

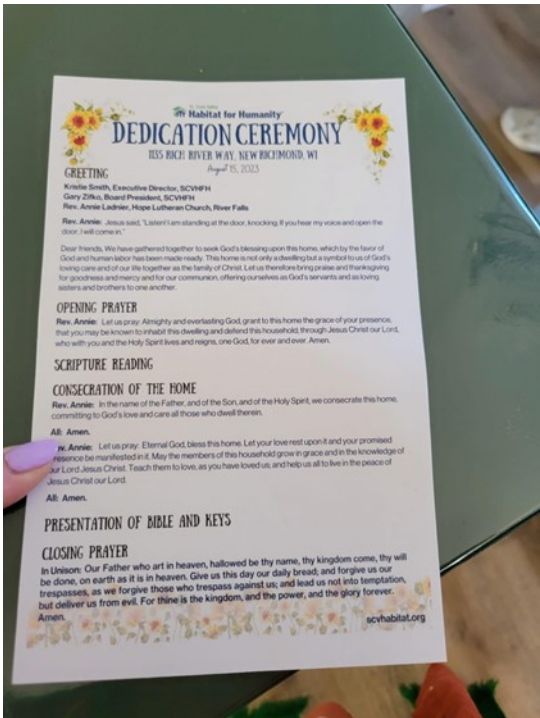
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St. Croix Valley Habitat for Humanity

HOME DEDICATION CEREMONY

On Tuesday, August 15th Pastor Annie was invited to lead the home dedication and blessing service for the last of three H4H homes in New Richmond, WI. Jessie, Otylia, Lydia, Alyse, and Jonah Koskie are the proud new owners of a beautiful home that many of you helped build in the early stages! Here are a few pictures from the afternoon! In the photo of the picture board you can see a message Dale Bohnert put on one of the supporting beams of the home!



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Please note that we are updating the security code to HOPE's main entrance. A new code has been established and distributed to council members who will help distribute it to ministry team volunteers and other active HOPE participants. **Both the old and new codes will work until October 1, 2023. Effective 10.01.23 only the new code will work.** Phone numbers will be posted on the door so anyone needing access can reach someone to help.

Why are we doing this?

- ⇒ We have not changed the code in 7 years and it's a wise plan to change it more frequently for security reasons.
- ⇒ The old code has been very widely distributed to those that do not need it and we want to maintain a welcoming and safe environment.
- ⇒ The use of the old code has resulted in wear and tear that makes seeing the numbers increasingly difficult. Property Team is looking at replacement as well.

We hope that by making these updates all HOPE members and guests can feel safe and welcome!

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Journey House Campus Ministry

- A campus ministry serving the University of Wisconsin River Falls and CVTC -

Good Food & Good Conversations At Journey House -

Journey House needs people to help provide nutritious hot meals for – 20 people each Monday evening this program year.

Meals should include some sort of protein and a couple vegetable sides, along with whatever condiments are needed for the meal.

Desserts are optional.

For more information and to sign up for one of the suppers, please use this [Google Form](#).

For more information or advice on what to bring, please contact Emma or Ella, the Peer Leaders,

at journeyhousecampusministry@gmail.com

or text/call them at 715.425.2391

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**THANK YOU TO EVERYONE WHO DONATED ITEMS TO THIS
YEAR'S TOOLS FOR SCHOOL DRIVE!**

We collected LOTS of great items!

Volunteers are still needed:

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Monday, August 21st 10-11AM (set up help)

Monday, August 21st 4-7PM (accompany students)*

Tuesday, August 22nd 9:45AM- 12PM (accompany students)

**If this is your first time, please arrive at 3:30PM*

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God's Work/Our Hands Sunday--Potluck

September 10 is our kick-off Sunday for remaining goals in the year. Membership and Congregational Life is asking you to contribute to a potluck that Sunday to be served outside in the Winds of the Spirit building.

If you bring hot food we can put it in the oven or plug in any crockpots outside inside WOTS. Beverages will be provided.

We look forward to the nourishment that enables us to complete projects designed by the Mission Ministry or Green Team.

We look forward to the fellowship on September 10.

