6:00PM in the Youth Center and the third Thursday of the month from 10:00AM-2:00PM in the Confirmation Center. If you would like more information about our groups, or would like to donate craft items, contact Betty McAlear at 919-554-9081 or bmcalear@nc.rr.com.



MUSIC MINISTRY @ HOPE

Music Ministry of Hope Lutheran Church consists of Handbell Choirs, Vocal Choirs, and Praise Teams and is presented through a variety of medleys, composers, and styles.

VOCAL CHOIR INVITATION

Everyone is encouraged and invited to explore one of the vocal choirs Hope offers for children and adults. This is a wonderful way to meet new people, fellowship together, and share your musical gifts. Our mission is to share the love of Christ by engaging and inspiring all singers to come together and glorify God's Name as we bring meaningful music to the worshiping life of the congregation and the Hope Community.

The Senior Choir is a wonderful group of talented singers who come from a diverse musical background and enhance our worship experiences with their musical gifts. The choir is open to all adults who are interested in exploring the joy Hope's Choir brings to our worship. This Choir presents a **Cantata during Advent each year and rehearsals begin this year on September 16 from 7:45-9:15PM**. If you are interested in being a part of Choir this fall or a part of the "Cantata Choir" please contact the Choir Director, Rob Varner at rww912@gmail.com.

The Children's Choir is open to all 2 – 6 graders who are excited about sharing the joys of singing with each other and our congregation. We gather each Wednesday from 5:50 to 6:25 pm where the children explore the world of music by singing different musical styles, preparing music for worship, and learn how to follow music and musical notation. The choristers sing in worship throughout the church year. We are excited to announce that the Children's Choir will be again a part of the Cantata this year.

Rehearsal Schedule:

- **Senior Choir:** Wednesday Evenings at 7:45 – 9:15PM in the Choir Loft. First rehearsal is September 2 at 7:00 PM.
- **Children's Choir:** Wednesday Evenings 5:50-6:25PM on the Adult Education Floor, room 300. First Rehearsal is September 9.

HANDBELLS AT HOPE

September is back to ringing handbells month! You, too, can be a ringer! Adults, youth, and children are invited to attend rehearsals anytime. Handbells meet in the 'Bell Area' on the left side of the Sanctuary on Wednesday evenings. For more information contact Kathy Vockeroth, Handbell Director, 919-876-4329 or kvock@bellsouth.net.

Adult Handbell Choir is for adults and youth, grade 9 & up. Rehearsals are Wednesday evenings at 6:30PM beginning **September 9**.

Youth Handbell Choir is for youth in grades 3 - 8 who have Handbell experience. Rehearsals are Wednesday evenings at 6:00PM beginning **September 9**.

Beginner Handbell Choir is for youth in grade 3 & up who have never rung Handbells. Rehearsals are Wednesday at 5:30PM beginning **September 9**.

Youth Praise Team Information Session Wednesday, September 16 at 5:30PM

Open to youth in grades 6-12.
See page 11 for more information!

ADULT EDUCATION

Sunday Mornings, 9:45-10:45am; Visitors welcome!

THE SIXTH COMMANDMENT: WHAT DOES GOD REALLY REQUIRE?

September 6 - One Session Only

Leader: Pastor Lineberger

Location: Adult Education Floor, room 301

Turn on the TV, go on-line, or open a magazine and it doesn't take long to see that we live in a hyper-sexual world. Our views of what is appropriate when it comes to such things may have changed but what about God's view? What does He really require regarding the Sixth Commandment? Is it just for married folks or for all people? Join the discussion and find out!

NEW MEMBER CLASS

September 13- November 1

Location: Adult Education Floor, room 301

Leaders: Pastor Puls & Pastor Puls

All persons interested in learning more about Hope, or transferring their membership from another Lutheran church, are first invited to attend Hope's new member class. This class offers an opportunity to connect with new people and learn more about the mission and vision of Hope.

ISAIAH

September 13 - November 22

Location: Adult Education Floor, room 300

Leaders: Sandy Stokes

The Hebrew meaning of Isaiah's name summarizes his message: The Lord saves. Isaiah's prophecy alternates between promises of judgement and restoration, continually reminding us of the magnitude of humanity's sin, the judgement that all deserve, and the God who displays his saving glory. Join this fast paced 11 week study and learn more about the great book of Isaiah!

