

This Week at HOPE November 8, 2023



Special Guest This Sunday: Rev. Sara S.V. Bishop



This Sunday, November 12th Pastor Sara Villareal Bishop, the Northwest Synod of Wisconsin's Advocate for Right Relationships will be with us! As part of our Mission Team's focus this year to grow in our understanding of our various neighbors and strive to be better neighbors, Pastor Sara will share more about the ELCA's [Truth and Healing Movement](#), and help us discover what our role in this work might be. She will share some background on the 2023 Synod Assembly Land Acknowledgement Resolution and what our faithful response to that resolution might be. Pastor Sara's Synod role functions in 3 ways:

- ⇒ *Liaison – point of contact between congregations, the synod, indigenous peoples/tribes, and agencies involved in work in Northwest Wisconsin; Lutheran Office for Public Policy in Wisconsin and the advocacy work of the ELCA nationally.*
- ⇒ *Resource – Provide a forum to identify and maintain a central theology of right relationship around which Advocate and committees gather information, perspectives and action*
- ⇒ *Educator – Lead workshops for groups, including congregation-based faith formation programs, and facilitate discussion of issues of right relationship at the congregational, conference, synod, and national level, with special focus on the annual theme for the synod.*

We will have two opportunities to learn with Pastor Sara both during the sermon and during coffee fellowship following worship that Sunday! I hope you can join in this meaningful time together!

Pastor Sara's visit also aligns with [Native American Heritage Month](#). November provides an opportunity for us to get to know more about our indigenous neighbors and how God is at work among their communities. Our native neighbors have rich gifts to share with us as it relates to our understanding of Creator God and our call to be part of Christ's reconciliation work for the whole world.

Here are some other helpful resources for engaging in this learning:

- ⇒ [5 Commitments for Native American Heritage Month by Kaitlin Curtice.](#)
- ⇒ [Indigenous Ministry & Tribal Relations of the ELCA](#)
- ⇒ For further reading/learning here are 2 more personal/synod recommendations:
 - ◆ For a Non-Fiction read: *Unsettling Truths: The Ongoing, Dehumanizing Legacy of the Doctrine of Discovery* by Mark Charles and Soong-Chan Rah.
 - ◆ For a Fiction read that has connections to our region of the country: *The Firekeeper's Daughter* by Angeline Boulley



Native American Heritage Month

Did you know that November is **Native American Heritage Month?** This is an opportunity for us to get to know more about our indigenous neighbors and how God is at work among their communities. Our native neighbors have rich gifts to share with us as it relates to our understanding of Creator God and our call to be part of Christ's reconciliation work for the whole world.

It is also a time for us to learn how to be better neighbors to our indigenous siblings. Yesterday, I received this article from the Wisconsin Council of Churches that I found helpful: **5 Commitments for Native American Heritage Month by Kaitlin Curtice.**

In September, the Northwest Synod of WI hosted Vance Blackfox, the Director of Indigenous Ministries and Tribal Relations as our speaker for our Fall Ministry Retreat. Vance shared about indigenous theology and it was an eye-opening and thought provoking presentation. You can learn more about Vance's and the ELCA's work **HERE.**

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Advent Midweek Worship



How does a
weary world
rejoice?

WEDNESDAY
EVENINGS

MEAL: 5:15PM

WORSHIP: 6PM

(HOLDEN EVENING PRAYER)

ENDS 15.03.19

14.03.2023 15.03.2023

Advent Fair

Wednesday, November 15th

6-7:30pm

An Intergenerational Night of engaging the the
Advent stories through art & crafts for all ages!



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*Kindness is
in your blood*

Blood Drive

Hope Lutheran

3337 Kingsbarn Ave

Friday, November 24, 2023

10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.



**American
Red Cross**

Below is the information you need for setting up an appointment to donate blood

- ⇒ Call 1-800-RED CROSS OR
- ⇒ Go to the website to sign up <https://www.redcrossblood.org/give.html/find-drive> with the following directions:
- ⇒ Enter zip code 54022 for HOPE Lutheran
- ⇒ Click on Find Drive
- ⇒ Click on Refine Search
- ⇒ Click on Choose My Dates
- ⇒ Change the calendar to November and then click on November 24, 2023
- ⇒ Click on Refine Results

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ADVENT & CHRISTMAS DECORATING!

All are invited at 9AM on Saturday, November
25th to help decorate for the season!
We'll have treats, music, fellowship & fun!
Helpers are also needed to return pews/
chairs after our blood drive!

