



# The ANCHOR

*The Newsletter of Hope Lutheran Church*

*June/July/August 2017*

*211 Elton-Adelphia Road (Rte 524), Freehold, NJ 07728*

**Anchored in Christ, Growing in Faith, Love and Service!**

**WORSHIP SERVICES with HOLY  
COMMUNION**

**Sunday Worship @ 9:30 AM**

**Wednesday Worship with Holy  
Communion @ 7 PM**



***YOU are welcome!***

**Interim Pastor: Rev. George Detweiler {thru June}**

**Administrator: Wanda M. Nebiolo**

**Minister of Music: Dean Poulsen**

**HCS Director: Judy Canfield**

**Communications Director: Kathryn Johnson**

**Bookkeeper & Financial Sec: Stephanie Siino**

**Custodians – Wayne & Diane Kless**

**Church & Hope Christian School information: 732-462-7545**

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**Web page: [www.hopefreehold.org](http://www.hopefreehold.org)**

**Counseling Center for Human Development: 908-276-0590**

**Chime Choir Director – Janice Seifert**

**Anchor Editor: Wanda Nebiolo**

**Production: Joe Cuzzo, Charlotte Shaw, Sandy Sandor**

**Church Council:**

**President – John Bonanno**

**Vice President – Bill Unger**

**Secretary- vacant**

**Treasurer-Pam Taylor**

**Outreach- Vacant**

**Education – Janet Creech**

**Maintenance- John Fink**

**Action-Fellowship- Rebekah Heilman-Mancini**

**Social Ministry- Siggy Kuehn**

**Support- Angelo Ranaudo**

**Worship – John Drager**

**Youth- Erika England**

**Senior High Youth –Tara Zigler**

**New Council Members will be announced in the Weekly E Bulletins  
and Sunday Bulletins**

# *Pastor Detweiler's Message.....*

From the *Interim Pastor*

It has been an interesting year! My job has been to help Hope come to terms with the enormous changes that have taken place within and around the congregation in the last few years. That could be summarized as bringing the many new members (most of them from Grace) into the fellowship circle of the congregation, and moving us from seeing ourselves as a “Mom and Pop” organization that operates somewhat informally as a “family”, to seeing ourselves as a community of faith in Christ with a professional staff that operates according to written standard procedures. The role of that professional staff is to recruit and support volunteers who carry out our ministry in Christ’s name.

On the basis of Hope’s average Sunday attendance, one would expect the budget to be about \$300,000. Instead it is roughly \$750,000 because of the Hope Christian School. Similarly, a congregation of our size would typically have one full time employee (the pastor) and three-part time employees. Instead we have five full time and eighteen part time employees, again because of our school.

Some are mourning the loss of the family feeling of a congregation that had little paid staff. Actually, volunteers still do most of the work of the congregation, but as Hope grew, paid staff was needed to coordinate that work. Once a congregation has an attendance over 100 a Sunday, it has become too large for everyone to know each other. (It is similar in families: I have 70 first cousins. I know the older thirty of them, but not the younger forty.)

It takes at least 15 volunteers to make worship happen when we have two services on a Sunday. We have an additional 12 people teaching Sunday School each week. Every activity requires additional volunteers to coordinate participation. I estimate that we have about 100 volunteers working in our various ministries inside and outside the congregation. (We have 35 involved in Emergency Housing, 15 with Sunday School, 15 in the Choir, plus ushers, greeters, etc.) Most of them are unseen and unrecognized, but their work is an important witness to Christ among us nevertheless.

My year began by working with the Transition Team of Dave Lynch, Brian McMillin, Chelsea Ziglar, Debbie Crawford, Suzy Coulter, and Gerry Bergh. They worked hard to get a sense of the congregation and the Freehold community setting so they could assemble the Ministry Site Profile that is submitted to the New Jersey Synod office to begin the search for the next pastor.

They discovered that half the congregation is under 35 years of age, unusual for Protestant congregations today, and a contrast to the aging congregational leadership that they also noted. While we participate in many mission programs, we lack a strategic plan or clear goals for the future. They expressed the hope that goals will be set after a new pastor arrives.

Although Hope Christian School is part of Hope Lutheran Church’s DNA, the Transition Team pointed out the need to integrate the school with our other ministries, and to engage younger members in participation and leadership. It is the school that has brought many of our younger families to us. For a church school to be successful, it has to be the primary mission focus of the sponsoring congregation. When a school operation is well integrated into a congregation’s mission, it strengthens the congregation by bringing a steady stream of younger people into the congregation.

At the April Council meeting, I announced that I would be completing my interim at Hope on June 30. I believe that I have accomplished what I can here, and expect you will be calling your next pastor soon. You have a strong Call Committee working with the synod leadership to discern the call of the next pastor.

In addition, our Minister of Music, Dean Poulsen, will be leaving us August 31. We are grateful for the nine years he has served this congregation, and will be looking for a replacement who will help our children and youth be involved in our worship and music.

