



A Ray of Hope

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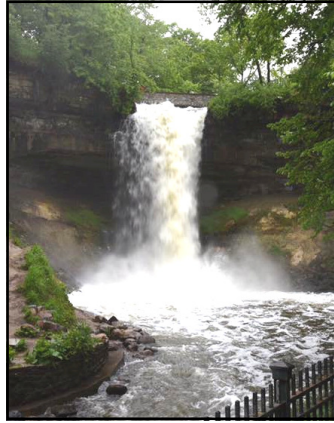
Making Christ Known through the Spirit of Hope

August 2017

Worship at the Falls

Sunday, August 6
10:30 a.m.

at the Minnehaha Park
Band Shell
with Lake Nokomis
Lutheran, Minnehaha
Methodist,
St. James Episcopal, and
Living Table UCC.



Bring your bag lunch or
dine at Sea Salt after worship

Special Congregation Meeting July 23 Vote Results

First motion:

To Sell the Education Building and Preschool Program
34 yes and 4 no

Second motion:

*To Authorize the Church Council to execute this sale on
behalf of the congregation*
23 yes and 17 no

(Yes, the numbers don't add up. Two people voted on
the second motion without voting on the first motion.)

SUMMER ICE CREAM SOCIAL WEDNESDAY AUGUST 23 at 1:30 PM Hope's Fellowship Hall

If you're 80 years old or better,
you're invited to our
Summer Ice Cream Social.

We'll have a sing-along, activities,
prizes, and more. Join us for fun
and fellowship with your Hope
friends.



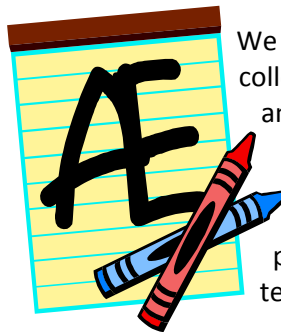
Wednesday, August 23, 2017

Rides are available; just let Tina in the church office know
when you **RSVP by August 16...** 612-827-2655.



Meals on Wheels delivery August 7-11

Contact Tom Overton
to sign up to deliver meals
tomoverton18@hotmail.com
or
612-827-4237



We will continue our tradition of
collecting school supplies for Wenonah
and Hale schools. Look for the box in
the gathering area for your
donations. The August mission
coin collection will also be used to
purchase specific needs from the
teachers.

Wilderness Canoe Base



August 19 - 22 is our scheduled time to help with service projects at Wilderness. Time for hiking,
canoeing and campfires will be included during our time on the island. 12 and older - cost is \$75 for
adults, \$50 for youth and a contribution for gas.

We are also looking at going canoeing in the Boundary Waters for a mini paddle with a guide. We would depart a few
days earlier on August 16, canoe August 17 and 18, and return to the island on August 19 where we will meet up with
those that arrive on Saturday. This option costs \$313 and includes everything. Size of this group is limited to 8.

Sign up in the gathering area - any questions, contact Mary Peterson

The bench in memory of my Mother, Louella Morton, which will be placed outside Church by the bike path which goes by our front door. The bench was crafted by Pat Killian.



Pastor Doug and Marge Morton

THANK YOU FROM REHOBOTH

Warm Greetings!

On behalf of the Rehoboth Ethiopian Church leader team, I am writing this letter that is our wish to extend thanks and appreciation goes to Hope Church. Because we are impressed by the service that you made for us and stood strong with us in our hectic conference sessions, even if it was out of our usual schedule. I thank you all council members and church members of Hope Lutheran Church, your dedication makes a positive difference in the kingdom of God, and in our community at large. We are really appreciated for your dedication and we will never forget you in our prayer.

The Bible tells us in Hebrew 6:10 'God is fair. He won't forget what you've done or the love you've shown for Him. You helped His holy people, and you continue to help them.'

May God richly bless you!

Fekadu Ayichew
Secretary of Church Leadership Team

CALL COMMITTEE

We have submitted our 13 page Congregational Profile to the Synod. We met with the Synod representative who will give us names of interim pastors to interview. Bishop Ann Svennungsen will come and visit the congregation soon. Our focus for future ministry is on redevelopment.

