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From the Desk of Pastor Richard

I don't know much about sheep; everything I know about them comes from owning and wearing socks made from wool. Because of this, I decided to do some research to see what I could learn. Here's what I discovered:

- Sheep were everywhere in ancient Israel! They are mentioned more than five hundred times in the Bible.
- Sheep were the most numerous of all domestic animals in ancient Israel, which made them a vital part of the economy.
- Sheep molt in the summertime, which happens to be when their wool was harvested
- Stone tools were used to remove the wool from sheep.
- Sheep desperately need the guidance of a shepherd.
- Shepherds were and are responsible for protecting the sheep in their care.
- The bond between the shepherd and sheep is so strong that the sheep learn to recognize the shepherd's voice. This is the reason Jesus says, "*My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me.*" (**John 10:27**)

This month, we're beginning a new sermon series focusing on Psalm 23. In this four-week series, we will look at the familiar words of Psalm 23, explore the work of Jesus, our Shepherd, and learn about our lives as his sheep.

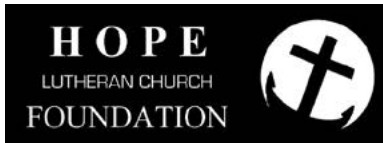
May God, who is our shepherd, strengthen and keep you!

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ESV Psalm 23:6 Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD forever.





It would not be possible to help any of these organizations doing God's

work without your help and the contributions you give to the Hope Foundation.

One of the grant recipients in 2021 was Jimmy Williams & his family, who are becoming missionaries to Japan, through OMF. OMF was founded over 150 years ago as the China Inland Mission. It's goal was to bring hope to billions through knowledge of Christ using "incarnational" ministry. This means that they should live alongside the people, understand their customs, culture and language. This is important so they can share Biblical truth accurately.

Jimmy and his family are hoping to arrive on the Northern Island of Japan around November or December and will be staying for 4 years. They will be primarily in the capital city of Sapporo on the island of Hokkaido, which is home to approximately 2.5 million people.

Stephanie, Jimmy's wife, is an educator and will be working with mothers and children through youth centered Bible studies and teaching English.

Jimmy will be working with a people known as hikikomori. These people are shut-ins or hermits, consisting mainly of young adult males. They are at the highest risk in the country for suicide and their numbers are growing. Jimmy will be working to reach out to them and make connections, offer hope and strength to make changes in their lives through Jesus.

The four children will be attending school, the younger ones full-time Japanese public school and the older ones international school.

Please keep Jimmy and his family in your prayers. If you are not familiar with the Hope Foundation, or if you have questions about our endeavors, visit the church website or contact our Chairman Ron Anderson for more information.

Peace be with you-

Susan Schwinn

Secretary, Hope Lutheran Church Foundation

Bonita Senior Center Programs

OCTOBER NEW TIME!!! 12:00PM

FUNch Bunch

Monday, October 3, 12:00-2:00pm

Enjoy FREE lunch and Entertainment

At Hope Lutheran Church Fellowship Center
25999 Old 41 Rd., Bonita Springs, FL, 34135

Sponsored by AAASWFL

CALL TO REGISTER: Bonita Senior Center at
239-399-4881 or sheila@hopebonita.org

Alzheimer's and Dementia

Memory Treatment Center, April Stowers APRN

October 17, 12:00-2:00pm

25999 Old 41 Rd, Bonita Springs, FL 34135

At Hope Lutheran Church Fellowship Center

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Respite/In-Home Care, Services for Caregivers

Monday October 31, 12:00-2:00pm

25999 Old 41 Rd, Bonita Springs, FL 34135

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NOVEMBER NEW TIME!!! 12:00PM

FUNch Bunch

Monday, November 7, 12:00-2:00pm

Enjoy FREE lunch and Entertainment

At Hope Lutheran Church Fellowship Center
25999 Old 41 Rd., Bonita Springs, FL, 34135

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Cards and Games

Monday, November 14, 12:00-2:00pm

At Hope Lutheran Church Fellowship Center
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National Association of Mental Illness-NAMI

November 21, 12:00-2:00pm

25999 Old 41 Rd, Bonita Springs, FL 34135

At Hope Lutheran Church Fellowship Center

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How to Know When to Move-SBB University

Monday November 28, 12:00-2:00pm

25999 Old 41 Rd, Bonita Springs, FL 34135

At Hope Lutheran Church Fellowship Center

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BIRTHDAYS

Timothy Baum Oct 1
 Carol Holland Oct 1
 Clara Bellucci Oct 4
 Connie Ashline Oct 5
 Heath Brenner Oct 5
 Carol Brenner Oct 6
 Peg Ramsey Oct 6
 Paul McDonald Oct 9
 Karen Center Oct 10
 Bob Liptay Oct 10
 Gary Pinkerton Oct 10
 Cheri Wolkerstorfer Oct 10
 Zoe Colucci Oct 11
 Marlene Bartels Oct 14
 Rev. Bob Selle Oct 15
 Trudy LoCricchio Oct 16
 Jackie Eggerding Oct 16
 Joyce Masters Oct 17



Joann Voth Oct 17
 Don Almond Oct 18
 Margaret Liptay Oct 19
 Mark Till Oct 19
 Margaret Fisher Oct 20
 Georgia Landgraf Oct 20
 Diana Bineau Oct 21
 Judy Dykman Oct 22
 Gary Gotsch Oct 22
 Bob Herrli Oct 23
 Darnell Wettels Oct 23
 Chris Corrie Oct 24
 Sheila Morales Oct 25
 Jillian Van Bavel Oct 26
 David Marries Oct 26
 Phil Benton Oct 28
 Ramona Kolstedt Oct 29

ANNIVERSARIES

Paul and Marcia Stolzenfels Oct 1
 Dave and Dianne Mohnke Oct 2
 Stephen and Garnet Imbrock Oct 6
 Curt and Sarah Brenner Oct 11



Bruce Harvey and Joyce Masters Oct 17
 Keith and Marnie Seleen Oct 21
 David and Cheryl Hughes Oct 22
 Mike and Casey Monti Oct 22

Church Council Update

- The Elders, with the approval of the Council, have decided to initiate a Call to fill the Assistant Pastor position at Hope. We believe the Call process is divine and places the ultimate selection of our Assistant Pastor with our membership. A Call Committee has been formed to guide us through this process over the next several months.
- Construction of two classrooms in the Fellowship Center is underway. Watch for additional updates.
- The Council is moving forward with plans to host the Bonita Senior Center Hot Meal Program at Hope. The purpose of this program is to provide a hot lunch for seniors age 60 and above who are Lee County residents. Please contact Sheila Morales (sheila@hopebonita.org) for more information.
- Please note the upcoming events:
 - Hopetober Fest - Sunday, October 2, 5–7 pm
 - Harvest Fest - Friday, October 14, 4:30–7 pm
 - Sunday Fellowship resumes on November 6 and will be held on the first and third Sundays between services

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Paul Todd & Son in Concert
at the First Presbyterian Church

Bonita Beach Road, 9751 Bonita Beach Road, Bonita Springs, FL

Benefits the Bonita Senior Center

Starts at 7 pm on Friday October 28, 2022 | Tickets are \$30 each

Contact Sheila for tickets at 239-919-2295 or sheila@hopebonita.org

Tickets will be on sale Sunday October 8 after worship services

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

SUNDAY WORSHIP

9:00 am

Traditional Worship Service

10:30 am

Contemporary Worship Service



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