



Please lift up the following people in prayer

Kathy Widdecombe (niece of Kathy & Rob Scott)
 Gloria & Art Johnson and Family
 Wendy Slattery (friend of Linda Jacobson)
 Ellen Lowe & Family
 Carrie Knudsen Hendrickson (daughter of Carol Knudsen & Dave Hendrickson)
 Mark Anderson (friend of Alyssa Boock)
 Cheri Boock (relative of Boock family)
 Dawn Baier (sister of Holly Stein)
 Jon Boyce
 Lane Branson (relative of Boock Family)
 Mike and Rae Farley (friend of Marcella Field and Paula Klacan)
 Dan Forrest (cousin of Robb Scott)
 Nancy Hawkinson (relative of Paula Klacan, friend of Darcy Boock)
 Troy Hubing (relative of Brandt family)
 Stan Jacobson (Linda Jacobson's father)
 Ardis Johnson (friend of Betty Lou Oppegard)
 Bekka Johnson (niece of Betty Lou Oppegard)
 Jay and Jeri Jorgenson (friends of the Bohnerts)
 Craig & Jane Olson and family
 Brian Roquette
 Marilyn Schmidt (Darcy Boock's sister-in-law)
 Valerie Wietzke (sister of Karen Ottney-Kaste)

Please contact the office if you would like to have the name of a loved one added to the prayer list. **After 30 days names will be removed unless you request that they remain.**

**Sunday Worship Volunteers
 Sunday, April 22nd**

- ⇒ Presiding Minister Pastor Sandy
- ⇒ Assisting Minister Carl Warren
- ⇒ Communion Prep Verna Tweiten
- ⇒ Make Bread Faith Adventure Students
- ⇒ Ushers Doug Rudesill
- ⇒ Greeters Connie & Joe Kurten
- ⇒ Communion Servers Traci Wolfe
 Susie Rudesill
- ⇒ Reader & Prayers Jeremy Wolfe
- ⇒ Acolyte Morgan Torntore
- ⇒ Pianist Phil Klacan
- ⇒ Special Music Carl Warren
- ⇒ Fellowship Connie & Joe Kurten

Looking Ahead at HOPE

Tuesday April 17th	6:30 pm-Council Ministry Meeting 9:00 am-HOPE Strings Practice 4:00 pm-Faith Adventures
Wednesday April 18th	5:15 pm-Ukulele Practice 5:30 pm-Midweek Fellowship Meal 6:00 pm-Wednesday Worship 6:30 pm-Confirmation Class
Sunday	9:30 am-Sunday Worship



April 25th Congregational Potluck

On Wednesday, April 25, at 6:00 PM, Assistant to the Bishop, John Sutherland will hold a public review of HOPE's Ministry Site Profile (MSP). The MSP describes HOPE as a church and will be the document HOPE will post as it seeks a new pastor. The MSP is nearly finished by the Transition Task Force and will be available to members to read in the very near future.

Please mark you calendars to attend the public review of HOPE's Ministry Site Profile; Wednesday, April 25, at 6:00 PM. There will be a potluck starting at 5:15 PM, (please bring a dish to pass) prior to the 6:00 event.



Midweek Worship

On Wednesday, May 2nd we will celebrate with our Faith Adventure and Confirmation students as the “school year” comes to a close. At this time, we will press pause for a few weeks before beginning our Wednesday evening gathering again in June. Watch for details about meeting for fun faith formation and fellowship.

Daytime Book Group-Monday April 23rd



In April the Daytime Book Group will be discussing “*The Mothers*” by Brit Bennett

This is a book about community and ambition, love and friendship, and living up to expectations in contemporary black America.

The group will be meeting in the Eidskog Room at 12:00 pm. Coffee will be served. BYO



This is the time of the year when we begin to think about steaks and chicken on the grill, potato salad, evenings on the deck, family picnics, summer salads and long tall glasses of iced tea.

I think it would be fun to share our favorite summer time recipes. If you want to share your favorite grilling treat, summer salad or desert send it to me (Olive) via email. I can publish one every week to share with everyone. I’m looking forward to trying some new favorite treats.

River Falls Area Hospital Auxiliary Fund Raiser

The River Falls Area Hospital is having a Collective Goods (aka: Books Are Fun) sale on Monday, April 23rd from 10:00 AM to 3:30 PM at the main entrance class rooms, just left of the hospital lobby. You will find books and product for all ages and interest. All funds go directly back to the hospital.