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God's Work, Our Hands Sunday is fast approaching on September 10. On that Sunday HOPE members will prepare Blessing Bags—ziplock bags filled with useful items for those in need. We will then distribute these bags to Grace Place, Our Neighbors' Place, and keep some at church for members to take with them to distribute. We hope to pack 100 Blessing Bags with your help. The following items are needed:

- warm socks men's and women's
- gloves
- Tylenol packets
- small deodorant men and women
- small packages of tissues
- band aids
- disposable razors men and women
- women's feminine products (pads)
- finger nail clippers
- combs
- sewing kits
- soap
- small lotion
- toothbrushes
- toothpaste trial size
- hair binders
- granola bars soft
- crackers with cheese
- crackers with peanut butter
- tuna packets
- trail mix pouches
- mints
- raisins
- other snack items are welcome
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There is a signup doc on Google docs and there will also be a sign up sheet at church. You can always send an email to Darcy Boock at gdboock@gmail.com, if you are unable to access the Google doc or sign up at church. The link to the Google document is below

 Blessings Bags -God's Work Our Hands

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YOUTH NEWS



Wednesdays of Wonder

3rd Wednesdays This Summer!

July 19

Outdoor Scavenger Hunt

with PRIZES!

6-8PM

August 16

End of Summer Campfire Celebration

Dinner included!



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Holy Yoga

FOR BODY, MIND & SPIRIT

WEDNESDAYS, 6:00PM

JUNE 07-AUG 30

Outdoor yoga, meditation, & reflection

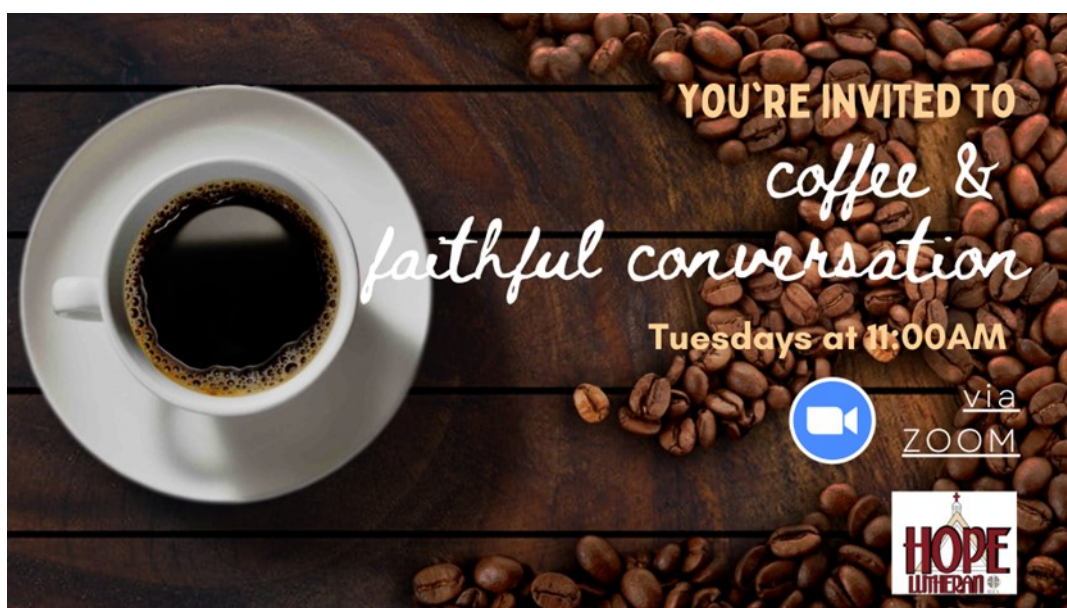
bring a yoga mat, water bottle, & yourself!

Cost: FREE WILL offering


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WINDS OF THE SPIRIT PAVILLION


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!



YOU'RE INVITED TO
coffee & faithful conversation
Tuesdays at 11:00AM

 via
ZOOM



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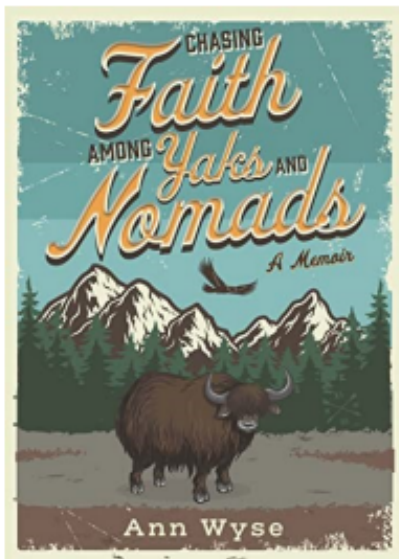
Women of the ELCA

Synod Women's Organization of the
Northwest Synod of Wisconsin

Summer Retreat *St. Croix Valley Conference*

Saturday, August 26, 2023
Redeemer Lutheran Church

1097 Scott Rd., Burkhardt, WI



\$15 Admission Fee
(includes program and lunch)

8:30am—9:00am
Registration and Coffee

9:00am—11:30am
Event
Lunch to Follow

Meet our speaker, Deb Wyss (*pen name Ann Wyse*), who served as a missionary in Tibet for seven years. She will share her living experiences and faith journey. "Chasing Faith Among Yaks and Nomads" is the memoir of her experiences.

