

This Week at HOPE May 10, 2023



We give thanks for the parents
who embody great love,
who transcend gender stereotypes,
who are still becoming thanks to parenthood.

There is also time today
to recognize those who long to be parents,
those who grew while feeling the absence
of a parent,
those who did not feel safe with or loved by
their parent,
Those who have buried a parent or child.

And for all the parental figures in community,
your gentle strength and presence matters,
your devotion reminds us how to love
other people's children as our own.

If the message and tasks for today are
simple enough, find gratitude in the miracle.
It is a great gift to know a parent,
to celebrate with a card and a hug,
an easy story
about affection and care
that has been given your way.

If you are lucky, they will confess
for the millionth time how
you changed their own lives, too.
For the galaxy of loving mothers, fathers, and
adults
made vulnerable by this work of
protection and love, we give thanks.

Written by Rev. Meta Herrick Carlson . "Blessings for B-List Holidays: For Mother's Day and Father's Day" in *Ordinary Blessings: Prayers, Poems, and Meditations for Everyday Life*. Fortress Press, 2020.

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FINAL WEDNESDAYS OF HOPE TONIGHT!

6 -7 PM

K-10th grade & friends welcome!

**Join us for our closing night of
outdoor worship, service project,
games, treats, and more!**

**Be on the look out for a 2022-2023
WOH Eval coming soon!**

“Wednesdays of Wonder”

Every 3rd Wednesdays this summer, 6-8PM

June 16

July 19

August 16

**Cross Generational nights for story telling, art,
activities, food, & fellowship!
More details to come!**

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Paul Oman Art Raffle THIS SUNDAY!

Paul Oman, “Drawn to the Word” artist is on display
April 1- May 14, 2023 in the HOPE Sanctuary
12 original watercolors
(original prints can be purchased)

RAFFLE TICKETS FOR SALE APRIL 30- MAY 14
1 for \$5 or 5 for \$20*
FOR YOUR CHANCE TO WIN
A PRINT OF YOUR CHOICE!

Can be purchased Sunday after worship or through the
office Mon-Wed, 8am-3pm

(Do not have to be present to win, just write names on
ticket backs & keep your copy)

**free mounting/framing if you spend \$20 and win!*

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Spring migration is well underway, and it's the perfect time to reconnect with nature after a long winter, and a "somewhat delayed" Spring. Therefore, the Green Team and Congregational Life are Co-hosting a BWBW (Before Worship Bird Walk) on Sunday, May 21, at 8:15 am. No birding experience is necessary! If you have binoculars, bring them, but don't worry about it if you don't. Dress for the (hopefully beautiful) weather and a leisurely walk around the pond. We'll be finished in time for a cup of coffee before worship!



If there is a need to cancel due to weather - a message will be posted on the HOPE FaceBook page. Or call Lynda Meyers @ 705-220-9708 with questions

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Graduate Sunday

Join us on Sunday, May 21st
as we celebrate and bless our 2023 high school graduates.

A special blessing during worship
will be followed by a reception afterwards.

