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From the Desk of Pastor Richard

This year, we will celebrate Thanksgiving by gathering together on Sunday, November 19, at 4:00 p.m., for a service of Prayer, Praise, and Thanks. As we do so, we remember the greatest gift of all: salvation through the cross of Jesus Christ. The service will be followed by food and fellowship.

Below are some Bible verses to help you reflect on the rich blessing God has poured out upon you.

NIV Psalm 118:24 This is the day that the LORD has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.

NIV 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18 Rejoice always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus.

NIV Psalm 95:1-5 Come, let us sing for joy to the LORD; let us shout aloud to the Rock of our salvation.

Let us come before him with thanksgiving and extol him with music and song.

For the LORD is the great God, the great King above all gods.

In his hand are the depths of the earth, and the mountain peaks belong to him.

The sea is his, for he made it, and his hands formed the dry land.

NIV James 1:17 Every good and perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of the heavenly lights, who does not change like shifting shadows.

NIV Hebrews 12:28 Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us be thankful, and so worship God acceptably with reverence and awe.

NIV 2 Corinthians 9:15 Thanks be to God for his indescribable gift!

Peace and Joy!

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Pastor Richard





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. If you are not contributing to the Hope Foundation, we would ask you to prayerfully consider it.

This year, we are privileged to contribute to Pastor David Erber, LCMS Office of International Mission. The funds Hope has granted Pastor Erber are used to equip pastors to serve as instructors for the Lutheran seminary in Ghana.

The funds the Hope Foundation sent will assist Rev. Nunyanu in his master's degree studies at Trinity Theological Seminary. After he completes this course of study, the church in Ghana desires that Rev. Nunyanu also complete a special program in library science at the University of Ghana. The Lutheran seminary needs a qualified librarian as one of the requirements for accreditation on the Bachelor's degree level.

These funds will provide financial resources to pay Rev. Nunyanu's tuition, fee, books and other school expenses. Housing food, etc. will all be covered by the local church at which he serves as pastor.

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

NCH BLOODMOBILE:

Donate 1 pint of Blood and save 3 lives!!!

Sunday, November 12, 2023 from 8:30am – 12 noon here at Hope! Call Sheila at 239-919-2295 to register to give this gift of life!

NOVEMBER 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

Stabilized System (improves balance) exercise Program Every Monday and Wednesday 10:30-11:30am

Gentle Yoga: New Location
Monday 9:00-10:00am @ Shangri la and Tuesday 10:30-11:30am

American Heart Association: Managing Blood Sugar Thursday, November 2, 10:30-11:30am



FUNch Bunch Monday, November 6, 12:00-1:30pm Enjoy FREE lunch and Entertainment Sponsored by Wintrust

Wednesday, November 8 NO PROGRAMS except Hot Meal

Dubin Center: Memory Café Thursday, November 9 , 10-:30-11:30am

Cards and Games Monday, November 13, 12:00-1:30pm

SHINE Medicare Open Enrollment 1:1 Counseling Thursday, November 16, 9:00am-3:00pm No appointments needed

Teaching Technology: Bonita High Rotary Interact Students Monday, November 20 12:00-1:30pm

CLOSED THANKSGIVING DAY

Senior Blue Book University LUNCH and LEARN: Medicare/Medicaid - Monday, November 27, 12:00-1:30pm



Preschool kids Intergenerational activity Thursday, November 30, 10:30-11:30am



BIRTHDAYS Paul Eggebraaten Amy Maloney Nov 1 Nov 14 Jackie Hall Nov 2 Janet Hainlin Nov 14 George Nedved Tony Pordon Nov 2 Nov 17 Jim Sauder Nov 2 Kathy Frech Nov 19 William Terlecky Nov 2 Nancy Koch Nov 19 Ryker Cirou Nov 4 Marnie Seleen Nov 20 Carmen Jones Nov 4 Patty Steen Nov 21 Deborah Meyer Nov 4 Georgann Shaffer Nov 10 John Wilmer Nov 24 Susan Browning Sandy Stead Nov 7 Nov 11 **Bruce Harvey** Nov 28 Robert Gustafson Nov 8 Stephen Imbrock Nov 12 Jim Jonas Nov 28 Elizabeth Murphy Nov 8 Ronald Maassen Nov 12 Ed Golob Nov 29 Dick Taylor Nov 8 Sarah Brenner Nov 13 Gloria Jones Nov 29 Steve Coomer Nov 10 Ed Hill Nov 13 Donna Benoit Nov 30 Kevin Harstad Nov 10 Maria Krawec Nov 13 Giacinto Sciallis Nov 30

WEEKLY PRAYER

SUNDAY – Merciful, gracious God and Father, I pray that you would keep from me the sin of stubbornness and a harden hear. That I may not refuse to seek your counsel through prayer or your holy scriptures. Let our conversation flow daily along with my knowledge that you are always with me. *Amen*.

Hebrews 3:13 But exhort one another every day, as long as it is called "today," that none of you may be hardened by the deceitfulness of sin.

MONDAY - Merciful, Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, you yourself said, in your days as human, "whoever confesses me before others, they I will confess before my heavenly Father. But whoever denies me before others, they I will also deny before my heavenly Father". Help me to always proclaim you before others whenever I get the opportunity. Amen.

Revelation 3:5 The one who conquers will be clothed thus in white garments, and I will never blot his name out of the book of life. I will confess his name before my Father and before his angels.

TUESDAY – O my God and Father, make me strong by your grace, for I know that none but those who preserve to the end shall be saved. Keep my heart in this knowledge that I will not turn away from you. Since the spirit is willing but the flesh is weak, keep me strong in your spirit that I may never be separated from you. Amen.



ANNIVERSARIES

William and Carol Terlecky
William and Alexandria Murphy
Timothy and Joyce Hussey
Nov 16
Jim and Sandy Nelson
Nov 17

Romans 8:5 For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit set their minds on the things of the Spirit.

WEDNESDAY – Dear HeavenlyFather, through baptism you have given me rebirth. Through the Holy Spirit, I am clothed with your grace and with all of your obedience, merit, righteousness, holiness and innocence. Help me to remember that and thank you constantly for this blessing. Amen.

Acts 2:38 and Peter said to them, "Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit".

THURSDAY - Dearest Lord Jesus Christ, you instituted the most worthy supper, that by it I might be incorporated into you, strengthened in the faith and fed unto life everlasting. You took an unworthy sinner and made me worthy by this gift. May I thank you always for this blessing in my life. Amen.

Luke 22:19-20 And he took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to them, saying, "This is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me." And likewise the cup after they had eaten, saying, "This cup that is poured out for you is the new covenant in my blood

FRIDAY - O Lord, It is true that all people don't have faith. I believe dear Lord yet help my unbelief! You will not break the bruised reed, not quench the smoldering wick. O Jesus, for you sit at the right had of the Father, representing and interceding for me, that my faith may never die. Let me believe, even though I do not see. Amen. Matthew 17:20 He said to them, "Because of your little faith. For truly, I say to you, if you have faith like a grain of mustard seed, you will say to this mountain, 'Move from here to there,' and it will move, and nothing will be impossible for you".

SATURDAY – I beseech you Jesus Christ, my Lord, when I find myself disinclined and unworthy for prayer and must often compel my flesh and blood to devotion. When I set my thoughts too much on earthly things, forgive me. Amen *Philippians 3:19* Their end is destruction, their god is their belly, and they glory in their shame, with minds set on earthly things.

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WORSHIP SCHEDULE

SUNDAY WORSHIP

9:00 am - Traditional Worship Service 10:30 am - Contemporary Worship Service

