The Anchor Line
October 2026
Hope Lutheran Church

Anchored in Jesus | Living with Joy | Reflecting His Love

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From the Pastor's Desk...

"The joy of the Lord is your strength." (Nehemiah 8:10)

"I have come that they might have life, and have it to the full." (Jesus, John 10:10)

At Hope, we aspire to be a growing, vibrant, praying, caring congregation, boldly reaching out with Jesus Christ in word and deed. This month, I'd like to take a moment to focus on the word **vibrant**. The American Heritage Dictionary defines vibrant as "pulsing or throbbing with energy or activity." We can see in this definition a connection to the word "vibrate." Maybe you know someone who embodies what it means to be vibrant. In my household, we have a couple of kids who seem to not be able to stop moving. They live their life with a certain level of energy, seemingly all the time. Others may not have a perpetual case of the wiggles, but their personality or demeanor displays a vibrancy that can be infectious. They brighten a room when they walk into it. They smile not only with their mouth but with their eyes. There's an underlying joy that energizes their life.

Our lives as the people of God are meant to be vibrant, but that is often easier said than done! Our schedules, our obligations, and our challenges drain our energy and leave us feeling dry and exhausted. Guilt and shame rob our joy and make our lives feel heavy. That's why it's so important to remember that the vibrant life of an individual Christian or a congregation doesn't begin with us. It begins with Jesus. It begins with His presence and invitation: **"Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light" (Matthew 11:28-30).** Our joy and energy flows from the rest that Jesus grants us—not just physical rest, but emotional and spiritual rest that flows from the news that we are perfectly loved, forgiven, and secure in Him. We trade our heavy burdens for the lightness of His way of life—trusting in God and relying on His strength, not ours. And His Spirit works the fruit of joy in us.

And that joy often grows and multiplies as it is shared. We certainly need times alone with God, but we are not made for isolation. As we share one another's burdens and celebrate one another's blessings, we experience through the body of Christ the vibrant, abundant life for which Jesus has saved us.

Rejoice! You belong to Jesus! The Father delights in calling you His child. If that news makes you want to dance or wiggle, go for it! Blessings on your month.

Christ's peace and joy,
Pastor Baye

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.

Bringing Hope to Menasha: Granola bars and a significant number of gift cards were donated. They will be delivered to Menasha's Student Services Department Coordinator for the Menasha Joint School District. We are grateful for the generous response to help our neighboring community.

Laundry Love Outreach – October Donation Drive: Laundry Love Brown County provides love, dignity, and detergent by offering free laundry services to low- and no-income individuals and families—restoring hope and strengthening our community one load at a time. Hope member Jean Vanden Langenberg faithfully coordinates our church's participation in this loving ministry.

This October, our congregation has the opportunity to support their essential work through the following ways:

- **Physical Donations:** Throughout October, we are collecting **dryer sheets** and **laundry pods** (any brand/kind).
- **Financial Support:** Laundry Love spends approximately $11,000–$12,000 annually to provide services and purchase supplies like laundry bags. To help meet their financial needs, Hope will hold **special door offerings on Wednesday, October 14th, and Sunday, October 18th.**

Please consider planning a financial or material donation on these dates if it fits within your family's giving budget. Thank you for your support!

Hope's Health Corner

One way we can show love and care for our families is to plan ahead for a time when we cannot speak for ourselves. This may not be the most exciting conversation to have, but it can be a very loving thing to do for our loved ones.

Three terms to know about are: **Power of Attorney for Health Care, Living Will, and Probate**. We've heard of them, but let's talk about what they mean. **Power of Attorney for Health Care** is a legal document that lets you choose someone you trust to make health care decisions for you if you become too sick or injured to make those decisions yourself. The person you chose is called your **health care agent**. This can be a spouse, child, friend, or another person you trust. You should talk with this person ahead of time about what is important to you and the kind of care you would want. In simple terms, you are saying, *"If I can't speak for myself, I want this person to speak for me."* That is a pretty important job!



A **Living Will** is related, but a little different. In Wisconsin, it is called a **Declaration to Health Care Professionals**. It lets you write down your wishes about certain medical treatments if you are very seriously ill and cannot speak for yourself. So, you might remember it this way: **Power of Attorney for Health Care = who speaks for me. Living Will = how I want to be cared for.** These two documents can work together.

