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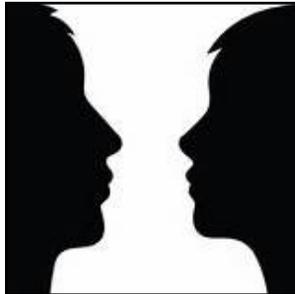
Hope United Methodist Church

Face to Face

Last week we had a conversation in the church office about the need, in this day of technology, for the connection and interaction of people face to face. It is even more important today than it has been in the past because many people in society don't have enough of this interaction to understand one another or even themselves.

Did you know that Jesus was a face-to-face person? He didn't send letters or scrolls to people. Instead, if he could not be there in person, he sent his disciples so they could meet face-to-face with others. Over 2000 years later Jesus is still asking his disciples to be his face-to-face contact in the world – and those disciples are us!

We live in an age where we can get so much done by email, telephone, texts. I love my Facebook account and encourage people to learn more about me through that site! Technology provides wonderful tools to continue to build community and to strengthen ties. But I know that



even in the 21st century the way to really get to know a person, to connect on a deeper level, is to meet face to face and to tell our stories in our own way.

Every day there are opportunities to learn about one another and about our faith. When we are at work, volunteering, having a party or visiting with family – really any time we are with other people – we are the disciples Jesus sends out. Our actions and words and advocacy all reflect on our life as followers of Jesus and people do take notice.

We are surrounded by scary things happening in the world as well, and when we take the time to get to know one another and share the love, justice and peace of Jesus we can be open enough to embrace other cultures and ways of living. When we are open as Jesus was, we invite people into our lives and we can live abundantly instead of fearfully.

So, I encourage you to do just that. Be the disciples of Jesus and go out and talk to people face to

face, let them get to know what it means to you to be a Christian and how it impacts your life. That doesn't happen all at once - just be aware of the opportunity in a class, at work, in your neighborhood, to be the one to start the conversation, to be open to others. Use the opportunities for outreach and education here at Hope (lots of them in this newsletter!), and together let's work to be Jesus' disciples face to face.

~ Pastor Laurie

Check out Pastor Laurie's blog for other articles like this one!

<http://pastorboche.blogspot.com>

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June Worship Schedule

Sunday, June 4th

Pentecost

Holy Communion

Psalm 104:24-34

Acts 2:1-21

Sunday, June 11th

Golden Sunday

Genesis 1:1 – 27

Genesis 1:28-2:4

Sunday, June 18th

Father's Day

Genesis 18:1-15

Genesis 21:1-7

Sunday, June 25th

Psalm 86:1-10

Genesis 21:8-21

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Thank you Kevin for all your work to
make this new website possible.

Office Hours

Monday~ Friday

9:00 am ~ 2:00 pm

Events and Small Groups

Men's Breakfast: Wednesdays, 8:00 am, Mt. Royal Caribou Coffee.

Worship at Pines III: Pastor Laurie Boche will host a worship service at Pines III on Tuesday, June 6 at 2:00 p.m. and Cynthia Coffin-Langdon will host worship on Sunday, June 18 at 2:00 pm.

July Newsletter Deadline: Thursday, June 22nd.

Hope's prayer group usually meets on the 2nd & 4th Wednesday of the month and we are always delighted to have more "prayer power!" (The more the prayerier!) In addition to praying through the Upper Room prayer requests, we pray for those in our circles of influence, our church family, and beyond.

Page Turners will meet June 14 at 10:00 am in the Hope Garden if weather permits. We will celebrate and share poetry; please bring in two favorite poems to read a loud to the group. No meeting in July. The book for August: "The Tea-Olive Bird Watching Society" by Augusta Trobaugh. **New members welcome.** Contact Anna Allison at 724-5715.

Thank you to everyone who brought flowers in May!

Congratulations to our Director of Children, Youth and Families Katrina Hagemeyer on her engagement to Clay Zimmerman! An engagement party will be held following worship on Sunday, June 4. Come to wish them your best!

We need your Special Music!

