

The Anchor Line

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Hope Lutheran Church

Anchored in Jesus
Living with Joy
Reflecting His Love

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From the Pastor's Desk...

Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In his great mercy he has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead... (1 Peter 1:3).

Christ is risen! He is risen indeed! Alleluia! And because He is risen, hope lives!

For the people of God, our living hope is not just a future reality, it is a resurrected person. Our living hope sits at the right hand of God the Father almighty, still bearing the nail holes and spear wound, but healed and glorified. This living hope visits His frightened disciples on Easter Sunday evening. He stands before Peter, the one who had failed Him by denying Him, and He speaks to him the same as He speaks to the rest of the disciples. "Peace be with you!" And as He shows them His hands and side, Jesus draws the disciples out of the prison of fear and shame and into the freedom of hope, a hope that seemed impossible until that very moment.

You and I know shame and fear. Fear that your past will come back to haunt you. Shame over a decision you made or a wrong that was done to you. Fear of what the future holds for you or for those you love. But we have come to know something far greater than fear or shame. We know hope, and hope's name is Jesus the Christ. Living hope for Peter isn't flowery language – it's a breathing, reigning Savior.



In the weeks to come, we will have the opportunity to celebrate anew the resurrection of our King and to explore what Jesus' victory means for us as we engage our callings, raise our children, deal with the frustration and brokenness of life, mourn the loss of loved ones, and fill the moments of our days. For God's people, each of those moments can be hope-infused – real opportunities to live and act with the knowledge that our Savior lives, our Savior is present with us to lead us, and our Savior has assured us a glorious future! May that assurance strengthen us for loving, faithful work today.

Rejoicing in hope with you,
Pastor Baye

*Our Vision at Hope: that we would be a growing, vibrant, praying, caring congregation
– boldly reaching out with Jesus Christ in word and deed.*

Community Engagement Ministry

Submitted by Kim Thompson

Mission of the Community Engagement Ministry – To be Jesus' servants to meet physical, spiritual, and relational needs of the community.

Slow Cooking for Freedom House: We are looking to prepare and serve a meal at the Freedom House on April 23, 2024. Are you familiar with Freedom House? It is a shelter to help homeless families in Green Bay and is located at 2997 St. Anthony Drive. It is the only shelter in Green Bay that will accept entire families.

As a congregation there are many ways that you can help, including:

1. Slow Cooker Meal – On the display in the narthex there are recipes for Slow Cooker Homemade Macaroni & Cheese and Chicken & Broccoli Pasta. Please sign up to make one of these in your slow cooker and bring it to church before 12:00 noon on Tuesday, April 23rd. Please put your name on your slow cooker so we can return it to you.
2. Slow Cooker Applesauce – Please take a recipe card and make some applesauce prior to the meal. Deliver it to church before 12:00 noon on Monday, April 22nd, so we can chill it before serving it.
3. Sign up to help pack the meal, transport it, serve it, and clean up at the shelter. All volunteers need to sign up by April 10th as Freedom House asks to do background checks on our volunteers. We will meet at church at 3:45 p.m. on Tuesday, April 23rd. We will serve the meal from 5:00 to 6:00 p.m.

Hope also requested a Thrivent Action Team Card to allow us to purchase a slow cooker for each of the families that are at the Freedom House. We hope to help them out when they move out of homelessness and into a place of their own. We will also purchase some crafts for the kids, and we are partnering with Angels of Hope 4K students and Green Bay Trinity Lutheran 5th graders to provide cookies for the meal as well.

College Students: If you are a college student or have one in your family approaching final exams, please pass on their name and address to Kim Thompson, CEM Chairperson.

Hope Squares to Share: Whether you are already a whiz at crocheting or you have always wanted to learn - we have a project for you! Hope Squares to Share is a project to make blankets for our Foundations program for new babies. Extra blankets can also be packaged for mission gifts. We plan to meet at least monthly in (the meeting room, the fellowship hall, or the youth room) for making **granny squares**. When we have enough squares, we will join them together. You may either crochet with us at the church or grab your supplies and crochet at home. Yarn and 5mm "H" crochet hooks will be provided.



