

The Anchor

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The Newsletter of Hope Lutheran Church
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“FOOTBALL THEOLOGY”

(Where football *meets* church theology)

Now that we're in football season, a more lighthearted message this month. Enjoy!

1. **DRAFT CHOICE:** The decision is to sit close to a heating vent in the winter, or the air-conditioning vent in the summer.
2. **END ZONE:** Sitting in the back pew all by yourself.
3. **THREE POINT STANCE:** Being present for worship, on time, and with your Bible in hand.
4. **PASS INTERCEPTION:** What mama does when she sees her son Billy trying to pass a note to Susie in church.
5. **IN THE POCKET:** Where some potential church offerings can be found.
6. **TWO MINUTE WARNING:** When the council president points to his watch if the pastor's sermon is going too long.
7. **QB SNEAK:** When the council president slips into the worship service late.
8. **BENCH WARMER:** An inactive member.
9. **FUMBLE:** A lousy sermon!
10. **PUNT:** What the pastor does when the sermon isn't working.
11. **EXTRA POINT:** What you receive when you tell the pastor his sermon was a touchdown.
12. **CHEERLEADERS:** Ladies who compliment the pastor on his sermon.
13. **QUARTERBACK:** What some worshipers want when they put 50 cents in the offering plate.
14. **TACKLE:** What an alert usher does when a child tries to sneak out of the service.
15. **RUNNING BACKS:** Children who keep running back and forth, in and out of the service.
16. **TOUCHDOWN:** When attendance and giving records are broken.
17. **WIDE RECEIVERS:** Overweight ushers who squeeze down the aisle while receiving the offering.
18. **PENALTY FLAG:** What the church gets when its members stay home.
19. **ILLEGAL MOTION:** Leaving before the final blessing.
20. **SUPER BOWL CHAMPION:** A church doing the will of God!

Pastor Ed

HOPE STATS					
Sun/Wed	Attendance	Sun School	Offerings	-did NOT	+ reached
Sept 1	62		\$3310	-\$825	
Sept 8	112	27	\$3212	-\$923	
Sept 15	95	56	\$3631	-\$504	
Sept 22	76	19	\$2761	-\$1374	
Sept 29	108	41	\$2913	-\$1222	
<i>Average Offering needed weekly to meet the proposed budget offerings of \$215,000 is \$4,135</i>					

catechism

Will be held the 2nd and 4th Sundays of each month at 6:30PM

Baptism.... No Baptisms in the month of September.

Our Love and Sympathy....

The *Kropa* family has started a *Gloria Kropa Scholarship Fund* which will go towards Hope Christian School families in need. Checks can be made out to *Hope Lutheran Church* with "Gloria Kropa Fund" written on the Memo line.

More News....

Women of Hope Memorial Fund Donations.... No donations reported to the office for the month of September.

UPCOMING OUTREACH MEAL DATES!

We will host and serve dinner at Saint Peter's on the following Friday Nights...

December 27, March 13, and April 24

*A HUGE thank you to **ERIKA WOODS** for taking over coordinating these meals! And HUGE thank you to **KAREN DONMOYER** for her many years of dedication and loyal service to this worthwhile ministry!*



We now have *Christina Krause* as our Nursery Attendant! She will arrive at 8:15AM and stay until the completion of the 11:00AM worship service. She may also be available to stay for extra events as well, such as Congregational Meetings. We have also implemented the *KID'S CORNER* located in the far corner of the Narthex near the speakers by the choir loft stairs. There are several games, activities, coloring pages, etc for all ages to sort through and stay occupied while their family can still listen to the services!

CROSS ROADS CAMP AND RETREAT CENTER

Camp Cross Roads Volleyball Tournament – October 5 and October 6 – inviting all 7th-12th graders to participate – This is a fundraiser for Camp Cross Roads, inviting the Congregation to sponsor one of our youth as they playfully compete in an all night volleyball tournament at Cross Roads.



Worship Planning
Monday, October 7 at
7:00PM



The second Tuesday of each month at 7:30PM, all women are welcome for Bible Study, food and fun!

Tuesday, October 8, 2019



Gathering of Men Breakfast

Meets the 2nd Saturday of each month at 9AM

October 12, 2019

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



CASHIERS FOR SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR!!! TWO WOULD BE GREAT! SUNDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2019

WISDOM CLUB!!! Join us **Thursday,**
October 17 at **NOON** (*Please note the time
change!!! It is for THIS MEETING ONLY*) Bring
your own lunch/brunch and enjoy some time and
fellowship with your church friends!



Sunday, October 20, 2019

Everyone is welcome to participate by walking or sponsoring. Walker packets are in the Narthex. We are asking the 7th-12th graders to participate, please consider sponsoring one of our walkers. All donations help to fight hunger.



Monday, October 21
7:00PM



REFORMATION
Sunday

Sunday, October 27, 2019
Reformation Sunday
and Bible Sunday!

