

Hope Lutheran Church February 5, 2012 Announcements

This Week At Hope

Sunday, February 5

- 9:00 a.m. Sunday School
- 10:00 a.m. Worship Service
- 11:30 a.m. Coffee and Fellowship

Monday, February 6

- 11:30 a.m. Meals on Wheels Delivery
- 6:30 p.m. Sunday School Meeting

Tuesday, February 7

- 7:00 a.m. Men's Breakfast,
Nokomis Grill, 34th Ave & 54 St
- 11:30 a.m. Meals on Wheels Delivery
- 1:00 p.m. Staff Meeting
- 7:00 p.m. Woodcarvers
- 7:00 p.m. Preschool Bear program

Wednesday, February 8

- 11:30 a.m. Meals on Wheels Delivery
- 6:30 p.m. Contemporary Ensemble Rehearsal
- 7:00 p.m. Preschool Lamb program
- 7:20 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, February 9

- 9:30 a.m. Community Yoga
- 11:30 a.m. Meals on Wheels Delivery
- 5:45 p.m. Executive Committee Meeting
- 7:00 p.m. Council Meeting
- 7:00 p.m. Preschool Butterfly program

Friday, February 10

- 11:30 a.m. Meals on Wheels Delivery

Saturday, February 11

- 9:00 a.m. Staff and Council Planning Retreat
- 4:00 p.m. Camp Wapo family gathering

Sunday, February 12—Camp Sunday

- 9:00 a.m. Sunday School
- 10:00 a.m. Worship Service
- 11:30 a.m. Coffee and Fellowship
- 11:30 a.m. Women of Faith Luncheon

The Church Calendar is online. Check it out at www.hopempls.org. To have something added to the calendar, contact Kristi at secretary@hopempls.org.

Remember in your prayers:

Dallas Brooks, Don Burnham, Sonja Karbo, Lois McCann, Grayce Newstrom, Florence Onslow, LuAnn Quigley, Connie Townsend and Opal Warner.

Also remember in prayer our Service Member Blake Rondeau who is serving in the Marines.

Women of Hope Lutheran Church, join us on Sunday February 12th for a Women of Faith luncheon. A light lunch will be served, followed by fellowship time to get to know each other better. Please RSVP to the church office so that we can get a general count for the lunch. ALL are welcome!

The **children's coin collection** will continue to be earmarked for **Feed My Starving Children**. A group of 35 volunteers from Hope packed 35 boxes of food on November 19th at a cost of \$52 per box. We would like to be able to make a donation to FMSC that would cover the cost of those meals—\$1,820. Thank you for your generosity!

As of January 29th, \$1126.97 has been collected.



Attention Snow Shovelers! It's time to sign up for a few days here and there to shovel at church and the education building. You'll find the sign up sheet for **February** for both buildings on the welcome table in the gathering area. We have snow blowers and shovels. Thank you!!

Questions? Talk to Charlie Olson.



Meals on Wheels

Hope will be delivering hot meals to our shut-in neighbors the week of **February 6—10**. There is a sign-up sheet in the gathering area. Sign up as many times as you can to bring a blessing to these folks! And to yourself! Talk to Don Schwappach for more information.



Hope's Library

Dorian Thompson did a great job of making a scrapbook of members for Pastor Chris and his family. She also made a copy of the scrapbook for the congregation to enjoy, which you'll find in the church library. Thank you, Dorian!

Donations needed:

Please save your toilet paper rolls and bring them to the church office by Sunday, Feb. 19th. See Amy Morpew with any questions.

All are welcome to come and enjoy a free musical recital on February 26th at 4:00 p.m. The recital will be by students of Krista Johnson and will be held here at Hope.



Spring Plant Orders

This year you may be already thinking about your garden with the lack of snow cover. You will find an order sheet in the February edition of A Ray of Hope as well as the gathering area and church office. If you have a special need for your garden, please let Mary Peterson (952-929-0747) know and it might be available from the nursery that provides the wonderful flowers, vegetables and herbs.