If you have questions or comments, please feel free to speak with any of the committee members.

The members are *Bunny Anderson, Pat Killian, Charlie Olson, Dorian Thompson, Carol Farnham.*

EDUCATION HOUR



Everyone, 5th grade thru adult, are invited to Join us at 9:00am each Sunday in the fellowship hall as *Pastor Doug Morton* shares the scripture lessons for the day and gives us a bit of insight on the people and the events of Biblical times in preparation for the sermon.

Thank you!

We especially appreciate and are grateful for your monetary gift of \$500, as your membership contribution to South Minneapolis Meals on Wheels, to support the work we do.

Our clients are enabled to stay in their homes and be greeted by a smiling volunteer bringing their meals because of your support.

Thank you again for your donation and the generous amount of time given to our Board of Directors by Tom Overton, Hope's SMMOW coordinator. All of this is vital to the clients we serve.

Marian Blattner, SMMOW



Council "Mini" Minutes July 6, 2017

- Repairs have made to the air conditioning system. The motor in the well was replaced and some electrical repairs were done. Total cost is approximately \$5,050. A motion was made, seconded and approved to take the funds to cover the repairs from the Furnace/AC fund. Discussion of the elevator options continue with further review needed for the sump pump option. Two best options so far are to pump water proofing material under ground where the water is leaking into the shaft or to install a sump pump to remove the water. The sump pump option had been eliminated with the water pumping outside in the winter. However, it was discussed the water would be diverted to the city sewer, not outside. Charlie will look into both options further.
- A Bike Day/Rally Day program for Sept 9 and Sept 10 is one of many ideas currently being discussed by several committees.
- Worship at the Falls is taking place August 6. There will be a 'pick up choir'. If you are interested, show up for rehearsal at the Falls by 9:30 and bring a chair. Discussion regarding bag lunches versus picnic are still in the works. Matt will update us with what Hope's responsibilities.
- The Ministry Site Profile was discussed and approved for submission to the synod.
- The three open forums, held to discuss the sale of the preschool, have been well attended.
- A thank you reception for Matt Johnson and Doug Morton was held on Sunday, July 23, prior to the congregational meeting, thanking them for their service,

Next Council Meeting August 10, 2017

As with all monthly council meetings, all congregation members are welcome to attend.

Hope's Library *Jan Nunn, Librarian*



Another historical Biblical novel by this Minnesota author, *Stephanie Landsen*

THE TOMB

is the story we have all heard of about Martha, Mary and Lazarus. But in this novel she puts them in more human circumstances.

Martha: imprisoned with worries and some regarding her shame.

Mary: her seemingly perfect life.

Lazarus: bearing the weight of being the only son in the house to having to make all the decisions, while ill.

This humble family does their best to figure out who the Son of God really is and what his message means for each of them.

August BIRTHDAYS

- 7 Lori Kamrath
- 14 Nancy Chergosky
- 17 Dee Fiedler
- 19 Ralph Peterson Jr
- 21 Beatrice Royle
- 27 Bill Adams
- 31 Barb Nelson

Treasurer's Report— June 2017 Activity Summary

Account	Beginning Balance	Receipts	Expenses	Transfers or Adjustments	Ending Balance
Operating Account	23,024.67	17,085.03	12,206.29		27,903.41
Flow Thru	7,882.26	875.41	1,393.00		7,364.67
Preschool/Day Care	(9,966.12)	26,968.00	26,787.10		(9,785.22)
Special Funds	48,811.67	1,105.04	611.73		49,304.98
Endowment Fund	100,884.88				100,884.88
Total Funds	170,637.36	46,033.48	40,998.12		175,672.72
Mortgage Liability	43,655.63		491.25		43,164.38

Figures from the July 6, 2017 Council Treasurer's Report



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2017 Church Council

President	Mary Peterson	Finance	Dave Fernandez
Vice President	Debbie Christensen	Pastoral/Social Ministry	open
Secretary	Barb Nelson	Property	Charlie Olson
Treasurer	Clair Brenna	Recreation/Fellowship	Pat Killian
Financial Secretary	Dave Fernandez	Stewardship	open
Business Management	Dorian Thompson	Worship/Music	Deb Bayer
Education	open	Youth	Jacki Just
Evangelism (Hospitality)	Cherie DeJarlais		

Church Office Hours

Monday – Thursday
9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.



