HOPE HIGHLIGHTS

FEBRUARY 2023

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Pastor Anna's Office Hours: Wednesday 9:00 am - 2:00 pm Thursday 1:30 pm - 4:30 pm



FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

- 5 Jessica Weitnauer
- 7 Jean Stelling
- 16 Kassidy Mudd, Vicki Oakley
- 19 Sharon Taylor
- 28 Scott Foizey, Genevieve Kuehl

A Word from our Call Committee...

The call committee is pleased to announce that we have interviewed a potential part time pastor! Her name is Pastor Rhea Evanson. We presented the candidate information and call committee input to the church council and they have approved our recommendation to call. Pastor Evanson has 20 plus years of experience in large and small churches, Christian education, loves preaching and Bible study. She thoroughly enjoys ministering to members in their times of need, visiting those not able to come to church and those in the hospital. A quote from her profile "I believe I am called to be in a faithful and loving relationship with God, and to share the gift of God's faith and love with others." She has served shared parishes, and is looking forward to a part time call as a solo pastor for many years to come. Please join us on February 5th after worship as we meet and greet Pastor Rhea Evanson.

There will also be a **Special Congregational Meeting** to vote on the candidate on Sunday, February 12th, following the Worship Service. We would like as many members present as possible. This is a very important meeting -- Please plan to attend! We did not expect to have such an excellent candidate so soon given the pastoral shortage and definitely feel the Holy Spirit is working with us.

> Karen Pahl – Co-Chair Donna Fugate – Co-Chair Clete Moser – Council Liaison Sharon Boardman Pat Casner Jan Dyson

FEBRUARY AT HOPE

- 1 12:00 pm Spirited Seniors 3:30 pm Choir Practice
- 3 7:00 pm AA Meeting
- 5 9:00 am Sunday Worship ***Meet & Greet***
- 7 12:00 pm 55+ Potluck @ Hope
- 8 12:00 pm Spirited Seniors 3:30 pm Choir Practice
- 10 7:00 pm AA Meeting
- 11 8:30 am Men of Hope9:00 am Women of Hope
- 12 9:00 am Sunday Worship ***SPECIAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING***
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- 17 7:00 pm AA Meeting
- 19 9:00 am Sunday WorshipHOPE'S ANNUAL CHILI COOKOFF& SILENT AUCTION
- 20 6:00 pm Hope Council Meeting
- 21 1:00 pm Quilters
- 22 12:00 pm Spirited Seniors
 3:30 pm Choir Practice
 6:00 pm ASH WEDNESDAY
 WORSHIP SERVICE
- 23 4:00 pm Soup Supper
- 24 7:00 pm AA Meeting
- 26 9:00 am Sunday Worship

* Please join us for Fellowship/Coffee Time after Sunday Worship.

(The sign-up sheet to "Host" and/or Bring Treats is on the bulletin board across from Kris' office.)

MEN OF HOPE

The Men of Hope will meet Saturday, February 11th with breakfast starting at 8:30 am, followed by the meeting.



SOUP SUPPER

Come join us Thursday February 23rd at 4:00 pm! Super yummy food will be available for sale 4:00 pm – 6:00 pm. Sponsored by the Men of Hope!

55+

Join us for a potluck at the church! Tuesday, February 7th at 12:00 pm. All are welcome to come!!!

SPIRITED SENIORS

All are welcome to join – we meet at noon each Wednesday for lunch & games!

CHRISTIAN ACTION

We will continue to collect for Camp Courageous through the month of February. Please view the list of needed items: <u>https://campcourageous.org/needs-list/</u> They are very grateful for any donations -toilet paper, paper towels, sunscreen, Ziplock (qt & gal), trash bags, band aids, --to name just a few!

WOMEN OF HOPE

The Women of Hope will meet Saturday, February 11th. The Guest Speaker will be Ray Anderson, VP of Cedar Valley Rocks & Minerals. All are welcome to join us at 9:00 am!

QUILTERS

Quilters will meet Tuesday February 21st at 1:00 pm Come help cut, pin, and layout --ALL skill levels welcome and appreciated!!!

CHOIR

Choir meets for practice every Wednesday afternoon at 3:30 pm.

HOPE COUNCIL

Sue Williams - President Clete Moser - Vice President Betty Nelson - Financial Secretary Linda Jones - Treasurer David Adams - Secretary Cal Burchland - Member Jeanne Dahm - Member Leon (Codge) Jones - Member Andy Kuehl – Member

Please keep all who serve in your prayers!!!



Dear children of the congregation at Hope Lutheran Church,

Thank you very much for your donation last month to Critter Crusaders of Cedar Rapids. Your generosity and kindness will help many animals in need in the coming year.

Gratefully - Rachel - CCR Volunteer

SAVE THE DATE

Hope's Spring Craft Show, Bake Sale & Luncheon Saturday, April 29th 9:00 am – 2:00 pm (Lunch served 11:00 am-1:00 pm) Baked goods gratefully accepted for drop off Friday, April 28th between 3:00 pm – 6:00 pm!