REGRETS, REALITY, AND RESTORATION

September 13- October 4

Location: Adult Education Floor, room 302

Leader: Dan Baker

The truth is life is full of regrets. What do we do when the condemning memory of past offenses won't be silenced? Is there a way out? Regrets, Reality, and Restoration shows there is, by sharing the life stories of those who have found resolution and victory over the heartache of their pasts.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT ALIVE

DO WE ALL WORSHIP THE SAME GOD?

September 9- September 30

Location: Adult Education Floor, room 300

Leaders: Pastor Lew

Hinduism, Islam, Judaism, Buddhism, Christianity - are these religions just different paths to the same destination? What right to you have to claim your beliefs are true but mine are not? Don't absolute truth claims lead to violence and religious extremism? Questions like these are common in our culture. So what does this mean for Christians? How should we defend the God of the Bible? Join the discussion and find out!



OUTREACH & MISSION MINISTRIES

11TH ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

September 20 at 2:00PM shotgun start
at Falls Village Golf Club

Tee off for a good cause! Registration is open at www.hopelutheranwf.org for Hope's 11th Annual Golf Tournament. An \$85 entry fee will buy you 18 holes of golf at Falls Village Golf Club, dinner, a chance to win prizes and don't forget, a shot at getting your name on the Hope Cup! Space is limited to 80 players so reserve your spot soon! Questions? Contact Annette Phillips at Annette.I.phillips@gsk.com.

- **Are you a Business Owner?** We would like to talk to you! Hope is looking for businesses to partner with us, promote your business while raising money for the Missions Ministry.
- **Not A Golfer?** If you're not a golfer but would still like to be involved, volunteers are needed at the event. Contact Don Yakopcic at Donald.yakopcic@earthlink.net to volunteer!

GUATEMALA TEAM UPDATE

Hope team prepares to leave for Guatemala!

Our team of 11 Hope members are very excited about our upcoming trip to Guatemala Saturday, September 5-Saturday September 12! We have been meeting monthly

since February to get prepared. Our team includes four enthusiastic teenagers. Two of us will be making our first trip to Guatemala, while the others have been before. We are excited to spend quality time with the Guatemala Missionaries and to share hope and the word of God with many children and adults. We sincerely thank you for all your support, and would appreciate your prayers as we embark on this mission.

BROWN BAG

School is back in session! Please help Brown Bag continue to keep kids in Wake Forest well fed. For the month of September we are collecting individual bags of chip and pretzels, and cheese and crackers packages. These help round out healthy lunches for the kids. Donations may be placed in the Brown Bag box in the narthex. Join us on September 19th at 11 am. We will meet in the area by the kitchen to make lunches. Questions? Please contact Nancy Repak at kapernan@gmail.com.



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GOLF TOURNAMENT

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BACKPACK DONATIONS THANK YOU!

Hope partnered for the second year with Friendship Chapel Baptist Church to provide backpacks to local children on “Back to School Fun Day” on Saturday, August 15. The children gathered at Hope House for games and a hotdog lunch before receiving their backpacks - filled with school supplies. Thanks to all who donated a backpack. Over 125 children received a backpack!!

TOUCHED BY HOPE

5th Annual Free Medical Clinic on November 7 from 8:00AM - 1:00PM

Touched By Hope is a free medical clinic at Hope open to anyone in need of medical, dental, or vision services. Mark your calendar now, hundreds of volunteers and donations are needed!

HOPECHEST THANK YOU!

Thank you for supporting the August HopeChest event! The people of Hope generously donated their gently used clothing and housewares to help local families in need.

The guests attending were shopping for over 350 family members! Also, *THANK YOU* to all the volunteers who donated their time folding, sorting, organizing, and helping shoppers. A special thank you to the MOH members who stayed after their monthly meeting to assist shoppers.



