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From the Desk of Pastor Richard

In ancient times, people would display their sorrow over sin by scattering dust and ashes on their heads, a reminder that in Eden, God made death the penalty for sin: “You are dust, and to dust you shall return” (Genesis 3:19). But God also promised that a Savior would come to destroy the power of the tempting serpent who had brought sin and death into God’s creation. In his suffering, the prophet Job spoke of his trust in the Lord’s promise: “I know that my Redeemer lives, and at the last he will stand upon the earth” (Job 19:25). Confident in his Redeemer’s love, Job confessed his sins, “I despise myself, and repent in dust and ashes” (Job 42:6). Remembering that our promised Savior, Jesus our Redeemer, shed his blood on the cross for us, we take onto ourselves the mark of the cross at our Ash Wednesday services.

Ash Wednesday marks the beginning of the season of Lent, a period of 40 days known for its disciplines, such as fasting, praying, and devotional reading. As we receive the ashes upon our foreheads in a very visible way, it’s easy to fall into the trap of thinking that our Lenten disciplines are for the sake of showing our piety to others. Yet nothing could be further from the truth. The focus of Lent is not on our sacrifices for God but on His ultimate sacrifice for us in Jesus Christ. Lent calls us to fully turn to Christ, repenting of our sin and receiving anew His saving mercies in the treasures of His Word. While the ashes of this special day remind us that we are dying, Christ’s body and blood are offered to us as proof that, in Christ, we are brought to life again. Life is ours, full and free, because of the sacrifice of Christ, who breathes new life into the dust of our death.

Lenten Blessings,

Pastor Richard

ESV Psalm 51:1-2 Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love; according to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions. Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin!





**FEBRUARY 2024
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

NEW HOURS: Open M-TH 9:30am-1:30pm

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



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
Except Monday February 5 CANCELLED

Gentle Yoga

Monday 9:00-10:00am @ Shangri la and Tuesday
10:30-11:30am

Walking Program

Every Monday, Wednesday and Thursday
9:30-10:15am Begins Monday, February 5

Women's Bible Study

Every Tuesday, 9:30-10:30am
in Church Conference Room

Lee Health Chronic Disease Management Continued



Tuesdays February 6, 13 - 12:00-2:30pm
Call 239-424-3121 to Register

Lee Health Cancer Prevention

Thursday, February 1, 10:30-11:30pm

Lee Health Body Composition Screening

Thursday, February 1, 12:00-2:00pm

Craft with Teresa

Thursday, February 1, 1:00-2:00pm

FUNch Bunch

Monday, February 5, 12:00-1:30pm
Enjoy FREE lunch and Entertainment
Sponsored by Right at Home

NO STABILIZED STEPS Monday February 5
due to FUNchBunch!

Cards and Games

Wednesday, February 7, 14, 21, 28 12:00-1:30pm

Dubin Center Brain Booster



Thursday, February 8, 10:30-11:30am

Lions Florida Eye Clinic

Thursday, February, 8 12:00-11:30pm

Day trip Sugar Cane Tour

Friday, February 16, 7:30am

Arts Bonita: Storytelling

Monday, February 12, 12:00-1:30pm

Intergenerational Program with Preschool

Thursday, February 15, 10:30-11:30am

LOVE, Inc

Thursday, February 15, 12:00-1:30pm

CLOSED Presidents Day, Monday February 19

Hot Meal still provided this day

Dubin Center Caregivers Support Group

Monday, February 26, 10:30am

(Usually the 4th Monday of each month)

