

**FROM OUR PASTOR**



So it's a new year. Have you made resolutions of things you're going to improve on for yourself for the year? Might I suggest one to you? If you don't already go to a bible study here at Hope begin one this year.

What do the Scriptures say? Romans 15:4 "For whatever was written in former days was written for our instruction, that through endurance and through the encouragement of the Scriptures we might have hope." While certainly you get some instruction in the sermons, you don't get to ask questions. To be honest I can only go so deep and cover so many subjects on a given scripture in a sermon. But if you want to get the encouragement of the scriptures and receive deeper instruction, bible study is where that happens.

Paul wrote, 1 Timothy 4:13 "Until I come, devote yourself to the public reading of Scripture, to exhortation, to teaching." I have an obligation as a pastor to read the Scripture to you, to exhort and to teach you, all which happens to some extent during the worship service, but there is so much more we can dig into in a Bible Study. Not to mention that your questions and sometimes your answers instruct me!

It is written, 2 Timothy 3:16-17 "All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, <sup>(17)</sup> that the man of God may be complete, equipped for every good work." Do you want to be complete and equipped for every good work? I got good news for you, a Bible study does just that and you've already paid someone to prepare and lead it, me. Don't make me feel like the Maytag repairman. Besides you may actually be more broken than you think. Going to a Bible study keeps us tuned up.

So on Sunday mornings we are currently in 2 Samuel, murder, war, political intrigue, romance, it has it all. It is never boring.

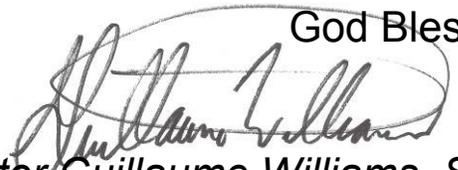
We will also restart Living Way on Wednesday mornings at 10 am starting January 10<sup>th</sup>. We will be studying the Gospel of Luke.

Should there be some subject or other book of the Bible you really wanted to study let me know and I'll get it pulled up in the near future when we finish these.

Well there you, one resolution that not only can you keep easily (you're already here for worship on Sundays) but it is one that will actually help conform your life to the life of Christ.

Happy New Year.

God Bless!



*Pastor Guillaume Williams, Sr.*

## ELDERS

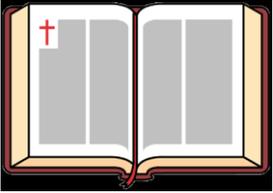
**HAPPY NEW YEAR!** Another year has gone by and we want to remind our members to attend Worship on Sundays at 10 am and join us for Bible Study and Sunday School at 11:20 am. It is so important for each of us to hear God's Word to help us in our life each day. We have missed some of you so much and pray you will come and join us in 2019.

Have a very blessed New Year. If you are in need of speaking to your Elder, his phone number is by your name in the church directory or call the church office 348-2108. Their numbers are also below.

In God's Service,  
Chuck Kiel (480-5335)  
Gene Scheiter (470-0251)  
Alan Wiese (573-424-4600)

# 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** are moving to **Wednesday's** at 10 am starting with Wednesday, January 9, 2019 at 10 am.

*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 Camdenon RIII classes are cancelled for the day.*

## From Our President

The holidays are over and now we can sit back and enjoy life and the gifts the lord has given us. We all have so much to be thankful for.

There is much that has to be done at church. Everyone need's to pitch in and help. The jobs are many, but the laborers are few.

We will be having morning bible class starting on Wednesday, January 9<sup>th</sup> at 10 am. We will studying Luke from the Living Way series. We did something like this several years back.

There is a voters meeting with pot luck dinner after bible class on January 20<sup>th</sup>. Several important matters will be discussed and we need your input.

May the lord bless you in this new year.

*Don Hunkeler*  
Congregational President

# SWADDLING CLOTHES

2018 has been a great year for Swaddling Clothes.

First, I want to thank the voters of Hope for the generosity and commitment they made to support Swaddling Clothes through Thrivent Choice \$ and a commitment of \$100 a month. This year I did not ask for the same commitment and I'm praying God moves the hearts of the members to give monthly in the designated gift envelopes. To those that have already have done this, please continue to do so in 2019. We run strictly by donations.

