

HOPE LUTHERAN

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Hope Journeys Forward

*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.*

July 28, 2011

VBS

Vacation Bible School, age 3–completed grade 5

-- August 1 – 4, 2011 -- 9:00 – 11:30 AM

[Registration Form](#)

HOPE will be teaming up with First Congregational Church for Vacation Bible School. This year's VBS theme will be - **“Under Construction: Building Christ's Church.”**

Due to the construction at First Congregational Church,
VBS will be held at the **[Methodist Church on 2nd Street in River Falls.](#)**

If you have any questions regarding the location,
please contact the office at First Congregational, 715-425-2052.

Leading Us in Worship – July 31st

Presiding Minister: Pastor Sandy Johnson

Musician: Michael Stang

Ushers: Laura & Mark Anderson

Communion Preparation: Anne Anderson

Coffee: Ethel Johnson

Assisting Minister: Carl Warren

Reader & Prayers: Dan Wunrow

Acolyte: Carly Wunrow

Communion Assistant: Laura Anderson

Flowers: Ethel Johnson

Sunday, July 124 2011

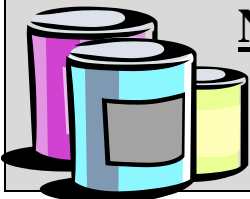
Offering:

General Fund - \$1,276.00

Building Fund - \$592.00

Grace Place - \$50.00

Attendance: 54



Next Sunday, August 7th, is Food Pantry Sunday

We ask that each member bring one (or more!) non-perishable food items to church and place them in the red bins.

Monetary contributions are always welcome too!

Calendar

July 31, Sunday	9:30 a.m.	Worship
	10:30 a.m.	Coffee Hour
August 1, Monday	9-11:30 a.m.	VBS @ Methodist Church on 2 nd Street
	4:00 p.m.	Congregational Life Mtg. @ Dish & Spoon Cafe
	5:30 p.m.	Com Com Mtg. @ Church Office
	7:00 p.m.	Worship Mtg. @ Dish & Spoon Café
	7:00 p.m.	Missions Mtg. @ Global M.A.D.E., 120 N. Main Street
	7:45 p.m.	Softball – HOPE vs. Faith Community @ PR's
August 2, Tuesday	9-11:30 a.m.	VBS @ Methodist Church on 2 nd Street
August 3, Wed.	9-11:30 a.m.	VBS @ Methodist Church on 2 nd Street
August 4, Thursday	9-11:30 a.m.	VBS @ Methodist Church on 2 nd Street
August 7, Sunday	9:30 a.m.	Worship Food Shelf Sunday
	10:30 a.m.	Coffee Hour

Prayers are requested for:
Kris Allen (friend of Linda Jacobson & Bill Warner), Zora Anderson (HOPE member), Fred Benson, Amanda Brown, Jody Fink, Avery Gallagher, Marlys Hammer, Jodi Hauk (HOPE member), June Hirsch, Cindy Hogan, Mike Jacobson (Linda Jacobson's brother), Pat Lubich (Jeff Rodewald's aunt), Chris Pageant (friend of Jeff Carlson), Patrice Rasmussen (friend of Anne Anderson), Ervin Schmidt (Lisa Rydland's father), Matthew Schultz (Pastor Carol's brother), Thomas Vergenz (friend of Tonja Lesmeister), SFC Gerardo Viera (adopted solider of the Carlson family).

We pray for our sister parish, the Mwanza Mission Area in Malawi that they may grow in Spirit and grace. We also pray for our sister synod Sinodo Centro Campanha Sul in Brazil. We also pray for Robins Nest Children's Home & Melody House Home for Girls.

Prayer requests can be sent at anytime.

Please notify HopeNotes when you would like a prayer request removed.

A note from Gorden Hedahl -

Marcella Johnson passed away two weeks ago at the age of 103. She had a very good life, and she doesn't need to continue to be in our prayers. The friends and family had a very nice service of celebration for her life 10 days ago. My niece, Carrie Benson, can also be removed from the list now. Her breast cancer is in remission, and she seems to be doing very well.

The prayers from the church community have been sincerely appreciated and have had a positive impact on the people who have been remembered. Thanks too to everyone who keeps those names in their daily prayers. It means a lot that those names are being raised to God by this community of faith.

HOPE Softball Schedule

August 1	7:45 p.m.	HOPE vs. Faith Community	PR's
August 8	7:45 p.m.	Abundant Life vs. HOPE	PR's



On **Tuesday, August 9th**, families in the River Falls School District can receive school supplies for the upcoming year through the Tuesday Banquet program. Last year we provided supplies for 180 children.

We are in particular need of: Back Packs, Markers, Flash Drives, Scientific Calculators, Colored Pencils, Dry Erase Markers, Plastic Folders, and Glue Sticks. **Please no loose-leaf paper, 24-box of crayons, nor bottled glue.**

Please be aware that this event is a joint effort between churches, Salvation Army & Shopko.

Thanks for giving!

Please bring donations to Saint Bridget's by Monday, August 8, at noon. We will have a collection bin at Hope on Sunday, July 31, and Sunday, August 7.

If you are able to volunteer to help with the School Supply Program, help is needed to organize the supplies at St. Bridget's on Monday, August 8th at 12:30 p.m. and on Tuesday, August 9th at 4:00 p.m. when the supplies will be given out to students. A sign-up sheet will be on the HOPE table. Thank you for your participation. HOPE's Mission Committee

Save the Date

Outdoor Worship at the Beach – August 21 @ 9:30a.m.

