

**HOPE LUTHERAN CHURCH- LCMS**

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## *Worship Schedule*

### **Sunday Worship**

**9:00 am - Traditionnal Worship Service**

**10:30 am - Contemporary Worship Service**

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## *Letter of Hope*

August & Sept 2024

### **From the Desk of Pastor Richard**

As we prepare to celebrate the Lord's Supper in worship, we hear the words that Jesus spoke when he first instituted this meal:

Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said, "Take, eat; this is My body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also, He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this is My blood of the New Testament, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

Martin Luther saw in Jesus' words of institution the answer to three questions: What is it? What are its benefits? and Who is to receive it?

So, what is it? Martin Luther explains that the Lord's Supper is "the true body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, in and under the bread and wine, which we Christians are commanded by Christ's Word to eat and to drink." (From Luther's Large Catechism) As Lutherans, we believe that we receive the bread, wine, and the body and blood of Jesus through this meal. What are its benefits? Jesus' words, "This is my body and blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins," remind us that we receive the gift of forgiveness through the Lord's Supper. This meal is food for our souls, strengthening us in faith.

Who is to receive it? Whoever believes the words Jesus spoke is worthy to receive the Lord's Supper. The forgiveness of sins offered in this meal can only be received by faith.

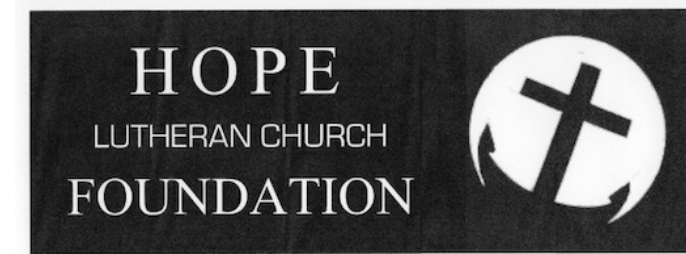
Martin Luther believed that the Lord's Supper was the Gospel in action and encouraged people to receive this meal regularly. It is with this understanding in mind that Hope will offer communion every week beginning this October. Our prayer is that in this meal you would be strengthened through the gift of forgiveness received in this meal.

Peace and Joy!

*Pastor Richard*

Pastor Richard

## Weekly Prayers August & September



Sunday – Lord you gave everything; enable me to return to you what is yours, blessing others and giving witness to your name. In Jesus’ name. Amen.

Luke 11:28 **But he said, “Blessed rather are those who hear the word of God and keep it!”**

Monday – Set a guard, O Lord, over my mouth; keep watch over the door of my lips. Amen.

Colossians 3:9 **Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have put off the old self with its practices.**

Tuesday – Lord, Keep me this day from an unhealthy desire for what is of this world. Amen.

1 Timothy 6:9 **But those who desire to be rich fall into temptation, into a snare, into many senseless and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction.**

Wednesday – Lord, make me new, today and every day, in the confession of my faith. Amen.

Psalms 32:5

**I acknowledged my sin to you, and I did not cover my iniquity; I said, “I will confess my transgressions to the Lord,” and you forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

Thursday – O Holy Spirit, descend on us, tethering us to your grace and to one another. In Jesus name. Amen.

Romans 14:17 **For the kingdom of God is not a matter of eating and drinking but of righteousness and peace and joy in the Holy Spirit.**

Friday – Precious Savior, Jesus, thank you for knowing me and giving me eternal life in your name, even as I long to see you face to face. Amen.

John 3:14-15 **14 And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, 15 that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.**

Saturday – O Holy Trinity, thank you for putting your name on and in me. Help me this day to wear it well. In Jesus’ name. Amen.

Isaiah 42:1 **Behold my servant, whom I uphold, my chosen, in whom my soul delights; I have put my Spirit upon him; he will bring forth justice to the nations.**

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 Capstone Ministries. Pastor Schmelzer came and spoke to Hope last fall. Capstone Ministries was founded in 2005, by Pastor Schmelzer and his wife Patty. Their main object is to reunite “street boys” in Kenya, with their families. This is done with Christ in the middle.

Thus far they have reunited over 700 families. This is a time and patience consuming process. They council with repeated expressions of repentance and forgiveness, persistence and the spiritual gift of faith to bring a family to a point of being reconciled. There has been a definite learning curve on their part and they have refined their approach several times. What seems to work best is returning the child to his home as soon as possible. This minimizes outside influences and makes everyone more comfortable when counseling is going on.

Capstone’s staff minister directly to boys on the street almost every day, engaging them in conversation about their home and encouraging them to consider reconciliation. Often what drove them to the street was a breakdown in a relationship caused by his or someone’s sinful and selfish behavior. What is often need us just encouragement to repent, and a willingness to change. Capstone staff expresses a willingness to stand alongside the child in this conversation of reconciliation. This puts them more at ease.

