



The Spirit

Dear People of God,

Thank you for praying for Hope Lutheran Church and Friedens Church Vacation Bible School in July! We have been partnering with Friedens for the past four years and every other year, we host the VBS at Hope! It is a wonderful partnership!

Our Vacation Bible School (VBS) team is dedicated to creating a fun, welcoming, and faith-filled experience where children can grow in their relationship with God. Through engaging Bible lessons, music, crafts, games, and snacks, our volunteers work together to share God's love in meaningful and memorable ways. From planning and decorating to teaching and mentoring, the VBS Team is committed to helping every child feel valued, encouraged, and excited to learn about God. We are grateful for the time, creativity, and servant hearts of everyone who make Vacation Bible School a special week for our churches and community.



Thank you to the youth and adult volunteers! Thank you for all the children who attend! What a blessing to share the faith together! Thanks for your support!

Peace, Pastor Amy



Prepare for Advent at the Women's Retreat!
Saturday, November 7
8:30 am-4:30 pm in the gym
Cost is \$15 for lunch!

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Open, Custodian

Worship Times:

In Person at 8:30 & 10:45

Online at 10:45 on YouTube at Hope Video Ministry or on Facebook

Education Hour:

Different programs for K through Adult
9:30-10:30

Our Mission:

We care, share, and prepare so that all experience the love of Jesus Christ.

Our Vision:

To be known as a Spirit-led welcoming community of diversity and service.



Anniversaries

BLACKSHER, Art & Marilyn	08/10
MEYERS, Tom & Jean	08/10
OTTE, John & Judy	08/12
DAVIS, Bill & Nancy	08/13
CLINCH, Joe & Gina	08/14
CHRISTENSEN, John & Bonnie	08/18
NIELSEN, Kevin & Barb	08/23
FINK, Ronald & Beth	08/24

Birthdays

NIELSEN, Barb	08/04
FORD, Pat	08/07
TOLAND, Raquel	08/07
EDER, Linda	08/12
EVERETT, Lisa	08/12
GRAY, Linda	08/13
LARSEN, Ariana	08/16
HINTON, Adam	08/17
FINK, Ronald	08/18
THILKER, Mary	08/18
GREEN, Jennifer	08/20
BAUE (CRABBS), Lisa	08/23
OSTRANDER, Jeff	08/23
BLACKSHER, Marilyn	08/25
GARCIA, Sassy	08/25
CARLSON, Rich	08/26
BAUER, Cole	08/27
MEYER, Kelsey	08/27
STOUT, Ryan	08/31



Blessing of the Backpacks on
Sunday, August 23 at 9:30 am!
Bring your backpack!

We have great news! Hope Lutheran will be hosting a Life Line Screening event on August 5th. Life Line Screening is the premier provider of stroke and cardiovascular disease risk screenings since 1993. Life Line Screening is extending a discounted offer to all Hope Lutheran members which will identify your risk level for the following diseases:

- Carotid Artery Disease
- Peripheral Arterial Disease
- Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm
- Atrial Fibrillation

For more information or to schedule an appointment call 800-324-9458. A simple screening can be worth a lifetime.



SERVICE TIME CHANGE

We will be going back to 8:30 and 10:45 service times starting September 13th.

"God's work. Our hands."



Kids Against Hunger

God's Work, Our Hands

Kids Against Hunger Packing!

Come and pack meals with us for families in need! We will pack from 8 am- 12pm in the gym on Saturday, 9/12.

Wear a baseball cap!

Our goal is a full pallet of meals.
(33 boxes which is 7,128 meals)



Sunday School Kick-off

Sunday School Kickoff at 9:30 am for kids and youth – September 13. Service project and cooking! In the gym! Balloon guy and BBQ hotdogs after worship about 11:45 am! Worship time changes to 8:30 am and 10:45 am.



**Fall Festival is on
Saturday, October 10, 12 pm-4 pm**

1 pm-3 pm Balloon guys,
2 pm-4 pm Petting zoo & pony rides
BBQ hotdogs, hamburgers, chips and desserts
Free will offering.



**Chili Cook-off,
Sunday, October 25 from 5 pm- 7pm**

Bring your favorite kind of chili to share! Bring bread or a dessert!
We will decorate pumpkins for Halloween!