Our long-term Office Administrator, Wanda Nebiolo, has announced her plan to retire October 31. Wanda has been indispensable to the operation of the church and school, and has served faithfully many years! For that reason, the Council began the transition in office staff with the hiring of a part time Communications Director, Kathryn Johnson, in January. Kathryn has been working on enhancing the capabilities of our website and developing our Facebook presence. Over the summer, she will be taking over the other communications responsibilities. Also, recognizing the time pressures on both the office staff and our congregational Treasurer, a part time bookkeeper, Stephanie Siino, was hired in January.

Shifts in leadership are typical of transitions between pastors, but filling seven of twelve Council positions and changing office, music and pastoral staff in the span of a few months is unusual. But then, Hope's situation is quite unusual:

- A third of the people attending worship now were not attending a little more than a year ago
- More than 100 people joined Hope a year ago, most of them from Grace
- Hope has only had two pastors in 50 years. It would be more typical to have had five pastors in that span of years.
- Hope Christian School has experienced exponential growth in the last five years, stretching the use of our facilities and our staff.

With our school enrollment being consistently full, and the closing of KinderCare next door to us, questions have arisen about growing the school. It is a question that will be answered as your next pastor arrives. It is related to the need for goals and a plan for the future. The Transition Team developed a preliminary answer to the question of what Hope will be for the future. A more complete vision that integrates Hope Christian School more fully needs to be developed in the next several years. I have confidence that the Council will lead you in this project so Hope can be a faithful witness to Jesus Christ in Freehold for many years to come.

In Christ, *Pastor Detweiler*



## **Counseling Center for Human Development** **The 'Hope' Center**

Dedicated to the healing of people. Hope is a satellite office with two counselors on site by appointment only – 908-276-0590. Offering the community its skills and expertise in: adult problems, marriage & family problems, child & adolescent problems, stress management, separation & divorce, addiction & abuse.



## Official Acts.....

**Baptism.....** Received into the Church of Jesus Christ through the Sacrament of Holy Baptism was **Alfred Joseph Caputo**, born June 23, 2016 to **Virgil and Cheryl Caputo**. Sponsors are **Michael Torres** and **Kristine Stefani**.

**Our Love & Sympathy.....** We extend our love & sympathy to the following: **Jerry Newsom**, **Suzy Coulter's brother** entered Life Eternal on April 26; **Vincent Basile** entered Life Eternal suddenly on May 2. **Vincent** is the father of our **HCS student, Isabella** and is part owner of the family-owned business, Solo Bella Restaurant in Jackson. **Wanda Nebiolo's sister-in-law, Doris Bowen** entered Life Eternal suddenly on May 9.



**Wedgwood Gardens, 3419 US Hwy 9 N, Freehold**

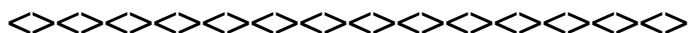
**Worship Service with Holy Communion**

**Thursday, June 1, @ 3:30 PM**

**July and August dates to be announced**

*You are invited to accompany for assistance with this Nursing Home service.*

*Please arrive @ 3:15 PM.*



<b>HOPE STATS</b>					
<b>Sun/Wed Attendance</b>		<b>Wed&amp;Sun Sch</b>	<b>Offerings</b>	<b>- did not reach</b>	<b>+ reached</b>
<b>Apr 30</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>\$2,022.00</b>	<b>- \$ 2,786.00</b>	
<b>May 7</b>	<b>133</b>		<b>\$5,469.00</b>		<b>+ \$ 661.00</b>
<b>May 14</b>	<b>124</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>\$3,661.00</b>	<b>- \$1,147.00</b>	
<b>May 21</b>	<b>91</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>\$4,296.25</b>	<b>- \$ 511.75</b>	
<b>May 28</b>	<b>95</b>		<b>\$1,497.00</b>	<b>- \$3,310.00</b>	
<b>Average Offering needed weekly to meet the proposed</b>					
<b>2017 Budgeted Offerings of \$250,000.00 is \$4,808.00</b>					

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**Memorial Given to the Glory of God to  
Women of Hope Memorial Scholarship Fund  
and in memory of  
Doris Bowen by Lee and Sharon Moffitt**

**Gerry Bergh gave a donation to the  
Women of Hope Memorial Scholarship Fund**



## **THANKS A BUNCH Good and Faithful Servants!!!**

You've earned our deep appreciation with your gift of volunteer service. By offering your compassion, time, commitment and talents, you help our church family. Each single task you carry out, each act of kindness you perform and each hour you spend volunteering makes a difference and adds up to an immeasurable contribution.

★....**Charlotte Shaw and Sandy Sandor** assembled the April Anchor in March and the May Anchor in April. This job took them three hours. The office had the part time Assistant, Suzy Coulter, help them in April so the task could be accomplished quicker. The office delivered the trays to the Post Office by 11:30. Thank you for your dedicated service Charlotte and Sandy. **Joe Cuozzo** should be back in Jersey for the next Anchor mailing.

★....**Vikki, friend of Debbie Unger**, has made and donated several prayer shawls

★....**Angelo Ranaudo** picked up WAWA food on a couple of Fridays.

★....**Veronica Krause** also helped with the preparation of the sanctuary for Holy Week and Easter.

★....**Pam Taylor** made sure all documents were together for the Workers Comp Audit.