CELEBRATING GIFTS & GIVERS

Weekly Services	Attendance	Offerings	Special Gifts
July 25-26, 2015	691 (175, 200, 691)	\$17,608.00	Building Fund: \$2,369.90
August 1-2 2015	635 (144, 205, 635)	\$20,374.82	Brown Bag Ministry: \$84.00
August 8-9, 2015	722 (171, 238, 313)	\$17,808.00	Thrivent Choice: \$1,165.00
August 15-16, 2015	682 (138, 239, 305)	\$26,289.36	Alms Fund: \$200.00
August 22-23, 2015	732 (155, 262, 315)	\$20,211.00	Children’s Mission Fund \$732.11

ATTENTION THRIVENT MEMBERS

All Thrivent Members should have received a postcard from Thrivent Financial announcing the Capital NC Chapter Thrivent Member Appreciation Day on Sunday, October 11, at Pullen Park in Raleigh from 12-4PM. This will be the last Member Appreciation Day, since the Capital NC Chapter will dissolve the beginning of 2016.

Thrivent members will gather at the Carousel Pavilion in Pullen Park. There will be free food and free ride tickets for the attractions at Pullen Park. Although not advertised on the postcard, those Thrivent members who attend will also receive a free booklet of State Fair ride tickets as a bonus.

There will also be information available on the new Thrivent Management Action Team concept that is already in place and will completely replace the Chapter concept in 2016. Since the Chapter is going away there will be no local elections for Chapter Board Officers. Reservations are necessary to attend the Member Appreciation Day and may be made to Gail Duque 919-424-6320, or via email to rsvp@capitalnc.org. Additional information may be obtained from Hope member, Hugh McAlear at 919-554-9081.

YOUTH MINISTRY

Krista Young

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5-6 GRADES

PARENT & YOUTH POOL PARTY/OPEN HOUSE

Friday, September 11 at 6:30PM

-8:30PM. Students and their parents are invited to a meet and greet complete with introduction to Youth Ministry, food, and swimming at the Elder's house! Please bring an appetizer or dessert to share. Register at www.hopelutheranwf.org, selecting "Get Connected - Youth" to sign up.

CONFIRMATION

Classes begin Wednesday, September 9 at 6:30PM. If you are interested in getting your child confirmed, it's not too late. You can enroll your child, sign up for orientation, and learn more at Hope's website. Visit www.hopelutheranwf.org and select "Get Connected - Youth Confirmation."

7-8 GRADES



Thanks to Keith Pickens for making a second set of cornhole boards for the youth!

POOL PARTY!!

Friday, September 18 from 7-10PM

You're invited to a pool party complete with games, food, and swimming at the Rummel's house! Bring a snack to share. Register at www.hopelutheranwf.org, selecting "Get Connected - Youth" to sign up.

FALL WELCOME LUNCH

Sunday, September 13 from 12:30-2:00PM

Parents and youth are invited to learn about all the opportunities for middle school students, discuss hot topics for parents and youth, and meet other families.

Please bring a dish to share potluck style for lunch. Register at www.hopelutheranwf.org, selecting "Get Connected - Youth" to sign up.

RECEIVE TEXT ALERTS ABOUT EVENTS!

The Remind (formerly Remind 101) service allows you to receive one-way texts while keeping your information private to the group. To get started, text the @CLASS CODE to 919-229-8255. Be sure to include the @ sign before the code.

- High School Youth: Text @e4c74 to 919-229-8255
- Parents of HS Youth: Text @c1b3a to 919-229-8255
- Middle School Youth: Text @hope7-8ym to 919-229-8255
- Parents of Middle School Youth: Text @2a527 to 919-229-8255
- Confirmation: Text @473074 to 919-229-8255

9-12 GRADES

POOL PARTY!!

Sunday, September 13 at 3:00PM

All Freshman - Seniors are invited to the Civis' house for a day of swimming! Bring a snack to share and friends are always welcome!

Register at www.hopelutheranwf.org, selecting "Get Connected - Youth" to sign up.

FALL MIX AND MINGLE POTLUCK

Sunday, September 20 from 6:00-8:00PM

Parents and youth are invited to see all that is happening with High School youth at Hope. We will also discuss the National Youth Gathering registration and fundraiser schedule. Please bring a dish to share potluck style. Register at www.hopelutheranwf.org, selecting "Get Connected - Youth" to sign up.

NATIONAL YOUTH GATHERING

It's time to register for the National Youth Gathering - All High School students are encouraged to attend this *once in a lifetime spiritual experience*.

