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Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod

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#### Service Schedule

8:30 a.m. Fellowship  
8:45 a.m. Sunday School/Adult Bible Study  
10 a.m. Communion Worship Service  
6:30 p.m. Sensory Sensitive Service

Special **COME AS YOU ARE** Drive In Worship  
Services for Easter, Memorial Day, Independence  
Day, and Labor Day

Sunday Communion Worship Services (Ind.  
Cup)

Communion 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday (Common Cup only)

## February 2018

**FROM OUR PASTOR**



It's February and we're probably thinking about Valentine's Day and Love. Here's what our dear Dr. Martin Luther wrote on the subject of Love from 1 Cor. 13

Thirdly, we must also have love and through love we must do to one another as God has done to us through faith. For without love faith is nothing, as St. Paul says (1 Cor. 2 [13:1]): If I had the tongues of angels and could speak of the highest things in faith, and have not love, I am nothing. And here, dear friends, have you not grievously failed? I see no signs of love among you, and I observe very well that you have not been grateful to God for his rich gifts and treasures.

Here let us beware lest Wittenberg become Capernaum [cf. Matt. 11:23]. I notice that you have a great deal to say of the doctrine of faith and love which is preached to you, and this is no wonder; an ass can almost intone the lessons, and why should you not be able to repeat the doctrines and formulas? Dear friends, the kingdom of God,—and we are that kingdom—does not consist in talk or words [1 Cor. 4:20], but in activity, in deeds, in works and exercises. God does not want hearers and repeaters of words [Jas. 1:22], but followers and doers, and this occurs in faith through love. For a faith without love is not enough—rather it is not faith at all, but a counterfeit of faith, just as a face seen in a mirror is not a real face, but merely the reflection of a face [1 Cor. 13:12].<sup>1</sup>

Love, I say, is a fruit of this sacrament. But this I do not yet perceive among you here in Wittenberg, even though you have had much preaching and, after all, you ought to have carried this out in practice. This is the chief thing, which is the only business of a Christian man. But nobody wants to be in this, though you want to practice all sorts of unnecessary things, which are of no account. If you do not want to show yourselves Christians by your love, then leave the other things undone, too, for St. Paul says in 1 Cor. 11 [1 Cor. 13:1], “If I speak in the tongues of men and of angels, but have not love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal.” This is a terrible saying of Paul. “And if I have prophetic

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<sup>1</sup> Philadelphia : Fortress Press, 1999, c1959 (Luther's Works 51), S. 51:71

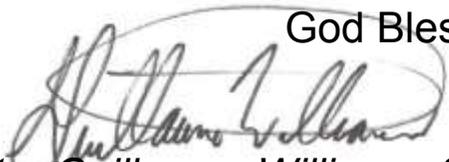
powers, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but have not love, I am nothing. If I give away all I have, and if I deliver my body to be burned, but have not love, I gain nothing” [I Cor. 13:2–3]. Not yet have you come so far as this, though you have received great and rich gifts from God, the highest of which is a knowledge of the Scriptures. It is true, you have the true gospel and the pure Word of God, but no one as yet has given his goods to the poor, no one has yet been burned, and even these things would be nothing without love. You are willing to take all of God’s goods in the sacrament, but you are not willing to pour them out again in love. Nobody extends a helping hand to another, nobody seriously considers the other person, but everyone looks out for himself and his own gain, insists on his own way, and lets everything else go hang. If anybody is helped, well and good; but nobody looks after the poor to see how you might be able to help them. This is a pity. You have heard many sermons about it and all my books are full of it and have this one purpose, to urge you to faith and love.

And if you will not love one another, God will send a great plague upon you; let this be a warning to you, for God will not have his Word revealed and preached in vain. You are tempting God too far, my friends; for if in times past someone had preached the Word to our forefathers, they would perhaps have acted differently. Or if it were preached even now to many poor children in the cloisters, they would receive it more joyfully than you. You are not heeding it at all and you are playing around with all kinds of tomfoolery which does not amount to anything.