★....**Angelo Ranaudo** picks up the WAWA food on Fridays – if you know of someone who is in need of some extra food, please let them know that we have some in the freezer.

★....**Hope's copy paper angel** is at work again – she brought three cases of paper this past month.

★....**Gerry Bergh** proof reads the Weekly Bulletin that is sent to the congregation via e mail each week. Hope you enjoy reading this publication!

★....**Janet Creech, John Bonanno and Wanda Nebiolo** attended the Planning Board Meeting with **Judy Canfield** for the approval of the HCS modular unit.

★....**Suzy Coulter** continues to help managing the property insurance.

★....**John Drager** was instrumental in the repair of the sound system by calling Concept Professional.

★....**Sheila McCormick** served on Church Council as Secretary. Thanks for your time!  
**More News**

.....**Counseling Centers for Human Development sent a \$100.00 check and** letter to Church Council President; Dear Mr. Bonanno, I am the Executive Director of CCHD. We have been blessed to have a strong, profoundly important relationship with Hope Lutheran for decades. Through your church's generosity and empathy, we have been able to offer desperately needed services to the Freehold community. I have watched, with joy, Hope Lutheran grow, change, and rejuvenate spiritually and physically for many years as your church offers its "hope" and support to the community. CCHD is proud and grateful to be part of your outreach. Thank you and happy 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary! Sincerely, Linda VanFossen, JA, LPC



# **The Day of Pentecost, Sunday, June 4**

## **Bring Red Geranium Plants and Wear Red**



**Semi-Annual Meeting**  
**Sunday, June 4 @ 10:45 AM**



### **ST. PETER'S OUTREACH MEALS**

**Friday, June 9 @ 4:30 PM {set-up begins @ 4}**

Four times a year Hope supplies meals to St. Peter's Outreach Program. Karen Donmoyer will have the pans ready for everyone to take to prepare food, along with sign-up sheets for you to volunteer to supply food or volunteer the evening of the event.

I can't thank you all enough for the continued support that this outreach program receives. The last meal we had so many volunteers, that it filled my heart with joy. We served 80 meals in total!!

Please if anyone has any question, you can reach me on my cell 732-552-5620 or by email: [braddonmoyer@yahoo.com](mailto:braddonmoyer@yahoo.com)

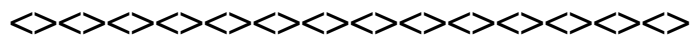


### **Gathering of Men Breakfast**

**Saturday, June 10 @ 9 AM**

**Saturday, July 8 and August 12**

Join the Gathering of Men for breakfast, fellowship and sharing. We'll have breakfast and conversation. Any questions may be directed to: Gerry Bergh, 732-972-2799.



**Meet and Greet the Pastor**  
who may be 'Called' as Hope's new pastor  
**Saturday, June 10 @ 8 PM here at Hope**

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**Report from the Call Committee**  
**Special Congregational Meeting**  
**Sunday, June 11, 2017**  
**10:30 AM**

**Vote: to Call a New Pastor**  
**Vote: to Approve Moving Expenses**

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***You are invited to Women of Hope***  
***~~Tuesday, June 13 @ 6:30 PM***  
***Janice Seifert's Home***



***16 Claire Circle, Howell***  
***Supper Together – this is our last meeting until***  
***September. We will enjoy Salads and Desserts @ 6:30***  
***pm. Plan to attend and call Joan Drager, 732.431.1077***  
***or Sharon Moffitt 732.780.2639 for questions and to***  
***reserve a place setting for you.***

***Women of Hope Memorial Scholarship Fund Sponsored by: The Women of Hope***  
***Donations may be given directly to Wanda Nebiolo, Women of Hope Treasurer.***

***Checks should be made out to Hope with notation in memo line Memorial***  
***Scholarship Fund. Please be sure Women of Hope Treasurer is aware of your***  
***donation so proper acknowledgement may be directed.***

This is tax deductible and 100% of the money donated is used for Scholarship grants.  
Thank you! Your generous donations have made it possible to award scholarships each year  
since this fund was established in 2003 in memory of Karen (1961-1986), the daughter of  
Janice and Bill Seifert.

**Scholarship will be awarded on June 4 @ 9:30 Service – we are proud to award**  
**two High School Seniors: Erika England and Kelsey Neilan.**



**JUNE 14**



In the United States, **Flag Day** is celebrated on June 14. It commemorates the adoption of the flag of the United States, which happened on June 14, 1777, by resolution of the Second Continental Congress. The

United States Army also celebrates the U.S. Army Birthdays on this date; Congress adopted "the American continental army" after reaching a consensus position in the Committee of the Whole on June 14, 1775.

In 1916, the president of the United States issued a proclamation that officially established June 14 as Flag Day; in August 1949, National Flag Day was established by an Act of Congress. Flag Day is not an official federal holiday. However, it is at the president's discretion to officially proclaim the observance. On June 14, 1937, Pennsylvania became the first U.S. state to celebrate Flag Day as a state holiday, beginning in the town of Rennerdale. New York Statutes designate the second Sunday in June as Flag Day, a state holiday.