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Our Neighbors' Place

THU, MAY 11
10AM - 7PM

RAIN DATE: MAY 18

JOIN US FOR:
OUR NEIGHBORS DAY

FREEWILL DONATION YARD SALE

OPEN HOUSE & TOURS

FREE MEAL 4-6PM

OPEN
TO THE
PUBLIC



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ARE
WELCOME

122 WEST
JOHNSON STREET

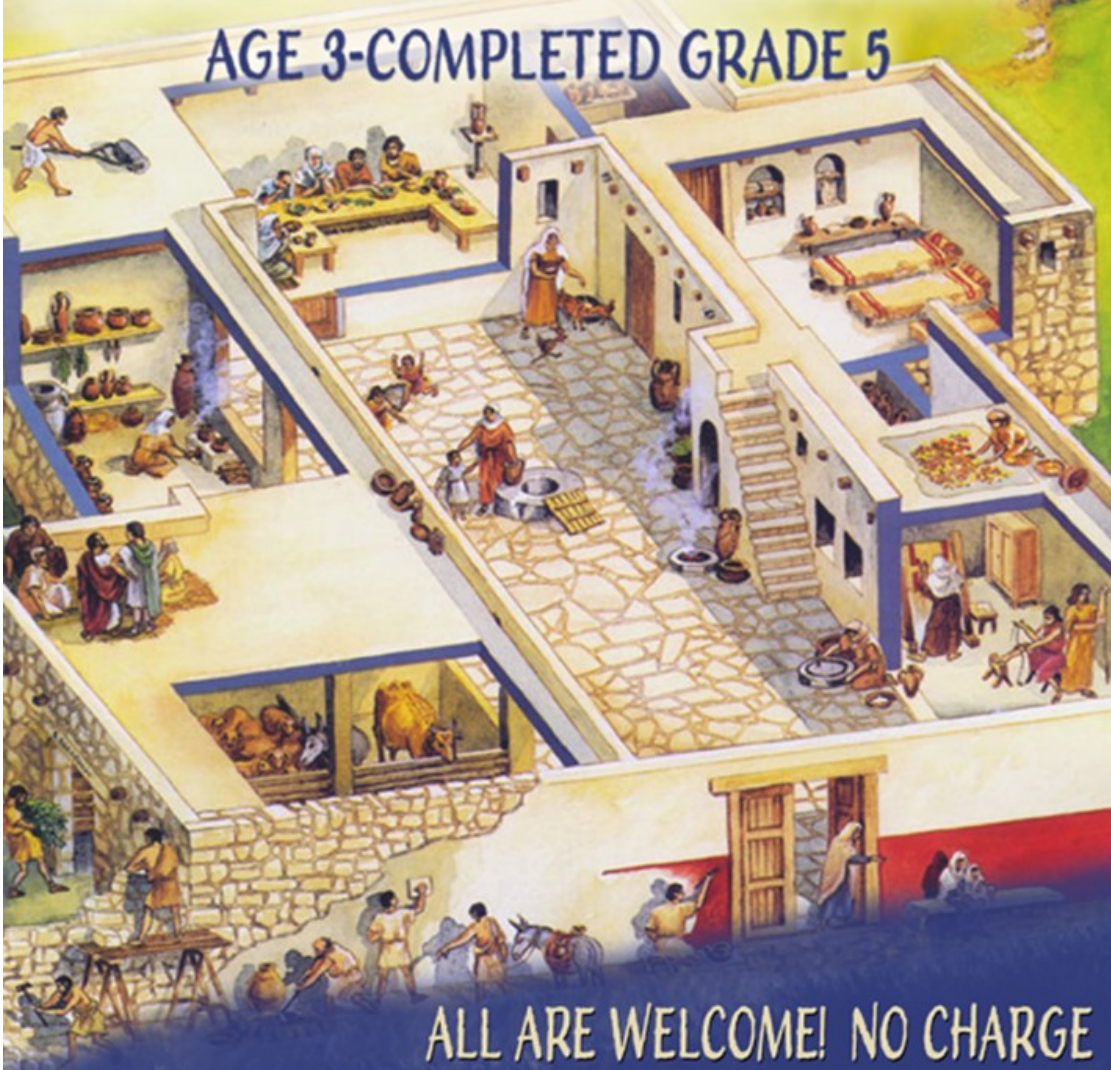
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THE WORLD When Jesus Lived

JULY 31-AUGUST 3, 2023 | 9:00-11:30 AM

AGE 3-COMPLETED GRADE 5



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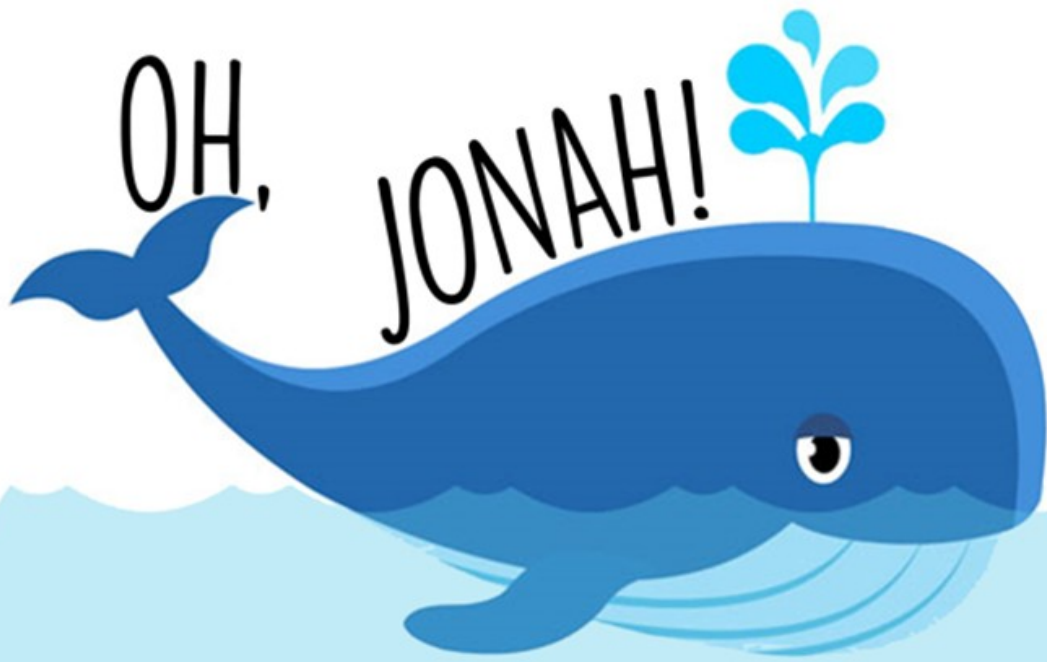
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Register at: www.firstchurchrf.org