- Official registration forms are now online at www.hopelutheranwf.org. Fill out the registration and pay the \$100 deposit **before Sept. 15**. Forms can be printed and brought to church office, or emailed to Krista Young at kyoung@hopelutheranwf.org.
- Payments can be made on our website through PayPal or by check, made out to Hope Lutheran, in Krista's mailbox in the church office (please note NYG Deposit in payment memo).

More information about costs and travel plans is also available online. The fundraiser schedule will be discussed in detail at the High School Youth Ministry Open House on September 20 from 6:00-8:00PM.

Make plans now so you don't miss this awesome experience!

NYG FUNDRAISER

Parents can work events at Red Hat Amphitheater and the Convention Center as a fundraiser. Hope receives a percentage of the profits

made at the booths worked. If you are interested, plan to attend training meetings on September 8 or September 17 at 6:00PM. You must register at <http://doodle.com/muxrx5qptatfkrf7>

YOUTH LEADERSHIP / PEER MENTORING

Do your friends share their secrets with you, or ask you for advice for their struggles? Have you ever wondered if you said the right thing to a friend in need? Hope's new Peer Mentoring training will give you the tools you need to listen, care, and help your friends. Learn a way of caring for others, as a response to the care we receive from God.

Training will be held weekly, with the first meeting on Sunday, September 13 from 9:45-10:45AM. The future meeting dates will be determined at that time. Materials are from Peer Ministry and will be led by trained Stephen Ministers Bonnie Petersilge and Pat Kramer. If you are interested in this program, contact Krista Young at kyoung@hopelutheranwf.org or 919-554-8109.



YOUTH PRAISE TEAM INFORMATION SESSION

Wednesday, September 16 at 5:30PM

Open to youth in grades 6-12. Parents and youth are invited to learn more about the Youth Praise Team and schedules.





PRESCHOOL NEWS

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The Preschool Staff returned for the Fall Program on August 10. Meetings were held to review policy and procedures and staff played games to get to know each other. Preschool and Church staff also had a Meet & Greet Breakfast one morning.

THANK YOU, PARENTS!

Thank You to all the Teacher Appreciation Team parents who provided lunch for the entire preschool staff for six workdays as the teachers prepared for the first day of preschool on August 19. All of the meals were delicious, and such a big help as we all prepared for the new year!

WELCOME BACK!

We would like to welcome the newest members of the staff, **Crystal Bright, Denise Christopoulos, Tara Cook, Robin DeSimone, Jackie Gardner, Jannelle Pizzola, Amy Reigle & Stefanie Saba**. We also welcome back, after a few years away, **Jill Dillow**. And we welcome back our returning

staff from last year: **Angela Baker, Deborah Burns, Sara Cutler, Amanda DeCilles, Kathy DiPillo, Lisa Dotson, Regina Fisher, Stephanie Fowler, Susan Kennedy, Christine Murphy, Amber Perry, Jamie Pless, Fran Sowisdral, Jen Swearingen, Caroline Turman**.

FALL OPENINGS

If you are interested in the preschool for your child, please call 919-453-0388. We have limited availability in our T/TH 2/3's and M-TH or M-F 4's classes.

The preschool will be closed on **Monday, September 7** in observance of Labor Day.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY UPDATES

For children in ages birth through 4th grade

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BIBLE BLESSING & GAME DAY

September 13 from 12:15-2:00PM; \$3/child for subs

Parents of 3rd & 4th graders are invited to come learn about blessing and teaching the Bible to your child with Beth Agner. Subs and an afternoon full of fun will be available during this time for the kids. **Blessed Bibles will be presented to your child during the Children's Message of the September 19 & 20 services.**

CHRISTMAS PAGEANT AUDITIONS

September 20 at Noon

If your child is interested in a speaking/solo part in the this year's Christmas pageant, The Loaned Manger, come to the audition. Visit www.hopelutheranwf.org, selecting "Get Involved - Children" to learn more.

XPLORE TRACK OUT PROGRAM

As the Fall is quickly approaching, Xplore is gearing up with some fun new themes! Our campers will enjoy a fun filled day making new friends, going on nature walks, having daily bible devotions and participating in lots of group games and activities.