***The Wisdom Club! Join us for Lunch!***

***Thursday, June 15 @ 11:30 AM***

***July 20 and August 17 @ 11:30 AM***

***Anyone who remembers when there were only black & white TV's, rotary-dial phones and party lines, or those who have received AARP Memberships are invited to join this group!***

***Father's Day,  
Sunday, June 19***

***HAPPY  
FATHER'S  
Day!***

***The Manor Worship Service***

***Sunday, June 25 @ 2:00 PM***

***July 23 and August 20 @ 2 PM***

This service is held once a month at The Manor Nursing and Rehabilitation Center for their residents. It is located @ 689 W Main St., Freehold (just in front of the CentraState Hospital). You are invited to assist in this worship. Plan to be at The Manor @ 1:45 to help bring the patients from their rooms to the meeting place. **You are welcome!**



**Summer Fellowship Coffee Hour Volunteers**  
**Needed**



**SUMMER COFFEE HOURS**

**Sign up to volunteer to bring fruit, cheese & crackers, muffins, etc., and cold drinks, bagels and cream cheese, peanut free baked goods (please try to avoid Dunkin Donuts as Dunkin products are in contact with peanut products at each franchise), juices, teas, and other snacks please contact Rebekah Heilman-Mancini, [rheilmanlaw@gmail.com](mailto:rheilmanlaw@gmail.com) or 862-755-6868, contact the church office or sign up on the form in the foyer for any Sunday of your choice!!. Your group or friends could team up together.**

**June 11, 18 & 25, July 2, 9, 16, 23 & 30, Aug 6, 13, 20 & 27 and September 4.**



***YOUTH SERVANT TRIP***

***The New Jersey Synod Middle School  
Washington, DC Servant Trip - June 26-30, 2017***

***Youth completing grades 6 - 9 and adults sponsors***

***\$180.00 with scholarships available***

***Contact: [www.njsynod.org/dc-servant-trip](http://www.njsynod.org/dc-servant-trip)***

***questions: call Synod Office 609.586.6800***

***Registration deadline has already past.***



***College Graduate***

***Congratulations to Nicole Seitz from Monmouth University***

***With major in history and journalism***

***High School Graduates***

***Congratulations!***

***Grce Burrows, Erika England, Kyle Hart, Kelsey***

***Neilan, James Reed, Kaity Robinson***





## Family and Friends Night at the BlueClaws!!

Tuesday, June 27 @ 5:30 for meet & greet players before the game!

7:05 Play Ball (game starts)

Adults \$10.00

Children and Seniors \$8.00

See flyers on the bulletin board and complete and submit the form to the church office.



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*Safe Travels during the summer – remember your offering to the church as expenses continue.*

*Safe return home!*

*Our Sunday Summer worship schedule @ 9:30 AM will continue thru the summer.*



## *Gentle Yoga Classes!!!*

*Every Tuesday evening here at Hope @ 7 PM*

*Classes are held in the narthex.*

*This is a wonderful way to better yourself, so come to check it out.*

*Classes are conducted by Debbie Crawford, Yoga Instructor.*



### **Notes from Worship Planning** *by John Drager, Council Chair*

- We continue to try a new flow for communion: serving the right (street) side fully at first, and the left (parking lot) side second. This is similar to what we do on Sundays when there is no center communion rail. We hope this will streamline communion.
- By now you KNOW we have returned to a single service at 9:30 AM for the summer. This is a great time to reunite with those OTHER members who attend the OTHER service (or to catch the truants). When Sunday School resumes in the Fall, we will return to two services.
- Pastor George's last Sunday with us will be June 25. Please plan to attend and wish him farewell. (Have some cake too)
- We will continue snacks, etc., after the single service. Don't hurry off. Stay and smooze a while.
- Please plan to attend worship on July 23 and welcome the Messengers Dance Ministers from Abiding Peace Lutheran Church. They will show us this form of ministry.

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- Religion is our total response to our creator. Sacred dance is one way of interpreting this response.
- Sacred dance is worship through symbolic movement. A symbol is a reality that has meaning beyond its own existence.
- Symbolic movements may express adoration, joy, prayer, penitence, anger, despair or any other mood.
- The dance choir is concerned with the exploration of movement as an interpretation of religious responses, ideas and moods of worship.
- The choir member uses the human body as an instrument of communication, as a language of movement.
- Hope has had its own interpretive dance choir over the years, the most recent one being led by *Erika Pranzo*.



### **Wanda Nebiolo is Retiring in October!**

When I was hired (it will be 29 years this October) we were typing the Sunday bulletins and newsletters on a typewriter. The newsletter information was accumulated by the office in handwritten form, but Connie Paul prepared everything for publication of the Anchor on her typewriter. Bulletins were typed on a word processing typewriter with a single page and copied on a bulletin cover. It was increased to include an insert as more activities were happening here at Hope.

Within the first year, I introduced the first computer to help make processing all documents easier and we purchased a digital-color duplicator. Once the computer was in place, Connie felt our efforts (mine and hers) were being duplicated, so the office began to prepare the Anchor for distribution as Word Documents. Really, it was redundant as the office is *‘information central’* and *‘always in the know’*. The computer made typing and saving the documents so much easier and the next-monthly Anchor began being built when the current newsletter was complete. This was so logical and continues to happen today.

