

Hope Lutheran Church – September 20, 2026

	Elder	Usher	Reader	AV Operator
Wednesday 6:30 PM	Volunteer	Eric Andringa	Volunteer	Volunteer
Sunday 8:00 AM	Keith Staehly	Paul & Nancy Mittelstaedt	Volunteer	Volunteer
Sunday 10:27 AM	Andy Novak	Volunteer	Volunteer	Volunteer
Altar Aides	Joy and Carol			
Coffee Bar	DPCO Christmas Store			

Hope Lutheran Church: A Congregation of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod 700 S. Superior Street, De Pere, WI 54115

Contact Information Changed? Please notify the church office if you have a change of address, email, or phone. We use email to communicate with our members for announcements as well as other important messages. If you are not receiving our emails, please send your information to office@hopedepere.org to be added.

Volunteer: See the volunteer binder at the Welcome Stand in the narthex to sign up for the many opportunities available.

Stephen Ministry: Hope is a Stephen Ministry congregation. We equip lay caregivers (Stephen Ministers) to provide confidential, Christ-centered care to people who are hurting. Please contact Pastor Baye with questions.

Life Thought from Lutherans for Life:

Thanks be to God for faithful servants of God who have lifted up the truth of God's Word in their times. Believers who recognize the difficulties of this life often yearn to be with the Lord as Paul says, "...for me to live is Christ, and to die is gain" (Philippians 1:21). So, today, we need not fear death or any enemy, but we can rejoice and stand firm in the Holy Spirit, speaking the truth about God's gifts of life, eternity, and forgiveness. The Lord's Word makes clear that He wants people everywhere to repent and be cleansed of their sins that they may dwell with Him forever (Psalm 27:4).

Sunday School: Today we will study God's covenant with Abram in "A Sign and a Promise". God reassures Abram of His promise to bless the earth through Abram's offspring. God changes his name from Abram ("exalted father") to Abraham ("father of many nations") and institutes circumcision as the sign of His continued covenant with Abraham. Despite Abraham and Sarah's advanced age, God promises they will have a son of their own.



We pray for Jean VandenLangenberg, Rick Haegele, Bev Francken, Jayne Schroeder, Landon Dickie, Kiyah Garner, Nicole Klevesahl, Colleen Cummings, Caleb, Dick (friend of Bev Francken), Ralph (son-in-law of Bev Francken), Jack Jilot (Linda's husband), Jon (friend of Rhonda Rusch), Family of Bob Gause (for various health issues), Ella (granddaughter of Alice Loppnow), Megan (niece of Bob & Tia Splittgerber), Rita Devroy, Dan (friend of Bev Francken), Bob Carlson, Zayden, Jonah, Kristin, Dawson, Jo Franda (DPCO Volunteer), Delores Lemke, Shelley (neighbor of Lisa Osen), Mick Brennan (Terry Brennan's uncle), Al Schuettpeitz, Roger Grueb, Lisa Osen, Bob, Michael, and Tony (Jo Smits' relatives), Betty Krueger, Claude Haevers, Kaitlyn and John Gregory as they deliberate the Call to Grace, New Albany, IN, and Larry Schneider.

Stewardship Ministry Presents... "Taxes, RMDs, and Generosity": Join us today, September 20th, at 9:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall as we explore how Christians can think about taxes biblically and faithfully while also making wise financial decisions. We'll consider practical ways to use **Required Minimum Distributions (RMDs)** and **Qualified Charitable Distributions (QCDs)** to potentially reduce tax burdens, bless family members, and support the ministries God has entrusted to us. Come learn how thoughtful stewardship can turn tax planning into an opportunity for generosity and faithful care of the resources God has provided.

Bringing Hope to Menasha: Menasha suffered significant devastation from the July tornado. Maria Halbach is a friend of one of our Community Engagement members and serves as the Student Services Department Coordinator for the Menasha Joint School District. The Community Engagement Ministry would like to invite you to join in a direct community recovery effort by purchasing scrip cards that will be donated to Maria and her team to be used to directly help students and families in the Menasha Joint School District.

If you would like to participate, please purchase a scrip card for the **"Bringing Hope to Menasha"** project. **Please complete a blue "Bringing Hope to Menasha" form found on the display table and turn it in with your payment at the scrip counter.** Options include cards in any denomination for Festival Foods, Kwik Trip, Piggly Wiggly, Walgreens, and Pick 'N Save/Kroger. **Scrip sellers will keep the cards you purchased to hand over to the Community Engagement Ministry. Purchases can be made through today, September 20th.**

Seroogy's Fundraiser: The youth are selling Seroogy's chocolates and coffee through October 7th. See the display in the narthex, or a youth, to place an order. Questions – contact Kaitlyn Gregory, DCE.