The Manor Worship Service

Sunday, October 27th at 2:00PM

689 West Main Street in Freehold (right in front of CentraState)

Worship Service with Holy Communion

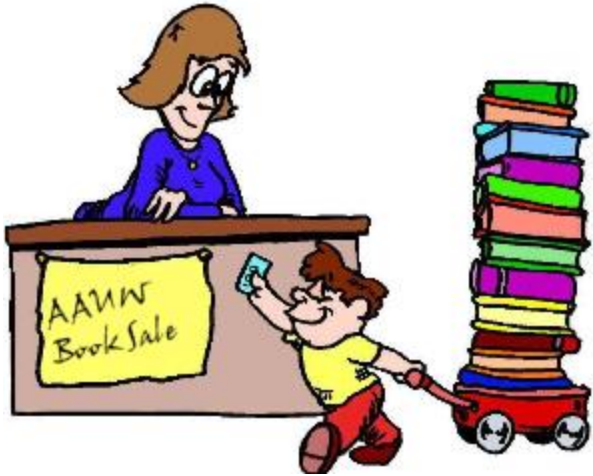
*You are invited to join Pastor Kropa for assistance with this Nursing Home service,
please arrive at 1:45PM.*



*The annual congregational meeting will be held directly after the 2nd service on **Sunday, November 17, 2019.** Refreshments will be served. Important topics to be presented and discussed will be the 2020 budget and a report from the Visioning and Planning “Dream Team” regarding space needs for our church and school. Please make every effort to attend.*



**DUE no later than
Thursday, October 31**



BIKES AND BOOKS!!!

The Freehold Area AAUW is again collecting books for its used book sale in JUNE. Please drop off any hardback or paperback fiction and non-fiction (no text books or readers digest condensed books!) at the church anytime between

NOW and MID-MAY. *Joan Drager will take it from there- Thanks Joan! Also, John Drager will take any used bicycles to 2nd TURN AROUND, the bike ministry in Asbury Park – Thanks John!*

Special Sunday School Class

Hope will be offering a Sunday School class once a month geared for children with special needs to learn about God. If you're interested, contact the church office at 732-462-7545 or hopelutheran17@gmail.com

UPCOMING YOUTH EVENT:

November 15 – 17 NJ Synod Youth Retreat at Fairview Lake YMCA Camp – inviting 6th to 12th graders, for information or registration, contact Tara Zigler -tzigler2@gmail.com



Job Title: Support Commission Coordinator

Reports To: Council

Summary

Provide support in terms of Stewardship, Skills and Enlistment.

Essential Duties and Responsibilities

- 1) During the Fall, convene a meeting to plan a Stewardship Program, and execute it during the 4th Quarter.
 - a) Report results to Council at its December meeting
- 2) Develop or revise the Time and Abilities Form
 - a) Arrange to distribute and collect this form during the 4th Quarter
 - b) Ensure that new members of the congregation receive a copy
 - c) Maintain our database of member's skills and interests, and match them to the activities, needs and structure of the Church Council
- 3) Maintain a support bulletin board and provide Volunteer Ministries coordination.
- 4) Provide for new member orientation to the Stewardship Plan for Giving and the Time and Abilities Form.
- 5) Develop, maintain and publish a summary of Church Committees and their membership, for use by the members of the Church Council.
- 6) Consider special appeals that do not fall under other Council ministries and make recommendations to the Council (e.g. World Hunger, ELCA appeals, etc.).

ALL ARE WELCOME!

Mark your calendars!

March 14, 2020

Enjoy a chartered bus ride to and from the Sight and Sound Theater in Lancaster PA to see the story of Queen Esther!

Cost for Adults \$145

Cost for Children \$78

This includes theater ticket, bus transportation, and dinner at Miller's Sporgasbord.

Gather at Hope at 11:30AM to board a charter bus, theater performance at 3:00PM, dinner following, returning to Hope by 9PM.

RESERVE YOUR SEATS NOW!

Contact Tara Zigler at tzigler2@gmail.com



*Sign ups for September and October are available at the Welcome Table! Please sign up for a Sunday! Coffee and all the paper products are provided by the church, we just ask that you bring a **NUT FREE** refreshment to share. We average about 35-40 members weekly.*



*There is always a 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 upcoming 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”**.*

hAPPY bIRTHDAY

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS!

Christian Cardelfe
Ashley Rosenburg
Julia Cohen
Karen Donmoyer
Richard Hering
Michelle Bresnahan
Steve Hering
Carol Kershaw
Jan Thayer
Marian Turek
Susan England
Monika Kania
Matthew Sprunger
Christina Green
Autumn Hedin
Jessica Somodi
Janice Neilan
Deanne Denney
Nicole Verdino
Marie Liebehenz
Richard Rodriguez
Augie Daesener Sr
Michael Burrows
Frank Bastry
John Black
Jack Horton
Tyler Hudak
Greyson Fitch
Laura Keller
Bonnie Paasch
Lucas Vandenakker
Pat Anderson
Teodoro Mancini
Pia Puzon
Robert Finnila

Ellen Hering
Lai Smith
Henry Finnila
Jayden Toucher
Gerry Bergh
Jennifer Caliendo-Fink
Peyton DiGregorio
Dan Hudak
Mark Koester
Shawn Megill
Kayla Caliendo-Walsh
William Romba
Tanner Shomko
Timothy Lynch
Leah Maja Cohen
Richard England
Kelly McCormick
Jordan Medley
Deanne Tash
Scott Page
George Rowohlt
Karen Kowalik
Thomas Schwartz
Stephen Hedin
Natalie D'Angelo
Kaley DeFilippo
Caren Brand
Andrew McGeady
Amanda Bresnahan
Beth Mezaros
Linda Devine
Tanja Schloeman
Carolina Okerson
Ray Finnila