Please sign up at church or call/text Leighann Heling at 720-877-8117 to express your interest. Don't worry if you don't know how, step by step instructions will be provided. **We will meet for the first time on Saturday, April 13, 2024, from 2:00 to 3:30 p.m.** Depending upon interest and the schedule preferences expressed, we can set up a calendar for regular meetings. Come crochet with us!



Foxview Random Act of Kindness: Thank you to the Community Engagement Ministry for reaching out to our Foxview students with a little St. Patrick's Treat. It was appreciated.

The next Community Engagement Ministry Meeting will be on Tuesday, May 28th, at 6:30 p.m. via Zoom. Please see Kim Thompson if you wish to join us.

Hope's Health Corner

It's that time of year again – bring out the dust rags, brooms, and cleaning supplies and get ready for some spring cleaning! While a typical clean might include wiping down counters, scrubbing toilets, dusting, and vacuuming, you might also add in some deeper cleaning tasks – things like power washing the exterior of the house, reorganizing the garage, or a bigger cleaning project.

There's one additional item you should keep an eye on while cleaning, and it's not one that comes to

mind with the standard cleanup – mold. Molds are part of the natural environment and help break down leaves, dead trees, and other plants and materials. Molds reproduce by tiny spores which are not seen by the eye, and they float through outdoor and indoor air.



There are many different types of molds, and they all grow when mold spores land on moist or wet surfaces. When molds take hold and grow indoors, they have the potential to cause health problems. Most often, the symptoms are most similar to those seen with allergies – things like coughing, sneezing, a runny nose, watery eyes, or a skin rash. They can also cause asthma attacks in those who have asthma and are allergic to mold. Molds gradually destroy whatever they are growing on as well, so it's important to clean up mold to preserve your health, as well as prevent damage to your home and furnishings!

It is impossible to remove all mold (recall that the spores are both outdoors and inside). However, they cannot grow if moisture is not present. If mold growth happens in your home, it's important to clean up the mold **and** fix the water problem that caused it to grow. Once this has been taken care of, mold can be cleaned up.

If mold is in a small area, you may use a bleach solution (four parts water to one part bleach), spray the solution, and use a scrub brush. Another option is to use hydrogen peroxide, using a 3 to 10% concentration. Hydrogen peroxide is effective for removing molds from kitchen appliances, bathroom fixtures, walls, and floors. If mold is covering a larger area (larger than a 3-foot by 3-foot patch), you should consult a professional. They will have the proper supplies to remove the mold effectively.

To keep mold away, it's important to control moisture in your home. You may want to consider purchasing a dehumidifier for your home (make sure humidity does not rise above 50%). Keep fabrics and surfaces dry. Consider improving ventilation in your home with the use of bathroom and kitchen fans when the humidity is high. Open your windows on dry, breezy days.

Please don't hesitate to reach out to your parish nurses with any questions, we're glad to help provide more information or connect you with

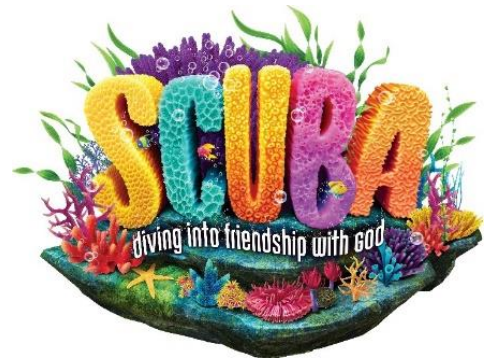
resources if you'd like additional assistance. Enjoy the fresh smell of spring!

Bryan Carlson, BSN, RN and Leighann Heling, BSN, RN
Hope Lutheran Parish Nurses

Sunday School & Youth News

Sunday School: The theme verse for this year is 1 Peter 4:10-11, "As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another... in order that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ." The April verse of the month is Isaiah 25:8, "[The Lord] will swallow up death forever." The Sunday School offering for April will go to Laundry Love.

