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"It is the mission of Hope Lutheran Church to help people grow in their faith; to be a leader in the community; to serve the needs of all people; and to teach/educate all people.

**Anniversaries and Birthdays (please let me know if there is an error or omission)** ☺

1-Orvin Bronson  
3-Lee Gapp  
3-Lonnie Nelson  
4-Corey and Stacey Amdahl  
5-Robin Moe  
6-Chris Hinkleman  
8-Cathy Bauer  
8-Jacky Bauer  
11-Lee and Dawn Wright  
13-Traci Ellingson  
14-Donna Arten

15-Jackson Wohleber  
15-Harold and Shirley Binde  
19-Brittany Graf  
24-Barb Frankenhoff  
25-Adriann Frankenhoff  
25-Roman Thuringer  
26-Jacob Carson  
27-Brianna Lindholm  
28-Shirley Binde  
29-Jason Cardwell

# June 2021



Hope Lutheran Church

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2 Pastor Office PM and Car worship 7:30pm	3	4 Synod Assembly	5 Synod Assembly
6 Worship 9:30am	7	8	9 Pastor Office PM and Car worship 7:30pm	10 Advocacy training for pastor	11	12
13 Worship 9:30am	14	15 Conference Pastor' s meeting	16 Pastor Office PM and Car worship 7:30pm	17	18	19
20 Worship 9:30am Father's day	21	22 Pastor working with virtual advocacy for LRIS	23 Pastor Office PM Council meeting 7:00 pm ( <u>no car worship</u> )	24	25 Newsletter items due	26
27 Worship 9:30am	28	29	30 Pastor Office PM and Car worship 7:30pm			

# HOPES HAPPENINGS

Summer office hours- pastor will be in the office Wed. afternoons and evenings each week this summer.

**Bible Study- We would like to have a Bible study Wed. evenings at 6:00pm. This time would let us have it and still hold Wed. night car worship. Please let pastor know if you are interested in being a part of the study. You may email her at [hlchurch@tnics.com](mailto:hlchurch@tnics.com) or text at 605-237-8005 At our last study, the group chose to begin our learning on the book of Revelation. We hope to begin June 2<sup>nd</sup>.**

Summer worship changes- We will have a change in time for our indoor worship this summer. Summer Worship time will begin Sunday, June 6 at 9:30am and run through the month of August. Car worship is back for the summer too. We will have car worship on Wed. nights at 7:30pm. (except for June 23 as council meets that evening at 7:00 pm) 🕒 Remember that mask wearing is optional for inside worship, but we do ask you to use one during hymns if you are a singer.

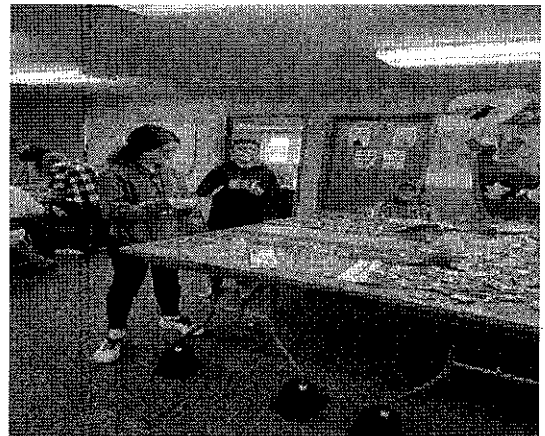
There will be an informational meeting on May 23<sup>rd</sup> following our worship service. This meeting will be to talk about an invitation to partnership/ or sharing our pastor. This will only be about getting information and offering opinions to the council. Be looking for more information following this meeting.

We continue to provide worships on Facebook and our Youtube channel "Hope's children" . Take us along with you when you go camping or are working in the field.

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Please don't forget your congregation offerings this summer! We are currently behind on our budget and need offerings and gifts to help pay for electricity, salaries, and miscellaneous costs that come up when running a congregation.

Congratulations to the following students who were Confirmed here at Hope on Sunday, May 9, 2021: In group photo, from left to right, front row: Regan Schmidt, Jaelyn Zubke, Brianna Lindholm, Cooper Ebsen. Back row: Levi Whempner, Ethan Lewandowski, Newton Campbell, Nolan Thuringer. Also pictured is Pastor Janet.