I commend you to God.<sup>2</sup>

Well that probably isn’t as romantic as you were hoping. But we reminded love isn’t what the world thinks it is. Our marriages and other relationships with other Christians would do well to remember and practice what God says love is and what love does. I commend to you this love for the upcoming year to be shown to all people but especially to those who share the faith of our Lord Jesus Christ.

God Bless!



Pastor Guillaume Williams, Sr.

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<sup>2</sup> Philadelphia : Fortress Press, 1999, c1959 (Luther's Works 51), S. 51:95

# ELDERS

A few things are happening at Hope that I would like you to come and share with me.

On Sunday mornings Bible study and Sunday School begins at 8:45 am. We are in the book of John. In my years as a Lutheran, I have studied John a few times, but Pastor Williams leads a study to learn something new. Fellowship begins at 8:30 am

On Mondays we are studying The Formula of Concord at 10 am. It gives you a better view into your Lutheran faith.

Mark your calendar for Wednesday, February 14, it is Ash Wednesday the beginning of our Savior's walk to the cross. You will want to join your church family at 6 p.m.

If at anytime you need your Elder please do not hesitate to call him. His phone number is in the directory next to your name.

I pray I will see you at one of these classes and on Ash Wednesday.

In His Service,  
Chuck Kiel  
Head Elder

God's blessings from your Elders,  
Gene Scheiter (346-2442),  
Chuck Kiel (302-0438)  
Alan Wiese (817-3355)

## OUR CONGREGATIONAL PRESIDENT

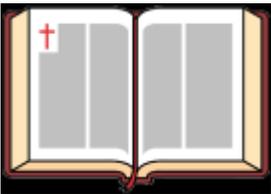
God's blessing to you all. believe it or not, we start lent on the 14th of February. Services are on Wednesday at 6 pm. Come and walk with Jesus thru his last days and try and feel what he did for us.

This brings me to another subject, which is hard to talk about, but very much needed, our stewardship. We are falling behind in our weekly giving, if we don't make changes, then as a congregation we are getting in a precarious situation. If we try and give an extra \$5.00-\$10.00 more a month, we will be able to avoid losing some of the services that we do. We don't ask for any commitments and pastor or an elder, doesn't call on you and tell you that you have to give more. Let's not forget that what we have comes from the lord. Please prayerfully consider your giving.

*Don Hunkeler*

## BIBLE STUDIES

**Sunday's Bible Study Classes** A topical study, led by Pastor Williams will meet in the downstairs fellowship hall.



**Monday's Bible Study Classes** will resume January 8, 2018. It will be "Lutheran Confessions: *The Formula of Concord* study guide". We have ordered a few of the study guides, so please sign up on the credenza, or notify the church secretary, if you would like to attend so we know if we need to order more.

*All are welcome to join any of the classes at anytime.*

**Worried about the expense? *Weekly Bible study materials are provided at no cost to you.*** A donation is welcome though. Just place in a separate envelope with your giving no. and marked "Bible Study" and put in the offering plate on Sunday.

*We will not meet if the Camdenton RIII classes are cancelled for the day.*

## MUSICAL NOTES



Choir practice will be on  
Wednesdays at 4:45 pm.

All voices (male and female) are  
needed.

*You do not have to read music to  
lift a joyful noise to the Lord!* All are invited to join us, all you need is a  
desire to sing unto the Lord!



Questions???

Call Debbie Thompson at 317-0126

## GIFT/CARD SHOP

Christmas cards are one dollar off per box. Stock up for next year. They are quality cards with a Christian message and a bible verse. They will be out through the first week in February. There is a limited selection of general – single purchase valentine cards. Maybe there is a family member or friend that is a shut in or in a nursing home. It is always nice to be remembered. The valentines will be on the display on the table. Besides the usual variety of greeting cards, we have get-well and birthday cards for children and teens. Also the Arch books and A Child's Garden of Prayer are available.



We have the Lutheran Self-Study bible, NIV Self-Study Bible and Beck Bible, an American Translation, and the Book of Concord. These are all at cost prices.

Thanks for stopping by the card shop. All proceeds benefit our library or a special need at Hope Chapel. We are self-service, if you would like to pay by check, please make it out to Hope Lutheran Ladies Guild.