EARLY DAY CARE
 Michaëlle Flaten
 3637 23rd Ave S
 Minneapolis MN 55407
 612-724-8825
 Over 32 years experience
 Michaëlle Flaten, member of Hope

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 full and part time positions
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(612) 827-4369
 preschool@hopempls.org
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July Service Opportunities

Ushers Earl Anderson, Wade Gibbons, Barb Nelson, Bob Shoberg, Paul Ward

Greeters
 August 6.....Worship in the Park
 August 13.....Carol Farnham
 August 20.....Jim and Jan Nunn
 August 27.....TBD

Readers
 August 6.....Worship in the Park
 August 13.....Deb Bayer
 August 20.....Carol Farnham
 August 27.....Carol Farnham

Acolytes
 August 6.....Worship in the Park
 August 13.....TBD
 August 20.....Colin Just
 August 27.....Elsa Johnson

Assisting Ministers
 August 6.....Worship in the Park
 August 13.....Carol Farnham
 August 20.....TBD
 August 27.....Marlan Karbo

Overhead
 August 6.....Worship in the Park
 August 13.....Dave Fernandez
 August 20.....Dave Fernandez
 August 27.....Krista Johnson

Communion Assistants
 August 6.....Worship in the Park
 August 20.....Carol Farnham

Fellowship & Service Groups

Members are assigned to one of the 4 monthly service groups. If your name appears below, you may be called on to volunteer your time and/or a food donation for this month. Thank you!!

Caller: Eileen DePoe

Servers: Earl and Bunny Anderson,
 Debbie Christensen, Eileen DePoe,
 Rich Donnelly and Dorothy Knutson,
 Carol Farnham, Dianne Kaatz,
 Julie and Rick Storlie

Hope has available Equal Exchange in the cabinet in the fellowship hall.

Coffee: Regular and Decaf, Regular Coffee Beans;
 Tea: Earl Grey, Green, Breakfast





August 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 7a Men's Breakfast, Perkins 84th & Nicollet 11a Bone Builders 7p Woodcarvers	2 5p Rehoboth Gathering	3 9:30a Cmty Yoga 11a Bone Builders	4	5 10a-12p Rehoboth Gathering
6 Worship in the Park 10:30 11:30a Rehoboth Worship	7 1p Choralaires	8 7a Men's Breakfast 11a Bone Builders	9 5p Rehoboth Gathering	10 9:30a Cmty Yoga 11a Bone Builders 5:45p Ex. Cmte 7p Church Council	11	12 10a-12p Rehoboth Gathering
MEALS ON WHEELS DELIVERY—11:15 AND 11:30—MONDAY THRU FRIDAY						
13 9a Education Hour 10a Worship 11a Coffee Hour 11:30a Rehoboth Worship	14 1p Choralaires	15 7a Men's Breakfast 11a Bone Builders	16 5p Rehoboth Gathering	17 9:30a Cmty Yoga 11a Bone Builders	18	19 10a-12p Rehoboth Gathering
20 9a Education Hour 10a Worship 11a Coffee Hour 11:30a Rehoboth Worship	21 1p Choralaires	22 7a Men's Breakfast 11a Bone Builders	23 1:30p Senior Ice Cream Social 5p Rehoboth Gathering	24 9:30a Cmty Yoga 11a Bone Builders	25	26 10a-12p Rehoboth Gathering
WILDERNESS CANOE BASE AUGUST 19-22						
27 9a Education Hour 10a Worship 11a Coffee Hour 11:30a Rehoboth Worship	28 1p Choralaires	29 7a Men's Breakfast 11a Bone Builders	30 5p Rehoboth Gathering	31 9:30a Cmty Yoga 11a Bone Builders		