



## Parish Paper May 12, 2022

The church office will be closed on Friday, May 27.



### Gathered Worship in May

**May 15-** We recognize our high school seniors who are graduating; we also lift up and give thanks for our many volunteers in all of our ministries; we celebrate the baptisms of twin sisters Devyn Marie and Taelyn Marie Rahm.

**May 22 -** Sisters Lydia, Bethany, and Rachel Strand provide our prelude music. We worship God in word and sacrament.

**May 29 -** This morning our worship will be led by our praise team. As the Sunday before Memorial Day, we will give thanks to the veterans who have served our country.



### Encounter Hope News

Join us for our contemplative service through the month of May. Tune into Encounter Hope on Thursday Evening or whenever works for you to get a moment of calm reflection in your week.



**This week we pray for:** Joann Knutson, Debbie Jasman, Diane Thomas, Marilyn Starin, Sue Carlson, Charlene Larson and Jim Wold



Sunday, May 15 is when we celebrate our 2022 High School Graduates! We are delighted to celebrate this milestone with you! We rejoice with you and extend our blessings to you as you move forward into the next phase of life! Go forward with our prayers for God's continued love and guidance. Graduating this year are: Hayden Bell, Blake Bembnister, James Brenner, Cayanna Erickson, Bennett Haslow, Emma Johnson, Calli O'Connell, Jon Rettke, Carly Running, Blaze Tody, and Zachary Yates



**Club** Join us on Monday, May 16th, 6:30pm at church to talk about the May book "The Maid" by Nita Prose. Anyone and everyone is

invited to come - whether you have read the book or not. Treats are abundant! Here are the upcoming books:

June - "It Ends With Us" by Colleen Hoover  
 July - "The Stranger in the Lifeboat" by Mitch Albom

"That's the thing about books. They let you travel without moving your feet" - Jhumpa Lahiri

There are LOTS of new books in the Gathering Area at Church. Check them out, take one (or more) home to read.



**Volunteer Appreciation Sunday**

The Hope Lutheran Church Staff will host a "THANK YOU" at Coffee

Connections after service on May 15th for all volunteers. Assisting Ministers, Scripture Readers, Ushers, Communion Preparers and Servers, Technology Team, Bell Ringers, Choir, Greeters, Sunday School Teachers, etc. are all invited as we extend a special "Thank You" for all you have done at Hope. We would not exist without you and we look forward to seeing you there!



**Spring/Summer Building Projects**

We need your financial support for two essential building projects that will take place this spring and summer:

**Project One – Water Mitigation** – The areas surrounding the Olson addition have settled over its 20-year life. This has led to areas under the sidewalks where the earth has eroded and compacted and also along the north side of the addition where the dirt has compacted and now runs toward the building. Both of these lead to water leakage in the lower level. We need to lift and level the concrete, seal joints and surfaces, and repair cracks. The project also includes landscaping the soil along the north side of the building as well as reposition and repair gutters and downspouts. The total cost of the project is \$17,250. Rachel's Place will generously pay for half of the project, leaving us to pay for the remaining \$8,625.00.

**Project Two – Steel Doors** – Several of our metal doors need to be sanded down and repainted. Right now they have some surface rust on them. We want to address the issue before the rust gets into the metal. The four doors at the main entry, the office door, and the four doors on the Starr Avenue side all need to be repainted. In addition, every two years all of our door mechanisms get a "tune-up" so that they function properly. If you would like to "sponsor" a door at \$250.00, that would pay for the painting and also defray most of the cost of the hardware tune-up.

If you would like to contribute towards one of these projects, please indicate where you would like your gift directed. We'll be gathering contributions towards the projects in May and June.

Giving Update:  
 Water Mitigation - \$1,800.00



**Luther Park** registration has begun!

See the camp resources in the gathering space for more details on camp options this summer. Hope is glad to support children going to camp with camperships. To be eligible for a campership, send proof of registration to Grace by May 10th.



**VBS** -Vacation Bible School

registration is open for all kiddos going into 1st-5th Grade. It will run from June 20th to June 23rd at Spirit Lutheran. We are seeking some volunteers and snack providers for the week! If you're interested in helping out please sign up in the Gathering Space, or let Grace know. The deadline for VBS registration is May 31st..



**Summer Activities** Registration

is open. Registration for VBS, Luther Park, Summer Stretch, and

Rebound the synod's High School Youth Gathering are all open! Our Summer Schedule for Youth & Family ministries is out, and we have several fun events planned for the summer including Family Tie-Dye time and a Family Swim Night! All are invited to these events. Check out the table in the gathering space to grab a schedule, and sign up!