Passing on God's Love Through Little Hands

One of the many blessings of Hope Lutheran Preschool is seeing God's love lived out through the hearts of our children.

Recently, one of our preschool families felt called to bless children in our community by purchasing backpacks filled with school supplies and other goodies for students connected to Hope who were in need. What makes this story even more special is that it all began with the idea of their young daughter, who wanted to help others.



She was able to personally give one of the backpacks to a friend at school. The joy and gratitude on the receiving family's faces was truly heartwarming. The mother and child were incredibly thankful, reminding us how even a simple act of kindness can make a lasting impact.

At Hope, we strive to share Christ's love every day. It is a wonderful reminder that our ministry doesn't stop with the adults. Our children are learning to be the hands and feet of Jesus, showing compassion, generosity, and love to those around them. Seeing one child inspire kindness and bless another family is a beautiful example of God's love being passed from one heart to another.

We thank this family for their generosity and for encouraging their daughter to follow God's call to serve others. May we all continue to be examples of Christ's love in our community.

Items needed for Lutheran World Relief school kits

70 sheet spiral notebooks (no loose leaf)
Black or blue ballpoint pens (no gel pens)
Unsharpened #2 pencils
12" Rulers

All items must be new.



Pencil sharpeners
Blunt scissors
Box of 24 crayons
Erasers



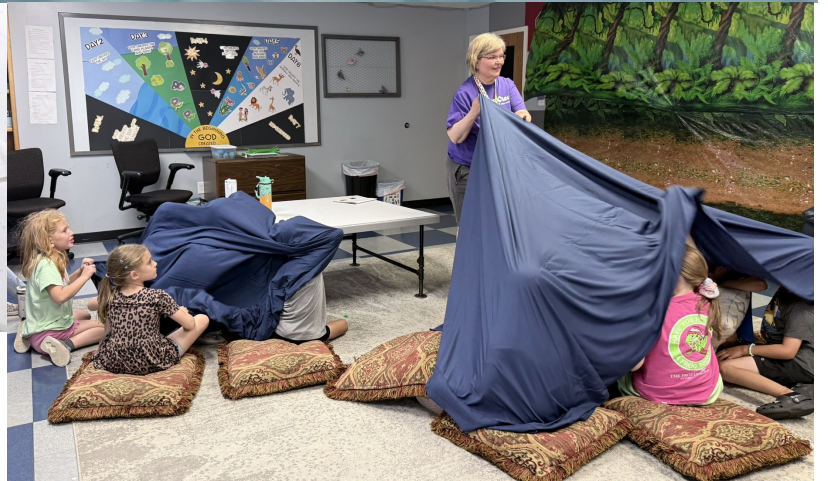
BACK TO SCHOOL



APPLE
DESK
LUNCHBOX
PENCIL
SCHEDULE
SCISSORS
TEACHER
BACKPACK
LIBRARY
MATH

PLAYGROUND
SCHOOL
STUDENT
WRITING
CRAYONS
LOCKER
NOTEBOOK
RECESS
SCIENCE
STUDY

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We welcomed 38 children to Vacation Bible School from Hope, from Friedens, and from the community! We were blessed with 35 youth and adult volunteers! New friends were made and old friends were greeted too!

Rainforest Falls was the overarching theme and the rainforest animals connected to our four Bible themes: God is our creator; God knows everything; God is our safe place; and God is love and to the Bible stories we learned about together. Our children enjoyed dinner, art and science, games, interactive Bible stories, music, and a snack each night. We celebrated the end of Bible school with a VBS inspired and child and youth led worship on Sunday, July 19.





**THESE SUMMER DAYS,
SHEPHERD LORD,
YOU LEAD US AMID
GREEN GRASSES AND
PEACEFUL WATERS TO
RESTORE OUR SOULS.
THANK YOU FOR YOUR
GOODNESS AND MERCY!**

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Hope Lutheran Church Preschool Vision

A Children's Ministry of Hope Lutheran Church

Hope Lutheran Church Preschool provides a solid and spiritual foundation for preschool children to lead an enriched life through diverse educational experiences while modeling Christ's love.



**We do things a little differently.
Come see for yourself.**



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