Summer is a great time to share your musical gifts in worship! Vocal and instrumental special music enriches worship for all, whether you are a beginner or a professional. Contact Liz Raihala (liz@raihala.net).

Hymn Sing Sundays will be the 2nd and 4th Sundays, June through August. In place of an instrumental prelude, we will begin worship together these Sundays with a **Hymn Sing**. What are the favorites that speak to your spirit? Bring your requests, and come a little early to set the stage for worship with your singing.

Thought for the month from the Hope Prayer Group:

"Ask not for a lighter burden but for broader shoulders." (Jewish proverb)

Administrative Council

The Administrative Council met on May 17th. The "Hope for the Future" campaign continues to move forward. Fred and Pete reported that to date we have not had to borrow any funds to pay for the HFF projects and we are up to date with payments! Finance will be giving a more detailed report on HFF monies as we come to the end of the first year of the campaign. There are a couple of projects to be completed, two mounted air conditioning units in the office and installing window trim on both inside and outside of each window but otherwise the sanctuary is looking great.

Worship Team decided to have Liz choose music for June so we can get a better idea for a blended music and worship. This would help to figure out how to go forward with our worship music. Dean Beeman is crafting a communion table for the sanctuary that should be completed soon. He is using wood from the pews taken from the choir loft. A baptismal font will also be made in the near future.

There will be many opportunities this summer and a summer brochure will be out at the end of the month. New activities this summer include: VBS once a month, asking our Youth to be Counselors, and volunteers to help out. A Grandparent/ Grandchild picnic will take place in August. There will also be a Taste of the Psalms series, a writing mini-retreat and a discussion group after worship. Lots of new (and old) ways to be involved, have fun and fellowship!

Hope, Faith & Love,
Robyn Christianson, Ad Council Chair

The Living Endowment Fund

The Living Endowment Fund received a gift in memory of Virginia Comstock from Bob and Vicki Williams.

Gifts were given to the memory of Virginia Olson by the following: Bob and Linda Pugliese, Bob and Vicki Williams, Doug and Rosemary Tripp, Jane and Dale Kempton and Lois Witzig.

The principal from these gifts will not be touched, but the dividends and capital gains are used each month for the support of the mission of Hope United Methodist Church.

Finance

DIDJA KNOW that the song "**Summertime**" from Porgy and Bess by George Gershwin and DuBose Heywood still remains as one of the classics from Broadway musicals? It goes... *Summertime and the living is easy... fish are jumpin and the cotton is high...*

Here in northern Minnesota life does seem a bit easier in the summer and some fish may be jumpin... but cotton sure doesn't fit in anywhere. I mention that old tune as a reminder that as we tend to relax more and take advantage of a summer that usually seems so short, we still have God's business to take care of. So as we move into the easy living of summer, let's remember that we still need to support our church with our gifts, our presence and our prayers.

Enjoy the summer and catch lots of fish and remember God's work continues on!

For your Finance Team
Pete Bergman, Chair

Hospitality

Please help us keep providing treats and coffee for the fellowship time after worship. The Hospitality team makes the coffee, so you just need to serve it.

A HUGE THANK YOU

to Dick Scheibe for providing Sunday morning treats! We also share them with UNS, UCM, and Aftenro. The residents love the doughnut hole socials.



THANK YOU to Nancy Sivertson, Helen Stellmaker, Deb & Art Hoff, Barb Bergman, Lois Witzig, Kids Quest and all our Sunday morning volunteers!

There is a sign up sheet in the Narthex, so please sign up to help on a Sunday in June. Thank you!

MISSIONS

MAY MISSIONS

Thank you to everyone who helped with the CHUM dinner on May 30th!

Keep that Glossy Paper Coming! Bring in your magazines, glossy newspaper inserts, etc.; Hope receives \$100 for every 1,000 pounds of glossy paper collected. Proceeds go to the United Methodist Committee On Relief (UMCOR) for clean water and sanitation projects around the world.