**“Discover Hope”** is a one-session class designed to introduce new

people to our congregation’s mission and ministries. Our next “Discover Hope” will be held on Sunday, May 22 after the conclusion of the worship service (10:15-11:45). If you’re interested in becoming a member of Hope, please contact Pastor Mary or the church office.



The next **Hope to Eat** will be Monday, May 16, 5:30pm at Casa Vallarta, 2426 Seymour Road, EC. This evening is open to anyone whether you are a Hope member or not. Come, bring a friend and enjoy the food and company.



Beacon House

**Family Promise of the Chippewa Valley/Beacon House**

Hope members are providing the evening meal for the guests staying at Beacon House on Sunday June 5 through Tuesday June 7. Food can be dropped off around 5:15pm. We will notify you before the date of the number of adults and children that are staying there. We need a main dish, side dish and dessert each evening. You can provide part or all of the meal. It’s a great way to serve as a family or with friends. Due to COVID we won’t be serving the meal or providing evening or overnight hosts. Please consider helping with this important ministry.

For more information please contact Carol Lendle [lendlecarol@gmail.com](mailto:lendlecarol@gmail.com)  
715-271-6003



Join us for a **Meat Raffle** on Sunday, May 22nd at Burly and Bucks Tavern, 13719 7th Street, Osseo - right across the street from the Norske Nook Restaurant. It will start at 2pm and go til about 4pm. Paddles will go for a buck to win some fabulous meat prizes! All proceeds will be used to support Terah and Sadick in Ghana Africa. Come Join the fun.

Doors - \$2,300.00



**Church Archives** On Tuesday, May 17th at 1:30 p.m., we will hold an informational meeting in the Fireside Room to explore starting an Archives Committee. A seasoned member of the Archives Committee from Trinity Lutheran Church will be on hand to tell us what they do and also give initial guidance for organization and resources we can use. If you’re interested in participating in this meeting, please contact Pastor Mary.



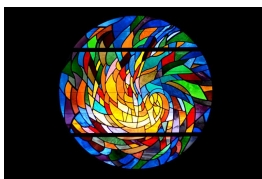
**Sharing Our Stories** This summer we’d like to highlight individual faith stories in our Sunday worship. Would you like to share your faith journey? We’d be privileged to hear about your spiritual pathway! If you’re interested, please contact Pastor Mary. We’ll dedicate about 5-7 minutes at the beginning of our Sunday services to hear from one of our Hope members as they share their faith story.

**Menards Rebates** If you shop Menards and would be willing to give your rebate slips to Hope, we would be grateful. Just put your slips in the box in the Gathering Area and we will mail them in. We have a few things on our wish list and these rebates could help cover the costs.



The **Nordic Choir** is coming to Eau Claire on Monday, May 23rd and is in need of host families. Hosting involves going to the concert, staying afterwards to be matched up with a pair (or more if willing) of students, providing a place to sleep, a light breakfast, and a return to the Pablo Center the following morning at 8:00am. If you are interested in assisting as a host family, please contact Larry Studt at [lstudt1@msn.com](mailto:lstudt1@msn.com) and he will get you further information. Thank you.

**Taking Faith Home: Week of May 15, 2022, Click Here**



**Worship States at Hope:**  
April 17 - 401 - \$9,265.00  
April 24 - 130 - \$7982.00  
May 1 - 118 - \$5,690.00

### **Ways to Give**

Our congregation offers a variety of means by which you may make an offering. Besides mailing in your offering or dropping it off in the church office, Hope has several ways you can give electronically:

**Through Our Website** – Hope’s website address is [www.hopechurchec.com](http://www.hopechurchec.com). Once there, hover over the “About Us” page. The drop-down menu will include “Give.” Click on that. Then click on the icon “Fast and Easy Giving.” That will take you to our Subsplash site.

**Hope Phone App** – Hope has a free phone app which will give you access to Subsplash where you can access information. From here you can click on the “Give” tab.

**Text Your Gift** – Text the message “give2hope” to the phone number 206-859-9409. Follow the steps to set up an account and you’re on your way.

**Simple Giving** – You can set up an automatic, pre-authorized withdrawal from your bank account. Forms are available in the church office and also on the church website.

If you’re looking on the App Store for our phone app, the icon looks like this:

