



# Mission & Values

## MISSION

**HOPE is called by God to look beyond ourselves.  
We walk together in faith,  
treasuring all people and sharing with them  
the love, hope and acceptance that is in Christ.**

## HOPE VALUES

**All people without exception  
Serving Generously  
Spiritual Nourishment  
Our Connection with Creation**

## **THANK YOU!**

Thank you to everyone who helped with all of the extra details for our Holy Week services. You helped make the week so beautiful and meaningful! From making sure our candles and altar cross were polished, to setting and resetting communion trays, to taking home foot washing towels without being asked, to running extra livestreams, to donating flowers for our Easter garden, and helping prep the space on Saturday morning, every little thing helped us tell the story more intricately and smoothly!

We lift up special gratitude to our musicians for the week as well. Your gifts are so appreciated, and the extra time you devoted for this busy season did not go unnoticed. Of course, it's impossible to name every person or every job that so seamlessly happened, but please know your many gifts are tremendously appreciated!

Finally, another thank you is extended to our Ministry Teams and extra volunteers who helped provide meals throughout our Lenten season for our Midweek Worship gatherings. You provided such warm space for table fellowship and building community. Thank you!

Pastor Annie



## Birdsong

Every morning the sun rises,  
majestic and steady.  
She is greeted  
in all her strength  
with the joyous cacophony of birdsong.  
I like to believe  
this holy chorus  
is the birds telling each other—  
*I'm here.*  
*We made it through the night.*  
*You're not alone.*  
*What good, good news.*  
I think the resurrection is a bit like that.  
God is here.  
We made it through the night.  
We are not alone.  
*What good, good news.*

# This Week at HOPE April 8, 2026



We still have the following roles open in the next 2 weeks!  
Please consider signing up:

**Sunday, April 12th Needs**

Ushers/Greeters  
Reader & Prayer Leader

**Sunday, April 19th Needs**

Assisting Minister  
Ushers/Greeters  
Reader & Prayer Leader  
Acolyte  
Communion Assistant  
Altar Flowers

**IF YOU CAN SERVE PLEASE [SIGN UP HERE!](#)**

Want to help but not sure what the job entails?  
Learn more in our [Worship Volunteer Guide](#)

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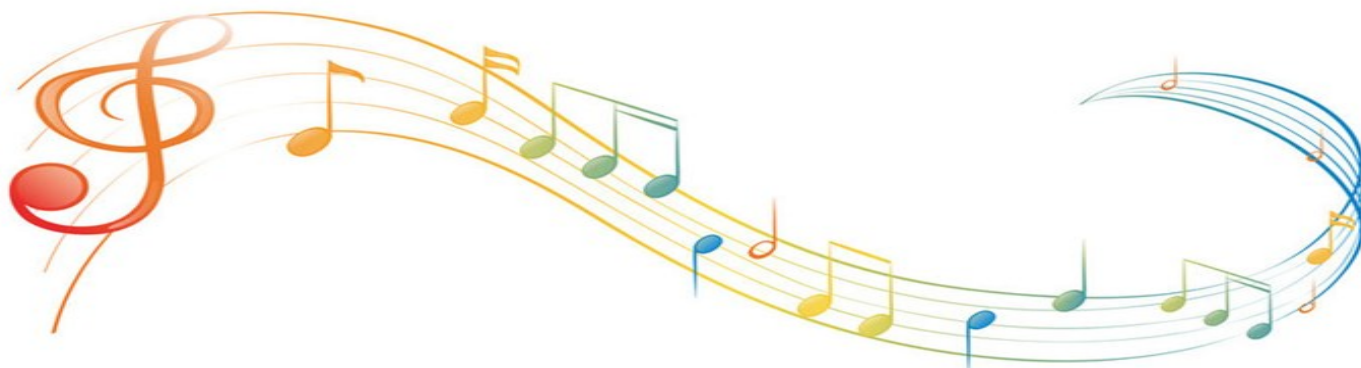
**PASTOR ANNIE OUT OF TOWN:**

**April 9-13th**

Please note that Pastor Annie is out of town this extended weekend. Mr. Ed Quinn will serve as your Lay Presider, and you will share a sermon from Rev. Rob Shearer, the regional minister for church planting with the Pacific Mountain Regional Council of The United Church of Canada. He is also a co-founder/planter of The Emmaus Community and The Abbey Church in Victoria, British Columbia. He holds a bachelor's degree from the University of Toronto and master of arts in public and pastoral leadership from the Vancouver School of Theology.

