

The Anchor

Summer 2018

The Newsletter of Hope Lutheran Church
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Worship Services with Holy Communion:
Sunday Worship 9:30 AM

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Anchored in Christ, Growing in Faith, Love and Service!
We have this hope, a sure and steadfast anchor of the soul....

HOPE STATS					
Sun/Wed	Attendance	Sun School	Offerings	-did NOT	+ reached
June 3	110		\$3,625	-\$895	
June 10	117		\$4,274	-\$246	
June 17	108		\$4,078	-\$442	
June 24	156		\$2,982	-\$1,538	
July 1	76		\$5,544		+\$1,024
July 8	61		\$5,488		+\$968
July 15	88		\$4,038	-\$482	
<i>Average Offering needed <u>weekly</u> to meet the proposed budget offerings of \$235,000 is \$4520</i>					

Official Acts....

*Baptism..... Zayn Asher Kozak was baptized Sunday, June 3, 2018 by Pastor Kropa. His parents are **Peter** and **Cindy Kozak** and godparents are **Tony Dworak** and **Jessie Giacobbe**. Welcome to the Hope Family **Zayn!**
Alexis Rae Gresavage was baptized Sunday, June 8, 2018 by Pastor Kropa. Her parents are **James** and **Amanda Gresavage** and godparents are **Alexander** and **Rebecca Doetsch**. Welcome to the Hope Family **Alexis!***

Our Love and Sympathy....

More News....

*Hope's Sunday Nursery Attendant is **Anna Maria Sirico**...*

Her hours begin at 9:15AM and usually last until the end of our service, although some events may require extra time.

On that note...We need VOLUNTEERS!!!

We need some to fill in for services PLEASE in the event Anna Maria cannot make it... Call the office if you are able to help us out!

We are still looking for someone to Coordinate the Saint Peter's Meals.



Gathering of Men Breakfast

**Meets the 2nd Saturday of each month
at 9AM**

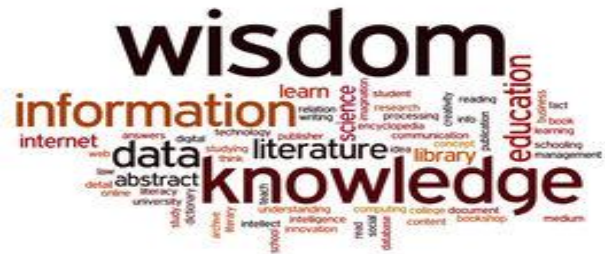
August 11, 2018

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.

*Wisdom Club meets
in the Church Narthex.
Third Thursday of every
month at 11:30AM.*

*Meetings have been
suspended for the summer due to a very successful HCS
Summer Camp program!*

See you in September!!!



**The Wedgwood Gardens Worship Service
First Thursday of every month August 2nd at 3:30PM**

*3419 US Highway 9 North in Freehold
Worship Service with Holy Communion*

*You are invited to join Pastor Kropa for assistance with this Nursing Home service,
please arrive at 3:15PM.*

**The Manor Worship Service
Sunday, July 29th and August 19th at 2:00PM**

*689 West Main Street in Freehold (right in front of CentraState)
Worship Service with Holy Communion*

*You are invited to join Pastor Kropa for assistance with this Nursing Home service,
please arrive at 1:45PM.*



Vacation Bible School

July 30, 2018 – August 3, 2018

Have a fun filled, active week, very rewarding!

Guides – Helpers – Game People

***Contact Diane ladydijacks@optimum.net
or Debbie debbill@optonline.net***

If you have not signed up yet to attend VBS, applications are available through the Church Office and in the Narthex!!

There is a LARGE sheet filled with items you can donate to help VBS on the table across from the Coffee Station outside Pastor’s Office. Stop by and check out how you can help!

We have a New Congregational Council Line up!

<i>President</i>	Michael Della Rosa	mdell425@optonline.net	908-380-8362
<i>Vice President</i>	Sharryn Papinchak	sharrynp@gmail.com	732-526-7342
<i>Treasurer</i>	Erica Driscoll	cedrisc@optonline.net	732-598-3525
<i>Secretary</i>	Debbie Unger	debbill@optonline.net	732-577-1218
<i>Youth Ministry</i>	Tara Zigler	tzigler2@gmail.com	732-446-6117
<i>Education</i>	Janet Creech	kjcreech@optonline.net	732-431-1631
<i>Fellowship</i>			
<i>Support</i>	John Drager	johndrager@verizon.net	732-431-1077
<i>Maintenance</i>	John Fink Stefan Martinsen	electrofink@optonline.net Stefan.martinsen@NEE.com	732-617-1850 561-346-2326
<i>Social Ministries</i>	Siggy Kuehn	Elfrose3@gmail.com	732-987-9439
<i>Outreach</i>	Bill Seifert	seifw@verizon.net	732-364-7196
<i>Worship</i>	Ramona Pappas	duenaramona@gmail.com	732-668-5104
<i>Youth</i>	Michael Woods	mikeywoods00@gmail.com	732-780-8403

Thank you to all that have served, all serving again, and a HUGE welcome to all our NEW Council members!

August Happenings

Calendar Planning will be scheduled soon. Please check your weeklys as the month goes on to get the date and time. Calendar planning will now be held **QUARTERLY** starting in August 2018.