Secondly, let me thank everyone who helped in so many ways. We have a lady who has made so many baby quilts, thank you so much Betty Merli! And there are a few ladies from the Senior Center, who also makes blankets for babies and some even come with a hat, thank you so much! And Doris Meyer who gets Action Team gift cards from Thrivent. These ladies are so dedicated to this mission. Now we need knitted booties or sweaters. Crocheting is good too.

Last but not least, I have had some terrific men and women who also have been so faithful in providing their gifts of their talent. They have been working extra hard because I have been unable to and I do hold a special place in my heart for them. They are: Lois and Len Grawe, Sandy and Jerol Laughlin, Joyce Trost, Christina, Marie and Max Williams, Tina Cardin, Alan and Kathy Weise, Sonja Howard, Sheila Hayes, Susan Kuhn, Jackie Onstott, and Kathy Heinemann, Pastor Williams, and of course my husband Chuck Kiel who helps me shop and get things in order with paper work.

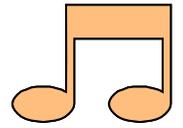
Now for a report to let you know how many we served and what we did in 2018. We helped 282 families, gave away 284 packages of diapers, and 282 packages of wipes. At Christmas we gave 24 bags of groceries and 36 nativity ornaments to families. God has blessed us richly. These families are so grateful and the community is telling families in need about us.

Wal-Mart has been generous every month by giving us a gift card to help with supplies.

All this I have mentioned because 2019 will require more monetary gifts and help. I am so grateful for all things.

Again, thank you members of Hope. You are a wonderful blessing to me and to families in need of help and in turn God will bless you!!

TO GOD BE THE GLORY!!



*Karen Kiel*  
Swaddling Clothes Director

## **SAVE THE DATES!**

**Fellowship Planning for 2019 – TBD**

**Pet Show – June 1, 2019**

**Junk N the Trunk – September 21, 2019**

## **MUSICAL NOTES**



All are invited to join us in making a joyful noise unto the Lord!

Choir is on Hiatus for January.

Questions???

Call Debbie Thompson at 317-0126

# FROM OUR DECEMBER VOTER'S MEETING

From our December Voter's Meeting: Officers of the Congregation - 2019

President ..... Don Hunkeler  
Vice-President ..... Roger Trost  
Secretary ..... Kathy Heinemann  
Treasurer ..... Karen Kiel  
Financial Secretary ..... Lois Grawe  
Board of Finance ..... Tina Cardin, Pete Hill, Doris Meyer  
Board of Education..... Tina Cardin, Jan Loman, Debbie Thompson  
Board of Trustees ..... Len Grawe, Bob Mantyck, John Ross  
Board of Elders ..... Chuck Kiel, Gene Scheiter, Alan Wiese

Adopted 2019 Budget Total \$179,029.30

## GIFT/CARD SHOP

The Card Shop is located off the narthex on the landing at the top of the stairs to the lower level.

Thanks for stopping by. If you have a special need or request. I will be glad to help. All proceeds benefit our Hope Library, or a special need at Hope. We are giving to Christmas is Sharing this month.



*Doris Meyer, 346-7681  
Hope Lutheran Ladies Guild*

## PRAYER CHAIN

PRAY for one  
another  
*James 5: 16*

Thanks to all of you faithful prayer chain members! You are truly appreciated. Many are so thankful that we have a prayer chain to offer requests and thanksgivings to the Lord.

If you would like to offer your prayer support, just call or speak to me or sign the sheet in the Narthex. You can even call Kathy at the church office. We would be most happy to have you.

In His Name we pray,  
*Doris Meyer , 346-7681*

If you CAN NOT reach Doris, call the church office, 348-2108.

# SEMINARY STUDENT

Merry Christmas from Lubbock, Texas:

By the time you receive this letter, Christmas will most likely be behind us. The end of the year will see the completion of my sixth month of vicarage and my first season of Advent in the pulpit. A significant part of my vicarage coursework is due the following week and the folks here in Lubbock will soon be deciding whether to extend a call to me this coming spring. I would be lying if I told you that this was all as easy as pie. What it is, is an opportunity to "be anxious for nothing, but in all things by prayer and supplication let [my] requests be made known to God."