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Meet HOPE's New Members



Morgan, Ian and Kennedie Porten



Diane and Steve Meyer

Diane and I (Steve) are looking forward to being (officially) part of the Hope community. We live in Prescott. We moved to the area eight years ago to be closer to grandkids and aging parents. Steve retired from serving as pastor at Joy Lutheran in 2022. Diane is also retired after many years working in greenhouse and nurseries. We have two grown daughters in the Twin Cities and three grandkids (ages 11, 8 and 6). We both enjoy gardening and travel and have been leading worship music together since the mid 70s. Diane is a master gardener and avid reader and listener (audio books). Steve is an artist, remodeler, musician and birder. We joined Hope because we found it to be welcoming and had an emphasis on serving the community.

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George and Mary Klacan

We are George and Mary Lou Klacan and we belong to our son, Phil, the reason we now are members of HOPE. We have moved here from Minnetonka, MN, where we lived for the past 18 years and were members of Bethlehem Lutheran Church Twin Cities.

Both of us were born in Kenosha County, WI in 1933. Mary came from a dairy farm, George lived on the periphery of Kenosha in a truck farming area, but we both attended the same high school. We were married in 1955 after George graduated from the University of Wisconsin. George was drafted into the US Navy shortly after we were married, but served as a Hospital Corpsman with the Marines in Kaneohe Hawaii. Mary was able to join George in Hawaii. It was back to the UW in the fall of 1957. Mary worked, George studied. George spent the majority of his career at Green Giant in LeSueur, MN, retiring in 1995.

We have 4 married children, 8 grandchildren and 1 great grandson!

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DONUT SUNDAY!



Coffee Hour gifts will be used to help reach our Renewable Energy Blocks goal for 2024.

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This is a picture of William Pechacek who received a quilt of valor crafted by Martie Guthrie. These quilts are not considered gifts but are ways to honor those who served in the military. Seven were given at the Hudson Quilter Guild quilt show recently at Rivercrest Elementary. The display of quilts, runners, décor pieces were outstanding with a number from residents of River Falls. Marti received a prize for one of her quilts and had many beautiful entries.

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The background of the poster is a dark navy blue. It is decorated with several white snowflakes and golden musical notes. The musical notes are arranged in flowing, wavy lines that curve around the central text. There are also smaller, individual musical notes scattered throughout the design.

CAROLS & CANDLES

*ANNOUNCING:
THE REHEARSAL SCHEDULE*

**MONDAYS @ 6:30PM
NOV. 13
NOV. 20
NOV. 27**

**DRESS REHEARSAL
SAT., DEC. 9 9:30AM**

**CAROLS & CANDLES SERVICE
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 10, 4:00PM**

FRIENDS AND NEIGHBORS ARE WELCOME TO JOIN OUR CHOIR!



HOPE will be remembering our college students while they prepare for finals. Please submit your students addresses by November 19th. You can send them via email to

[hopelutheranoffice.rf@gmail.com](mailto:hopolutheranoffice.rf@gmail.com)

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**MEAL, SILENT AUCTION &
BAKE SALE EVENT**

**FEATURING UKULELE
ENTERTAINMENT**

TUESDAY NOVEMBER 14TH

**MT ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH
505 13TH ST. SOUTH
HUDSON, WI**

COME ONE, COME ALL AND BRING YOUR FRIENDS

5PM MEAL
(SOUP, SANDWICH & SALAD)

**6PM UKELELE MINISTRY
PERFORMANCE**

**7PM SILENT AUCTION FINAL
BIDS**
(ONGOING AT MT ZION PRIOR)

**FREE WILL DONATIONS AND SILENT AUCTION
TO SUPPORT SECOND MILE HAITI**

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The background of the flyer is a warm, orange-toned illustration featuring stylized autumn leaves, pumpkins, and a cornucopia overflowing with various fruits and vegetables. The overall theme is Thanksgiving.

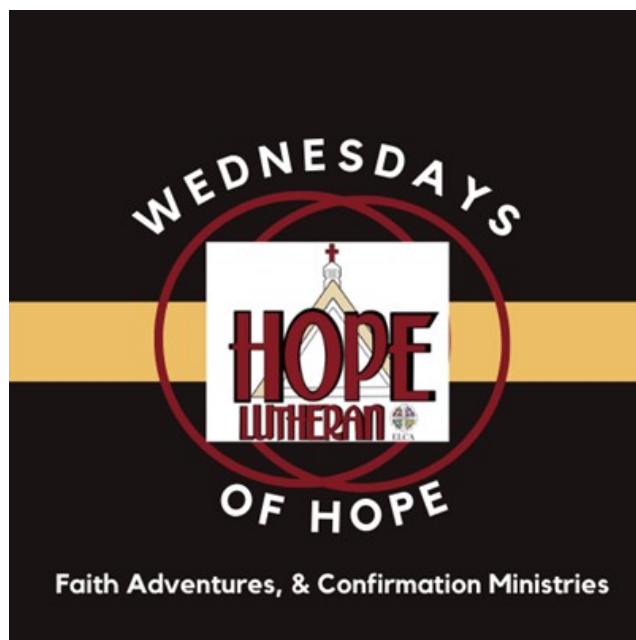
River Falls
Community Dinner
DINE-IN
OR TO-GO *A Non-Denominational Event*
Thanksgiving Day
November 23, 2023
11am - 1pm *Held at*
Saint Bridget Catholic Church