LOVE OFFERING

Each year churches in the Minnesota Annual Conference take a love offering for mission. Offerings taken in June. The offering is then brought to Annual Conference. This year's offering will go to:

United Methodist University of Sierra Leon School of Applied Health Sciences to train health care professionals to provide adequate care to a country that has one of the lowest life expectancies in the world.

Emma Norton Services to help women, children, and families achieve victory over homelessness, mental illness, and chemical dependency.

Volunteers in Mission Scholarships. Mission trips transform the lives of participants by giving them an opportunity to grow in faith and gain new perspective of the world. They have to pay their own way, and the Love offering helps offset the cost for first-time participants.

HOPE PLANT SALE

The sale is THIS Saturday, June 3rd from 9:00a to Noon and we need lots of donated plants to make the sale a success. We will be setting up for the sale on Thursday and Friday. You can bring in plants anytime during those days. Also, if you have garden related items in good shape that you would like to donate we will include them in the sale. The proceeds from this plant sale go to continuing upkeep of the Garden of



Hope and the church landscaping.

If you have questions, talk to Sue Beeman or call the office.

Happy digging!

IT'S MISSION TRIP TIME!

We are only 3 weeks away from our mission trip to Isanti, MN and it's time to get signed up! The trip is to Spirit River Community UMC Church to help them with projects including their Matthew 25 food distribution program that will take place on Saturday.



This mission opportunity is open to ALL AGES not just youth! So, whether you are 1 or 110, you are invited to be part of this weekend experience of working side by side with others, worshipping at Spirit River, and fellowship time with Hope members and friends of all ages.

The mission trip is Friday, June 23rd through Sunday, June 25th. We will be heading to Isanti around noon on Friday, but if that doesn't work it's fine to come after work and meet up with us there. The cost is \$25 per person which includes most meals and sleeping at Spirit River. However, there is a motel not far away if you'd prefer to stay there. Rates depend upon how many will be sharing a room.

Flyers and registration for the mission trip are available in the Narthex. Won't you share this mission experience? **Deadline to register is June 16, so don't wait!**

It will be filled with fun, work, laughter, maybe a few tears and plenty of the Holy Spirit. Let's go together!

Need a Ride? Take a taxi on Hope!

Just call Yellow Cab and tell them to bill Hope UMC! This is a service to our congregation members who may find it's tricky to get to church or area appointments. If you have questions, let us know!

Otherwise, just call **Yellow Cab: 218-727-1515** when you are in need of a ride.

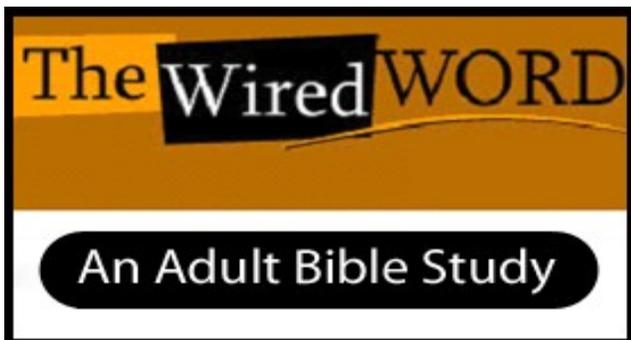


HOPE ACTIVITIES

WIRED WORD

Rev. Joan Goebel, retired UMC clergy, is offering to facilitate a Sunday morning class using The Wired Word, a United Methodist communication. The Wired Word starts with a news article from the week; and then offers scriptures and questions to help a class confront the news with our faith. How does our faith help inform us about choices being made around us? The class is not about changing our opinions; rather it is meant to help us be better Christians in our world. Joan would love to have you join the class when you can make it!

The class will begin June 25th at 11:10 am after worship in the Mathison Room. Feel free to get a cup of coffee and snack before we start. The class will continue through mid September if there is enough interest. If you let her know you hope to attend, she can e-mail you a copy of the news article on Fridays. Joan's cell phone is 715-381-3819 and her e-mail is retiredpastors@centurytel.net.