During our college Bible study this fall, we read that God had rescued the Israelites from slavery, established His covenant with them, and was leading them to the promised land for one main reason: so that He could live with His chosen people. At Christmas, we celebrate the night when that foreshadowing became reality; the night when God the creator became a creature to live among us. The most astounding event in the history of the universe. And this He did for one reason: to die for us; delivering us from sin, death, and the devil that we might live with Him forever. Merry Christmas!

Thank you again to everyone at Hope Chapel Lutheran Church for supporting my wife and me through the Adopt-A-Student program at Concordia Seminary. Thank you for being a part of preparing future pastors for service in God's Church and in His mission fields.

In Christ,  
*W. Jeff & Fadia Jenkins*  
Vicar Lutheran Student Center and  
Redeemer Lutheran Church Lubbock, Texas

## BUDGET INFORMATION

2018 Budgeted weekly amount is \$3,445.55.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Service Type</u>	<u>Total Offerings</u>	<u>Total Attend.</u>
November 4, 2018	Sunday	\$ 2,209.00	37
November 11, 2018	Sunday	\$ 1,547.40	47
November 18, 2018	Sunday	\$ 2,166.92	0
November 25, 2018	Sunday	\$ 2,254.94	43

## GIVING ENVELOPES FOR 2019



Giving envelopes for 2019 are on the table in the narthex. Be sure to pick yours up, but **DO NOT** use them until January 2019. ***Please be aware that envelope numbers may have changed again this year.*** If you don't find your name on a box of envelopes, please notify someone on the finance committee or the church office

***IF you have a habit of forgetting yours, just let the secretary know and she can put it with other's that forget : )***

## STEWARDSHIP

It is no secret that God calls us to be generous with the gifts He has given us. Throughout the Bible, we read that just as God has generously given to us, so are we to give generously one to another. As Jesus said, "By this all people will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another" (John 13:35) and "Be merciful, even as your Father is merciful" (Luke 6:36).

But God also calls us to give to Him. And He, who does all things well, presses it into service for the benefit of all the people of God. See for example what God spoke to Moses on Mount Sinai, after he and the people were safely brought out of Egypt across the Red Sea on dry land:

The Lord said to Moses, “Speak to the people of Israel, that they take for me a contribution. From every man whose heart moves him you shall receive the contribution for me. And this is the contribution that you shall receive from them: gold, silver, and bronze, blue and purple and scarlet yarns and fine twined linen, goats' hair, tanned rams' skins, goatskins,[a] acacia wood, oil for the lamps, spices for the anointing oil and for the fragrant incense, onyx stones, and stones for setting, for the ephod and for the breastpiece. And let them make me a sanctuary, that I may dwell in their midst. Exactly as I show you concerning the pattern of the tabernacle, and of all its furniture, so you shall make it. (Ex. 25: 1-9)

Notice in verse two that the Lord instructs Moses to tell the Israelites to “take for me a contribution” and that from everyone motivated from gratitude for what God has just accomplished and given to them, Moses is to gather up “the contribution for me.”

Pay attention, though, why the Lord wants the people of Israel to gather up these contributions for Him. God tells Moses precisely why: “let them make me a sanctuary, that I may dwell in their midst.” The purpose for the contribution of the Israelites was so that He may dwell with them, that He would live among them. Through the tabernacle and the priesthood, through their rites and ceremonies, through their feasts and festivals, as through means, the Lord God, who brought them out of the bondage of Egypt would live and dwell among them and be their God, and lead them into the promised land, which flowed with milk and honey.

God dwells among us still. In the fullness of time, God's son was born of woman, born under the law to redeem those under the law. He brought us out of bondage to sin, death, the devil, and Hell, and He did this by His obedient suffering and death, his resurrection and ascension. But He is not gone. He dwells with us through the means of His Word and His sacraments, through the preaching and the teaching of our pastors, through the rites and ceremonies of our liturgy. He dwells with us in the Church through those means. And He is leading us to the true promised land, to the new heavens and the new earth in the new creation.