Ash Wednesday is on Valentines Day; we'll see you in Church!

*Have a Blessed Lenten Season,  
Doris Meyer, 346-7681  
Hope Lutheran Ladies Guild*

## BUDGET INFORMATION

2017 Budgeted weekly amount is \$3,251.98.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Service Type</u>	<u>Total Offerings</u>	<u>Total Attend.</u>
December 3 , 2017	Sunday	\$ 2,214.30	54
December 10 , 2017	Sunday	\$ 2,629.03	62
December 17 , 2017	Sunday	\$ 1,664.68	50
December 24 , 2017	Sunday	\$ 1,300.54	31
December 31 , 2017	Sunday	\$ 2,071.07	39

Adopted 2018 Budget Total \$179,169 (\$3,445.55 per week)

## STEWARDSHIP

LCMS Stewardship Ministry  
February 2018

“I am not commanding you, but I want to test the sincerity of your love by comparing it with the earnestness of others. For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, so that you through his poverty might become rich” (2 Corinthians 8:8-9).

Without commands or even arm-twisting, St. Paul encourages, even challenges, the Church in Corinth to demonstrate the sincerity of their faith by their generosity in giving. He does this because giving generously is a gift of the Spirit given to us through the Gospel.

St. Paul wrote: “But just as you excel in everything—in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in complete earnestness and in your love for us—see that you also excel in this grace of giving” (2 Corinthians 8:7). In other words, just as we grow in faith and speech and knowledge of eternal things by the Holy Spirit through the Word of God, so also do we grow in giving from the same Spirit through the same Word.

The problem is that the grace of generosity often grows cold in us. It’s not so much that we stop giving, but we don’t put it first. We treat it like all the other

bills that must be paid. It becomes a chore, just one more thing to check off a list of things to do. That empties it of its spiritual power and robs us of the joy that Christ and the Scriptures assign to it.

On top of that, since this generosity is linked to faith and knowledge of divine things, a lack of excelling in giving is a sure sign that our faith and knowledge of God are under attack as well.

Thus St. Paul points to the foundation of generosity: the generosity of Christ Himself. Even though He was rich, He became poor so that we who are poor might become rich. Thus, the incarnation, suffering, and death of our Lord on the cross is the reason, source, and driving force for our generosity in giving to the church.

And since Christ who was rich became poor so that we might be rich in His grace—of which generous giving is part—so we also who are rich in His grace can excel in pressing His grace into service toward the gracious work of the church.

Pay attention to what you give to the church so that you may excel at it. And if you find that your heart has grown cold or indifferent toward it, immerse yourself in God's Word. Read it at home. Attend Bible Class. Hear and listen to it preached in the Divine Service.

Be reminded of what Christ has done for you in His incarnation, suffering, and death. For this will strengthen your faith and knowledge. And where that excels, so will the grace of giving excel also.

# LWML Ladies Guild News



anyone's idea!

Our next meeting is Tuesday, February 6<sup>th</sup> at 11 am in the meeting room. We will be brainstorming the years activities so please plan to attend so we don't miss

If you have any questions, call 573-348-2108 or email [office@hopelutheranchapel.org](mailto:office@hopelutheranchapel.org) .

*Kathy Heinemann  
President*

We are all “missionaries” to the world and our ladies are an important part of it!

*Many Gifts are needed! Help is always needed in Prayer,  
Helping Hands and donations.*

## Mustard Seed Devotion from LWML.org

### Comfort from the Psalms: Rejoice!

### Rejoice!



In the Word

*This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it. Psalm 118:24*

Of the Word

What were your first thoughts this morning? “I woke up so I must still be alive.” “I dread going to work because I hate my job.” “Just another day of pain.” “Where will the money come from to pay all of my bills?” “Why can't I just hide from the world and stay in bed all day?”

The psalmist tells us to rejoice and be glad because today is a gift from God! What we choose to do with it is up to us. The question then becomes what will our response be to Jesus? How will we let others see that God is at work in us? Are we sharing with others the love God the Father lavishes upon us so graciously? What will our attitude show in spite of the circumstances that surround us?