Some of our upcoming themes include Wet, Wild, Wipe-Out, Baking Bootcamp, Xplore's Art Studio and Game Day. We are also planning special visits from both PDQ and Lumpy's Ice Cream!!

We have lots of discount options available such as our church member, sibling, refer-a-friend and consecutive week discounts. For more information, please visit us online at www.hopelutheranwf.org.



MOVIE NIGHT UNDER THE STARS

Saturday, September 19 at 6:30PM \$2/person. ALL FAMILIES are invited for a fun night of watching the movie Home, popcorn, and lemonade. Bring a picnic dinner, blankets, and chairs for your whole family.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Carrie Alvis, 9/1
Mark Gipner, 9/1
McKenzie Bradley, 9/2
Allison Mittner, 9/2
Kenneth Irgens, 9/3
Cameron Mortensen, 9/3
Kim Schunke, 9/3
Jim Barker, 9/4
Diane Copeland, 9/4
Peyton Holloman, 9/4
Zachary Hubbell, 9/4
Ann Thompson, 9/4
Rebecca Beaman, 9/5
Joe Gonenc Jr., 9/5
Ryan Lockhart, 9/5
Gregory Rom, 9/5
Dore' Bergfors, 9/7
Marilyn Bremer, 9/7
Johanna Falkl, 9/7
Sharon Gipner, 9/7
Brittany Hicks, 9/7
Harper Lindberg, 9/7
Wendi Pallozzi, 9/7
Ben Strom, 9/7
Roxanne Gartland, 9/8
David Klemp, 9/8
David Rummel, 9/8
Phelisha Sujat, 9/8
Sandy Wawrzynek, 9/8
Mark Foil, 9/9
Kristen Hayes, 9/9
Kaylee Mercer, 9/9
Connor Rummel, 9/9
Bob Stalder, 9/9
Graceann Tine, 9/9
James Tine, 9/9
Mitchell Wohlhueter, 9/9
Kaileigh Hill, 9/10
Meredith Adkins, 9/11
Andrew Beaman, 9/11
Judy Compton, 9/11
Sharon DiMartino, 9/11
Tim Holt, 9/11
Gordon Hunt, 9/11
Brayden Montague, 9/11
Crystal Rebollar, 9/11
Grace Boney, 9/12
Rachel Broughton, 9/12
Bonita Comer, 9/12
Cohen Kuntz, 9/12
Mackenzie Kuntz, 9/12
Matt Kuntz, 9/12
Steve Martin, 9/12
Cathy Palotta, 9/12
Jared Atti, 9/13
Keaton Brown, 9/13
Karen Stephenson, 9/13
Rodney Farlow, 9/14
Graham Harris, 9/14
Gail Hogshire, 9/14
Mackenzie Kirsch, 9/14
Chris Rasmussen, 9/14
James Roberts, 9/14
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Blake Ellison, 9/17
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Sydney Law, 9/17
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Rhonda Parker, 9/17
Alice Piacenti, 9/17
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Morgan Womble IV, 9/18
Ray Zill, 9/18
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Jordan Lopez, 9/22
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Dave Dietz, 9/23
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Sara Perez, 9/27
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Jim Buddo III, 9/28
Mark Koziel, 9/28
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Robb & Cindy Dussault, 9/28
John & Joyce Habuda, 9/28

August 2 Prayer Requests

Praise and Thanksgiving for... the baptism of Lorelei Eleanor Arsenault, daughter of Joshua Arsenault & Cassie Stack; **Comfort for...** Blaine & Erin Wekony, cousins of the O'Brien family, grieving the loss of their newborn child; **Strength and Healing for...** Claire, friend of Bill & Sue Seaman's granddaughter, currently hospitalized; David VanHook, recovering from a heart catheterization; Kathy Vockeroth, recovering from cataract surgery; Gayle battling ovarian cancer; Ben Miller, co-worker of Jeff Bruck, diagnosed with lung cancer; Allison, friend of the Bilyj's, having eye surgery; Andrea Wilkins, friend of the Holts, at the return of her cancer; Stephen Puryear, suffering from liver cancer, friend of Rob Bailey; a special daughter with a health problem; a friend in an abusive marriage; Olin Morgan, Wanda Ohle's father, diagnosed with cancer; Rick Hall's mom as she transitions into an Alzheimer's Care Facility; Brian Horwath, cousin of Dennis DiMartino, whose cancer has returned; Ann Davies, struggling with high blood pressure; **Guidance, Protection, and Safety for...** Chance Banett and family, friends of Joey Sakowski, preparing for a birth of their child; leaders working with the Iranian treaty; a family making important decisions to be made.