Evening Book Club-Monday, April 30th

April's book discussion is "**Future Home of the Living God**" by Louise Erdrick. A New York Times Notable Book that paints a startling portrait of a young woman fighting for her life and her unborn child against oppressive forces that manifest in the wake of a cataclysmic event. The world as we know it is ending. Evolution has reversed itself, affecting every living creature on earth.

This month's host is yet to be determined.

New Member Sunday-Sunday, May 20th

We are grateful to have new friends and families as a part of our worship services. Thanks be to God for your presence. HOPE will welcome new members during worship on Sunday, May 20th. Please talk with Pastor Sandy or contact the church office if you would like to become a member of HOPE.



It's time for HOPE FAMILY SOFTBALL!!! HOPE will once again compete in the Family Church League this summer. This is a co-ed league for adults and kids 14-years and older. Games are played on Monday nights at Hoffman Park starting the end of May and ending the middle of August-exact dates have not yet been determined. We always try to have a large roster to accommodate everyone's summer vacation schedules, don't feel like you have to make it to EVERY game when you sign-up. Ryan Leitch is coaching and managing the team this summer. If you are interested in being on the roster, please contact Ryan at ryleit@uwalumni.com or Faye Perkins at faye.j.perkins@uwrf.edu

SAVE THE DATE!

HOPE's Vacation Bible School - *God's Good Creation*
August 13-16 from 9:00 - 11:15

Come to learn about our connections to creation through presentations, live animals, songs, scripture, crafts, snacks and games. Bring a friend and enjoy making new friends.

Free Bikes 4 Kidz



Allina Health recognizes good health habits start early. This spring, Allina Health is again partnering with Free Bikes 4 Kidz, a non-profit organization geared toward helping all kids ride into a healthier, happier childhood by providing bikes to those most in need.

If you know of a child in need of a free bike, bring them to our local bike giveaway event on Saturday, April 21 at River Falls Area Hospital.

Please note:

- Bikes will be distributed on a first-come, first-served basis.
- Bikes are not guaranteed for all.
- Child(ren) must be present to receive a bike.
- We will have bikes of all sizes, from toddler through teenager.
- A parent or guardian must be present to sign a waiver.

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April Birthdays

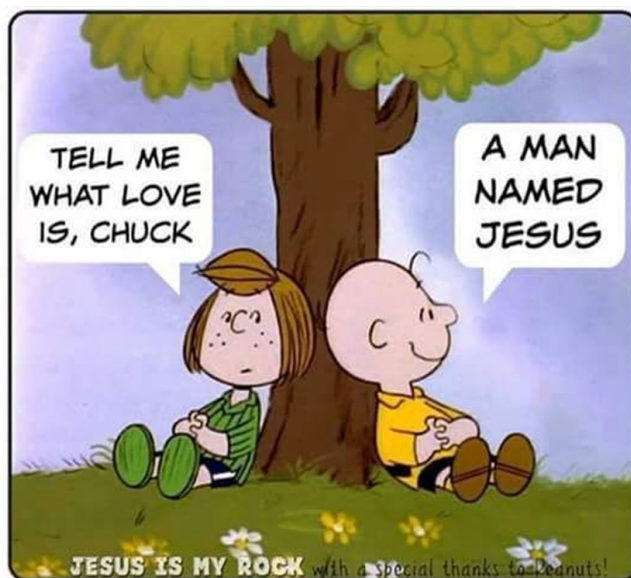


Name	Birthday
John Hamilton	2-Apr
Sawyer Filarsky	4-Apr
Ethan Sailer	4-Apr
Michael Stang	5-Apr
Waylon Bailey	7-Apr
Jean Loudon	11-Apr
Traci Wolfe	11-Apr
Cathy Wunrow	11-Apr
Doug Thompson	13-Apr
Faye Perkins	14-Apr
Cole Frisch	17-Apr
Alex Sather	21-Apr
Sophia Schmidt	22-Apr
Kendra Lesmeister	23-Apr
Erik Eaton	25-Apr
Jerv Brandt	27-Apr
Jane Olson	29-Apr

April Baptisms



Anne Anderson
Margaret Anderson
Louis Bernard
Mischa Carlson
Charles Eaton
Kenna Frisch
Craig Olson
Erik Oppgard
Sharon Paulson
Paul Perkins-Mcintosh
Amanda Robinson
Matthew Schmidt
Jack Stang
Erik Warner
John Warner
Kaija Warner
Ben Wunrow
Amanda Ziebarth



If you would like to know more about what's happening at HOPE please contact the office. Olive will be happy to send you Ministry Reports, Council Minutes and Financial Reports.