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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.

October Birthdays and Anniversaries

2-Caroll Miller	15-Jackie Adolph
2-John Seffrood	15-Monica Larson
2-Bonnie Moe	16-Garrett Amdahl
4-Derrick and Carrie Rauen	16-Trevor Bourassa
4-Becky Hinkleman	17-Savannah Moe
5-Arlene Hovland	18-Grayson Amdahl
6-Sherrie Larson	19-Gary and Caroll Miller
6-Addison Bronson	20-Lori O'Farrell
8-Penny Cardwell	22-Vincent Pies
8-David Lewandowski, Shelly Anderson	23-Addison Jensen
9-Allyson Frankenhoff	25-Kaci Crandall
14-Phoebe Bourassa	29-Leigha Schoonover

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Hope Lutheran Church, PO Box 886, Summit, SD 57266

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

WORSHIP HELPERS:

October 6-Ushers-Brady Lindholm, Michelle Urban, Reader-Anne Seffrood, Coffee-Kathy Brink
 October 13-Ushers-Schmidts, Reader-Mike Schmidt, Communion servers-Brianna Lindholm, Val Amdahl, Coffee-Donna Arten
 October 20-Ushers-Nolan Thuringer, **(need one)**, Reader-Mike Schmidt, Coffee-Caroll Miller
 October 27-Ushers-Emmett and Levi Whempner, Reader-Earline Holt, Communion servers-Reagan Schmidt, Brianna Lindholm, Coffee-Pastor Janet

COMMUNION COMMITTEE: Stacey Amdahl, Sarah Holt / Communion: October 13th and 27th

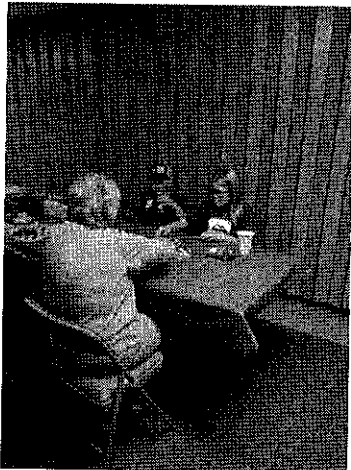
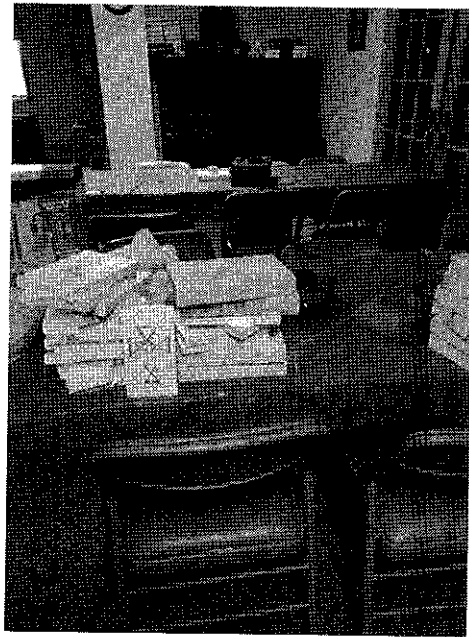
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3	4	5
			7:00-Bible Study	9:00am-Welca quilting 1:00pm-Bible study		
Green 6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Council meets following Worship			4:00-8/9 confirmation 6:30 Family fun night			
Green 13	14	15	16	17	18	19
Blessing of the Quilts			4:00-6/7 Confirmation 7:00 Bible study	9:00 Quilting	Newsletter items due	
Green 20	21	22	23	24	25	26
Sunday school kids in Worship			4:00-8/9 confirmation			
Red 27	28	29	30	31		
Confirmation/Reformation Sunday			4:00- 6/7 Confirmation			

HOPES HAPPENINGS

Family Fun Night

We at Hope Lutheran believe that community is important! We are creating chances for the community to spend time together on the second Wed. of each month. Each month there will be a special activity that can be enjoyed by people of all ages. Last month we had a game night with a fun craft. This month we will be celebrating fall. If the weather cooperates, we will have a hay ride, fun fall treats and activities in the church for those who don't wish to go on the hayride. We hope to see you all these to enjoy the time together in community.

Pictures from September family fun night



Confirmation News

We will have our Confirmation service on Oct. 27th at 10:30am. This is also reformation Sunday so please wear red that day.

Thank you to everyone who helped us purchase Bibles for both of our confirmation classes! Your support was amazing! The kids were excited to open and begin using their new Lutheran Study Bibles. Several people have expressed an interest in getting a Lutheran Study Bible for themselves. If you are interested, contact pastor Janet and we can get an order together to save everyone some postage.

The Confirmation class will be helping with worship this year. Students will help with ushering, reading (for those who are comfortable) and helping with communion. The congregation is reminded to be patient as these young people learn to be active members. Many students have never taken on jobs in worship and are nervous about serving. Parents, if you have not signed up your kids on the worship helper's schedule, contact Pastor Janet.

