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From the Desk of Pastor Richard

Recently, I was reading a book given to me by Pastor Tom, who used to be the winter assistant pastor at Hope. Each time I came across one of his notes or a place he had underlined, I remembered the many things that made him so unique, such as the phrases for which he was famous. Some of these phrases included, "Give 'em heaven," or "Jesus loves you, and so do I." Thinking about Pastor Tom, who is now rejoicing with Jesus in heaven, made me realize how much the staff at Hope has changed over the years." Gone is Louise, who was once a fixture as the church receptionist. So, too, is our longtime office manager, Sonia, who retired and is in the process of moving to Italy. Pastor Will is now serving at The Lutheran Church of Webster Gardens in Missouri. And in July, our Faith Community Nurse, Sheila Morales, will retire. Although we will miss these individuals and the gifts they brought to Hope, it is with a sense of excitement that we welcome new staff members, such as Gigi Torres, who brings energy and excitement to the front desk, and Stephanie Stanley, who relies on her wisdom and experience to serve in the role of office manager. Tina Browning, who is transitioning into the Faith Community Nurse position, brings with her a wealth of medical experience, and Pastor Randy will share his ministry gifts as Hope's winter assistant pastor.

I am sure that Hope has not seen the last of change, whether in the staff, the members, or even our community. But I am equally sure that, in an ever-changing world, we have an unchanging God. *Hebrews 13:8* reveals the unchanging nature of God with these words:

"Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever."

In this ever-changing world, may God's unchanging love through Jesus be a constant source of blessing and strength for you!

Peace and Joy!

Pastor Richard





MAY 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

Open M-TH 10:30am – 1:45pm

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 May 6 CANCELLED

Gentle Yoga

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

Women's Bible Study Hope Lutheran
Every Tuesday, 9:15 – 10:15am

Chronic Pain Management Lee Health



MUST ATTEND ALL 6 sessions
Tuesdays, April 23 – May 28, 1:00 – 3:30pm

Cards and Games

Wednesday, May 1, 8, 15, 22, 29, 12:15 – 1:15pm

My Senior Center training

Thursday, May 2 & Monday, April 29 12:45 – 1:45pm

Kentucky Derby Party

Thursday, May 7, 4 – 7pm
Lions Club

FUNch Bunch

Monday, May 6, 12:00 – 1:30pm
Enjoy FREE lunch and Entertainment
Sponsored by Inspired Living

**NO STABILIZED STEPS Monday May 6
due to FUNchBunch!**

Dubin Center Memory Cafe



Thursday, May 9, 10:30 – 11:30am

Intergenerational Pre-School Activity
Thursday, May 16, 10:30 – 11:30am

Music Therapy: Drumming Circle
Monday, May 20, 12:15 – 1:15pm

Teaching Technology
Thursday, May 23, 12:15 – 1:15pm

**CLOSED MONDAY, MAY 27 Memorial Day
NO HOT MEAL NO PROGRAMS**

Art Therapy
Thursday, May 30, 10:30am – 11:30am

Blanket Buddies Life Home Health
Thursday, May 30, 12:15 – 1:15pm



MAY 2024 - Church Council Update

- Hope's Faith Community Nurse, Sheila Morales, is retiring at the end of July. On July 14, between services, there will be a celebration honoring her.
- Tina Browning will continue to transition into the Faith Community nurse role in the coming months.
- We are thrilled to welcome Gigi Torres as the new Office Receptionist. Gigi's friendly demeanor and professional skills will undoubtedly enhance our community. Please join us in giving her a warm welcome to Hope!
- The Council is working with the City of Bonita Springs to explore options to move our Fellowship project forward. The Council is exploring the possibility of moving the fire hydrant to the opposite side of the church. We will continue to provide updates as they become available.