**For any pastoral emergencies please contact Pastor Julie Brenden (Trinity Lutheran, Hammond) at 715-553-3858.**

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## **MUSICAL SUNDAYS IN MAY**

Leading up to HOPE'S 20th Anniversary on June 7th, the many musicians at HOPE have enthusiastically volunteered their talents to enhance our worship experience. Take a look at the lineup and plan to be at worship. Bring a friend or a neighbor!

May 3.....Steve and Diane Meyer, Camryn Shea

May 10...Steve Kaste

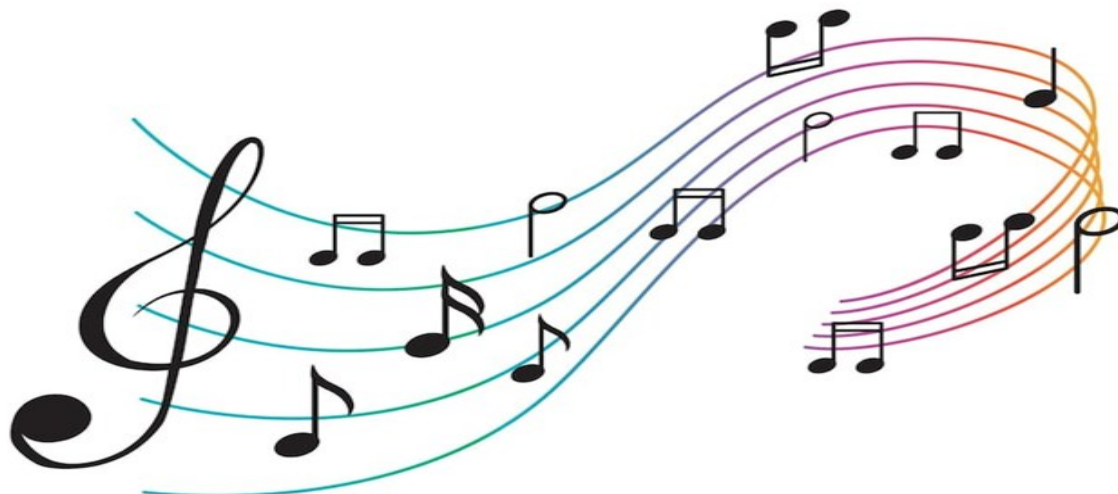
May 17...Dale Bohnert, Linda and Dean Simpson

May 24...Diane and Nathan Clark

May 31...Carl Warren and Andrea Boock, Keith and Lisa Ruehlow

June 7....John Hamilton, Diane Clark, Lynda Meyers (trio),  
Phil Klacan..HOPE pick up choir.

THANK YOU to all the musicians for providing music for this special milestone  
In HOPE'S history!!



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JOIN US FOR

# COFFEE & CONVERSATION

NOW ON MONDAYS



HOPE LUTHERAN

10:00AM EVERY MONDAY  
ON ZOOM

[USE THIS ZOOM LINK TO JOIN THE CONVERSATION](#)



ANNOUNCING THE NEXT

# ALL TEAM MEETING

6:30PM

APRIL 13<sup>TH</sup> 2026

**MAIN TOPIC:**  
Anniversary Planning  
& Future Dreaming

All Ministry Team members are encouraged to attend!  
Interested in joining a team? Join us!

HOPE LUTHERAN

# This Week at HOPE April 8, 2026

## HOPE'S GREEN TEAM INVITED TO PRESENT AT ECOFAITH SUMMIT

HOPE's very own Green Team has been invited to present at a panel during this year's [EcoFaith Summit in Duluth, MN](#) on Saturday, April 18th!

Lynda Meyers will present on our behalf at the *Congregations Ignited for Creation: A Panel Discussion*. She is one of three presenters for this breakout session. She is will be joined by Rev. Amber Kolina of the Northwestern Minnesota Synod and Russ Schultz, of Bethlehem Lutheran Church, located in the Northeastern Minnesota Synod.

Together they will share how multiple congregations across the Upper Midwest are becoming "demonstration plots" for care for Creation. They will share what provided the spark, how care for God's creation can bring all generations together, become a form of outreach to our communities, and offer real hope in these challenging times. They will share stories and answer questions as they fire up the imaginations of what is possible across our various congregations!

