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From the Desk of Pastor Richard

A lot is happening at Hope! For starters, our Business Manager, Sonia Sciallis, who's been with us since 2007, has announced that she will retire this October. For her next adventure, she and her husband, Gino, plan to move to his home country of Italy. But before moving, Sonia will mentor our new Business Manager. Sonia has been an invaluable staff member and will be greatly missed. A farewell celebration will be held for her in October. Watch for more information about Sonia's farewell.

I'm pleased to share that Sherry Nolan has accepted the position of Business Manager at Hope. Sherry has a wealth of experience and expertise in accounting and finance and has previously worked at a Church for over ten years. Her qualifications, skills, and dedication were immediately apparent. Sherry's employment at Hope begins on August 7. Please join me in welcoming Sherry to Hope!

Hope's Community Outreach Nurse, Sheila Morales, will be reducing her hours beginning in January 2024 by one day in anticipation of retiring on October 25, 2024. While her retirement is not immediate, please join me in thanking Sheila for her service in the name of Jesus at Hope!

Pastor Randy Schoemann will serve in the winter assistant role in January and February 2024. Pastor Schoemann has been attending Hope seasonally for several years. Please welcome Pastor Randy into this role.

The Church Council has formed a Staffing Committee to review current and future ministry staffing needs. The emphasis of the Committee is not only to address current staffing needs but also to boldly go forward as we seek to proclaim the name of Jesus!

Hope is clearly in a time of change and transition. But we are reminded that Jesus remains the constant throughout this change.

As always, my door is open if you have any questions.

Hebrews 13.8 *Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever. (NirV)*

Peace and Joy!

Pastor Richard

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AUGUST AND SEPTEMBER 2023 Bonita Senior Center Programs

You Must CALL TO REGISTER for all Programs

Bonita Senior Center at 239-399-4881 or
sheila@hopebonita.org

Programs are at Hope Lutheran Church Fellowship Center
25999 Old 41 Rd., Bonita Springs, FL, 34135

Senior Friendship Centers Hot Meal Program:FREE
Monday-Thursday 11:30-1:30
Senior Friendship Centers



Come in and try it and sign up if interested!
Need to be age 60 and Lee County Resident

American Heart Association: Controlling Cholesterol
Thursday, August 3, 10:30-11:30am
Hands only CPR: Thursday, September 28, 10:30-11:30am

FUNch Bunch
Monday, August 7, 12:00-1:30pm
Monday, July 10, 12:00-1:30pm
Enjoy FREE lunch and Entertainment
August Sponsored by AAASWFL
September Sponsored by American House

Dubin Center: Memory Café
Thursday, August 10, 10:00-11:00am
Thursday, September 14, 10:00-11:00am

Cards and Games
Monday, August 14, 12:00-1:30pm
Monday, September 18, 12:00-1:30pm

Preschool kids Intergenerational activity
Thursday, August 17, 10:30-11:30
Thursday, September 7, 10:30-11:30

Stabilized System (Improves Balance) Exercise Program
Every Monday and Wednesday 10:30-11:30am

Fire Safety: Bonita Fire and Rescue
Monday, August 21, 12:00-1:00pm

Comfort Keepers: Pirates in Paradise
Thursday, August 24, 10:30-11:30

Senior Blue Book University LUNCH and LEARN:
Monday, August 28, 12:00-1:30pm



Bonita Mission Salvation Army Programs
Thursday, August 31, 10:30-11:30am
Monday, September 25, 12:00-1:30pm

Medicare Open Enrollment Facts: Logical Insurance
Thursday, September 21, 10:30-11:30am

Area Agency on Aging Tai Chi
Every Monday and Wednesday 9:00-10:00am

Gentle Yoga
Monday 9:00-10:00am and Tuesday 10:30-11:30am

Getting to know... Paul Cimarusti



What is your favorite subject in school and why? Mathematics; it is the perfect embodiment of God's beautiful creation into symbols our minds can strive to comprehend.

What was your first experience with music? One of my first experiences with music, performing, ever since I have known something, I have either wanted to teach it, or perform it. At the age of seven, I performed a small violin piece standing on a piano bench blindfolded for about 20 college kids, (maybe

a bit more show-off than many debuts, but definitely one of my first and most exciting).

Describe how your love for music developed. Over the years, I have had many breakthroughs in musicality and my love for music. When I was very young, I simply did not like music at all, however as I have discovered new parts of music, and what it means to be a musician, my love has grown passionately.

Who are your musical influences? Surprisingly, I have very few musical influences. One of which, is my father and my piano teacher.

Which instrument is your favorite to play on and why? After many years of playing both violin and piano, I simply have no answer, I practice piano more often, but possibly like violin just as much. (It's a bit harder to get out of its case and tighten the bow and rosin the bow and put on a shoulder rest than sit down and practice, as I can with the piano), I guess this shows I'm slightly more lazy than I would like to be.

What do you like most about playing music? Music is a universal way of expression, whether it be to God, a friend, or simply ourselves. The psychology of music is a whole realm that I myself do not understand well at all, but that does not degrade its power.