*I was pushed back and about to fall, but the Lord helped me. The Lord is my strength and my song; he has become my salvation (Psalm 118:13–14).*

The psalmist is telling us that the Holy Spirit does help us through the day. God is stronger than anything we face; strong enough to carry us through any situation. He is our salvation. With God at our side we can begin the day rejoicing in this Good News.

## Walking with my Lord

God of my salvation, help me to learn to say, “Yes! With Your help I am ready to face today. There is nothing I will face today that will be too tough for You to help me handle.” In Jesus’ name. Amen.

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Posted on January 26, 2018 3:00 AM by System Administrator

# SUNDAY SCHOOL

Date	Lesson
4	<b>Paul and Timothy</b> (Acts 15:1–16:5)
11	<b>Lydia</b> (Acts 16:11–15)
18	<b>Paul and Silas in Prison</b> (Acts 16:16–40)
25	<b>Paul Sails for Rome</b> (Acts 27)

## Service Projects 2017

Please place your offerings in the jar or basket during the Sunday School hour and Thank you for your donations!

<u>Month</u>	<u>Beneficiary</u>	<u>Amount Collected</u>
September	Mon Ami, Jesus Bibles for Children	\$43.75
October	Lambs of Hope	\$50.50
November	Christmas is Sharing	\$55.25
December	Benevolence	\$32.97
January	Benevolence	TBD
February	Seminary Student	TBD

# HELP WANTED!!



## Sunday Morning Help:

*Greeters* – Sign up on the credenza

*Fellowship Host(s)* – Signup sheet is on the credenza

*Communion / Altar setup* – Call Lois Grawe

**Counters** – Call the Church Office or speak to Betty Merli.

Don't know what a Counter is? They are the ones that “collect” the offerings from the collection plate after the last Sunday service and get it ready for depositing in the bank and making sure all the envelopes ready for our Financial Secretary (Lois) to put them in the computer so you can receive your year end offering statement for the IRS. They also do a report of that deposit for the Treasurer (Karen) to apply the deposit to the various budget accounts so we know where we are on our spending. If you are a communicant member, can count money and make a list, you can help!

# THRIVENT

There are still many opportunities for Thrivent members to form and lead Thrivent Action Teams for educational events, service activities or fundraising events. The team, when approved, will receive \$250 from Thrivent toward the stated purpose of the event. If you are a Thrivent member (or would like to become one), please contact Thrivent agent Paul (or Linda) Lekar at (573)374-1425) or Congregational Coordinators Jerol & Sandy Laughlin (573-873-3986) or Gene & Margaret Scheiter (573-346-2442).



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# FELLOWSHIP SCHEDULE ~ 2018

March TBD .....	Kite Flying Host: Pastor Williams
March 31 <sup>st</sup> tentative .....	Easter Egg Hunt Hosts: ???
April 1 <sup>st</sup> .....	Easter Morning Breakfast Hosts: Gary Staerkel (?) / Ladies of Hope
June 2 <sup>nd</sup> .....	Pet Show Host: Kathy Heinemann
July 17 <sup>th</sup> 7 pm .....	Lake Area Community Orchestra and Ice Cream Social Hosts: Hope Chapel / OBSC
August TBD .....	Cards and Ice Cream Social Host: Don Hunkeler
September 15 <sup>th</sup> .....	Junk N the Trunk Hosts: Ladies Guild
October TBD .....	Octoberfest and Crazy Bridge Host: Pastor Williams
December 2 <sup>nd</sup> 11:30 am.....	Ladies Luncheon Hosts: Ladies Guild
December 2 <sup>nd</sup> 3 pm.....	Caroling and Soup Supper Hosts: Thompson
December 4 <sup>th</sup> 7 pm .....	Lake Area Orchestra and Cookie Social Hosts: Hope Chapel / OBSC
Jan. 2017 .....	Planning and Pot Luck Dinner Hosts: ??