Enlistment Sunday will be held on **August 12**. Please check your weeklys as the month goes on for further details. **REFRESHMENTS WILL BE PROVIDED.**

Worship Planning is the second Monday of every other month. The next meeting is **Monday, August 13 at 7PM.**

Work Release Inmates will be here **Monday, August 27 through Friday, August 31 from 830AM until about 1PM.** Please REACH OUT if you notice work that needs to be done around our Church! Let Cheryl know so we can have a list for them for the week of tasks to complete.

LUNCH IS COVERED FOR THE WEEK! Thank you to *Judy Canfield, Mike Della Rosa, Gerry Bergh, John Fink, and Cheryl Hurd* for volunteering to provide lunch for the men.

CPR Class has been scheduled for **Sunday, September 9**. If you are interested and haven't signed up, you **MAY** still have a chance, call the office and find out! 732-462-7545.

Women of Hope Scholarship

*We have had some donations to the Women of Hope Scholarship....
Thank you ALL for making this possible.*

~* Duane and Lily Christ in honor of Marsha Pratt.

~* Duane and Lily Christ in honor of Wolfgang Kuehn.

~* Renee Meiseman in honor of the Women of Hope Scholarship Fund.

FRIENDLY REMINDERS!!



There is always a steady readily available supply of gift cards in the office! Monday – Friday 9am-4pm. There are \$25 and \$100 increments available currently.

Shop Rite gives us 5% off of the gift cards, we in turn take that 5% and

donate it either to Lutheran Ministries or Open Door. This has NO effect on your purchase, you give \$25, you get a \$25 gift card. Consider picking one up before your next shopping trip!



Give the gift of a floral dedication

*Dedicate a floral arrangement in honor of your loved ones. Celebrate their life by dedicating during a birthday month, anniversary, graduation, or any other momentous occasion. The arrangements are **\$20 a piece** and can be taken home at the end of the Worship Service.*

*We have **MANY** open spots during the summer months.*

*The **FLOWER CHART** is located on the Sacristy door. Write in what you would like advertised in the bulletin and be on the lookout for it during your designated week. Payment can be made directly to the office, just be sure to clearly label it as a **“FLOWER PAYMENT”**.*

FYI – Please Read! Scam Information

Information came straight from New Jersey's Health Insurance offices...

We have received over 100 calls today from individuals reporting the SHIP hotline number – 800-792-8820 – came up on their caller IDs. We did not call these individuals and suspect our number is being used as part of a caller ID spoofing scam. This is when an unknown individual or organization masks the true number they are calling from by displaying a different number, sometimes belonging to a government organization. If the intended victim answers the phone, the scammer tries his or her con; if the intended victim does not pick up, no message is left and all they see, in this case, is our toll-free number. We have asked those calling which county they live in and most report they reside in Camden, Burlington, and Gloucester Counties.

At this time, we do not know what the scam involves as no one who has called us has actually spoke with the scammers. In similar instances, we have learned the perpetrator claims to represent a collection agency for a payday loan company or attempts to gather valuable personal information about a consumer (i.e., Social Security number, date of birth, bank account number, etc.).

If we are able to get additional information, we will advise. If a consumer should contact your office with additional information that can help us identify the scam or the scammer, please let me know. In the meantime, here is a link to an FCC fact sheet on caller ID spoofing:

<https://www.fcc.gov/consumers/guides/spoofing-and-caller-id>



JULY AND AUGUST BIRTHDAYS! See next page...

Kenneth Frueh
Casey McCormick
Kelsey Reed
Melanie Gibson
Gregory Solla
Gillian Solla
Anthony D'Angelo
Christine Hedin
Art Hornak
Rich Topp
Kayla Bastry
Sofan Ng
Kaitlyn Robinson
Avery Lewis
John Drager
Gino Giacobbe
Raymond Sprunger
Jessie Giacobbe
Joan Lennox
Norma Vender
Debbie Bonanno
Krista DePalma
Brad Donmoyer
John Kropa
Jaden Bulkley
Michael Krause
Victoria Andre
Nicole Andre
Wayne Kless
Gregg Stevens
Jacob DiGregorio
Susan Sterrett
Jackson Behn
Taylor Hornak
Mark Schloeman
Andrew Hu
Katherine Weiss
Bradley Birnbaum Jr
Kyle DiGregorio

Steve Rinker
Janine Bonevich
Deborah Robinson
Phillip Hu
Joseph Mancini
Payton Quinn
Sandra Taylor
Madison Lewis
Donna Reed
Sean Rifenburg
John Stefani Jr

Michael Della Rosa
Robert Meyer
John Stefani
Benjamin Vandenakker
Frank Burger
Roy Bruns
Chris Driscoll
Tom Tyrrell Sr
Frances Vender
April Lewis
Alysan Okerson
Dominick DeVivo IV
Erica Daesener
Clair Martinsen
Simon Clarke
Renee Natoli
Adam Natoli
Theresa Keeler
Elijah Lithgow
Laura Kropa
Jack Woods
Joseph Cuzzo
Patricia Carey
Desiree Denson-Madayag
Jay Megill
Emily Kneipher
Sharryn Papinchak

Elizabeth Fink
Angelika Kuehn
Logan Lewis
Nicholas Hornak
Jennifer Carroll
Scott Wolven
Jordan Donmoyer
Erin Tyrrell-Sauro
Sydney Wolven
Langela Keller
Michael Quinn
Tracey Stewart
Leanne Reed
Stephen Turek
Morrea Fitch
Jordan Spitzer
Blair Ward
Shane McMillan
Michael Rinker
Margot Strandberg
Kelly Buckley
Robert Wilber Jr