Junior and Senior High Youth Nights: The next youth night will be Wednesday, April 10th, from 4:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.



Save the date for Vacation Bible School (VBS)!

Our theme this year is *SCUBA: Diving into friendship with God*. If you are entering 3K - 5th grade, you are invited to join us July 29th through August 2nd from 9:00 a.m. to 11:30 am. Please notice a change this year for our days and times, Monday through Friday morning Vacation Bible School. Register to participate or volunteer using this link <https://vbspro.events/p/8c4d31> or the following QR code:



Payment accepted at the display in the narthex. Please also fill out the photo release form at the following link: [Photo Release and T-Shirt Sizes](#)

Please stay tuned for more information and donation opportunities. If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to Mandy Dombrowski or Megan Baye.



Happy Anniversary!

Mike & Jody Ebeling	4/3
Adam & Stephanie Ford	4/4
Matthew & Elizabeth VanDenHeuvel	4/9
Will & Kristy Fischer	4/14
Linz & Barb Klevesahl	4/18
Michael & Jennifer Kaufmann	4/21
Gary & Joy Koomen	4/22
Scott & Renee Brandenburg	4/27
Chris & Sarah Schroeder	4/30

To all those who served at Hope in March, thank you for offering your time and talents in service to the Lord. We praise Him for giving you the gifts you possess and the heart to share them. Thank you for being Jesus' hands and feet among us. You are needed and appreciated.

Also, a special thank you to those that have been leaving gifts in church members' mailboxes. The treats have been very much appreciated!



Happy Birthday!

Charles Zadnik	4/1
Aaron Mittelstaedt	4/2
Quinn Simons	4/2
Renee Day	4/3
Anna Heling	4/3
Alice Loppnow	4/4
Jared Fink	4/4
Zaylee Ford	4/5
Bonny Schmidt	4/6
Griffin Dombrowski	4/8
Brian Schmidt	4/8
Jody Ebeling	4/9
Kaitlin Gonzales	4/9
Amanda Dombrowski	4/10
Paul Klevesahl	4/11
Robyn Meyer	4/11
Alice Klatt	4/12
Dean Wiskow	4/13
Renee Brandenburg	4/14
Brooklyn Hoffmann	4/15

Will Fischer	4/16
Shelley Stafford	4/16
Kitty Nagel	4/17
Emily Potton	4/17
Ethan Vanderpoel	4/17
Meghan Bierhals	4/18
Mila Gonzales	4/19
Richard Swalheim	4/20
Dawn Richart	4/23
Josephine Lambert	4/24
Walker Flannery	4/25
Caroline Habel	4/25
William Ryczek	4/25
Jennifer Kaufmann	4/26
Malena Carlson	4/27
Josie Nelson	4/27
Christopher Becker-Jonet	4/29
Jane Klug	4/29
Taylor Loppnow	4/29
Faith Pieper	4/29

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	7:30 AM Breakfast w/the Bible @ Oak Street Café 8:00 AM Bulletin Submissions Due 9:30 AM Ladies Bible Study 6:30 PM Ladies Bible Study	5:30 PM Confirmation 5:30 PM Choir 6:30 PM Worship 7:30 PM Elders		5 AOH Field Trip	6
7 8:00 AM Worship 9:15 AM Sunday School 9:30 AM Adult Bible Study 10:27 AM Worship 1:00 PM Hope Family Bowling Event 3:30 to 8:00 Fellowship Hall Reserved	8 6:30 PM Council	9 7:30 AM Breakfast w/the Bible @ Oak Street Café 8:00 AM Bulletin Submissions Due 9:30 AM Ladies Bible Study 5:30 PM Women of Hope 6:30 PM Ladies Bible Study	10 4:30 PM Senior & Junior High Youth Confirmation 5:30 PM Choir 6:30 PM Worship	11	12	13 2:00 PM Hope Squares to Share Meeting
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