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CHILDREN'S MUSICAL

July 17-20th, 2023

9:00-noon

Dinner and Performance July 20th, 6:00 PM

Completed Kindergarten - Grade 6

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Holy Yoga

FOR BODY, MIND & SPIRIT

WEDNESDAYS, 6:00PM

JUNE 07-AUG 30

Outdoor yoga, meditation, & reflection

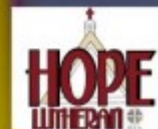
bring a yoga mat, water bottle, & yourself!

Cost: FREE WILL offering

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WINDS OF THE SPIRIT PAVLLION

WHAT TO EXPECT:

- 45-60 minute session of beginning to intermediate yoga
- Use of Christian Scripture for grounding
- Reflective meditation/prayer exercises
- Feeling renewed!
- Joyfully gathering with others!
- Enjoying the beautiful landscape!

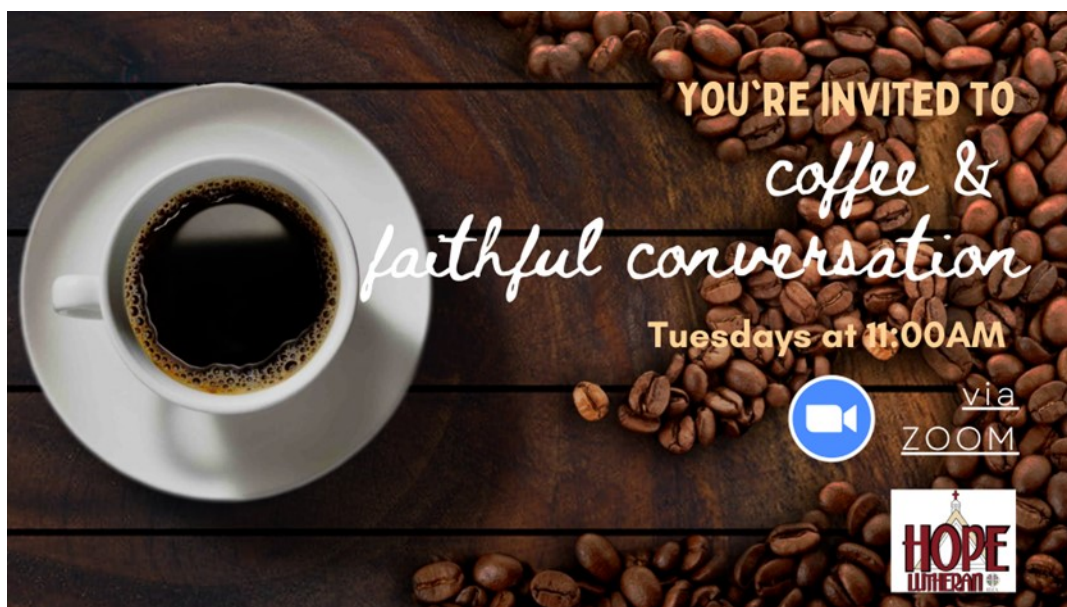


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VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Please join us Saturday, May 13th at 9:00am for outside spring clean up at HOPE Lutheran. This will include the landscaping, Winds of the Spirit and grounds. Contact psrudesill@gmail.com if you can help.



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ST. BRIDGET CATHOLIC CHURCH

GARAGE SALE!

THURSDAY, JUNE 22 - 8 A.M. - 8 P.M.