Wisconsin has its own forms for these two types of documents. A Power of Attorney for Health Care must be signed in front of **two witnesses**, and there are rules about who can be a witness. The Wisconsin Department of Health Services provides the official forms and instructions. Once you complete them, make sure your family knows you have them and knows where to find them. Giving a copy to your doctor or health care system can also be helpful.

Now let's talk **probate**. In Wisconsin, probate is the legal process through which a person's estate is settled after they die. It is court-supervised and can be costly. Some strategies to avoid probate include establishing trusts or ensuring assets are jointly owned or have designated beneficiaries. A will or a trust can minimize costly probate processes by giving clear instructions about beneficiaries.

Here is an example to see how these things work together. Let's say Buster suddenly has a medical issue and can't make his own medical decisions. Buster has completed a Power of Attorney for

Health Care and named his daughter, Betsy. Once the doctors determine that Buster cannot make his own decisions, Betsy can step in and help make health care decisions for him based on what Buster would have wanted. Buster's Living Will also helps Betsy and the medical team better understand his wishes. The family may still have some hard decisions, but they have Buster's instructions to guide them.

Now imagine Buster did not have a Power of Attorney for Health Care. His family may not agree about what he would have wanted. It is possible Buster may need to become a ward of the state, temporarily, until someone is made a legal guardian. Wisconsin law now has a new Next of Kin Decision Making Act that took effect **June 1, 2026. The act allows hospitals to select a decision maker.** But having your own documents is still helpful because **you get to choose who should speak for you, and you get to tell people what matters to you.**

We trust God with our future, but we can still do our part to prepare. Taking time to talk with your loved ones, choose someone you trust, and put your wishes in writing can be a wonderful gift to your family. Planning ahead means we are caring for the people we love by making our wishes clear. A little planning today can bring a lot of peace tomorrow.

Ask your primary care provider for Living Will and Power of Attorney for Healthcare documents. You can also contact the Wisconsin Department of Health Services (DHS) to find the documents you need.

With love and plans for a long and happy future,
Leighann Heling, BSN, RN and
Bryan Carlson, BSN, RN

Sunday School & Youth News

Submitted by Kaitlyn Gregory, DCE

The Sunday School theme verse for October is Proverbs 3:5, "Trust in the Lord with all your heart and do not lean on your own understanding." The Sunday School offering will go to Feed My Starving Children. Please note that this year's Christmas with Sunday School will be held on December 20th at 9:00 a.m.
Youth:

- Seroogy's Fundraising will conclude on Wednesday, October 7th. Please have your order forms turned in by this date.
- The Feed My Starving Children mobile packing event will be on Wednesday, October 7th, at Green Bay Community Church.
- Embers of Hope Bible Study (9th through 12th grades) will be on October 14th and 21st this month.
- The meal for Confirmation Families for this month will be on Wednesday, October 28th, at 5:00 p.m.
- The Youth Leadership Team is planning an event for youth in 5th through 12th grade. More information will be shared once scheduled.

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.



Are you interested in becoming a member of Hope Lutheran Church? Our new member class will give you the opportunity to learn (or review) some of the key teachings of the Christian faith. In addition, you will get to know some great people who can help you to feel at home and connect you to aspects of our ministry which fit your God-given gifts and interests. **Our next class is Saturday, October 24, 2026, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.** Lunch and childcare will be provided. Register at hopedepere.org/membership.



Auction Donor Log

Name:_____

Phone:_____

Please put your name at the top of this document and list donor information for each item.

Please turn in this log with your items by Sunday October 11 .2026.

The proceeds from the items on this list are to benefit :_____

(You would either be listing Angels of Hope, Youth General Fund or the name of a youth)

Donor Name	If a business gave you the donation, please list the name	Name of donated item	Each individual item of basket described/ Complete, detailed description of the item (the more detailed, the better)	Your suggested value of item
EXAMPLE: John Smith		Seroogy's Tasty Basket	1/2 pound box of mint meltaways, chocolate pretzels, 20 oz. package of hazelnut coffee and heart shaped caramels	

Reminder: Items should be brought to church with this log by Sunday October 11, 2026

Reminder: If you're donating a service, a certificate is to be made with details of the item. Please let us know if assistance is needed

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De Pere Christian Outreach

5th Annual Fashion Cents

Woman's Club of De Pere

FASHION SHOW FUNDRAISER BENEFITTING
DPCO'S CHRISTMAS STORE PROGRAM
AND THE WOMAN'S CLUB OF DE PERE

SILENT AUCTION

DESSERTS!