Garden of Hope Work Days

This summer, all willing hands can participate in weeding and watering in our Garden of Hope on Tuesdays at 10:00 a.m. We have a beautiful space for meditation, solace, enjoyment and prayer, thanks to those who volunteer their time. Contact Sue Beeman or Karen Stocke if you have questions or are interested.



NO First Wednesday Worship in Summer

This summer we will be taking a break from our First Wednesday worship and meal, but it will be back in September! Instead, you are invited to join us for a **Taste of the Psalms**, a look at this wondrous book of the Bible, on the first Wednesday in July and August. More information in this newsletter on page 6.

Evening Book Club

The Evening Book Club meets on the 3rd Tuesday of the month at Hope, 6:30p. Since our meeting place changes on occasion, it is always a good idea to check with the office before 2:00p that day.

The book selections for the next four months:

June *"Flight Behavior"* by Barbara Kingsolver.

July *"Light On Snow"* by Anita Shreve.

August *"If You Lived Here, I'd Know Your Name"* by Heather Lende.

All are welcome!

Come and join the fun of reading and sharing!

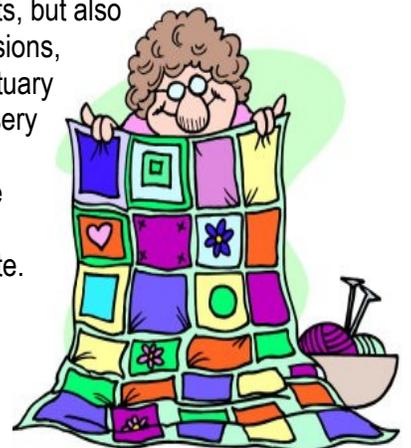


Hope Quilters

4th Thursday of each month, 9:30 a.m. in FH

This group sews quilts, but also creates bags for missions, banners for the sanctuary and blankets for nursery school children for emergencies. People of all abilities are welcome to participate.

For any summer schedule changes, contact Sue Beeman or the church office.



MORE OPPORTUNITIES

Church Safety

DID YOU KNOW...That Hope has a *First Aid Kit* in the office on top of the mailboxes?

That the AED Machine (Automated External Defibrillator) is on the wall by the church office? When its door is open the fire department is called, and the machine gives each step of its use.

That many of Hope's staff went through CPR and AED training this year and are now certified?

We did and we are ready to help when needed!



Minnesota Annual Conference, United Methodist Church

June 20-22

River's Edge Convention Center, St. Cloud

Pastor Laurie Boche, CFY Director Katrina Hagemeyer and Lay Delegate Sally Herstad will be attending Annual Conference, representing Hope UMC.

But anyone can come as a visitor for part or all of the event. Worship is always well-crafted and meaningful, with a variety of styles. Mini-workshops, powerful preaching, TED Talk-style presentations on how the Spirit is moving in specific churches, an information fair, an on-site Cokesbury bookstore, and ordination of new clergy -- plenty to choose from!

To learn more or to register for a day, a workshop or an event, visit minnesotaumc.org/annualconference2017 or call the church office.



Friday Evening Prayer Meditation Service

June 16, July 21, August 18, 6:30 p.m.

This service offers an opportunity to slow down and be in God's presence through music, quiet, and prayer. Bring your whole self into God's presence to grow in praise and intimacy, holding in prayer all that needs a holy touch. Led by Rev. Kevin and Liz Raihala.



Golden Sunday June 11

We celebrate and honor our elder members and friends of Hope Church, 80 years of age and older-- all they have brought to the life of this congregation, all they still bring, and all that they mean to us.

Age Well Arrowhead will be present, and will share after worship about the many services they offer to support elders living in their own homes, and their loved ones and caregivers.

A Taste of the Psalms

July 5 and August 2, 5:30 p.m.

We will explore this wondrous book of the Bible. These ancient songs and prayers powerfully express our human experience and our relationship with God, and are just as relevant today as long ago. Bring a brown bag supper. Led by Mary West and Pastor Laurie.