As time marched on, we eventually leased a copier that collated, stapled and folded each bulletin and newsletter. The digital duplicating machine eventually wore out and was sent to the grave yard. Until about four years ago, we were mailing 440 copies of the Anchor to members and visitors. Now we are mailing 237 (we need to stay at the 200 mark in order to qualify for bulk mailings) to members and visitors who don’t have or didn’t give us an email address (or to those who would rather have a hard copy) and emailing 290 members and friends.

The Sunday bulletins have evolved from the single page to a two page, then 21 pages for an all-inclusive bulletin which meant everything was cut/pasted into the bulletin, now there is a fifteen-page semi-inclusive bulletin. The office prepares large-print bulletins for those who would prefer using the larger print.

Many jobs have been added over the years which means there is always something happening every day and never a dull moment. Since the office is *‘information central’* and in the *‘need to know’*, I’ve attended Church Council, Worship Planning and other meetings in order to obtain information first hand. Maintaining the building is very important and working with the Maintenance Chair on Church Council is a necessity. Those duties added over the years are: Payroll, Vanco (Simply Giving), writing procedures for cash handling and returned checks, web-site updates, Hope’s Directory, 1096/1099 preparation

This has been a great tenure and I thank the Hope Family for being a part of my life and supporting this position as well as being here for me always. I consider you as my family and I love you. You are in my thoughts and prayers. I will miss the office work, the staff and the little children who attend HCS. I will see most of you on Sundays and during church events.

I’m hoping for the opportunity to train someone for the varied duties and tasks that are accomplished by this position, so the transition is smooth.

I plan to enjoy my retirement with lots of traveling!

Lovingly, *Wanda*

**HOPE LUTHERAN CHURCH  
VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL**

***“Hero Central-Discover Your Strength in God”***

**July 31 thru August 4 from 9 AM to 12:15 PM**

**Cost \$30.00 per child Registration closes July 26, 2017**



**1. Child's Name** \_\_\_\_\_

**Child's age** \_\_\_\_\_ **Last school grade completed** \_\_\_\_\_

**2. Child's Name** \_\_\_\_\_

**Child's age** \_\_\_\_\_ **Last school grade completed** \_\_\_\_\_

**3. Child's Name** \_\_\_\_\_

**Child's age** \_\_\_\_\_ **Last school grade completed** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent/Guardian Name** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address** \_\_\_\_\_

**Telephone** \_\_\_\_\_ **Cell Phone** \_\_\_\_\_

**Home e-mail address** \_\_\_\_\_

**Home Congregation (if any)** \_\_\_\_\_

*In case of emergency (when the parent/guardian cannot be reached) please contact:*

**Name** \_\_\_\_\_ **Phone#** \_\_\_\_\_

**Relationship to child** \_\_\_\_\_

**List any allergies (including food allergies) the staff should be aware of:**

***Person responsible for picking up at the end of each day***

**Name** \_\_\_\_\_ **Phone #** \_\_\_\_\_

**First Group – ages 3 – 5 Second Group ages – 5 ½ - 7 Third Group – ages 8 – 12**  
**(Three year old children must have completed one year of preschool)**

*Special requests for placement must be made before **July 25<sup>th</sup>***

Please have your child/ren wear cool, comfortable play clothes, as the children will be doing crafts, painting and playing outside. All children must wear sneakers or closed-toe shoes –  
**No Sandals! PLEASE bring ONE BOX of KLEENEX labeled with name by 8-1, 2017.**

**Would you like to volunteer as a helper?**

**Crafts** \_\_\_\_\_ **Science** \_\_\_\_\_ **Music** \_\_\_\_\_ **Guide** \_\_\_\_\_ **Other** \_\_\_\_\_

***Scholarships are available – contact Wanda Nebiolo 732-462-7545***

**Official Use only:**

**Paid Fee** \_\_\_\_\_

**Check #** \_\_\_\_\_ **Cash** \_\_\_\_\_



## *God Bless Your Birthday!*

If we have missed you, we apologize – it's probably because our records are incomplete. Please give us a reminder so we can place your name in this column next month & proper month next year.

