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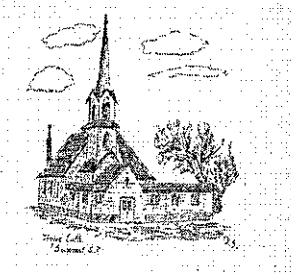
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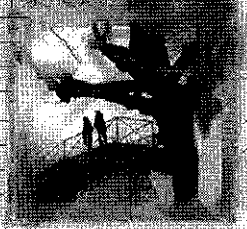
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March Birthdays and Anniversaries

1- Kylie Nelson
7-Michael Larson
8-Randy and Earline Holt
10-Patrick Hills
10 Jenna Larson
11-Alex Kneeland
11-Val Nelson
12-Sandy Lowery
13-Frances Wohlleber
13-Margie Wright
13-Myla Kneeland
14-Lynn and Marvin Amdahl
15- Donna Jensen, Tony Connors

17-Roger Smith
19-Allen Steinocker
19-Tim and Andrea Gapp
21-Janice Halverson
24-Scott Kneeland
24-Todd and Kathy Brink
25-Sandra Christofferson
26-Eric Moen
26-Roger and Margie Wright
28-Josh Wohlleber
30-Sidney Smith, Sarah Smith
31-Derek Hills
31-Raelee Ellingson

Servant



March 2018

Sun.	Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Thu.	Fri.	Sat.
				1 9:00 am Quilting 1:00 Bible study	2	3
4 purple Ps. Gary leading Worship Prairie Coteau Conference Assembly @ NeSoDak-3pm	5	6	7 6:00 supper 7:00 Worship-Yield	8	9	10
11 purple	12	13	14 4:00 Confirmation 6:00 supper 7:00 Worship-One Way	15 9:00 WELCA quilting	16 Newsletter items due	17
18 purple Deadline to sign up for Seder supper	19	20	21 4:00 1 st Communion Class 6:00 supper 7:00 Worship-Dead End	22	23	24
25 purple 6:00 Seder Supper	26	27	28	29 7:00-Maundy Thursday Worship with Holy Communion	30 7:00 Good Friday Worship	31

Notes

Worship: 10:30 am (unless otherwise noted), 9:15 am Sunday school, 9:30 am Coffee.

Communion: 11th and 25th

Communion committee: Beth Hills, Sandra Christofferson

Servant Team: Bruce and Diane Kneeland

March Worship Schedule

March 4th – Pastor Gary Westgard, Guest Preacher

- Sunday School – 9:15am
- Coffee – 9:30am
- Worship – 10:30am

Wednesday, March 7th – Lenten Service - Yield

- Soup Supper – 6:00pm
- Worship – 7:00pm

March 11th – Communion Sunday

- Sunday School – 9:15am
- Coffee – 9:30am
- Communion Worship – 10:30am

Wednesday, March 14th – Lenten Service – One Way

- Soup Supper – 6:00pm
- Worship – 7:00pm

March 18th

- Sunday School – 9:15am
- Coffee – 9:30am
- Communion Worship – 10:30am

Wednesday, March 21st – Lenten Service – Dead End

- Soup Supper – 6:00pm
- Worship – 7:00pm



March 25th – Palm Sunday

- Sunday School – 9:15am
- Coffee Time – 9:30am
- Worship – 10:30am
- Seder Supper – 6:00pm
 - Sign up by March 18th

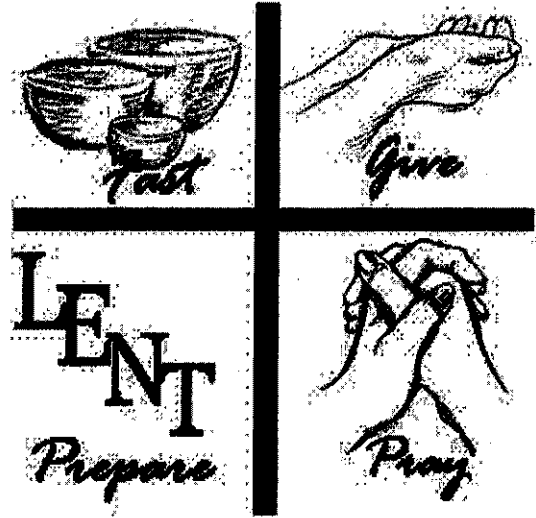
Thursday, March 29th – Maundy Thursday

- Worship with Holy Communion
 - First Communion Students – Cooper Ebsen, and Anna Neugebauer

Friday, March 25th – Good Friday

- Worship – 7:00pm

Easter Sunday is April 1st! Watch Bulletin and April Newsletter for Easter Celebration Information!