RAFFLES

Special Guest
Kristyn Allen



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OCT

SATURDAY 10

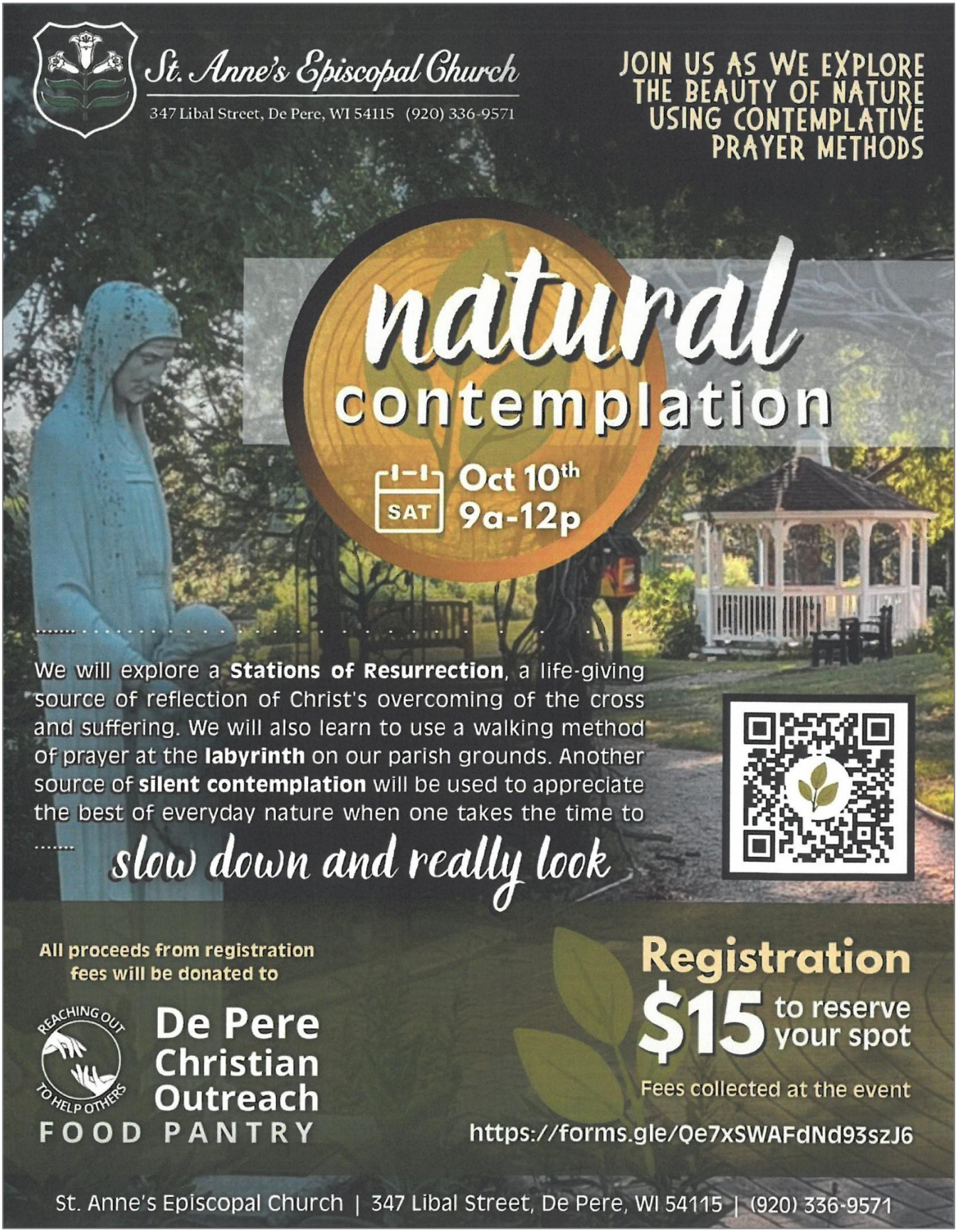
Doors open at 12:30

SHOW 1:30PM

$20 per person

First United Presbyterian Church - De Pere, WI

POP-UP BOUTIQUE!