**If YOU are interested in attending the Eco Faith Summit in Duluth, there is still time!**



**The 2026 EcoFaith Summit  
of the Upper Midwest**

**From Fear to Fire:**

**Igniting Community for a Planet in Peril**

**April 18, 2026 · 9:30am-5:00pm**

*Check-in, tables and coffee beginning at 8:30am;*

*Reception beginning at 4:15pm*

**First Lutheran Church, Duluth, MN and Online**

The EcoFaith Summit of the Upper Midwest gathers together people of faith and conscience to ignite community to act on behalf of our planet in peril.

The day includes: inspiring speakers, table exhibits, networking opportunities, hands on action stations, afternoon engagement sessions, day camp style program for children ages 2 through upper elementary, Friday lock-in for youth groups, young adult sleepover, and a group livestream experience planning guide.

**For more information and to register yourself and your group:  
[ecofaithnetwork.org/ecofaith-summit-2026](https://ecofaithnetwork.org/ecofaith-summit-2026)**

*This year's Summit is Co-Presented by: Lutheran Advocacy – MN, Minneapolis Area Synod, Northeastern MN Synod, Northwestern MN Synod, Northwest Synod of WI, Saint Paul Area Synod*

## This Week at HOPE April 8, 2026



Mark your calendar for this year's Earth Fest on Saturday, April 25th!

[CLICK HERE TO LEARN MORE](#)

HOPE's Green Team will, once again, host a booth.

This year's booth centers on prayers for peace as we recognize the impact that global conflicts have on our natural environment! Make sure to stop by on the upper level!

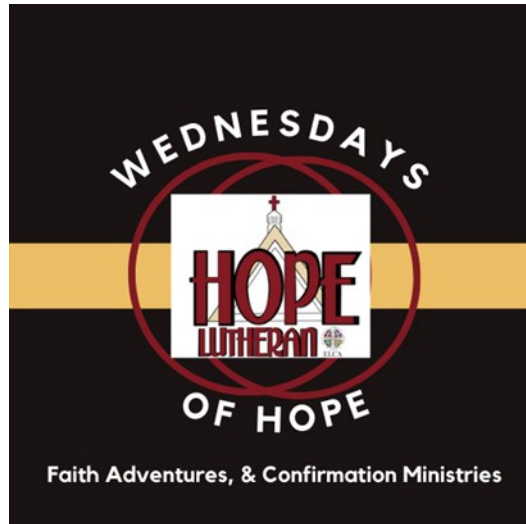


### COMMUNION BREAD BAKERS STILL NEEDED

The Worship Ministry team is still seeking a few volunteers to bake our communion bread for worship during July, August, and December of 2026. No previous experience is needed! This is a great behind-the-scenes volunteer role and a great way to engage children or grandchildren!

Sign-up, recipe, and instructions can be found [HERE](#) or contact Cara Getschel ([caragetschel@gmail.com](mailto:caragetschel@gmail.com)) if you can assist or have questions.

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**Spring Session Begins TONIGHT!**

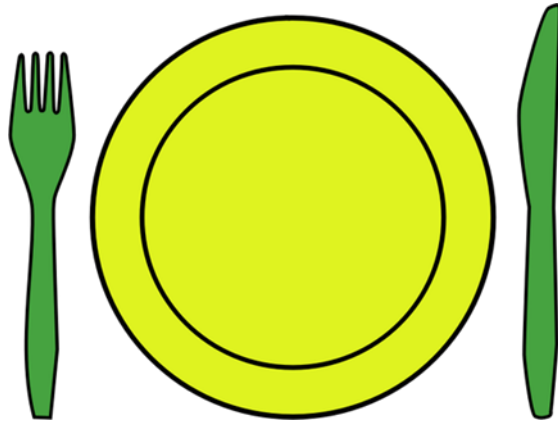
Join us April 8-May 13

This spring we delve into New Testament stories,  
our Holy Communion Milestone,  
& Faith in Action Service Nights!

Don't miss the fun!

**[LEARN MORE & REGISTER HERE](#)**

# This Week at HOPE April 8, 2026



## MEAL HOSTS NEEDED FOR Wednesdays of HOPE

Please consider hosting a meal for, “Wednesdays of HOPE”  
WOH is our midweek faith formation night for K-high school youth!