Pastor's Page

March 2018

I am an Olympics fanatic. I have been since I was about 10 years old and Flo-Jo run at the Summer Olympics in Seoul and watched the Brian Boitano skate in Calgary that same year. I had most of the Atlanta Olympics on VHS tape to watch again and again. There are many things I love about the Olympics – the competition, the stories of triumph after years of hard work or injury, the spectacle of the world coming together to be a part of this one great event. It sparked my love of geography and wanting to know where all these countries were and what their flags looked like.

I have been enjoying watching many of the events this past week as this year's Olympics are taking place. One of the great things I have noticed this year is the incredible sportsmanship shown by most of the athletes. For many of these athletes, we only see them every four years, but they compete against each other again and again between the Olympics. After the events, I see athletes from different nations congratulating the winners with hugs and excitement and even tears of joy. They have just competed against each other and have both tried their very best, and in the end, only one can come away with the Gold Medal. And yet, there they are celebrating together. It has been really fun to see and I hope my daughters are seeing it too as we watch together.

It reminded me of a passage we read at the Annual Meeting at the end of January from the book of Colossians. It says this in Chapter 3, beginning with verse 12, *"12 As God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience. 13 Bear with one another and, if anyone has a complaint against another, forgive each other; just as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. 14 Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. 15 And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in the one body. And be thankful."*

There are so many parts of our world and of our lives that are broken by war, violence, judgment, racism, hatred, and lust for power. I pray that we take a lesson from the athletes of these Olympic games and from the words of the Apostle Paul. May we strive to clothe ourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness and patience. May we work to understand our differences and lift up those who are in need and care for those who are struggling. May we forgive each other when we get hurt and may we receive forgiveness when we cause others to hurt because of our actions or words.

Most of all, may we clothe ourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. That perfect harmony seems so out of reach with the current state of our world and our lives, but that doesn't mean we stop trying to make it better. Maybe we can't change the world or fix all the problems or heal all the pain, but just maybe we can make a difference right here in our community. Just maybe we can offer someone we know the love they need to make their life a little bit better. Just maybe we can find moments of perfect harmony in our little part of the world. And then, just maybe that love will ripple across the sea of humanity. Who knows! But what we do know is we can do something about how we live our life and how we treat the people we encounter and how we share the love of God that has been given to us through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Council meeting
February 11, 2018

Present: Stacey Steinocker, Billi Whempner, Mark Amdahl, Kelly Faith, Ben Graf,
Laura Frankenhoff, Pastor Justin
Others: Anne Seffrood, Dawn Wright

Open with devotions.

Reviewed annual meeting.

Elections-Billi nominated Mark. Motion passed.

Treasurers report read approved. Motion to have Anne order offering envelopes early to get discount.

Secretary report read and approved.

Pastor report: 5 baptisms Cheyanne, Montanna, Kacey and Skylar Crandall and Ava Wilson. Assisted with funeral at Grace Lutheran in Watertown while Pastor Janet is on medical leave. Conference assembly-March 4 and Synod Assembly-June 1-2. Anyone wanting to attend Synod Assembly let Pastor know. Pastor will be on vacation March 1-8. Pastor Gary will cover Sunday and Billi volunteered to do the Wednesday service. Lenten theme is "Signs of Lent". Discussed implementing a Wedding Policy and updated our membership list to gain and more accurate number of active members.

Ash Wednesday supper- Council will serve. Everyone knows what they are to bring.

Summer lawn mowing- will see if Steve is still interested in doing it.

Other business: Dawn asked the council if she could purchase a new vacuum.

Council approved the purchase of 2 and Mark offered to donate one. It was also brought up that the office doors are not shutting as they should. Kelly will look at them and see if there is anything we can do.

Anne brought up letting people know that money is available to campers interested in going to Bible camp this summer. Parents are encouraged to contact the church for more information.