### *June Birthdays*

|                                 |             |
|---------------------------------|-------------|
| <i>Sid Bensen</i>               | <i>2nd</i>  |
| <i>Jordan Antonides</i>         | <i>4th</i>  |
| <i>Kyle England</i>             | <i>4th</i>  |
| <i>John Antonides, Jr.</i>      | <i>5th</i>  |
| <i>Jack Bonevich</i>            | <i>5th</i>  |
| <i>Emily Driscoll</i>           | <i>5th</i>  |
| <i>Jackie Daesener</i>          | <i>5th</i>  |
| <i>Kira Noseworthy</i>          | <i>6th</i>  |
| <i>Bryan Platt</i>              | <i>7th</i>  |
| <i>Shannon Mulcahy</i>          | <i>8th</i>  |
| <i>Jennifer Rinker</i>          | <i>10th</i> |
| <i>Scott Weiss</i>              | <i>10th</i> |
| <i>Jessica Cottrell-Langley</i> | <i>11th</i> |
| <i>Daniel Hudak</i>             | <i>11th</i> |
| <i>Neil Rifenburg</i>           | <i>11th</i> |
| <i>Michelle Ward</i>            | <i>11th</i> |
| <i>Jeanette Finnila</i>         | <i>11th</i> |
| <i>Elaine Mineer</i>            | <i>12th</i> |
| <i>Emily Ruegger</i>            | <i>12th</i> |
| <i>Jane Wilber</i>              | <i>12th</i> |
| <i>Sarah-Woode-Afiriye</i>      | <i>14th</i> |
| <i>Laura Becker</i>             | <i>14th</i> |
| <i>Sean Bresnahan</i>           | <i>14th</i> |
| <i>Joan Drager</i>              | <i>14th</i> |
| <i>Jessica Free</i>             | <i>14th</i> |
| <i>Madison Spicuzza</i>         | <i>14th</i> |
| <i>Shea Bresnahan</i>           | <i>16th</i> |
| <i>Karin Frueh</i>              | <i>17th</i> |
| <i>Robert Lithgow, Sr.</i>      | <i>18th</i> |
| <i>Matthew Rosenberg</i>        | <i>18th</i> |
| <i>Brady Mulcahy</i>            | <i>19th</i> |
| <i>Renee DiGregorio</i>         | <i>19th</i> |
| <i>Christina DiGregorio</i>     | <i>21st</i> |
| <i>Ben Lynch</i>                | <i>21st</i> |
| <i>Deloris Laub</i>             | <i>22nd</i> |

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| <i>Jennifer Stenard</i>   | <i>22nd</i> |
| <i>Aidan Sweeney</i>      | <i>23rd</i> |
| <i>Robert Wilber, Sr.</i> | <i>23rd</i> |
| <i>Sean Bertsch</i>       | <i>25th</i> |
| <i>Joseph Papinchak</i>   | <i>25th</i> |
| <i>Karen Alessi</i>       | <i>26th</i> |
| <i>Melissa Dey</i>        | <i>28th</i> |
| <i>Jennifer Miller</i>    | <i>28th</i> |
| <i>Robert Robinson</i>    | <i>28th</i> |
| <i>Julian Alessi</i>      | <i>29th</i> |
| <i>Grace Burrows</i>      | <i>29th</i> |
| <i>Patricia King</i>      | <i>29th</i> |
| <i>Dina Palkowski</i>     | <i>29th</i> |
| <i>Alexis Barr</i>        | <i>30th</i> |
| <i>Grace DeFelice</i>     | <i>30th</i> |
| <i>Ryan Fischer</i>       | <i>30th</i> |
| <i>Mark Jackson</i>       | <i>30th</i> |

### *July Birthdays*

|                         |             |
|-------------------------|-------------|
| <i>Kenneth Frueh</i>    | <i>1st</i>  |
| <i>Casey McCormick</i>  | <i>3rd</i>  |
| <i>Kelsey Reed</i>      | <i>3rd</i>  |
| <i>Melanie Gibson</i>   | <i>4th</i>  |
| <i>Gregory Solla</i>    | <i>5th</i>  |
| <i>Gillian Solla</i>    | <i>5th</i>  |
| <i>Anthony D'Angelo</i> | <i>6th</i>  |
| <i>Christine Hedin</i>  | <i>6th</i>  |
| <i>Art Hornak</i>       | <i>7th</i>  |
| <i>Rich Topp</i>        | <i>7th</i>  |
| <i>Kayla Bastry</i>     | <i>8th</i>  |
| <i>Sofan Ng</i>         | <i>8th</i>  |
| <i>Kaitlyn Robinson</i> | <i>8th</i>  |
| <i>Avery Lewis</i>      | <i>9th</i>  |
| <i>John Drager</i>      | <i>10th</i> |
| <i>Thomas O'Brien</i>   | <i>10th</i> |
| <i>Gino Giacobbe</i>    | <i>10th</i> |
| <i>Jessie Giacobbe</i>  | <i>11th</i> |
| <i>Joan Lennox</i>      | <i>11th</i> |
| <i>Norma Vender</i>     | <i>11th</i> |
| <i>Debbie Bonanno</i>   | <i>12th</i> |
| <i>Krista DePalma</i>   | <i>12th</i> |
| <i>Brad Donmoyer</i>    | <i>12th</i> |
| <i>John Kropa</i>       | <i>12th</i> |
| <i>Jaden Bulkley</i>    | <i>12th</i> |
| <i>Michael Krause</i>   | <i>13th</i> |