Winter Session runs through Feb. 11th (BINGO Night)

Spring Session: April 8-May 13

Simple, kid-friendly meals are needed to feed 15-20 people  
Hosts help serve and clean-up the meal (parents will help too)

\$40/meal is available if needed to make hosting possible!

This is a great way to get to know our youth and a chance to partner with other  
HOPE members to co-host! Fun for everyone!

[SIGN UP HERE TO HOST](#)

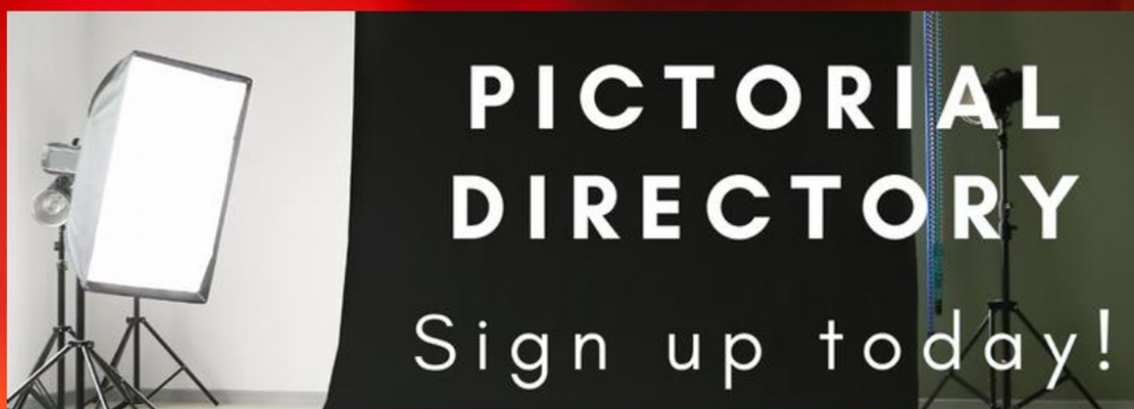


## Faith Adventures Instructor Sign-Up

We welcome anyone interested in helping lead our K-5th grade students Wednesday evening lessons. All materials are provided easily through our online curriculum through Sparkhouse.

Please [SIGN UP HERE](#) to teach a winter or spring lesson.

**This Week at HOPE April 8, 2026**



**We need YOU to make our church directory complete!**

**It is free! Every family gets a free 8x10. And a free directory.**

**Family photos to be taken at HOPE.  
Tuesday May 5th and Wednesday May 6th.  
Both days 2:00 pm to 8:00 pm.**

**Schedule your time here: <https://schedule.ucdir.com/#/>**

**CHURCH CODE: wi461  
CHURCH PASSWORD: hope**

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**Bakken-Young**  
Funeral & Cremation Services

**Grief Support Group**

Bakken-Young Funeral & Cremation Services offers both virtual and in-person grief support groups. This six-week grief support group is for adults who are grieving the death of a loved one. We ask that you participate in all 6 sessions, as possible.

**Grief Group held in person in New Richmond**

Mondays, 6:00-7:00 pm

April 6, 13, 20, 27, May 4, 11, 2026

New Richmond United Methodist Church

209 E Second Street, New Richmond, WI 54017

RSVP by Sunday, March 29, with your name, phone number, and email.

Anyone is welcome to participate in the group, and the sessions are free.

Group Facilitator:

Julia Rajtar, M.A.P.S., BCC, Grief Support Specialist  
Bakken-Young Grief Support Coordinator

To register, RSVP with your name, phone number, and email at:

[julia@bakken-young.com](mailto:julia@bakken-young.com)

For more information, call or text Julia at 715-781-4003.

Visit "Grief Support" at [www.bakken-young.com](http://www.bakken-young.com)  
for additional groups and other grief support resources  
or join us on Facebook: [www.facebook.com/bakkenyoung](https://www.facebook.com/bakkenyoung)