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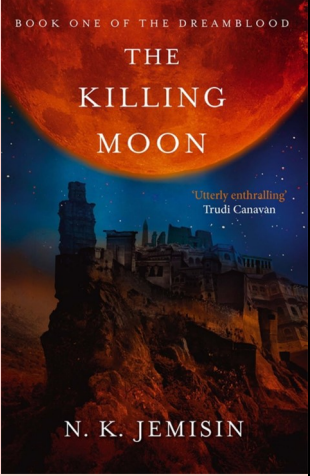


All are invited to participate in the leading of worship!
Ushers, Communion Prep & Assistants, Readers, Prayer Leaders,
Fellowship Hosts, Special Music, Altar Flowers, & Worship Assistants
all add to the beauty of our worship together!
We can help you if this is your first time!
[YOU CAN SIGN UP HERE FOR ANY UPCOMING SUNDAY!](#)

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Upcoming Synod Summer Book Discussions

You are invited to join lay people, pastors, and deacons from across our Synod for thought-provoking conversation on these two books:

	<div><div><h3>The Killing Moon</h3></div><div><p>August 30, 2023</p><p>7:00 p.m.</p><p>Lead by Pastor Sara Villarreal Bishop</p><p>Click HERE for Zoom link</p><p>Meeting ID: 847 5561 7233</p></div></div>	<p>The story follows Ehiru, one of the most experienced Gatherers, as things go awry during one of his commissions. Despite his wish to serve a time of penance for his failure, Ehiru is ordered to gather a woman judged corrupt. It soon becomes clear that things are not what they seem: there's a conspiracy lurking at the heart of the Hetawa, shaking the very foundations of Ehiru's faith; more worrisome, though, is that someone is gathering souls in Gujaareh in both the waking and dreaming realm, but their departures look anything but peaceful. Accompanied by his apprentice, Nijiri, Ehiru must team up with the woman he was sent to kill in order to investigate.</p>
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Women's Cancer Support Group

River Falls

Join us

- Third Tuesday of every month
- 5:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
- St. Bridget Catholic Church
211 East Division Street, River Falls

Gather with other women to share
encouragement and wisdom about
cancer and recovery.

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Please lift up the following people in prayer

The Karshbaum Family
Dennis & Sandy Schultz (Friends of Bill & Kay Montgomery)
Karen Brohaugh and Family
Nancy Miller (Friend of Paula & Phil Klacan)
Family of Marc DuPaul (Nephew of Naomi Brandt)
Linda Shurden (Friend of Nancy Sailer)
Charli and Sam King (Friends of Faye Perkins)
David Anderson (Brother of Karen Brohaugh)
Family of Romeo Thompson
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)
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)
Daryl Kleeman (brother of Darcy Boock)
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)
Lee Hill (friend of Naomi Brandt)
Judy Karshbaum
Gary Siebold
David Hendrickson
Jon Boyce
Jay and Jeri Jorgenson (friends of the Bohnerts)

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August Birthdays



Name	Date
Mitch Nelson	1-Aug
Verna Tweiten	1-Aug
Samuel Leisz	5-Aug
Morgan Leitch	9-Aug
Amelia Forward	10-Aug
Natalie Leisz	13-Aug
Brynn Leitch	13-Aug
Steve Kaste	18-Aug
Lauren Ziebarth	24-Aug
Angela Bohnert	25-Aug
Paula Klacan	25-Aug
Keith Getschel	26-Aug
Lisa Rydland	29-Aug



August Baptisms

Joseph McIntosh
Kay Montgomery
Betty Lou Oppegard
Camryn Glaubitz
Tanner Heinselman
Cameron Leitch
Alexis Rehbein
Avery Tokheim

August Anniversaries



Name	Date	Celebrating Years
Richard & Carolyn Jackson	2-Aug	62
Kermit & Sharon Paulson	26-Aug	62
David & Nancy Peters	26-Aug	62
Milo & Betty Lou Oppegard	10-Aug	55
Jeff & Karen Rodewald	31-Aug	38
Grete & Chad Rehbein	15-Aug	14
Russ & Keri Jiskra	24-Aug	4
Jeremy & Traci Wolfe	12-Aug	



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