### *July birthdays continued*

|                              |             |
|------------------------------|-------------|
| <i>Victoria Andre'</i>       | <i>14th</i> |
| <i>Nicole Andre'</i>         | <i>14th</i> |
| <i>Wayne Kless</i>           | <i>14th</i> |
| <i>Gregg Stevens</i>         | <i>14th</i> |
| <i>Jacob DiGregorio</i>      | <i>16th</i> |
| <i>Susan Sterrett</i>        | <i>16th</i> |
| <i>Jackson Behn</i>          | <i>17th</i> |
| <i>Erika Woods</i>           | <i>17th</i> |
| <i>Taylor Hornak</i>         | <i>17th</i> |
| <i>Mark Schloeman</i>        | <i>17th</i> |
| <i>Andrew Hu</i>             | <i>19th</i> |
| <i>June Sprunger</i>         | <i>19th</i> |
| <i>Katherine Weiss</i>       | <i>20th</i> |
| <i>Bradley Birnbaum, Jr.</i> | <i>23rd</i> |
| <i>Kyle DiGregorio</i>       | <i>24th</i> |
| <i>Stephen Rinker</i>        | <i>24th</i> |
| <i>Janine Bonevich</i>       | <i>25th</i> |
| <i>Deborah Robinson</i>      | <i>25th</i> |
| <i>Phillip Hu</i>            | <i>26th</i> |
| <i>Joseph Mancini</i>        | <i>27th</i> |
| <i>Payton Quinn</i>          | <i>27th</i> |
| <i>Nora Sprunger</i>         | <i>27th</i> |
| <i>Susan Srpunger</i>        | <i>27th</i> |
| <i>Emma Fleming</i>          | <i>28th</i> |
| <i>Sandra Taylor</i>         | <i>28th</i> |
| <i>Kathleen Schultz</i>      | <i>30th</i> |
| <i>Madison Lewis</i>         | <i>31st</i> |
| <i>Donna Reed</i>            | <i>31st</i> |
| <i>Sean Rifenburg</i>        | <i>31st</i> |
| <i>John Stefani (Jr)</i>     | <i>31st</i> |

### *August Birthdays*

|                               |             |
|-------------------------------|-------------|
| <i>Robert Meyer</i>           | <i>1st</i>  |
| <i>John Stefani (Sr)</i>      | <i>1st</i>  |
| <i>Benjamin Vandenakker</i>   | <i>1st</i>  |
| <i>Frank Burger</i>           | <i>2nd</i>  |
| <i>Roy Bruns</i>              | <i>3rd</i>  |
| <i>Chris Driscoll</i>         | <i>3rd</i>  |
| <i>Tom Tyrrell (Sr)</i>       | <i>3rd</i>  |
| <i>Frances Vender</i>         | <i>4th</i>  |
| <i>April Lewis-Campanelli</i> | <i>5th</i>  |
| <i>Alysan Okerson</i>         | <i>5th</i>  |
| <i>Dominick DeVivo, IV</i>    | <i>7th</i>  |
| <i>Erica Daesener</i>         | <i>8th</i>  |
| <i>Clair Martinsen</i>        | <i>10th</i> |

|                               |             |
|-------------------------------|-------------|
| <i>Simon Clarke</i>           | <i>11th</i> |
| <i>Renee Natoli</i>           | <i>11th</i> |
| <i>Adam Natoli</i>            | <i>11th</i> |
| <i>Theresa Keeler</i>         | <i>11th</i> |
| <i>Elijah Lithgow</i>         | <i>11th</i> |
| <i>Laura Kropa</i>            | <i>13th</i> |
| <i>Jack Woods</i>             | <i>13th</i> |
| <i>Jonathan Biggs</i>         | <i>14th</i> |
| <i>Jerica Biggs</i>           | <i>14th</i> |
| <i>Joseph Cuozzo</i>          | <i>15th</i> |
| <i>Desiree Denson-Madayag</i> | <i>15th</i> |
| <i>Patricia Carey</i>         | <i>16th</i> |
| <i>Jay Megill</i>             | <i>16th</i> |
| <i>Emily Kneipher</i>         | <i>16th</i> |
| <i>Sharryn Papinchak</i>      | <i>16th</i> |
| <i>Elizabeth Fink</i>         | <i>17th</i> |
| <i>Angelika Kuehn</i>         | <i>17th</i> |
| <i>Logan Lewis</i>            | <i>17th</i> |
| <i>Nicholas Hornak</i>        | <i>18th</i> |
| <i>Barbara Noseworthy</i>     | <i>18th</i> |
| <i>Jennifer Carroll</i>       | <i>19th</i> |
| <i>Alan Schultz</i>           | <i>19th</i> |
| <i>Scott Wolven</i>           | <i>19th</i> |
| <i>Jordan Donmoyer</i>        | <i>20th</i> |
| <i>Erin -Tyrrell- Sauro</i>   | <i>20th</i> |
| <i>Sydney Wolven</i>          | <i>20th</i> |
| <i>Langela Keller</i>         | <i>22nd</i> |
| <i>Michael Quinn</i>          | <i>23rd</i> |
| <i>Tracey Stewart</i>         | <i>23rd</i> |
| <i>Leanne Reed</i>            | <i>24th</i> |
| <i>Stephen Turek</i>          | <i>24th</i> |
| <i>Moorea Fitch</i>           | <i>25th</i> |
| <i>Jordan Spitzer</i>         | <i>26th</i> |
| <i>Blair Ward</i>             | <i>27th</i> |
| <i>Shane McMillin</i>         | <i>29th</i> |
| <i>Michael Rinker</i>         | <i>29th</i> |
| <i>Margot Strandberg</i>      | <i>30th</i> |
| <i>Kelly Buckley</i>          | <i>31st</i> |
| <i>Robert Wilber, Jr.</i>     | <i>31st</i> |