Hope Lutheran church is looking for someone who would like to be our new VBS coordinator!! Nikki has stepped down after many amazing years!! Thanks Nikki!! This is a wonderful opportunity for anyone to give back to the church as a volunteer. I and Pastor Janet are more than willing to help "train" you in the position.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR: VBS will be held July 26-30, from 1:00 pm-4:00 pm. Anyone entering Preschool-6th is welcome. We are also looking for volunteers to help where needed!! Contact Pastor Janet Miller or Dawn Wright if you can help. I'm also stepping down this year from my position as storyteller, but I can help with any planning needed!! -dawn

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### Special Council meeting

May 2, 2021

Present: Becky Pies, Sarah Smith, Jorja Whempner, Kathy Brink, Tim Gapp, Elsie Seffrood, Dustin Holt, Cody Sumner, Pastor Janet

Absent: Nikki Pays, James Arten

Others: Anne Seffrood, Dawn Wright

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Florence church called Ps. Janet and asked about combining with our congregation. Ps Janet laid out the reasons and gave her thoughts on how it may work. Council discussed. It was decided to have an information congregational meeting on May 23 after Worship to discuss with the congregation and get input.

Council also decided to change our regular meeting from May 16 to May 12 at 7:00 pm.

Meeting adjourned.

**Council meeting-May 12, 2021**

**P: Becky Pies, Jorja Whempner, Sarah Smith, James Arten, Tim Gapp, Kathy Brink, Elsie Seffrood, Dustin Holt and Cody Sumner (joined by Zoom), and Pastor Janet.**

**A: Nikki Pays**

**O: Anne Seffrood, Dawn Wright**

**Pastor opened with devotion and prayer.**

**Vice President Tim Gapp led the meeting. Sarah asked to have an item added to new business.**

**Paul Hansen, the executive director of Lutheran Outdoors was in attendance. He came to talk to council about the fundraising campaign they are having. Handouts were given and a delegate from the council will talk to the congregation about it. He also spoke of the transfer of ownership taking place with Joy Ranch.**

**Secretary report-Sarah motioned, Jorja 2<sup>nd</sup> to approve. Motion carried.**

**Treasurer report- Kathy motioned, Becky 2<sup>nd</sup> to approve. Motion carried.**

**Pastor report- Brianna Lindholm, Regan Schmidt, Jaelyn Zubke, Nolan Thuringer, Ethan Lewandowski, Levi Whempner, Cooper Ebsen, and Newton Campbell were confirmed on Sunday, May 9. Pastor reported she bought a new computer for her with grant money received for technology. VBS will be held July 26-30, 2021 from 1:00-4:00. We are searching for a VBS coordinator. Let the church know if you can help. Coming up: Senior Recognition (May 16), Baccalaureate (May 19), Youth bowling. Summer plans: Wednesday Car worship, Bible study. Motion-Elsie, 2<sup>nd</sup> Sarah to approve. Motion carried.**

**New business:**

**\*A need for a council member was discussed. Nikki Pays has stepped down from her position. Council will find a replacement for her.**

**\*Sarah asked if the council would consider bring committees back. After much discussion, it was decided to reinstate the Education and Property and Management committees. The following will serve on each: Education-Kathy Brink, Elsie Seffrood, Jorja Whempner, Becky Pies. Prop. and Management-Dustin Holt, Jim Arten, Tim Gapp, Sarah Smith, Cody Sumner.**

**Old business:**

**\*Cemetery Ideas- discussed options of improving and possibly expanding. An offer was received from a land owner to possibly donate some of the surrounding land. A task force was created to discuss said offer with the land owners. A motion was also made by Kathy, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Sarah to remove the fence surrounding the cemetery. Motion carried.**