BIRTHDAYS



Jim Gienapp	May 1
Jane Sersland	May 1
Ken Schwinn	May 2
Maureen Nedved	May 3
Richard Browning	May 4
Nydia Brown	May 8
Bill Greenwald	May 8
Mark Nielsen	May 8
Joan Wenk	May 8
Alan Strawn	May 9
Dave Dickerman	May 10
Marlene Wilson	May 10

JoAnne Sankovich	May 11
Bernita Cornish	May 12
Marian Zupin	May 14
Randall Perry	May 15

Marilyn Fenton	May 17
Joyce Kondes	May 22
Kathryn Mancl	May 22
River Curry-Kompare	May 23
Christel Jakel	May 25
Tina Browning	May 27
Sharon Myhre	May 28
Judy Beumer	May 29
Cheryl Hughes	May 30
Patsy Lose	May 30
Corey Nyhus	May 30
Anne Hesson	May 31

ANNIVERSARIES



Kent & Martha White	May 4
Edward & Dolores Golob	May 8
Don & Judy Kotula	May 11
Joie & Joyce Ondracek	May 17
Paul & Tina Clark	May 19
Siegfried & Marjorie Claussner	May 19

Paul & Kris Henke	May 20
Jerry & JoAnne Sankovich	May 23
William & Anita Greenwald	May 27
K.F. & Deanna Marner	May 28
Robert & Ramona Kolstedt	May 31

WEEKLY PRAYERS

SUNDAY – Father, thank you for your servant Mary Magdalene and, in the telling of her story, pointing to Jesus. Like her, may I be ever satisfied with your steadfast love. In Jesus’ name. Amen. **Micah 7:18** *Who is a God like you, pardoning iniquity and passing over transgression for the remnant of his inheritance? He does not retain his anger forever, because he delights in steadfast love.*

MONDAY – Lord, turn my eyes to my Redeemer that I may have hope. For this comfort in my affliction, that your promise gives me life. In Jesus’ name. Amen. **2 Corinthians 1:5** *For as we share abundantly in Christ’s sufferings, so through Christ we share abundantly in comfort too..*

TUESDAY – Lord, show me my sin and then turn my eyes to Jesus for forgiveness. In His name I pray. Amen. **Acts 10:43** *To him all the prophets bear witness that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.”*

WEDNESDAY – Lord, keep my eyes on Jesus as I wait for the joyful day when I will see Him face to face. Amen. **Revelation 1:16** *In his right hand he held seven stars, from his mouth came a sharp two-edged sword, and his face was like the sun shining in full strength.*

THURSDAY – Lord Jesus, thank you for winning the victory over death for me. Teach me to live this life dead to sin and alive in you. Amen. **John 5:21** *For as the Father raises the dead and gives them life, so also the Son gives life to whom he will.*

FRIDAY- Lord Jesus, may we joyfully go where you feed us your word and sacrament. May we eat and be satisfied. Amen. **Psalm 95:1** *Oh come, let us sing to the Lord; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation*

SATURDAY – Lord, thank you for arranging us into one body to do your work in the world and to care for one another. Give us the strength to carry out our calling together. In Jesus’ name. Amen. **Acts 14:23** *And when they had appointed elders for them in every church, with prayer and fasting they committed them to the Lord in whom they had believed.*

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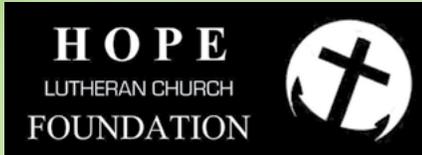
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www.hope-bonita.org



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.

It was our privilege to contribute to Pelican Lutheran Church of Immokalee. This church was formed after the Amigos Center building was sold. Pastor Mark Eisold has taken over for Pastor Bob Selle. Pastor Mark and Pastor Karl Glander are working in partnership on ministry in Southwest Florida.

Pastor Mark has a church in Naples, the Pelican Lutheran Church. The Pelican Lutheran Church of Immokalee is a natural

branch of the Naples church. They also have the privilege to be a mission under the FL/GA district. This will help them focus on the mission of the church, creating disciples for Christ's mission.

They have three basic offerings to the people of Immokalee. a Sunday service, a Bible study and food distribution. These activities are used to build community relationships while sharing God's word and promises with their neighbors. Small concerts in the park, along with Vacation Bible School, will help them reach more residents in the Immokalee community.

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

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

SUNDAY WORSHIP

9:00 am - Traditional Worship Service

10:30 am - Contemporary Worship Service