# DIRECTORY UPDATES

Please change: Fran Carlson

1101 E Arbrook Blvd

Arlington, TX 76014

Phone: 817-375-5814 or cell: 817-908-8561

If she doesn't answer, leave a message and she will call back.

Kathy Heinemann

P O Box 1226

Camdenton, MO 65020

Hasn't moved, just changed to a PO Box.

# THANK YOU!

I'd like to thank everyone for their prayers during my recent surgery.

~ Chuck Kiel



# Thank You

Jan 1, 2018  
Dear Members of Hope Lutheran,  
Your gift of \$2000<sup>00</sup> to Child  
Advocacy's "Christmas Is  
Sharing" program was over-  
whelming. Your support  
allowed us to help many  
families and we are exceedingly  
grateful.  
Trez Killem, CIS Chairman

# FROM THE CHURCH SECRETARY

**ATTN WOODWORKERS!** We are looking for a nice, polished board with slots to put on the credenza to hold the name tags. If you are interested in tackling this little project, please let the secretary know. Approximate dimensions are: 3 ½" x 23 ½" x ¾" with 40-50 angled slots. Badges are 3" x 2".



**2018 Altar Flowers** - New 2018 Flower chart is up in the narthex. Find your special date to donate flowers for the Altar. Sign up early and often. The cost of flowers is \$26 per Sunday. Please be sure to put your payment in the offering plate in an envelope marked "Altar Flowers" and your number.

## **Collections requested:**

*"infant items"* – for Swaddling Clothes mission

*"Cancelled stamps"* – for missions (LWML)

*"Money-off coupons – no expiration date"* - for Concordia Seminary Food Bank (LWML)

*"Portals of Prayer"* – Prison Ministries (LWML)

*"Empty Inkjet Cartridges"* – Offset office supplies & Habitat for Humanity



## **Office Secretary Hours for February**

*Monday thru Friday - 8 am to 12 pm.*

## **New Article/Bulletin Deadlines:**

*Newsletter Articles – 2<sup>nd</sup> to last Sunday of the Month*

*Bulletin Notes – Wednesdays at 9 am*

**WARNING:** *Articles not received by their deadline will not be included.* Articles for the church newsletter, "The Anchor," or notices for the bulletins, may be put in the in-box on the church secretary's desk or sent by e-mail to:

[office@hopelutheranchapel.org](mailto:office@hopelutheranchapel.org)

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# Lent Starts February 14, 2018!

## Sermon Series: *Hymns of Lent*

SCHEDULE		
 <b>Feb. 14</b> Ash Wednesday	Lessons From: Joel 2:12-19 2 Cor. 5:20b-6:10 Matt. 6:1-6, 16-21	Savior, When in Dust to Thee (LSB 419)
<b>Feb. 21</b>	Lev. 9:23, 24 1 Cor. 9:23-27 Luke 4:1-13	O Lord, throughout These Forty Days (LSB 418)
<b>Feb. 28</b>	Isa. 53:2-5 1 Pet. 2:19-24 Matt. 27:33-46	Christ, the Life of All the Living (LSB 420)
<b>March 7</b>	Isa. 53:4-5, 11 Col. 1:19-23 Matt. 15:29-30	Jesus, Refuge of the Weary (LSB 423)
<b>March 14</b>	Isa. 53:3-6 Rom. 12:1-2 Mark 15:34-39	Jesus, I Will Ponder Now (LSB 440)
<b>March 21</b>	Isaiah 50:4-10 Luke 23:20-34	O Dearest Jesus, What Law Hast Thou Broken (LSB 439)

### ***Weekly Autism, Sensory-Issue, Light, and Scent-Friendly Sunday Worship 6:30 pm***

***Attendees are asked not to wear perfume or body sprays. Questions? Contact Rev. Williams at (573) 348-2108.***

OUR WORSHIP SERVICE can be heard every Sunday (on a week delay basis) from 8:30-9:00 am on KRMS 1150 AM and 97.5 FM Radio. If you would like to help sponsor this broadcast, place your contribution in a designated gift offering envelope marked "Radio Broadcast". You can also tune into 89.3 fm at any time to listen to one of our previous services.



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