August 9 Prayer Requests

Praise and Thanksgiving for... answered prayer for Claire, friend of Bill & Sue Seaman's granddaughter; **Comfort for...** Gale Mills, at the death of her beloved dog of 16 years; Mike Loveless at the sudden death of his son, Jimmy; family of Annie Fischer, great Aunt of Carlin O'Brien, who died this past week; **Strength and Healing for...** Elizabeth, friend of Bill & Sue Seaman, with rapidly progressing ALS; Kathy Bailey, recovering from a mild concussion; Sandy, friend of Joel Theiss, dealing with liver deterioration and is not eligible for a transplant; Elaine Willers' brother, Arlen, in Tallahassee, Florida; Kevin Murphy's friend, Joe Sanders who has a serious heart condition; Lyle Berglund, having outpatient surgery on Monday; **Guidance, Protection, and Safety for...** a friend whose dad is moving to Texas after the divorce; Loreena Stein, safe travels from France, exchange student staying with the McCluskey family; Colleen; the Morrow family in Costa Rica.

August 16 Prayer Requests

Thanksgiving for... the baptism of Caroline Murphy, daughter of Jason and Jennifer Murphy; **Comfort for...** the family of Phil, a neighbor who was killed in a motorcycle accident; the family of Mike Townsend, a friend of Renee

Steffel, who was killed in a car accident; Mike and Tracie Loveless, grieving the loss of their 23 year-old son; the McLendon family grieving the loss of their young son; the family of Roland Poulin, Linda Patschke's father, at his death; **Strength and Healing for...** Margaret, friend of Joni Hoffman, as she battles Lymphoma; Elizabeth, niece of the Baker family, having breathing issues; All who served our country and are dealing with PTSD; Gary Weis, friend of Shelly Hummel, who is getting used to living at a nursing home at a young age; Kathy Gurley, home recovering from a recent hospitalization; Al Neubaum, hospitalized at the VA hospital in Durham; Andrea, friend of the Holt family, whose cancer has returned; Shirley Holzschuh recovering from eye surgery; Rob Bailey's brother-in-law, Stephen Puryear, fighting cancer; Valerie Hoy, having severe migraines and health issues; John Janosko recovering from pacemaker surgery; **Guidance, Protection, and Safety for...** Maddie Upchurch as she begins her Junior year and all college kids beginning the new school year; Morrow family.

August 22 Prayer Requests

Praise and Thanksgiving for...the baptism of Adelyn Hope Kuntz, daughter of Matthew Kuntz & Erika Strawn-Kuntz; the baptism of Maggie York, daughter of Joseph & Brandy York **Comfort for...** Kirsten, and her family, as they mourn the loss of her mother, Ruth Waltz; Bruce & Wanda Ohle, Carolyn Rathje and family, at the death of Wanda's father, Olin Morgan; the family and children of Jenny Sellers, killed last week; the family of Roland Povlin, Linda Patschke's father, at his death; the Mortensen family at the death of Steve's mother, Estella Mortensen' **Strength and Healing for...** Elaine Willers' brother, Arlen, recovering from a leg amputation; Krista Young's mother, Loretta Adler, currently hospitalized with hip pain; a friend, Joyce, who has cancer and for Andrea who has a mass; Al Neubaum; Neil & Helen Turner's friend, Sumner Eakes, who has fractured ribs and a punctured lung; Mary Roberts' friend, a single parent, battling cancer; Cathy Wilkinson's friend, Jennifer, whose cancer has returned; Clif Prehn, beginning a more intense form of treatments; a grandmother's headaches to go away; Barb Welch, recovering from a procedure; Shirley Holzschuh, following eye surgery; Kathy VanTassel, battling terminal cancer; **Guidance, Protection, and Safety for...** those seeking employment; a son who is struggling; Nancy Curley who is moving into assisted living; Kevin Wilson and all youth headed to college this weekend.



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5:30PM

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8:30AM & 11:00AM

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