This is a fundraiser to help send Hope's children to summer camp at Lake Wapogasset Lutheran Bible Camp. Orders are due by 3/12 and pick up will be 5/19.

Wish list for St. Stephen's Shelter

Winter wear: long underwear, gloves, hats, scarves, all age, gender & sizes

Other Needs: Towels, pillows, sheets, blankets
Diapers & baby wipes
Dishes, silverware, pots & pans
Alarm clocks
Bus tokens or passes

Donated items can be placed in the St Stephen's box in the gathering area.

Hope's Nursery

Beginning Feb. 5th., Nursery will be offered during the worship service. The nursery is in the lower level and is designed for small children. Volunteers are needed to staff the nursery, please talk to Amy Morphew for more details.

Activities with Amy

We invited all children and youth to join Amy on Sunday mornings during the fellowship time. Each week we will have an activity or service project to participate in while you enjoy your treats. We will gather near the library... Each week will be something different...Come and check us out!

Women's Yoga Retreat

February 24—26th, 2012

Wilderness Canoe Base

Cost is \$180 for the weekend (Friday evening—Sunday afternoon). Contact Emma Harness for more information or to register: 218-388-2241 or emmah@campwapo.org .

Beginning Yoga Class

Thursdays, January 19— March 15

9:30—10:30 a.m.

Hope's Fellowship Hall

\$56 for 8 week session or \$8 per drop in class.

Everyone is welcome, no previous yoga experience is necessary. Wear comfortable clothes and bring your yoga mat if you have one, or mats will be available for use during class.

Cut Hunger - Not Hunger Programs

Saturday, February 25th

St Stephen Lutheran Church, Bloomington

Workshop: 9 to Noon - Registration starts at 8:30 am

What's at Risk? Millions of people around the globe benefit from poverty focused development assistance in our foreign aid programs and from our international food aid. Here in the U.S., millions benefit from SNAP (formerly food stamps), WIC, the Earned Income Tax Credit, the Child Tax Credit, home heating assistance, school lunches, children's summer meals and much more! Come together to learn how to protect it all. This workshop is being lead by Bread for the World.

Food Shelf donations needed

Help fill our cart with donations for the Minnehaha Food Shelf. You can donate food and drop it off in the grocery cart in the gathering area, or you can stretch your donation further by donating cash. If you would like to donate cash, you can drop it off in the office or drop it in the offering plate and note that it is for the Food Shelf.

Wapo Camp Preview Weekend - February 11-12, 2012

Saturday, February 11:

4:00-6:00 p.m. - We invite all to join us for a WAPO preview, games and dinner.

6:00-9:00 p.m. - All second graders through High School Youth are invited to join us for a Mini Wapo Retreat with four of Wapo's awesome counselors. Bring a Sleeping bag/pillow for our "Camp Fire".

We are looking for a host home or two for our Wapo Councilors for the night of February 11. They are all males who are over the age of 18. If you are able to open up your home, please contact Amy Morphew.

Sunday, February 12:

Our Wapo Guys will be leading Sunday School Activities and part of our worship. We encourage all to wear your WAPO or Camping clothes to church! Come and find out more about all we have to offer this summer and enjoy a Sweet Camp Treat!

Summer Mission Trip Preview

Pastor Chris will be leading a group to Shalom Hill Farm this summer. Watch for more details and dates coming soon!

Spring Fundraisers

We will have many opportunities to help you in raising funds and help in defraying the cost of camps. Watch for more details to come.

Sunday School

Thank you to all the wonderful Sunday School Staff who have been so dedicated and prepared every week to teach our children about God's love for them. I would like to invite all the Sunday School Staff to a gathering to connect and to get feedback on how Sunday School is going this year. Please join us on Monday, February 6 at 6:30 in the church office. If you have questions or need childcare, please let me know! Thanks, Amy

DATES TO REMEMBER

- **February 6:** Sunday School Meeting
- **February 6—10:** Deliver Meals on Wheels
- **February 11:** Council and Staff planning retreat
- **February 11:** Camp Wapo family gathering
- **February 12:** Camp Sunday
- **February 22:** Ash Wednesday



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