In the meantime, as God, even now, continues to call us to give to Him, let us, who have been saved from slavery to sin and death, the devil and hell, be so moved in our hearts as to give generously to Him so that the means of

grace, the means of His gracious dwelling among us, would continue now and into the future. For just as He did then so does He do now. He presses the gifts given to Him into service for the benefit of all His people. He puts it to use so that we may have Him with us always, even unto the end of the age.

*Reprinted from [lcms.org/stewardshipministryresources](http://lcms.org/stewardshipministryresources)*

## SUNDAY SCHOOL

Date	Lesson
6	<b>The Birth of Jesus</b> (Luke 2:1–20)
13	<b>The Presentation of Jesus</b> (Luke 2:22–40)
20	<b>The Visit of the Wise Men</b> (Matthew 2)
27	<b>The Boy Jesus in the Temple</b> (Luke 2:41–52)

## Service Projects 2018

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 2019	Benevolence	TBD

# LWML Ladies Guild News



We had a wonderful lunch and gift exchange at Lil Rizzo's on December 2<sup>nd</sup>. We were missing a few ladies, but know that they will be with us next year.

Our next meeting is Tuesday, January 8<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 anyone's idea!

The latest quarterlies are on the credenza by the mite box. Go ahead and pick yours up today!

Attention Secret Pal/Sister's! I have only had 2 people express interest in participating in the Secret Pal program. We do need a few more to keep the "secret" part of it, so please let me know if you would like to participate in 2019.

## *Secret Sister Ministry*

*This is a ministry to glorify the Lord by lifting up your sister in Christ. It's not about material things but a way to show love toward your Sister in Christ with a prayer, a card or sometimes just a letter or note to let her know she is being thought of. We are to lift our Secret Sister up spiritually and mentally. Please fill out the form below, detach it and place it in the drawing box on the information table. Please remember her birthday, anniversary and other special days, and shower her with a token of love at least once a month. Remember this is a ministry not just a social endeavor.*

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.*

# DIRECTORY UPDATES



**WELCOME TO Kim Terviel!** - Kim is joined our congregation on December 16<sup>th</sup> by Profession of Faith. More information to follow.

## HELP WANTED!!

**Sound Engineer** – Talk to a Trustee or call the church office. Training is available! We could use 2-3 volunteers to familiarize themselves with the sound system and do sound checks before services.

**Greeters** – Sign up on the credenza Stand in foyer and greet people as they enter the building one Sunday

**Fellowship Host(s)** – Signup sheet is on the credenza. Pick up donuts for fellowship time and make sure coffee is made and cleaned up (AND POT TURNED OFF) afterwards.

**Communion / Altar setup** – Call Lois Grawe

**Counters** – Call the Church Office or speak to Kathy Heinemann or Doris Meyer. *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. *If you are a communicant member, can count money and make a list, you can help!*



## Sunday School Teacher Needed!

Our Board of Education is looking for 1-2 volunteers to help share the word of God with our kiddo's. No previous experience necessary, if you can read, you can teach! Lessons and materials are provided just contact Debbie Thompson, Jan Loman, or Tina Cardin if you are interested!

*(Psst! SS Teachers are not just women 😊 )*

REQUIREMENTS: ~ Love of God ~ Love of kids ~ Can read and write

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# FROM THE CHURCH SECRETARY

**2019 Altar Flowers** - New 2019 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 January**

*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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# *Epiphany*

**COMMUNION WORSHIP SERVICE**

**Sunday, January 6<sup>th</sup>**

**10 am**



“Where is the Child Who was born King of the Jews?” they asked. “We saw His star in the east and have come to worship Him.”

Matthew 2:2

## ***Daily Devotions***

Our Pastor publishes daily devotions on our website, facebook, twitter, and linkedin.

Our website: [www.hopelutheranchapel.org](http://www.hopelutheranchapel.org)

Follow us on Twitter - @hopelutheranmo / And Facebook - [Hope-Lutheran-Chapel](https://www.facebook.com/Hope-Lutheran-Chapel)



**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



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**Service Schedule**

11 a.m. Fellowship  
11:20 a.m. Sunday School/Adult Bible Study  
10 a.m. Communion Worship 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)

**January 2019**