What fills your free time when you are not practicing? I am an avid chess player and want to be a mathematician.

What is your favorite restaurant? I very much enjoy Habatchi restaurants such as Ninja, the light and fun mood is something that is simply different than any other.

What is the last book you read? Shakespeare's Macbeth and Milton's Paradise Lost. Macbeth is a very well written play about the role of ambition and hence wealth into the lives of seemingly good people, while Paradise Lost is an interesting Biblical Fiction poem written to describe or "Justify" the means of God to man, in Milton's words.

Is there a fun fact, something interesting about yourself that we would be surprised to know? My dream job is to be an orchestral conductor.

What is your biggest hope for the future? To be in accordance with the will of the Father.

Describe your perfect day. Prayer, Practice, Praise, Repeat.

A rose-gold light shines down as rays from the gorgeously crafted stained glass of the chapel and fills my room with remembrance, a scene of Jesus's resurrection pulling me from my sleep, right to His Love. A day beginning with worship and prayer alone couldn't start any better. I find myself on a black bench, with worship and music, practicing and praising. A days worth of practice later, I find myself in my room listening to music, giving all I have to the Lord, burdens and love alike. Putting faith in him.



BIRTHDAYS

Cole Bridges	Aug 1	Richard Hacker	Aug 28	Kurt Paternoga	Sep 14
Collin Davis	Aug 1	Dennis Vosberg	Aug 29	Gloria Knautz	Sep 15
Margo Wirtjes	Aug 1	Mary Cory	Aug 31	Jan Pordon	Sep 15
Michael Konicke	Aug 2			Sharan Weickelt	Sep 16
Aybri Bradley	Aug 3			Donna Koch	Sep 18
Frederick Wenk	Aug 4			Lynda Rehse	Sep 19
Evelyn Taylor	Aug 5			Glen Lose	Sep 20
Anne Barnes	Aug 7			Susan Vosberg	Sep 20
Jean Geiwitz	Aug 8			Jan Boerman	Sep 23
Carol Heinrich	Aug 10			Karen Evenson	Sep 23
Barbara Hennig	Aug 10			Susan Schwinn	Sep 23
Mark Myhre	Aug 11			Seaver Argabright	Sep 25
Beverly Van Bavel	Aug 13			Joan Davis	Sep 25
Edward Wright	Aug 19	Shirley Hite	Sep 1	Shari Mink	Sep 25
Peggy Prideaux	Aug 19	Tom Steen	Sep 2	Jan Jonas	Sep 26
Chloe Gienapp	Aug 20	Tom Headington	Sep 4	Sue Kammer	Sep 26
Jodie Fox	Aug 20	Nacy Benjamin	Sep 5	Chuck Wolkerstorfer	Sep 26
Peter Rocheford	Aug 21	Julie Schafer	Sep 5	Paul Clark	Sep 28
Carol Terlecky	Aug 22	Ken Stuff	Sep 5	Hayes Curry-Kompare	Sep 28
Paula Corrie	Aug 24	Craig Bonar	Sep 7	Pam Wilmer	Sep 28
Robert Bineau	Aug 26	Thomas Singstock	Sep 7	Elaine Walsman	Sep 30
John Browning	Aug 28	Erik White	Sep 11		
David Nesbit	Aug 28	Casey Monti	Sep 12		
Janice Johnson	Aug 28	Mike Liesmann	Sep 14		



ANNIVERSARIES

Mike and Julianne Rohrbach	Aug 2	Bob and Margaret Liptay	Sep 1
Rick and Millie Bittner	Aug 7	Jim and Anne Gienapp	Sep 2
Richard and Bernita Cornish	Aug 13	Ronald and Beatrice Maassen	Sep 7
Larry and Sandra Brown	Aug 17	Mark and Sharon Myhre	Sep 7
Paul and Karen Bradley	Aug 18	Dennis and Karen Berens	Sep 9
Bruce and Donna Breckenfelder	Aug 19	Craig and Wendy Bonar	Sep 12
William and Sally Denno	Aug 19	Mike and Vicki Liesmann	Sep 12
Kenneth and Linda Keyes	Aug 19	Paul and Jean Geiwitz	Sep 14
William and Anne Barnes	Aug 21	Jim and Debbie Foerster	Sep 15
Ken and Charlotte Stuff	Aug 29	Phil and Del Jennings	Sep 21
Dennis and Gloria Birkholz	Aug 30	Lyle and Gloria Raguse	Sep 24
Richard and Tina Browning	Aug 31	Eugene and Lorraine Kelly	Sep 26
Chris and Paula Corrie	Aug 31		
James and Carol Sauder	Aug 31		



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hlcbonita.org



HARVEST FESTIVAL

Friday, October 27, 2023 | 4:00 – 7:00 pm

Hot Dogs, Candy, Cider & More

Climbing Wall, Game Trailer, Giant Slide, Petting Zoo,
Boardwalk Games with Prizes, Face Painting, and much more!

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Come in Costume, but No Scary Costumes Please!

FREE Admission

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

SUNDAY WORSHIP

9:00 am - Traditional Worship Service

10:30 am - Contemporary Worship Service