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

## Ministry Contacts

### Staff

Richard Browning - Senior Pastor  
 Stephany Abraham - Preschool Director  
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 Ruth Anderson - Choir Director  
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### Council Members

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### Emeritus Elders

Bob Cory  
 Dennis Vosberg  
 Craig Fields  
 Chuck Wolkerstorfer  
 Dick Cornish

## Annual Harvest Festival

Our Harvest Festival is fast approaching! The event is scheduled for Friday, October 25th from 4:30 PM to 7:00 PM. This event is a significant undertaking that requires a lot of preparation and resources. To ensure its success, we need your help!

How You Can Help:

Donations: Every contribution makes a difference.

Sponsorships: Partner with us to support this community effort.

Volunteers: We need enthusiastic volunteers to help make this event a success.

Get Involved:

Sign up in the lobby.

Look for more information in your email.

For any questions or additional information, please contact the office by phone or email.







Thank you for making this event a success!



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Hope Lutheran Church Fellowship Center  
 2599 Old 41 Rd., Bonita Springs, FL, 34135

Mon - Fri					
Hot Meal Program 11:30 AM - 1:30 PM					
<b>Thurs 01</b>	Coffee Clutch 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM	My Active Senior Center 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM <i>myseniorcenter</i>	Mindfulness 12:15 PM - 1:15 PM 	Crafting Activity 1:30 PM - 2:30 PM	
<b>Fri 02</b>	Coffee Clutch 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM	Line Dancing 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM	Pet Therapy 12:15 PM - 1:15 PM 	Groovy Movie 1:30 PM - 4:00 PM	
<b>Mon 05</b>	Stabilized Systems Exercise CANCELLED	FUNCH Bunch 12:00 PM - 1:30 PM 	Dominos/Cards/Games 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM		
<b>Tues 06</b>	Coffee Clutch 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM	Women's Bible Study 9:15 AM - 10:15 AM	Gentle Yoga 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM	Music Therapy Drumming 12:15 PM - 1:15 PM	Chair Volleyball 1:30 PM - 2:30 PM
<b>Weds 07</b>	Coffee Clutch 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM	Stabilized Systems Exercise 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM	Teaching Technology 12:15 PM - 1:15 PM	Bingo Games 1:30 PM - 4:30 PM	
<b>Thurs 08</b>	Coffee Clutch 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM	Memory Café 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM 	Mindfulness 12:15 PM - 1:15 PM 	Crafting Activity 1:30 PM - 2:30 PM	
<b>Fri 09</b>	Coffee Clutch 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM	Line Dancing 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM	Pet Therapy 12:15 PM - 1:15 PM 	Groovy Movie 1:30 PM - 4:00 PM	
<b>Mon 12</b>	Coffee Clutch 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM	Stabilized Systems Exercise 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM	Dominos/Cards/Games 12:15 PM - 4:00 PM		
<b>Tues 13</b>	Coffee Clutch 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM	Women's Bible Study 9:15 AM - 10:15 AM	Gentle Yoga 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM	Trivia 12:15 PM - 1:15 PM	Chair Volleyball 1:30 PM - 2:30 PM
<b>Weds 14</b>	Coffee Clutch 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM	Stabilized Systems Exercise 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM	Memory Care Tour 11:30 AM - 1:30 PM 27221 Bay Landing Dr, Bonita Springs, FL 34135	Comedy Hour 12:15 PM - 1:15 PM	Bingo Games 1:30 PM - 4:30 PM
<b>Thurs 15</b>	Coffee Clutch 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM	Preschool Activity 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM	Mindfulness 12:15 PM - 1:15 PM 	Crafting Activity 1:30 PM - 2:30 PM	
<b>Fri 16</b>	Coffee Clutch 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM	Line Dancing 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM	Pet Therapy 12:15 PM - 1:15 PM 	Groovy Movie 1:30 PM - 4:00 PM	
<b>Mon 19</b>	Coffee Clutch 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM	Stabilized System Exercise 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM	Dominos/Cards/Games 12:15 PM - 4:00 PM		