Meeting continued with Planning and Visioning.

Hope Lutheran Church
Profit & Loss
 January 2018

	Jan 18
Ordinary Income/Expense	
Income	
41000 · Offerings	
41100 · Regular Offerings	7,002.00
Total 41000 · Offerings	7,002.00
44000 · Other Income	
44100 · Interest Earned	0.73
44200 · Thrivent	56.00
Total 44000 · Other Income	56.73
Total Income	7,058.73
Expense	
66000 · Payroll Expenses	
66100 · Pastoral Payroll	
66110 · Pastor Salary	3,650.00
66120 · Pastor Housing Allowance	1,150.00
66150 · Pastor Social Security	359.58
66160 · Pastor Benefits	1,886.02
Total 66100 · Pastoral Payroll	7,045.60
66300 · Other Church Payroll	
66310 · Secretary Salary	320.00
66320 · Janitor Salary	200.00
Total 66300 · Other Church Payroll	520.00
Total 66000 · Payroll Expenses	7,565.60
60200 · Auto/Mileage Expenses	361.66
63100 · Worship & Education	
63110 · Worship Materials	259.24
Total 63100 · Worship & Education	259.24
62000 · Office Expenses	
62200 · Office Supplies	419.85
62300 · Printing and Reproduction	76.50
62500 · Dues and Subscriptions	40.84
Total 62000 · Office Expenses	537.19
67000 · Church/Building Expenses	
67200 · Repairs and Maintenance	1,239.91
67400 · Utilities	
67410 · Propane/Heat	1,466.54
67420 · Electricity	276.48
67430 · Water/Sewer	51.00
67440 · Telephone & Internet Expenses	94.12
Total 67400 · Utilities	1,888.14
Total 67000 · Church/Building Expenses	3,128.05
61400 · Charitable Contributions	275.00
69000 · Miscellaneous Expenses	3.00
Total Expense	12,129.74
Net Ordinary Income	-5,071.01
Net Income	-5,071.01

HOPES HAPPENINGS

WELCA News

WELCA will meet Thursday, March 1st at 9:00 am for quilting with Business meeting/Bible study at 1:00.. Devotions-Loreen, Cause of the month: Global Missions, Runner Club Offering is due. We will be planning our Soup/Sandwich/Pie and Bake sale to be held April 5th. A second quilting will be March 15th at 9:00 am.

Looking for Readers/Actors for Maundy Thursday Service

Pastor Justin is hoping to do a Living Last Supper written by Pastor Gary Westgard as part of the Maundy Thursday Worship Service on Thursday, March 29th at 7:00pm. He is looking for 13 readers/actors. He will need 12 males (the disciples) and one female (Mary) to be a part of the service. If you could help out, please contact Pastor Justin immediately. Thanks!

Lilies for Easter- If you would like to give a Lily to adorn the altar on Easter Sunday please bring to the church beginning Palm Sunday. (March 25th) Attach a note as to whom it's given in memory or honor of too. They will be listed in the May newsletter. Thanks! ☺

A Passover Seder Meal will be held on Palm Sunday, March 25 at 6:00pm. Throughout the evening we will share in readings, litanies, songs, and enjoying the traditional Seder meal. The service including the meal will last approximately 2 hours. Reservations will need to be made by Sunday, March 18th, so the right amount of food can be purchased and prepared. A free will offering will be taken to help offset the cost of the meal.

The Seder supper is the focal point of Passover. Passover is one of the oldest traditions in the Jewish faith celebrating and remembering God's deliverance of the Hebrews from slavery in Egypt. The last supper that Jesus celebrated with His disciples was actually a Seder Supper celebrating Passover. "*With fervent desire I have desired to eat this Passover with you before I suffer,*" Jesus said to His disciples in Luke 22:15.

This dinner is actually a Bible study and exists in Jewish tradition to pass on the important stories of Scripture, especially to children. The stories of faith and hope from the Word of God that impact the faith of the people. A Christian Seder carries these same traditions while adding to the story. As Christians we add to the Seder those things that Jesus did at the Seder He celebrated with His disciples, remember Jesus' words to "do this in remembrance of me."

Everyone is welcome to attend. But please remember to sign up or call Pastor Justin to make your reservation.