St. Anne's Episcopal Church
347 Libal Street, De Pere, WI 54115 (920) 336-9571
JOIN US AS WE EXPLORE THE BEAUTY OF NATURE USING CONTEMPLATIVE PRAYER METHODS
natural
contemplation
SAT
Oct 10th
9a-12p
We will explore a Stations of Resurrection, a life-giving source of reflection of Christ's overcoming of the cross and suffering. We will also learn to use a walking method of prayer at the labyrinth on our parish grounds. Another source of silent contemplation will be used to appreciate the best of everyday nature when one takes the time to
slow down and really look
All proceeds from registration fees will be donated to
REACHING OUT TO HELP OTHERS
De Pere Christian Outreach
FOOD PANTRY
Registration
$15 to reserve your spot
Fees collected at the event
https://forms.gle/Qe7xSWAFdNd93szJ6
St. Anne's Episcopal Church | 347 Libal Street, De Pere, WI 54115 | (920) 336-9571

ST. ANNE'S MEN'S MINISTRY

Booyah FUNDRAISER

Saturday, October 10 11:00 am - 2:00 pm
& Sunday, October 11 9:00 am - Noon

$10 PER QUART



OR 4 QUARTS FOR $36

Recommend ordering ahead of time as the Booyah sells out quickly. Scan QR code or order on St. Anne's Website, stannesdepere.org

347 Libal Street, De Pere, WI 54115

FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH | 2335 S. WEBSTER AVE. | GREEN BAY, WI 54301



Lutherans Witness Differently

Saturday, October 10, 2026

8 AM - 12PM*

FREE EVENT!
*LUNCH IS PROVIDED

Please register here

Sharing the gospel message from God's word is essential to the life of a Christian. But many of us might be intimidated by this task. We see others who share their faith by knocking on doors, standing on street corners with signs, or debating people on the street to make a Youtube video. Is this how we are supposed to witness and share our faith? We know the truth - that we have been buried with Christ and raised with Him in our baptism. This truth should change how we share our faith because Lutherans Witness Differently.



Guest speaker:
Rev. Timothy Droegemueller

-Pastor at Living Faith Lutheran Church, Cumming, Georgia
-previous board member for LCMS National Mission

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IT'S CHILI INSIDE!
SOUPS
BAKE SALE
RAFFLES
50/50
Thursday
OCT 22TH
DOORS OPEN
4:30PM
5-7 PM
$10
ADMISSION
laundry LOVE
Brown County
OLDE 41
1966 VELP AVE.
GREEN BAY, WI
BENEFITING LAUNDRY LOVE BROWN COUNTY
EVENT SPONSORS
OLDE 41
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WorkMoney
People Caring More
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FAMILY OF COMPANIES
VANDERVEST
Harley-Davidson
www.VHD.com Green Bay, WI
REACHING OUT TO HELP OTHERS
De Pere
Christian
Outreach
GREEN BAY PACKERS
GIVE BACK
www.laundrylovebrowncounty.com

AUCTION BAKE SALE CHILI

ABC Festival 2026

November 7, 2026 | 4:00 PM to 6:00 PM

Pick up your winnings, purchase chili, booyah, and baked goods, enjoy live entertainment, and see the remodeled Youth Room and Basement!

4:15-5:00 PM Live Family Friendly Music
4:00-6:00 PM Balloon Artist

ONLINE AUCTION OPENS THURSDAY, OCTOBER 29TH AT 4PM & CLOSES THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 5TH AT 8:30PM.

Access more information and our online auction here:

HOPE LUTHERAN CHURCH
700 S SUPERIOR ST DE PERE, WI 54115



N.E.W. Lutheran
HIGH SCHOOL

CELEBRATE THE NEWLHS 36TH ANNUAL DINNER AUCTION:

RED, WHITE & BLUE

WITH

N.E.W.

LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL

SCAN HERE

SATURDAY, NOV. 14TH

FREEDOM! Gal. 5:1

AT ROCK GARDEN BANQUET HALL
1951 Bond Street, Green Bay, WI

www.newlhs.com



To all those who served at Hope in September, we thank you for your gifts of time and talent. Whether you take care of lawn or building maintenance, usher, share the gift of music, serve on a board or ministry group, take care of communion needs, or represent Hope by reaching out to the community, you are needed and appreciated.

Happy Anniversary!

Nick & Nicole Cieslewicz	10/1
Jake & Rachel Doherty	10/2
Matthew & Regan Schuette	10/3
Peter & Janice Bose	10/4
John & Tammy Gossen	10/6
Steve & Beth Siebert	10/7
Jon & Nicole Fawcett	10/10
Christopher & Jessica McCormick	10/16
Rick & Joan Stenklyft	10/17
David & Eileen Gerrits	10/18
Brendan & Emily Potton	10/20
David & Brittany Schneider	10/20
Krysta & Ryan Dickie	10/21
Greg & Rene Ginnow	10/21
Dennis & Renee Day	10/24
Steve & Patti Bertram	10/27



Happy Birthday!