YOUTH NEWS

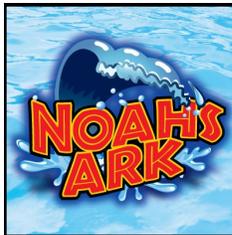
Volunteers Needed!

The area United Methodist Churches are again hosting Adventure Day Camp this summer, and we are looking for more counselors. If you are in high school and free the week of July 24th-27th, please consider volunteering as a counselor. It will be a blast and you'll be doing a great service for the students and the churches. Please let Katrina know if you are interested.

We're also looking for "Wranglers" for our VBS days in the Summer. The dates of those are June 14th, July 12th, and August 9th from 9-3. Please consider signing up to help one, two, or all three days. Thank you!! Enjoy the last few days of school and the start of your summer!

The United Methodist Churches of the Twin Ports Area is inviting middle and sr. high youth to the youth day at Noah's Ark Water Park (largest in the US!) at Wisconsin Dells. Here's the details:

- Cost: \$12 (yup, that's right! Typical admission is \$39 at the gate.) – covers travel, lodging, breakfast, water park entrance, lunch, and supper! (Thanks to the Wesley Fund of the Twin Port's United Methodist Ministries for a \$1,000 grant to help cover costs!)
- Dates: June 14-15
- Faith UMC will drive their two church vans – want to ride with? Let Katrina know.
- We'll leave Faith UMC, Superior, on Wednesday, June 14 at 2 p.m. to travel to Mauston UMC where we'll sleep overnight.
- Thursday, June 15, the water park will be open from 10:00 a.m. until 4pm. Lunch is provided at the water park. We'll travel back to the Twin Ports, arriving at Faith UMC, Superior around 11 p.m.
- Questions? Contact Katrina!



God Bless,
Katrina Hagemeyer, CYF Director
katrina.r.hagemeyer@gmail.com (218)260-1896

Kid's Korner

This is a month of saying thank you.

Thank you, God, for being with us as we worship You, teach our children about You and as we enjoy being together in your House.

Thank you, Pastor Laurie, for your help and guidance and putting up with "just one question".

Thank you to all who had a part in making our celebration Sunday a big success. The worship service was beautiful. The picnic was great. We made a few changes to the picnic this year but it all went well. Thank you, Katrina, for all your work and for getting the games coordinated. Thanks to the cake bakers who made the cake walk so great, the awesome kitchen and clean up crews and to all who came to enjoy the food and festivities. It was an awesome day.

Thank you to all who generously contributed to our Kids Helping Kids mission project on Easter Sunday. We collected a little over \$500 to help feed children through the weekend back pack program at Second Harvest. We had contributed almost \$300 from the bake sale earlier this year so we exceeded our pledge of \$500 by quite a bit!

Thank you to the teachers this year for sharing God's love with our precious young people. Thank you for giving your time and energy to make a difference in their lives. Thank you, parents, for entrusting your little ones to our care on Sunday morning. Thank you, kids, for coming and being eager to learn.

Summer Kids' Quest session begins June 11.

Thanks be to God for all things great and small.
Blessings, ~Anita

HOPE STAFF

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Custodian: Matt Johnson
Accompanist: Diane Nast
Kid's Quest: Anita Rixe
Hope Singers: Nancy DeArmond



OPPORTUNITIES

Vacation Bible School - "Great Savior's Round-Up"

June 14, July 12, August 9

Leadership: Katrina Hagemeyer, Anita Rixe, Lori Amundson, Pastor Laurie

Ages: Elementary-age students

We'll have a country-western / cowboy theme to our activities this year! We learn through fun, with music, crafts, lesson time, games, and more; lunch is also included. Each session stands alone, so come for all that you can and don't worry about the others. Invite a friend to join you!

Helpers are also needed for these events. This is a great opportunity for middle and high school students to assist and learn leadership skills, though adults are also welcome to volunteer. Contact Katrina.



