



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 Love Inc. (In the Name of Christ). The mission of Love INC is to mobilize local churches, like Hope, to transform lives and communities in the Name of Christ.

They operate a phone-in clearinghouse, where trained church volunteer intake workers screen requests for help from callers within our service area. (Lee and Collier counties) They listen to the nature, extent and legitimacy of the needs. Once the needs are verified, Love INC connects individuals and families to a church ministry, church volunteer, and/or a local service agency best equipped to meet those needs. Verified needs of our neighbors seeking help are primarily met through the churches we partner with.

Beyond a single church, it takes the community of believers (the Body of Christ) to serve those in need. With proper follow-up and a connection to a local church, individuals and families, as well as communities, are transformed in the Name of Christ because local churches were mobilized to follow the Biblical mandate to love your neighbor. Relational and spiritual needs are met, not just physical needs.

In order to properly operate and run the clearinghouse, as well as organize their church partners to meet needs, they require staff: Executive Director, Office Manager and a Case Manager. However, the hours of those employees are not sufficient to keep up with the volume of calls they receive and the cases they are managing. Currently their Director is only paid for 20 hours and the office Manager and Case Manager both work 30 hours a week. They need additional paid staff and expanded hours to keep up with the demand. The grant money they received from your Hope Foundation helped them to work towards this goal and meet the ever growing needs of the 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

HOPE LUTHERAN CHURCH- LCMS
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Worship Schedule
Sunday Worship
9:00 am - Traditional Worship Service
10:30 am - Contemporary Worship Service

STAY CONNECTED WITH HOPE'S WEBSITE:
<https://www.hopebonita.org>
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From the Desk of Pastor Richard

Summer is here, and with it comes the season of road trips. Families pack up their cars, check their navigation apps, grab snacks, and hit the open road in search of adventure, rest, and relaxation. Whether it's a trip to visit relatives, explore new parts of God's creation, or simply take a break from the routine, road trips have a special place in our lives. Have you ever thought about how a road trip is similar to our journey of faith?

The Map and the Word

No good road trip begins without some kind of map or directions. Whether it's an old-school atlas or a voice coming through your phone or navigation system saying, "turn left in 300 feet," we need guidance to reach our destination. In our spiritual lives, God's Word is our map, and the voice of the Holy Spirit gently guides us along the way. Psalm 119:105 reminds us, "Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path." Just as we trust our GPS to steer us around obstacles, we learn to trust God's Word to lead us daily.

The Detours and Delays

Every road trip has them — road construction, flat tires, missed exits. These interruptions can frustrate us, but they can also lead to unexpected blessings: a hidden restaurant with a memorable meal, or a scenic road we would never have chosen on our own. Our spiritual journey is similar. Sometimes we encounter loss, confusion, or change. But as Romans 8:28 reminds us, "We know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him." Even our detours can be part of God's greater plan.

The Companions Along the Way

A road trip is best shared with others. Whether it's a family member singing off-key in the back seat or a friend navigating from the passenger seat, traveling together makes the journey more meaningful. In our church family, we are spiritual companions, supporting one another, sharing burdens, and celebrating the joys of others. Galatians 6:2 urges us, "Carry each other's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ."

The Destination

Most road trips have an ultimate destination: a beach, a reunion, a mountain top view. But as Christians, we are reminded that our ultimate destination is life with God, not only in heaven, but even now, as Jesus guides us in His grace. Philippians 3:14 says, "I press on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus." Every mile, every moment, every lesson along the way points us back to Him.

So whether you're loading up the car for a road trip or staying closer to home, remember that you're already on a journey. And you're not traveling alone; Christ Jesus is your guide.

Peace and Joy!
Pastor Rick

June/July 2025 Weekly Prayers

Sunday – Thank you Lord, for loving me so much that you discipline me. In Jesus’ name. Amen.
Psalm 94:12 Blessed is the man whom you discipline, O Lord, and whom you teach out of your law,

Monday – Dear Jesus, inspire my will to conform with the Father’s will. Amen.
1 Peter 3:17 For it is better to suffer for doing good, if that should be God's will, than for doing evil.

Tuesday – Dear Heavenly Father, thank you for lovingly crafting a world to enjoy and thank you for creating me. Forgive me when I don’t show love to you or to one another. In Jesus’ name I pray. Amen.
Mark 10:6 But from the beginning of creation, ‘God made them male and female.

Wednesday – Father, thank you for setting into motion a promise that would be a blessing for all people. Help me, your child, bless others through your Son. In His name I pray. Amen.
1 Corinthians 9:23 I do it all for the sake of the gospel, that I may share with them in its blessings.

Thursday – Savior, you promised to always be with me. Through your Spirit, live in me today and every day. In your name I pray. Amen.
Isaiah 44:3 For I will pour water on the thirsty land, and streams on the dry ground; I will pour my Spirit upon your offspring, and my blessing on your descendants.

Friday –Jesus, Son of God, you are my King! Reign in my heart now and forever.
Proverbs 25:5 take away the wicked from the presence of the king, and his throne will be established in righteousness.

Saturday – Jesus, Thank you for your faithfulness and your steadfast love, which endures forever. Amen.
Psalm 13:5 But I have trusted in your steadfast love; my heart shall rejoice in your salvation.