Emma Bergsbaken	10/1
Michelle Burhite	10/1
Robert Marquardt	10/2
Barbara Bloomer	10/3
Laura Mier	10/3
Nichole Habel	10/6
Camden Vande Hey	10/6
Darryll Hillmann	10/8
Erika Bertram	10/9
Joleen Bratz	10/9
Roberta Hengel	10/9
Rick Haegele	10/11
Evan Bornowski	10/12
Phil James	10/12
William Miehe	10/12
Jake Doherty	10/13
Jayne Schroeder	10/13
Kelsey Sebo	10/13
Paul Edinger	10/15
Mary Mellem	10/15
Clayton King	10/16
Marian Cleven	10/17
Travis Gerondale	10/19
Beth Vande Hey	10/19
Joshua Nelson	10/21
Meredith Jordan	10/22
Judith Becker	10/23
Emmett Gossen	10/25
Eric Ryczek	10/25
Cindi Vercauteren	10/25
Keith Carlson	10/26
Rhett Mortenson	10/27
Miles Carlson	10/28
Nolan Carlson	10/28
Roger Grueb	10/29
Jeff Klatt	10/29
Jason Maschke	10/29
Matt Klug	10/30
Beth Siebert	10/31

October 2026

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2 Camp Luther Women's Retreat	3 Camp Luther Women's Retreat
4 **8:00 AM** Worship **9:15 AM** Sunday School **9:30 AM** Adult Bible Study **10:27 AM** Worship Camp Luther Women's Retreat	5 **6:30 PM** Praise Team **7:30 PM** Moms of Hope	6 **7:30 AM** Oak Street Bible Study **9:30 AM** Ladies Bible Study **6:30 PM** Men's Bible Study **7:30 PM** Ladies Bible Study	7 **5:15 PM** Choir **6:30 PM** Worship **7:45 PM** Elders Feed My Starving Children Event	8	9	10 **9:00 AM–11:00 AM** Hope's Trail Clean-Up
11 **8:00 AM** Worship **9:15 AM** Sunday School **9:30 AM** Adult Bible Study **10:27 AM** Worship	12 **6:30 PM** Praise Team **6:30 PM** Council	13 **7:30 AM** Oak Street Bible Study **9:30 AM** Ladies Bible Study **6:00 PM** Women of Hope **6:30 PM** Men's Bible Study **7:30 PM** Ladies Bible Study	14 **5:15 PM** Choir **5:30 PM** Confirmation **6:30 PM** Embers of Hope **6:30 PM** Worship	15	16	17
18 **8:00 AM** Worship **9:15 AM** Sunday School **9:30 AM** Adult Bible Study **10:27 AM** Worship	19 **6:00 PM** Angels of Hope Board **6:30 PM** Praise Team	20 **7:30 AM** Oak Street Bible Study **8:00 AM** Newsletter Submissions Due **9:30 AM** Ladies Bible Study **6:30 PM** Men's Bible Study **7:30 PM** Ladies Bible Study	21 **5:15 PM** Choir **5:30 PM** Confirmation **6:30 PM** Embers of Hope **6:30 PM** Worship **DPCO Food Pantry Collection**	22	23	24 **9:00 AM–12:00 PM** Hope's DPCO Thrift Store Intake Day **9:00 AM–3:00 PM** New Member Class
25 **8:00 AM** Worship **9:15 AM** Sunday School **9:30 AM** Adult Bible Study **10:27 AM** Worship **10:30 AM–3:00 PM** Fellowship Hall Reserved **DPCO Food Pantry Collection**	26 **6:30 PM** Praise Team	27 **7:30 AM** Oak Street Bible Study **9:30 AM** Ladies Bible Study **6:00 PM** Education Ministry **7:15 PM** Men's Bible Study **7:30 PM** Ladies Bible Study	28 **5:00 PM** Meal for Confirmation Families **5:15 PM** Choir **5:30 PM** Confirmation **6:30 PM** Worship	29 **4:00 PM ABC Online Auction Begins**	30 No Angels of Hope Preschool	31

Publication Information:
Bulletin information is due Tuesdays at 8:00 a.m.
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