Updates from Church Council:

- **2026 Mission Requests:** There are three (3) \$500 Mission Requests still available. Contact the Church Office if you are interested in applying for these funds.
- **2027 Budget:** Hope ministries with a 2027 budget request should submit those requests to hopedeperetreasurer@gmail.com before 9/30/2026.

Christmas Store: It's Sock-tember! The DPCO targeted item of the month is socks for the family. Warm, cushioned work socks are always appreciated.

Women of Hope: Check out the bulletin board for more information about Sew Powerful or visit the SewPowerful.org website for more information about this Christian organization providing training, education, and good-paying jobs for girls, women, and young men in the country of Zambia in Africa along with sharing the Good News.

Scrip: \$5,415.95 YTD. \$8,000 is the budgeted amount for this specific fundraiser. Purchasing and/or using a scrip card is just like using a gift card for your regular purchases and/or gifts (no extras that you do not want, need, or use), but the church gets a percentage of the total amount. Since the program began, \$46,000 has been raised for the general church budget along with \$7,819 which has been dispersed for youth splits and parochial tuition splits (including Angels of Hope Preschool). Check out the order forms at the scrip desk - we generally have popular cards in stock for immediate purchase. We can also do special orders and e-cards (paper printouts that can be used as-is or put into your digital wallet). Some cards can be registered and reloaded so you are not using multiple plastic cards for the same establishment. Youth, parochial students, and AOH student families can also register for a 50/50 split of rebates which go toward youth accounts and/or tuition at schools. Signup forms are available at the scrip desk. For questions or midweek sales, call/text Sue or Judy or email us at hopedeperescrip@gmail.com. Thank you for supporting the scrip program!

DPCO Food Pantry: The Food Pantry is open for donations Monday through Friday from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. Distributions take place on Wednesdays from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. The nonperishable food collection barrel is always in the coat room at Hope, and we emphasize the pantry collections on the 4th Sunday of each month (September 23rd and 27th).

North Wisconsin District Adult Gatherings: Make plans now to attend one of the North Wisconsin District Adult Gatherings! The first will take place on Monday, October 12th, at Peace Lutheran Church, Eau Claire, and the second will be Tuesday, October 13th, at Mount Olive Lutheran Church, Weston. **Registration deadline is September 25.** Registration forms are available in the narthex and on the NWD homepage at nwdlcms.org under 'Events and Info'.

NEW Lutheran High School is looking to hire a Part-Time Custodian up to 29.5 hours per week. To learn more, please contact employment@newlhs.com.

ABC Festival

The **ABC Festival (Auction, Bake Sale, and Chili)** is back! Join us for in-person fellowship on **Saturday, November 7th, from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.** Mark your calendar to pick up your winning auction items, enjoy delicious chili or booyah, and pick up a tasty treat from the Women of Hope. **There will also be family-friendly entertainment and the unveiling of the remodeled Youth Room and Basement during the event!**

Online Auction Details:

- **Auction Items Due: Sunday, October 11th** – please bring to the youth room. Any item received after this date will be placed in the bucket raffle.
- **Soup Pre-Orders** begin on Sunday, October 11th.
- **Bidding Opens:** Thursday, October 29th at 4:00 p.m.
- **Bidding Closes:** Thursday, November 5th at 8:30 p.m.

How Your Donations Help: As the largest fundraiser for both Hope Youth and Angels of Hope Preschool, your contributions make a direct impact. You can donate items to benefit a specific youth's Hope Youth Account, the general Youth Program, or Angels of Hope Preschool.

Next Steps: Start planning your donations now! See the display in the narthex for forms and additional information.

This week at Hope.....

Sunday, September 20

8:00 AM	Worship
9:15 AM	Sunday School
9:30 AM	Stewardship Presentation: Taxes
10:27 AM	Worship

Monday, September 21

6:00 PM	Angels of Hope Board
6:30 PM	Praise Team

Tuesday, September 22

7:30 AM	Oak Street Café Bible Study
8:00 AM	Bulletin Submissions Due
9:30 AM	Ladies Bible Study
6:00 PM	Education Ministry
7:15 PM	Men's Bible Study
7:30 PM	Ladies Bible Study

Wednesday, September 23 – Food Pantry Collection

5:15 PM	Choir
5:30 PM	Confirmation
6:30 PM	Embers of Hope
6:30 PM	Worship

Sunday, September 27 – Food Pantry Collection

8:00 AM	Worship
9:15 AM	Sunday School
9:30 AM	Adult Bible Study
10:27 AM	Worship