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### From the Desk of Pastor Richard

We're at the one year point in the COVID19 pandemic, and the only constant has been the fact that nothing is constant. During the past year, COVID19 infections in Florida have skyrocketed, subsided, and skyrocketed again. Stores have closed and reopened with varying safety protocols in place. Businesses and restaurants have rushed to rethink how they can continue to operate, given the current situation. The church hasn't been immune from this ever-changing landscape. One pastor shared with me that, before the pandemic, only twenty-five percent of churches had an online worship service; that number has now increased to over ninety-five percent. COVID19 has equally impacted Hope and put many of our schedules and plans into disarray. Like most churches, we've struggled with how to serve God best at this challenging time. In wrestling with this challenge, I thought about the words of Hebrews 13:8. Take a moment to reflect on what this verse says:

Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever. (Hebrews 13:8 <sup>NRSV</sup>)

This verse comforts us with the knowledge that, though the world is continually changing, Jesus is our one constant. We can count on Jesus' promise of forgiveness and new life yesterday, today, and forever. We can face the challenges and changes that lie ahead of us, confident that our changeless Savior leads the way!

As Hope continues to face the changes that COVID19 has brought to us, I want to alert you to the upcoming Lenten schedule, which is as follows:

- Ash Wednesday, February 17 In-person worship at 11:00 AM, 5:00 PM, 7:00 PM; Online worship posted on the church website at noon.
- Maundy Thursday, April 1 In-person worship at 11:00 AM, 5:00 PM, 7:00 PM; Online worship posted on the church website at noon.

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- Good Friday, April 2 In-person worship at 11:00 AM, 5:00 PM, 7:00 PM; Online worship posted on the church website at noon.
- Midweek Lenten services will be online and posted on the church website at noon.

May the Lord bless you with the knowledge that in a continually changing world, Jesus is your one constant.

Peace and Joy!

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Pastor Richard Browning

**Sunday Morning Worship** 

will be posted on line at 9:00 A.M. for those that are unable to attend.

#### **Contribution Envelopes** are available for pick-up.

To aid the check in process on Sunday mornings, we are encouraging you to pick up your envelopes during the week at the church office. You can also opt to have them mailed to your home by calling the church office (239) 992-6952 and letting us know. We will gladly mail them to you.

### – Thank You —

The Elders would like to express our thanks to the congregation for the generous donations that you gave to show your gratitude to the Pastors and Staff. We all have benefited from their faithful and loving service in these unprecedented times. Be assured your gifts were greatly appreciated by all.

### Bonita Senior Center Programs February 2021

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#### Funch Bunch Park and Picnic

Monday, February 1, 11:30am-1:00pm Bring a chair and sit outside your car socially distanced and enjoy FREE lunch and Entertainment at Hope Lutheran Church, 25999 Old 41 Rd., Bonita Springs, FL, 34135 CALL TO REGISTER: Sheila @ 239-919-2295 or sheila@hopebonita.org

Virtual Lee County Sheriff's Office Frauds and Scams Monday, February 8, 10:00 -11:00am Learn how to safeguard your identity and personal information! Join Zoom Meeting <u>https://zoom.us/j/7742531626</u> Meeting ID: 774 253 1626 CALL TO REGISTER: Sheila@ 239-919-2295 or sheila@hopebonita.org

Virtual Alzheimer's Association Healthy Living for your Brain and Body Monday, February 22, 1:00-2:00pm Learn Lifestyle choices that can keep your brain and body healthy as you age. GO ONLINE TO REGISTER: https://bit. Iy/34Pyz4G

#### Do You Need help with Zoom

You can use these U-Tube tutorials: <u>https://www.youtube.com/</u> <u>watch?v=9isp3qPeQ0E</u>

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Jiw3oH-OfAo



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# BIRTHDAYS



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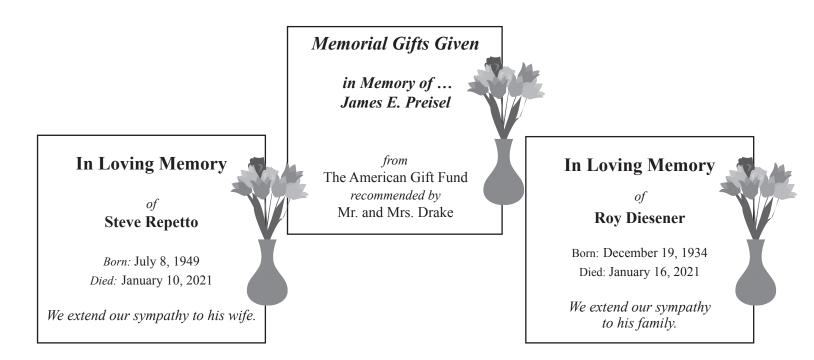
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## **SUNDAY MORNING CHURCH SERVICES**

Please make a reservation to attend by going on online to our website https://hlcbonita.org/worship-reservation

> by calling the church office at 239-992-6952 or calling Dianna at 239-410-3427.

Plan to arrive a few minutes early Wear a mask

## **WORSHIP SCHEDULE**

SUNDAY WORSHIP 9:00AM & 10:30AM

SATURDAY WORSHIP @ 5:30PM

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