FRIDAY, JUNE 23 - 8 A.M. - 8 P.M.

SATURDAY, JUNE 24 - 8 A.M. - NOON

(Saturday Special: clothing \$3/bag and all other items ½ OFF)

SALE HELD IN THE PARISH SCHOOL GYM-CORNER OF MAIN & DIVISION STREETS

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Communion Bread Bakers Needed!

Do you like to bake?

Are you looking for an easy way to volunteer your gifts without having to be “up front?”

Then become a communion bread baker!

3 months in 2023 still need bakers: August, September, & December

SHARE YOUR GIFTS ON SUNDAY MORNINGS!

Did you know that you can volunteer to help with parts of worship
AT ANY TIME!!!

Use [THIS GOOGLE DOC LINK](#) to sign-up to assist with our in-person worship!
Or sign-up on the entryway table in person.

Greeters, readers, communion set-up & servers, acolytes, ushers,

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Please lift up the following people in prayer

Dorothy Webb (Russ Jiskra's grandmother)
Marc DuPaul (Nephew of Nomi Brandt)
Joyce Kendall (Mother of Cara Getschel)
Richard Burns (Grandfather of Luke & Jack Stang)
Judy Branson (Relative of the Boocks)
Hannah Forward
Amanda Olson (Olive Olson's daughter)
Jerry Gibson (Diane Clark and Karen Rodewald's father)
George & Mary Klacan (Phil's Parents)
Ella Conover (Niece of Phil & Paula Klacan)
Laura McDonald (Sister of Jean Loudon)
Mary Babler (Friend the Dan Malaney)
Beth Lindgren (Sister-in-law Dan Malaney)
Betty Lou Oppegard
Anna Peterson's Family (Friend of Olive Olson)
Darwin & Margaret Bredahl (Karen Hamilton's sister & brother in law)
Olive Olson & family
Daryl Kleeman (brother of Darcy Boock)
Miriam Monroe (Bill Montgomery's sister)
Naomi Brandt and family
Milo Oppegard
Carin Perkins (Faye Perkins sister)
David Boock (Relative of the Boocks)
Nicholas Simpson (Boock family friend)
Linda Hidding (Nancy Sailer's cousin)
Teajai Schmidt (Boock family friend)
Rev. Sarah Mayer-Flatt (Friend of Pastor Annie)
Dave Hallquist (Friend of Bill Montgomery)
Lee Hill (friend of Naomi Brandt)
Judy Karshbaum
Gary Siebold
David Hendrickson
Jon Boyce
Jay and Jeri Jorgenson (friends of the Bohnerts)



May Birthdays

Lillian Brill	12-May
Stacia Johnson	13-May
Hunter Rodewald	14-May
Cecelia Bernard	15-May
Camden Roquette	15-May
David Hendrickson	19-May
Shane Bondhus	20-May
Brady Sailer	22-May
Spencer Ziebarth	23-May
James Malaney	23-May
Kay Montgomery	25-May

May Baptisms

Lee Getschel
Grant Klacan
Jean Loudon
Bill Montgomery
Rosemary Nelson
Faye Perkins
Eric Rydland
Mason Shea
Zoe Tokheim
Carly Wunrow



May Anniversaries	Date	Years to Celebrate
Linda & Mike Yde	5-May	33
Bruce & Susan Schuettpelz	8-May	41
Leonard & Connie Juaire	23-May	36
Michael & Michelle Hansen	28-May	
Bill Warner & Linda Jacobson	30-May	30



First Sunday of the Month Special Collections

The River Falls School District has 112 children signed up for the Backpack Program this year. This program falls under the auspices of Our Neighbors' Place and is primarily funded by The Black Tie Affair held every April and donations. It does not receive any help from the River Falls Food Pantry.

Therefore, the Mission Ministry through HOPE would like to start collecting donations for the Backpack Program on the first Sunday of each month alternating with the Food Pantry.

The Magic Box works in the same manner as for the Food Pantry, whereas each dollar magically will have \$5 of purchasing power. The next opportunity will be November 6, when your generous donations will support the Backpack Program.

First Sunday of the Month Special Collections Schedule

2023

January 1	Backpack Program
February 5	Food Pantry
March 5	Backpack Program
April 2	Food Pantry
May 7	Backpack Program
June 4	Food Pantry
July 2	Backpack Program
August 6	Food Pantry
September 3	Backpack Program
October 1	Food Pantry
Nov 5	Backpack Program
December 3	Food Pantry