**\*Siding-no report**

**\*FogFest- Hope will hold Worship in the Park on July 18.**

**\*Summer Worship time change- 9:30 am- will begin in June and run through August.**

**\*Informational meeting-May 23- Pastor put together a fact sheet to use. Council discussed what would be discussed.**

**Next meeting: Special meeting-May 26 at 7:30 pm, regular council June 23 at 7:00 pm. (no car worship that evening)**

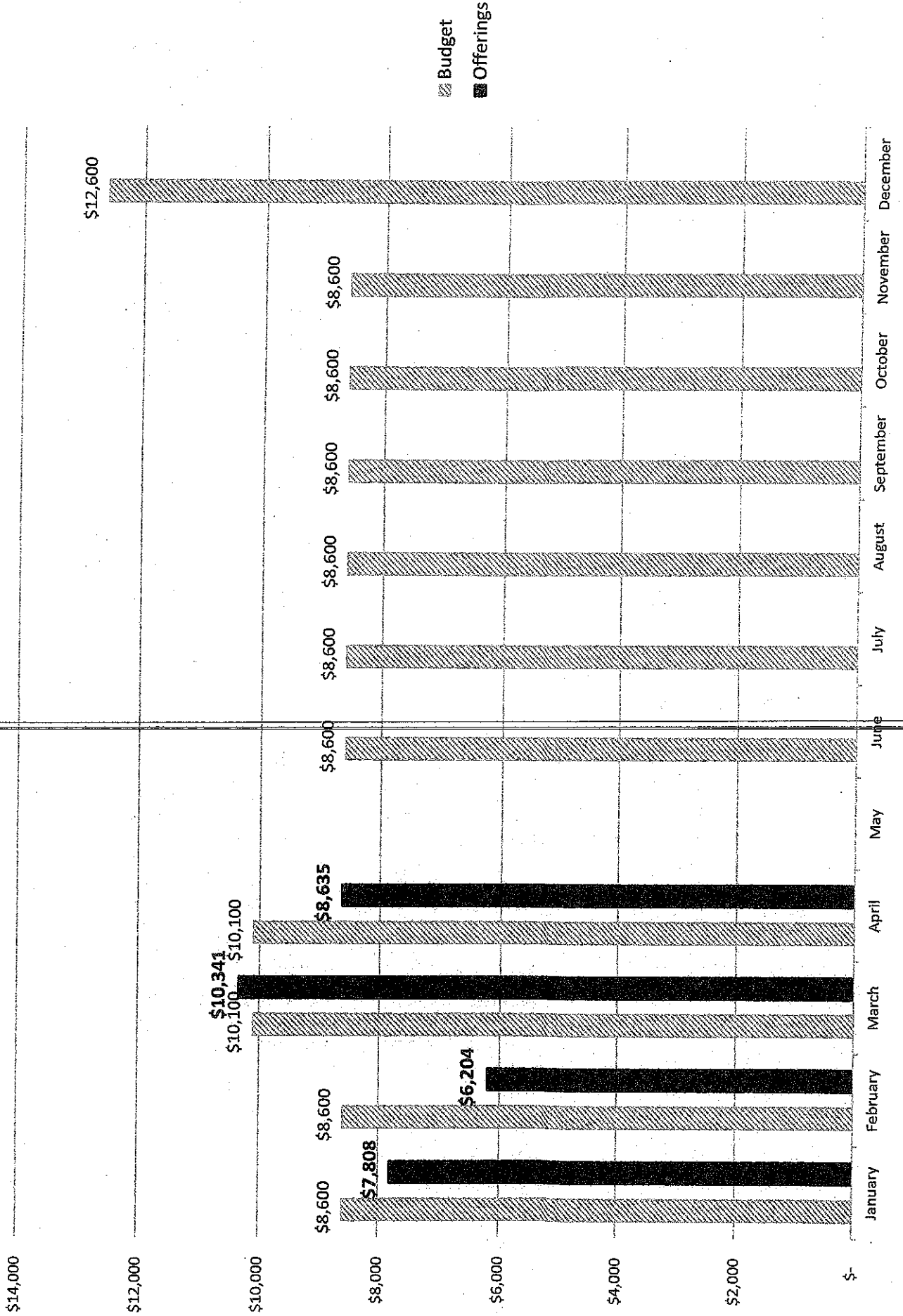
**Closed with Lord's Prayer.**

Hope Lutheran Church  
Offerings and Expenses  
April 2021

	<u>Apr 21</u>	<u>Mar 21</u>	<u>Jan - Apr 21</u>
<b>Ordinary Income/Expense</b>			
<b>Income</b>			
41100 · Regular Offerings	8,200.52	9,740.50	31,892.87
41200 · Special Services Offerings	434.00	600.00	1,094.00
<b>Total 41000 · Offerings</b>	<u>8,634.52</u>	<u>10,340.50</u>	<u>32,986.87</u>
42100 · Gifts & Memorials	720.00	0.00	2,330.00
44100 · Interest Earned	0.00	0.09	0.27
44200 · Thrivent	1,313.00	49.00	1,382.00
44000 · Other Income - Other	0.00	1,297.44	1,297.44
<b>Total 44000 · Other Income</b>	<u>1,313.00</u>	<u>1,346.53</u>	<u>2,679.71</u>
<b>Total Income</b>	<u>10,667.52</u>	<u>11,687.03</u>	<u>37,996.58</u>
<b>Expense</b>			
<b>Total 66100 · Pastoral Payroll</b>	7,545.79	7,553.42	30,202.24
66310 · Secretary Salary	350.00	350.00	1,400.00
66320 · Janitor Salary	200.00	200.00	800.00
<b>Total 66000 · Payroll Expenses</b>	8,095.79	8,103.42	32,402.24
61800 · Continuing Ed & Conferencs	75.00	0.00	145.40
63300 · Insurance Expense	259.34	259.34	1,037.36
63130 · Confirmation / Adult Ed	54.11	89.16	143.27
63110 · Worship Materials	0.00	87.59	483.85
<b>Total 63100 · Worship &amp; Education</b>	<u>54.11</u>	<u>176.75</u>	<u>627.12</u>
63200 · Fellowship Expenses	9.05	0.00	16.50
<b>Total 62000 · Office Expenses</b>	<u>129.43</u>	<u>154.50</u>	<u>1,081.48</u>
67200 · Repairs and Maintenance	295.80	0.00	295.80
67420 · Electricity	286.11	280.19	1,034.33
67430 · Water/Sewer	68.00	68.00	260.00
67440 · Telephone & Internet Expenses	92.58	92.46	369.96
<b>Total 67400 · Utilities</b>	<u>446.69</u>	<u>440.65</u>	<u>1,664.29</u>
<b>Total 67000 · Church/Building Expenses</b>	<u>742.49</u>	<u>440.65</u>	<u>1,960.09</u>
61410 · Synod Mission Support	1,895.39	0.00	1,905.39
69000 · Miscellaneous Expenses	9.90	4.95	29.70
<b>Total Expense</b>	<u>11,270.50</u>	<u>9,139.61</u>	<u>39,205.28</u>
<b>Net Income</b>	<u>-602.98</u>	<u>2,547.42</u>	<u>-1,208.70</u>