<b>Tues 20</b>	<b>Coffee Clutch</b> 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM	<b>Women's Bible Study</b> 9:15 AM - 10:15 AM	<b>Gentle Yoga</b> 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM	<b>Music Therapy Drumming</b> 12:15 PM - 1:15 PM	<b>Chair Volleyball</b> 1:30 PM - 2:30 PM
<b>Weds 21</b>	<b>Tai Chi</b> 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM	<b>Stabilized System Exercise</b> 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM	<b>Comedy Hour</b> 12:15 PM - 1:15 PM	<b>Bingo Games</b> 1:30 PM - 4:30 PM	
<b>Thurs 22</b>	<b>Tai Chi</b> 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM	<b>Personal Training Program</b> 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM	<b>Blanket Buddies</b> 12:15 - 2:15 PM	<b>Craft Activity</b> 1:30 PM - 2:30 PM	
<b>Fri 23</b>	<b>Coffee Clutch</b> 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM	<b>Art Therapy</b> 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM	<b>Pet Therapy</b> 12:15 PM - 1:15 PM 	<b>Groovy Movie</b> 1:30 PM - 4:00 PM	
<b>Mon 26</b>	<b>Coffee Clutch</b> 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM	<b>Stabilized System Exercise</b> 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM	<b>Caregiver's Support</b> 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM 	<b>Dominos/Cards/Games</b> 12:15 PM - 4:00 PM	<b>Lunch &amp; Learn</b> 12:45 PM - 1:45 PM 
<b>Tues 27</b>	<b>Coffee Clutch</b> 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM	<b>Women's Bible Study</b> 9:15 AM - 10:15 AM	<b>Gentle Yoga</b> 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM	<b>Trivia</b> 12:15 PM - 1:15 PM	<b>Chair Volleyball</b> 1:30 PM - 2:30 PM
<b>Weds 28</b>	<b>Tai Chi</b> 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM	<b>Stabilized System Exercise</b> 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM	<b>Dr. Piper Phone Tech</b> 12:15 PM - 1:15 PM 	<b>Bingo Games</b> 1:30 PM - 4:30 PM	
<b>Thurs 29</b>	<b>Tai Chi</b> 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM	<b>My Active Senior Center</b> 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM 	<b>Human Bingo</b> 12:15 PM - 1:15 PM	<b>Craft Activity</b> 1:30 PM - 2:30 PM	
<b>Fri 30</b>	<b>Coffee Clutch</b> 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM	<b>Line Dancing</b> 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM	<b>Pet Therapy</b> 12:15 PM - 1:15 PM 	<b>Groovy Movie</b> 1:30 PM - 4:00 PM	



## August & September Birthdays!!!

Cole Bridges Aug 1	Peggy Prideaux Aug 19	Shirley Hite Sep 1	Lynda Rehse Sep 19
Collin Davis Aug 1	Edward Wright Aug 19	Tom Steen Sep 2	Glen Lose Sep 20
Margo Wirtjes Aug 1	Jodie Fox Aug 20	Tom Headington Sep 4	Susan Vosberg Sep 20
Michael Konicke Aug 2	Anne Gienapp Aug 20	Nacy Benjamin Sep 5	Jan Boerman Sep 23
Aybri Bradley Aug 3	Peter Rocheford Aug 21	Julie Schafer Sep 5	Karen Evenson Sep 23
Fred Wenk Aug 4	Carol Terlecky Aug 22	Ken Stuff Sep 52	Susan Schwinn Sep 23
Theresa Heidmann Aug 5	Paula Corrie Aug 24	Craig Bonar Sep 7	Seaver Argabright Sep 25
Evelyn Taylor Aug 5	Bob Bineau Aug 26	Thomas Singstock Sep 7	Joan Davis Sep 25
Anne Barnes Aug 7	John Browning Aug 28	Erik White Sep 11	Shari Mink Sep 25
Jean Geiwitz Aug 8	Richard Hacker Aug 28	Casey Monti Sep 12	Jan Jonas Sep 26
Carol Heinrich Aug 10	Janice Johnson Aug 28	Mike Liesmann Sep 14	Sue Kammer Sep 26
Barbara Hennig Aug 10	David Nesbit Aug 28	Kurt Paternoga Sep 14	Chuck Wolkerstorfer Sep 26
Mark Myhre Aug 11	Dennis Vosberg Aug 29	Gloria Knautz Sep 15	Hayes Curry-Kompare- Sep 28
Beverly Van Bavel Aug 13	Mary Cory Aug 31	Sharan Weickelt Sep 16	Pam Wilmer Sep 28
		Donna Koch Sep 18	Elaine Walsman Sep 30

## Wedding Anniversaries

Mike & Julie Rohrbach Aug 2  
 Rick & Millie Bittner Aug 7  
 Dick & Bernita Cornish Aug 13  
 Larry & Sandy Brown Aug 17  
 Paul & Karen Bradley Aug 18  
 Bruce & Donna Breckenfelder Aug 19  
 Bill & Sally Denno Aug 19  
 Ken & Linda Keyes Aug 19  
 Bill & Anne Barnes Aug 21  
 Alan & Arlene Strawn Aug 29  
 Ken & Charlotte Stuff Aug 29  
 Richard & Tina Browning Aug 31  
 Chris & Paula Corrie Aug 31  
 Jim & Carol Sauder Aug 31



Bob & Margaret Liptay Sep 1  
 Jim & Anne Gienapp Sep 2  
 Ronald & Beatrice Maassen Sep 7  
 Mark & Sharon Myhre Sep 7  
 Dennis & Karen Berens Sep 9  
 Lyle & Theresa Heidmann Sep 10  
 Craig & Wendy Bonar Sep 12  
 Mike & Vicki Liesmann Sep 12  
 Paul & Jean Geiwitz Sep 14  
 Jim & Debbie Foerster Sep 15  
 Phil & Del Jennings Sep 21  
 Lyle & Gloria Raguse Sep 24  
 Eugene & Lorraine Kelly Sep 26

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