Thank you to everyone who came out for the kayaking and pool party at Rodewalds. We had 8 people go down the Kinni - several for the first time! Then 25 of us enjoyed swimming and visiting followed by a picnic supper. It has become a popular annual event so if you weren't able to come this time, hopefully you can join us next year.

Joyfully serving, Members of the Congregational Life Committee

Stewardship Opportunity

An opportunity to celebrate a special occasion in your life such as an anniversary, birthday, etc., or honor a friend or relative with a gift to Hope Lutheran Church is being made possible. A box containing envelopes are available for this purpose and can be found by the hymnal rack. Please list your name and occasion on the envelope and whether or not it is all right to announce the event in the bulletin. Thank you for participating!

Hope recognizes the following special offerings:

David & Nancy Peters - in celebration of Ethel Johnson's 90th Birthday



Happy Birthday to the following Hope members & friends



7/4	Zora Anderson	7/21	Jeff Rotsaert
7/7	Bill Warner	7/23	Anna Anderson
7/9	David Wilhelm	7/25	Joe McIntosh
7/16	Betty Lou Opegard	7/26	Robert McIntosh-Perkins
7/18	Ethel Johnson	7/28	Jed Reiten
7/18	Mark Snyder	7/30	Taylor Heinselman
7/18	Daniel Koecher		
7/18	Luke Stang		

***Please contact the church office if a birthday has been missed!**

Brunch for Believers

An Ecumenical Women's Fellowship Event

Thursday, August 18th

9:30 – 11:30 a.m.

Ezekiel Lutheran Church

The morning includes: Welcome Coffee, Program & Lunch

Based on the 4th petition of the Lord's Prayer

"Give Us This Day Our Daily Bread"

What can you learn about your faith by baking bread?

Please make reservations through your church group or individually before August 16th.

715-425-8294

Community Announcements

Please go to the following link for more information regarding a way to help River Falls High School!

The Follett Challenge invites the education community to promote the role that school libraries play in encouraging and developing information literacy and student engagement. Follett Corporate will award \$100,000 in Follett library materials and technology products and services to the top five entries judged most innovative and deserving of expanded support by a panel of library and education professionals. Public voting will determine the best video submission for the sixth-place award.

Please vote for the library daily. We could win \$10,000 dollars for the library. A vote a day and comments help too. We are so close but need more support. Pass this along to friends. It doesn't matter when you are from, just as long as you are over 21 years old. **In the last 8 years our library has had \$132,016 worth of stolen books. I am hoping for a security system. I wrote a grant and hoping to receive that too!
Cheryl Hoffman

<http://www.follettchallenge.com/contests/showentry/787920>

Volunteer Drivers Needed:

- A resident of the Red Cedar Canyon Assisted Living Facility on Hanley Road in Hudson, WI needs to have radiation treatment in New Richmond, WI or Regions Hospital in St. Paul 5 days a week for 6 weeks.
- For more information please call Betty Lou Oppegard at 715-425-7136,
Grete Oppegard Rehbein, nurse @ Red Cedar 715-381-7339
Pat Sherley, administrator @ Red Cedar 715-381-7339

Interfaith Volunteers of St. Croix County

Interfaith Volunteers are needed to transport a woman from Roberts to Hudson for errands two times a month, errands for a woman in River Falls, companionship for a man in River Falls, light housekeeping for a woman in River Falls, and companionship for a rural Hudson woman. Requests continue to come in. Assist our population over age 60 by calling Nancy at 715-381-4360 or email nancya@co.saint-croix.wi.us

Mark your Calendars!

Orphan Sunday

November 6th, 2011

Woodbury Lutheran Church

7380 Afton Road, Woodbury, MN

6:00-8:00pm

On Orphan Sunday, we will be honoring the children & hardworking staff of the Nest. NEW this year will be a Christian concert line-up including local, Midwest & Jamaican musicians.

Artists Performing: WLC Praise Team

513 FREE & Delroy "Big Fish" Edwards

Come and enjoy the dessert and entertainment while hearing the latest updates on the Robin's Nest from our directors, Matt & Joyel Wiley. Come and thank them and their 2 boys for the great job they are doing.

For more information, contact: Kevin Graham 612-237-2010 or Jim Hoffmann 651-578-1671 www.robinsnestchildrenshome.org

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117 E. Maple St., Suite C
(Entrance behind
Travel Leaders/Suntime Travel)

The HOPE office is staffed
Tuesday, Thursday & Friday
9:30 – 11:30 a.m.

Feel free to contact Pastor
Sandy to schedule an
appointment!

HOPE's website:
hopelutheran-riverfalls.org

Pastor Sandy's email:
pastor@hopelutheran-riverfalls.org

Teresa's email:
secretary@hopelutheran-riverfalls.org

Facebook:
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Quick Links

Please click on the following links to visit these suggested sites:

NWSWI
Synod Resource Center
ELCA
Living Lutheran
Cherish Our Children

Announcement Deadlines

Send announcements to secretary@hopelutheran-riverfalls.org

Website by 9:00 a.m. on Tuesdays
Hope Notes by 9:00 a.m. on Thursdays
Bulletin by 9:00 a.m. on Fridays