We would like to invite you to join us for Thanksgiving Dinner. Everyone is Welcome, young, old, home alone, shut ins, travelers or just because you want to. We offer take-out or delivery this Thursday, for those unable to attend. FREE, or free will offering. We would be pleased to have you attend. Thank You

Please register in spotlight area on stbridgets.org

Designed by:

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FALL SESSION NOW-NOVEMBER 15!

ALL ARE WELCOME

All K-10th+* grade youth are invited to join us on Wednesday evenings from 6-7PM for fellowship, family friendly worship & service, learning, and growing in relationship to Jesus and one another! Our evenings begin with a brief all family style worship, where children & adults help with leadership and a true sense of community is fostered. Youth are then divided into elementary (Faith Adventures) and middle/high (Confirmation) classes for deeper engagement with the evening's themes.

We are once again offering 3 sessions for the 2023-2024 year! Families are welcome to sign-up for whatever sessions work best for them, one, two, or all three! (You can also register for additional sessions at a later time).

The 2023-2024 Wednesdays of HOPE Registration is LIVE now!
PLEASE REGISTER IF YOU HAVE NOT YET DONE SO

Teachers and Snack Hosts are needed to make each night of **Wednesdays of HOPE** a safe, engaging, and welcoming time for all! Please consider sharing your time and gifts to help! Sign-up at the links above or contact Pastor Annie!

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All are invited to join Pastor Annie for this weekly small group conversation and Bible study!

This is a great chance to grow in relationship with God and one another.

We meet via Zoom so all can join from wherever you are!



**DON'T BE TRASHY
RECYCLE YOUR
PLASTIC!**

**PLASTIC FILM
RECYCLING**

Clean, dry, and empty plastic accepted, including:

- Grocery bags
- Bread bags
- Bubble wrap
- Dry cleaning bags
- Stretch wrap
- Ice bags
- Plastic shipping envelope



- Produce bags
- Ziploc and other food storage bags
- Cereal bags
- Case overwrap
- Salt bags
- Wood pellet bags
- Newspaper sleeves



**EMAIL HOPELUTHERANOFFICE.RF@GMAIL.COM
FOR MORE INFORMATION**

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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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Please lift up the following people in prayer

John Weller (Karen Brohaugh's cousin)
Greg Rosenthal (Family member of Karen Brohaugh)
Ken Jones Family (Martie Guthrie 's father)
Dave and Deb Haugen (Family of Ellen Roose)
Phyllis and Tom Haugen (Family of Ellen Roose)
John and Lisa Davis (Friends of Dale & Jan Wegleitner)
Fatma Aljarrah (Friend of Faye Perkins)
Lorraine Brask Family (Mother of Karen Kaste)
Beth Lindgren Family (Dan Malaney)
Betty Lou Oppegard and Family
Michael Jacobson (Brother of Linda Jacobson)
Barb Carmichael (Friend of Nancy Sailer)
Dennis & Sandy Schultz (Friends of Bill & Kay Montgomery)
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)
Joyce Kendall (Mother of Cara Getschel)
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)
Mary Babler (Friend the Dan Malaney)
Daryl Kleeman (brother of Darcy Boock)
Naomi Brandt and family
Carin Perkins (Faye Perkins sister)
David Boock (Relative of the Boocks)
Nicholas Simpson (Boock family friend)
Teajai Schmidt (Boock family friend)
Rev. Sarah Mayer-Flatt (Friend of Pastor Annie)
Lee Hill (friend of Naomi Brandt)
Gary Siebold
David Hendrickson



November Birthdays

Dianne H-Robinson	1-Nov
Linda Yde	1-Nov
Greta Wunrow	3-Nov
Linda Jacobson	7-Nov
Grace Hansen	8-Nov
Charles Bricton	16-Nov
Mallory James	16-Nov
Mikey Langlois	16-Nov
Karen Rodewald	21-Nov
Phillip Klacan	22-Nov
Deb Tokheim	29-Nov



November Baptisms

- McKenna Brill
- Karen Brohaugh
- Russ Jiskra
- Kermit Paulson
- Jane Terkelsen
- Lucy VanOverbeke
- Dan Rodewald
- Linda Yde



November Anniversaries	Date	Years to Celebrate
Nick & Stacia Johnson	08-Nov	15
Annie & Lucas Ladhier	07-Nov	8

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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