A note from our Parish Nurse, Tina Browning
Staying Safe in the Southwest Florida Heat and Humidity

Southwest Florida’s high heat and humidity can pose serious health risks during the warmer months. Whether you're working outside, running errands, or simply enjoying the sunshine, it's important to take steps to stay safe.

Hydration is Key
In hot, humid weather, your body loses fluids faster—even if you’re not sweating heavily. Drink plenty of water throughout the day. Avoid alcohol and sugary drinks, which can worsen dehydration. Keep a refillable water bottle with you and sip frequently, even if you’re not thirsty.

Dress Smart
Choose light-colored, loose-fitting clothes made from breathable fabrics like cotton or linen. A wide-brimmed hat and UV-protective sunglasses can help shield you from the sun’s rays.

Time Your Outdoor Activities
Try to plan outdoor tasks or exercise early in the morning or later in the evening when temperatures are lower. If you must be out during midday, take frequent breaks in the shade or indoors with air conditioning.

Recognize Warning Signs
Watch for symptoms of heat exhaustion such as headache, nausea, heavy sweating, dizziness, or muscle cramps. If you or someone nearby experiences confusion, fainting, or stops sweating altogether, seek medical help immediately—these could be signs of heat stroke.
Southwest Florida’s climate is beautiful but demanding. With a few simple precautions, you can enjoy the sunshine while keeping your body cool and safe.

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June & July Wedding Anniversaries

Fred & Joan Wenk Jun 1
Steve & Debbie Coomer Jun 2
Robert & Phyllis Erber Jun 2
John & Susan Browning Jun 5
Al & Julie Schafer Jun 5
Dennis & Susan Vosberg Jun 5
Ed & Jan Boerman Jun 7
Bob & Donna Selle Jun 7
Ron & Ruth Anderson Jun 12
Damaso & Kelli Pasalodos Jun 12
Karen & Tim Evenson Jun 16
Elaine & Michael Walsman Jun 17
Debbie & Erik White Jun 17
Ken & Susan Schwinn Jun 20
Christopher & Collin Davis Jun 23
Mike & Marla Reichert Jun 23
Rich & Judy Beumer Jun 25

Richard & Carol Heinrich Jun 24
Dick & Evelyn Taylor Jun 25
Bill & Shari Mink Jun 30
Tom & Becky Headington Jul 1
Bob & Julie Imig-Marquardt Jul 9
Jim & Judith MacGregor Jul 12
Robert & Kristin Ryan Jul 14
Douglas & Barbara Kuhn Jul 15
Art & Barb Knueppel Jul 16
Glen & Patsy Lose Jul 17
Mark & Cindi Nielsen Jul 17
Jan Mahal Jul 19
Mark Mahal Jul 19
Bob & Diana Bineau Jul 22
Dale & Linda Rustad Jul 24
John & Pam Wilmer Jul 24
Bob & Marlene Wilson Jul 31

June& July Birthdays!

Del Jennings Jun 1
Damaso Pasalodos Jun 1
Bill Denno Jun 2
Samuel Weiss Jun 2
Kent Witzel Jun 2
Betty Hilliard Jun 5
Debbie White Jun 5
Isabella Till Jun 6
June LaBar Jun 7
Annette Williamson Jun 8
Carol Hansis Jun 9
Beverly Smith Jun 10
Larry Drake Jun 12
Marie Hacker Jun 12
Donna Selle Jun 13
Sophia Till Jun 13
Marla Reichert Jun 14
Siegfried Claussner Jun 16
Cindi Nielsen Jun 17
Arlene Strawn Jun 17
Karen Bradley Jun 18
Becky Headington Jun 18

Dale Rustad Jun 18
Larry Brown Jun 19
Karen Berens Jun 20
Ron Knautz Jun 20
Jonathon Little Jun 21
Brenda Wuggazer Jun 23
Diane Eggebraaten Jun 26
Douglas Kuhn Jun 26
Al Schafer Jun 28
Robert Cory Jun 29
Tim Evenson Jun 30
John Weickelt Jun 30
Lauren Kolstedt Jul 1
Heather Sorrells Jul 1
Marie Morton Jul 4
Helena Nesbit Jul 4
Becky Weber Jul 4
David Eberhardt Jul 9
Judith MacGregor Jul 9
Dick Cornish Jul 11
Deanna Marner Jul 11
Tina Thomas Jul 11

Timothy Shaffer Jul 13
Lyle Raguse Jul 13
Robert Ryan Jul 14
Ed Boerman Jul 15
Marge Claussner Jul 15
Paul Bradley Jul 17
Vicki Liesmann Jul 17
Andrew Mancl Jul 17
Jim Nelson Jul 17
Lydia Stolz Jul 18
Beverly Kauffman Jul 19
Debbie Gotsch Jul 20
Wrenley Pasalodos Jul 20
Olivia Sorrells Jul 21
Herb Eggerding Jul 23
Ken Keyes Jul 23
Charlotte Stuff Jul 25
Yvonne Baremore Jul 26
Beverly Marsland Jul 27
Jean Marnocha Jul 31
Susan Truelson Jul 31

We pray special blessings
over all of you!