Sunday School

The Sunday School will be singing in our 10:30am worship on Oct. 20th. Please make sure your child can attend and do their part.

Coming up- look for the youth group wreath sales for your holidays.

Bible Study

Our Bible study of the book of James is underway. You have two chances to be a part of the study. You can join us the 1st and 3rd Wed. nights of each month at 7:00pm or you can join the WELCA Bible study on the first Wed. of the month at 1:00pm. James is a challenging book that helps us to look at our world and our lives in a new way. Join us to study God's Word.

Congregational Council meets after worship on October 6th.

New Bishop for SD Synod

Bishop Constanze Hagmaier has been installed as our newest S.D. Bishop. She asks for all our prayers as she begins this new call in her ministry. She also asks for prayers for her family as they adjust to this new schedule. Bishop Constanze began her ministry near us in Our Savior's and Egeland Lutheran Churches in Waubay. Pastor Janet met with Bishop Constanze at the conference Pastors' meeting this week and Bishop passed on her greetings and congratulations to our congregation on our 50th -anniversary. She was unable to attend our celebration as she had been scheduled at another congregation's 125th anniversary and her assistants have not begun their duties yet. The new Bishop's assistants will be Pastor Jonathan Steiner and Pastor Renee Splichal Larson.

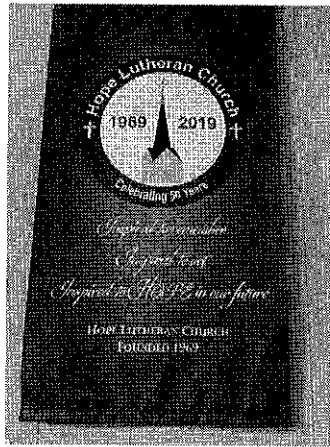
WELCA NEWS: WELCA will meet Thursday, October 3 at 9:00 am. We will be putting kits together and boxing the kits and quilts for shipping. Lunch at 12:00 pm. Business meeting and Bible study to follow after lunch at 1:00 pm. Devotions: Myla, Bible study: Pastor Janet, Cause of the month: LAMP.

A second quilting day will be on Thursday, October 17th at 9:00 am-12:00 pm. Blessings for the quilts and kits will be on Sunday, October 13th. After church we would appreciate help loading the boxes of quilts and kits into the trailer parked outside by the door. They will be taken to Grace Lutheran in Watertown and loaded on a semi on Monday the 14th. A special offering will be taken during Worship to too help offset the cost of shipping.

THANK YOU-Thank you so much for the 50th Anniversary of Hope Lutheran Church-the merger of Lebanon, Zion in Ortley and Summit Lutheran Congregations. Jean and I appreciated and enjoyed being with you wonderful people! Thank you for the overnight at the Abbey of the Hills and for the gift package. We thoroughly enjoyed it all! God's blessings!! Gary (former pastor) and Jean Olson

PS You will always be a special people who wrapped us with love as "beginners". -Jean

Pictures from our Anniversary! Thanks to everyone who helped with the planning and to all who attended!! 😊



Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

We just finished an amazing week! Our congregation's 50th Anniversary took place on Saturday and Sunday. What a joyous God filled celebration it was. Old friends of the congregation and former pastors returned to celebrate with us. A full church communed and connected ourselves to all the saints who have communed in our past while reaching into a future rich with promise.

It's great to take the time and remember all that has been. We nostalgically look through pictures of the good old days. We awaken our memories of those who have passed into God's eternity with fondness and gratitude. Our memories are important. They help us remember who we are and from where we came.

However, something else important happened this week. It happened without the fanfare of a long planned celebration. But, I think it told who we are just the same.

This week, I began confirmation class with a whole new group of 6th and 7th grade students. I showed them how class will run with snacks, then sharing of goods and bads from their lives, and prayer before our lessons. I usually plan some "getting to know you" activities for our first meeting. One of them includes a printed sheet with 60 boxes on it. In each box was a descriptive sentence. Some read "I am the youngest child in my family" or "I have blue eyes" or that type of descriptions. Others talked about things they did like playing sports or an instrument, etc. I've had this activity for years and it always turns out well.

However, this year we had one student who had a lot of trouble reading the list. I was slow to realize the problem but the kids caught on right away. Without any direction or discussion, the class made a shift in the activity. They took turns each going to the student who was struggling and asking the questions. The class made no announcement and no fanfare about their actions. As a matter of fact, they were a bit sneaky about it. They simply found a way to include the one whose disability put him on the outside.

In that moment, I watched a group of 6th and 7th grade kids be the church in a way most of us have never managed. They broke down the boundaries and stretched their arms to reach someone who needed their love more than they could ever know.

Two amazing things happened this week. One happened very publically. Newspaper announcements were made. Plans were put together months in advance. Hundreds of people rejoiced about it and celebrated together. The other happened quietly. Just a few kids growing the kingdom of God with their giant hearts. Both were amazing events. God was surely smiling at Hope Lutheran Church this week.

Blessing to you this fall from Hope Lutheran Church where - God is good – all the time!

Pastor Janet Miller