# 2021 Monthly Offerings vs Budget

(does not include memorials, special gifts, other income)



Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Five letters in the right order doesn't seem like something to cheer about. But last Wednesday it was. Last Wednesday was our final confirmation class of the year. The students made their traditional stoles to wear during the confirmation service. Ethan's was a little more unique than the rest.

When we started with this class two years ago, I had was still pretty new to the congregation. I didn't know all the students well. I was surprised to discover a special student who could not even spell his own name. Ethan is a tall boy with a bright smile and a contagious laugh which he uses often. While he has some trouble communicating his thoughts out, Ethan knows how to sit in class and listen. He understands most of what he hears and can answer questions I ask. But, Ethan's special needs marked him as different in an age (6-8<sup>th</sup> grade) when being different can often bring ridicule. I worried how the class would handle Ethan. To my surprise and joy, I discovered a small miracle instead.

The students come from different school systems so they were not all aware of Ethan's special qualities or limits. Ethan yearned to be a part of the group. His own Bible was a particular treasure. I watched as one student realized Ethan could not find the page or read the Bible verses. After that day, he chose to sit by Ethan each week and always turn Ethan's Bible to the right page and even showed him where we were reading.

I watched with trepidation as Ethan told the 7<sup>th</sup> grade girls, "you are pretty" thinking of the cringe or mean words that might come out. Instead I saw soft smiles and the answer, "I think your pretty too Ethan." Ethan got an extra turn at the things that were fun and was asked to join the group in projects they knew he couldn't do on his own.

I never told the class what Ethan could or couldn't do. They discovered it on their own and instead of rejecting him, they made a special place for him. The last day of class, Ethan proudly showed them how he could pick out the letters of his name for his stole. Five little letters in the right order, all those around him cheered.

I may teach them things about the church, but these kids already know how to act just like Jesus.  
*"Therefore welcome one another as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God." – Romans 15:7*

Pastor Janet Miller