NPRC Memory Screening

Thursday, February 22, 9am-3pm, by appointment

My Senior Center Training

Tuesday, February 20, 12:00-1:30pm

Seniors Blue Book University

Shortcuts when planning a move or downsizing



Monday, February 26, 12:00-1:30pm

White Sands Aging and Alcohol

Tuesday, February 27, 12:00-1:30pm

Teaching Technology

Wednesday, February 28, 12:00-1:30pm

Art Therapy

Thursday, February 29 10:30-11:30am

Blanket Buddies Life Home Health

Thursday, February 29 12:00-1:30pm



BIRTHDAYS

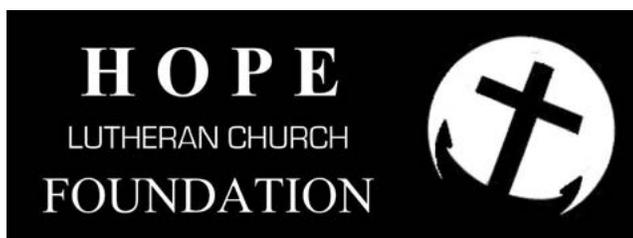


Millie Bittner	Feb 1		Nancy Goeglein	Feb 19	
Leann Till	Feb 1		Gordon Rehse	Feb 19	
Marilyn Stuart	Feb 2		Scot Lay	Feb 20	
River Cirou	Feb 4		Kristin Marunde	Feb 22	
Sharon Kaufmann	Feb 5		Alexandria Newsome-Murphy	Feb 22	
Ruth King	Feb 8		Richard Beumer	Feb 26	
Richard Pierce	Feb 8		Fred Busch	Feb 26	
Julianne Bauermeister	Feb 9		Christopher Davis	Feb 26	
Donna Breckenfelder	Feb 9	Steven Wirtjes	Feb 13	Virginia McDonald	Feb 26
Michael Mont	Feb 9	Joyce Hussey	Feb 15	Lloyd Barge	Feb 27
Diane Simon	Feb 9	Kathleen Weiss	Feb 15	Axel Till	Feb 27
Julie Born	Feb 10	Hazel Steinmetz	Feb 16	Lyle Angerer	Feb 28
Linda Keyes	Feb 12	Janice Weigman	Feb 16	Thomas Ketteler	Feb 28
Michael Reichert	Feb 12	Wendy Bonar	Feb 17	Chris Pinkerton	Feb 28
John Bitow	Feb 13	K.F. Marner	Feb 17	Barbara Knueppel	Feb 29

ANNIVERSARIES



Janet and Don Ede	February 3	Steve and Becky Weber	February 7
Julie and Henry Bauermeister	February 5	Paul and Sue McDonald	February 21
Richard and Marie Hacker	February 6	Scott and Dawn Lay	February 28
Chuck and Cheri Wolkerstofer	February 6		



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.

In 2023 it was our privilege to award a grant to Harvest Time Ministries of Bonita Springs. This organization is a group of volunteers that visit the needy every other Saturday during season (November – April) They deliver in 125-150 bags of food to two different locations.

They receive no government funding and depend entirely on "gifts from the heart" from local churches, individuals, volunteers and food drives. Agricultural workers live from paycheck to paycheck, so if it rains there is no work and no income. Many families will go hungry if not for Harvest Time Ministries and partners like Hope.

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. We are looking for an additional member beginning in January 2024. Please join us to help this worthwhile ministry grow and have the ability to help those in need.

Peace be with you-

Susan Schwinn

Secretary, Hope Lutheran Church Foundation

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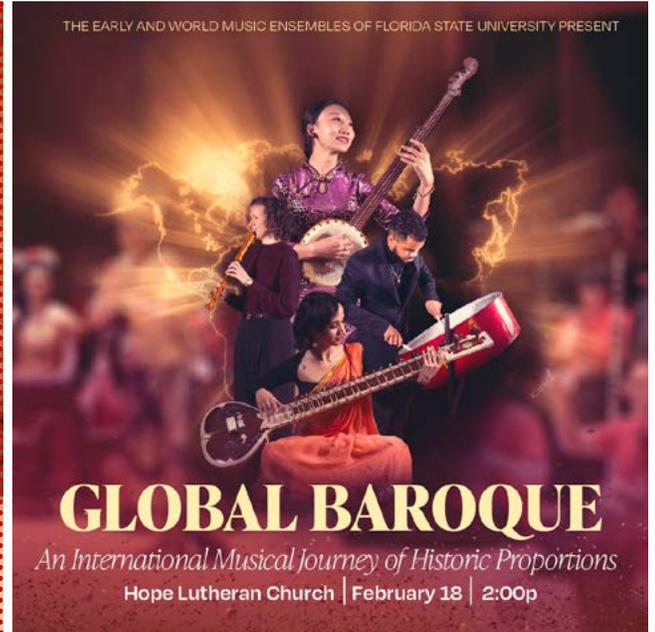
Learn To Save A Life

2/23/24

AED/CPR Class in
Fellowship Center at 10:00
AM. Free to members!
Call Sheila to register.
239-919-2295



THE EARLY AND WORLD MUSIC ENSEMBLES OF FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY PRESENT



GLOBAL BAROQUE

An International Musical Journey of Historic Proportions

Hope Lutheran Church | February 18 | 2:00p

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

SUNDAY WORSHIP



- 7:45 am - Traditional Worship Service
- 9:00 am - Traditional Worship Service
- 10:30 am - Contemporary Worship Service

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