Adventure Day Camp

July 24-27 at Island Lake Boy Scout Camp

Ages: Finishing Kindergarten - 7th grade



Adventure Day Camp is a program of the Twin Ports United Methodist Ministries. This is a great opportunity to enjoy Bible camp without staying overnight, with fun outdoor activities, canoeing, swimming, music, Bible lessons, and much more! Registration packets are available in the church narthex.



We are also looking for high school students to serve as counselors. High schoolers should contact Katrina, our Children, Youth and Families Director, about this possibility. Katrina will be at Adventure Day Camp all week to represent Hope UMC, and would love to have you too!

Page Flippers Book Club

June 28, July 26, August 23 (fourth Wednesdays of summer)

Ages: Preschool through entering Grade 2, and Grades 3-7 (entering)

Following snacks and gathering activities, younger children and their accompanying adult will enjoy stories read aloud. Older kids will discuss a book they've all read in advance. Watch for details, or contact Katrina at

katrina.r.hagemeyer@gmail.com

or call the church office.



Hope UMC Day at Adventure Day Camp Thursday, July 27.

We have particular responsibility for assisting with the day's programs on July 27. Watch for details and sign-up opportunities to provide items or be present with the campers at Island Lake.

This is a great outreach opportunity with the churches of the Twin Ports United Methodist Ministries!

June 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 <i>Plant Sale Set up</i>	2 <i>Plant Sale Set up</i>	3 9-12 pm Plant Sale
4 10:00 am Worship 11:15 am Celebrate Katrina & Clay! 11:15 am Music & Worship 3:00 pm Grace Korean	5	6 10:00 am Garden 10:30 am Staff Mtg. 2:00 pm Pines Worship	7 8:00 am Men's Breakfast (Caribou Coffee) 3-6pm CSA 5:30 pm Taste of the Psalms 7:00 pm Alanon	8	9	10
11 9:45 am Hymn Sing 10:00 am Worship <i>Golden Sunday</i> <i>Summer Kids Quest begins</i> 11:15 am Trustees Mtg. 11:15 am Finance Mtg. 11:15 am SPRC Mtg. 3:00 pm Grace Korean	12	13 10:00 am Ginny Comstock Memorial Service 4:30 pm Missions Mtg.	14 8:00 am Men's Breakfast (Caribou Coffee) 9-3 pm VBS Round Up 10:00 am Page Turners 5:00 pm Prayer Group 7:00 pm Alanon <i>Noah's Art Water Park Trip</i>	15 <i>Noah's Art Water Park Trip</i>	16 10:00 am North Country Quilters 6:30 pm Prayer Service	17 10:00 am CE Mtg.
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Diamond Willow-Proctor: Rilla Karki

Benedictine: Margaret Kline

Key Stone Bluffs: Ralph & Marge Anderson, Bette Nord, Shirley Swapinski

Hold in Prayer...

Margaret Kline	Pat Eng	Rilla Karki	Doug Tripp
Lois Newman	Jenny Pattison-Lundeen	Shirley Swapinski	Bette Nord
Lois Newell	Catharine Larsen	Family of Virginia Olson	

Memorials

In memory of Ginny Comstock: Bev Massie, Merrill Ludvigson, Lanette Passmar

In memory of Virginia Olson: Rev. Roger Pitman, Alan & Connie Schenck, Mary Beth Strand, Shirley Johnson, Sue Moore, Linda Rolland, Walt & Darlene Fulton, Sally Herstad, Richard & Margaret Lattimer, Doug & Meredith Kuehl, Catharine Larsen, Rob & Mary West, Dr. Jerome & Jean Kivako, Ellen Shelton, Pete & Barb Bergman, Nancy Sivertson, William & Patricia Altonem, Marilyn Melhus, Helen Stellmaker, Fred & Judy Moen, Lynn & Pat Devlin, Merl & Mary Bowker, Becca Moen, Jack & Susan Oswald, Vern & Karen Stocke, Barbara Currier, Anita Johnson, Marian McCall, Jim & Nancy DeArmond, Caroline King, Mark & Susan Pillsbury