*Thoughts for the Month*  
*Human spirit fails unless the Holy*  
*Spirit fills.*



## Independence Day – July 4

**Independence Day** of the United States, also referred to as the **Fourth of July** or **July Fourth** in the U.S., is a federal holiday commemorating the adoption of the Declaration of Independence 241 years ago in 1776 on July 4 by the Continental Congress. It declared that the thirteen American colonies regarded themselves as a new nation, the United States of America, and were no longer part of the British Empire.<sup>[1]</sup>

Independence Day is commonly associated with fireworks, parades, barbecues, carnivals, fairs, picnics, concerts, baseball games, family reunions, and political speeches and ceremonies, in addition to various other public and private events celebrating the history, government, and traditions of the United States.

Independence Day is the National Day of the United States.

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The **Weekly ‘E’ Bulletin** is sent via e mail to over 240 families and friends. This weekly is a great opportunity for you to learn all the scheduled happenings here at your church. **Please** read and enjoy each week.



**Hope Lutheran Blood Drive**

**Sunday, September 24**

**9 am to 1 pm**

**In Fellowship Hall**

**Contact Siggy @ 732.987.9439 for more information and to schedule your appointment time.**

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*Thank you to the Hope Family, Your sympathy cards, prayers and special words this month are greatly appreciated. The death of my sister-in-law, Dorie Bowen, was such a shock to everyone. She was recuperating from knee-replacement surgery and was responding well to physical therapy. My brother has lost his best friend of 55 plus years. They have three sons, two of which are developmentally challenged and live in group homes. Dorie was like a sister to me and is missed by all.*  
*Thanks again, Wanda*

## ~~~~~ CALLING ALL GROCERY SHOPPERS!!



Do you shop for groceries? Do you want to help **Open Door & Lutheran Social Ministries of NJ?**

Here's an easy way – purchase food cards on Sunday mornings or any day during the week. Every Sunday morning following worship we offer food “gift” cards from ShopRite for you to purchase at the face value and use them like cash at ShopRite. ***It costs you absolutely nothing extra!!!*** Hope receives 5% back from the ShopRite for selling their cards.



***Anchored in Christ, Growing in Faith,  
Love and Service***

***The Hope Anchor Cross is based on  
Hebrews 6:19***



***We have this  
hope, a sure  
and steadfast  
anchor of  
the soul.....***





***Atlantic Wind Ensemble Benefit  
for International Servant Team  
to Bosnia.***

***Thrivent Financial sponsored  
with a \$250.00 Gift Card  
through the Action Team***

***Many baskets were raffled,  
these are a couple of the  
winners.***



## Newsletter

Hope's newsletter, the "Anchor" has been produced with activities and calendars. You have received it via email or snail mail and it is located on the website [www.hopefreehold.org](http://www.hopefreehold.org). The Anchor is a great opportunity for you to stay in "the know" of everything that happens here at Hope! *If you would like to help the crew, please stop in the day they are scheduled, they would be happy to have you join them.*



**The Fellowship Hall** has a classroom for HCS students. The classroom furniture of both sections is able to be moved to the section closest to the window facing the parking lot if the Fellowship Hall is needed for larger events.....

**Our building is used often for the following**

**12 Step & Trauma Programs**

**&**

**Alcoholics Anonymous**

**Wednesdays @ 7:30 PM**

**Women's Trauma**

**Overeaters Anonymous**

**Narcotics (Women) Anonymous**

**Thursdays @ 7:30 PM**

**Gamblers Anonymous**

**Gamanon Anonymous**

**Fridays @ 7:30 PM**

**Alcoholics Anonymous**

**Saturdays @ 7:30 PM**

Other groups using the Fellowship Hall

**Jersey Comics (clowns)**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Monday @ 7:30**

**Molly Pitcher Stamp Group**

**1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday @ 7:30 PM**

**Seventh Day Adventist**

**Fridays from 8 – 9 PM**

**and**

**Saturdays from 9 AM to 4 PM**

**in Sanctuary/narthex/FH**

**Board of Elections Tuesdays for  
Primary, General & School elections**

### **HOPE'S CLASSIFIED:**

Several parishioners own their own businesses or offer services in which you might be interested. If you would like a family business listed, please let the church office know.

**COMPUTER TECHNICIAN** – Tyler Sterrett – Tz.sterrett@gmail.com

**PERSONAL TRAINER** – Laura Weiss – (732) 614-9984

**STAINED GLASS IMAGES** – Gifts & Customer Work Welcomed Bill Unger (732) 577-1218

**HOME IMPROVEMENT & REPAIRS** -- Brett Miller (732) 845-9413

**ENERGY SAVINGS** – Dawn Sera (732) 610-4061 – Electric & Gas Energy Provider

**WEDDING CONSULTANT** – Tracee Wright – (732) 980-6224

**NOTARY** – Wanda Nebiolo – (734)-462-7545    John Bonanno – (609) 259-7932

**Healing starts with a Horse**–The Cleary Family 732-610-4511– lessons/events, etc.