## This Week at HOPE April 8, 2026



### **Please lift up the following people in prayer**

Sue Ammerman (Friend of Nancy Sailer)  
Jerome Rodewald (Father of Jeff Rodewald)  
Steve Stocker (Friend of Karen & Jeff Rodewald)  
Deanna Monson & Family (Mother of Lisa Ruehlow)  
The Family of Ted Bauer (Friend of Olive Olson)  
Robb DeSmith (Family friend of the Rodewalds)  
Jerry Gibson (Father of Karen Rodewald and Diane Clark)  
Lisa Perlt Farley (Friend of Faye Perkins)  
Sam Morrissette (Friend of Jeff & Karen Rodewald)  
Mark Willink (Brother of Paula Klacan)  
Family of Betty Pierce (Friends of Mary Thompson)  
Doug Rudesill  
Mary Lynn and Len Wiskerchen (Friends of Faye Perkins)  
Rev. Ron Johnson (Friend of Karen Rodewald)  
Sue Tarr (Friend of Faye Perkins)  
The Family of David Boock  
Mary Klacan  
Jean Lemire Anderson (Sister-in-law of Karen Brohaugh)  
David Anderson (Brother of Karen Chantel Ashton (Friend of Olive Olson)  
Lois Rosenthal (Mother of Jeff Rosenthal)  
Leslie Randall (Sister of Vicki Siebold)  
The Family of Jill Siebold (Daughter of Gary Siebold)  
Ed Paulson and family  
Gwen Paulson and her son Chad Sequin (Friend of Bill & Kay Montgomery)  
Amanda Olson (Olive Olson's daughter)  
Jim Deming (friend of Marc & Martie Guthrie)  
Cathy Hjersjo (Friend of Darcy Boock)  
Sylvia Secrist (Friend of Paula & Phil Klacan)  
Carol Prince (Friend of Betty Lou Oppegard)  
Brent Larson (Friend of Bill & Kay Montgomery)  
Bob Schuder (Father of Sarah Bondhus)  
Family of Rosina Hendrikson (Family of Mary Thompson)  
Marcus Stack (Friend of Steve & Karen Kaste)  
Jacob Dan and family (Friends of Jeff Rodewald)  
Patricia Miller (Sister of Carl Warren)  
Rhiannon Bondhus (Niece of Bondhus family)  
Eden Annoye (Relative of Debra James)  
Fatma Aljarrah (Friend of Faye Perkins)  
Michael Jacobson (Brother of Linda Jacobson)  
Dennis & Sandy Schultz (Friends of Bill & Kay Montgomery)  
Hannah Forward  
Daryl Kleeman (Brother of Darcy Boock)  
Lee Hill (friend of Naomi)  
Gary Siebold  
David Hendrickson



**April Birthdays**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Birthday</b>
Will Bohnert	2-Apr
John Hamilton	2-Apr
Sawyer Filarsky	4-Apr
Jean Loudon	11-Apr
Traci Wolfe	11-Apr
Cathy Wunrow	11-Apr
Ann Rosenthal	12-Apr
Faye Perkins	14-Apr
Ed Quinn	20-Apr
Lori Leitch	29-Apr

**April Baptisms**



- Margaret Anderson
- Louis Bernard
- Marc Guthrie
- Hazel Ladnier
- Ben Wunrow
- Amanda Ziebarth
- Sharon Paulson
- Jan Wegleitner



**Celebrating**

- Gary & Vicki Siebold 21-Apr 25 Years
- Eric & Lisa Rydland 30-Apr 21 Years

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**DON'T FORGET!  
MISSION TEAM HAS YOUR KWIK TRIP  
GIFT CARDS & CAR WASH CARDS!**

HOPE's Mission Ministry reminds you that Kwik Trip Gas cards and Car Wash cards are available to you as part of our fundraising for Our Neighbor's Place!

**Gas Cards: \$25/\$50 amounts**

**Car Wash Cards: \$36 for 5 Ultimate Washes**

\*Portion goes directly to ONP!

Cards available every Sunday and Mon-Wed, 8:30-3:00 in the church office.

Checks payable to "Our Neighbor's Place," cash also accepted.

Office Admin, Olive Olson, Pastor Annie, or any member of our Mission Team can assist you in getting a card.

**Thank you for your continued support of Our Neighbors' Place!**

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All are invited & needed  
to participate in the leading of worship!  
Please prayerfully consider sharing y  
our time and talents!

**[SIGN UP HERE](#)**

Want to help but not sure what the job entails?  
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**Did you know HOPE is on Facebook in TWO places??**

**[Public HOPE Facebook Page](#)**

For public information, events, and Gospel sharing

**[Private HOPE Facebook Group](#)**

For private events, picture sharing, sharing joys & prayer concerns,  
and living out our faith together

**Make sure to like, follow, and join both to stay up to date!**