## HOPE HIGHLIGHTS

#### **JANUARY 2023**

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#### JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

- 2 Dillon DeFord
- 3 Marlys Halberg
- 5 Matt Richeson
- 6 Leon Jones, Derek Barnes
- 10 Kylie Edmonds
- 11 Doug Bramow
- 26 Kay Luther
- 31 Bev Weitnauer, Marley Burge-Fay

#### JANUARY AT HOPE

## \*\*\* December 31 - 4:00 pm CHRISTMAS EVE Worship Service\*\*\*

- 1 NEW YEAR'S DAY
- \* 9:00 am CHRISTMAS DAY Worship\*
- 4 12:00 pm Spirited Seniors 3:30 pm Choir Practice
- 6 7:00 pm AA Meeting
- 8 9:00 am Sunday Worship\*
- 11 12:00 pm Spirited Seniors3:30 pm Choir Practice
- 13 7:00 pm AA Meeting
- 14 8:30 am Men of Hope9:00 am Women of Hope
- 15 9:00 am Sunday Worship\*
- 16 6:00 pm Hope Council Meeting
- 17 1:00 PM Quilters
- 18 12:00 pm Spirited Seniors3:30 pm Choir Practice
- 20 7:00 pm AA Meeting
- 22 9:00 am Sunday Worship\*
- 12:00 pm Spirited Seniors3:30 pm Choir Practice
- 26 4:00 Soup Supper
- 27 7:00 pm AA Meeting
- 29 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.)

#### WOMEN OF HOPE

The Women of Hope will meet
Saturday, January 14th.
The Guest Speaker will be Charles Becker
from Camp Courageous.
All are welcome to join us at 9:00 am!

#### CHRISTIAN ACTION

We will be collecting for Camp Courageous for the month of January.

Please view the list of needed items: https://campcourageous.org/needs-list/

#### MEN OF HOPE

The Men of Hope will meet January 14th.

Breakfast starts at 8:30 am,
followed by the monthly meeting.

Please join us!

#### **QUILTERS**

Quilters will meet Tuesday
January 17th at 1:00 pm
Come help cut, pin, and layout -ALL skill levels welcome and appreciated!!!

#### SOUP SUPPER

Come join us Thursday
January 26th at 4:00 pm!
Delicious food will be available for sale
4:00 pm – 6:00 pm.
Sponsored by the Men of Hope!

#### CHOIR

Choir meets for practice every Wednesday afternoon at 3:30 pm -- ALL VOICES ARE WELCOME!!!

#### 55+

55+ will NOT be meeting in January -- Stay safe and warm until we meet again!!!

#### SPIRITED SENIORS

Jan 4 - Catered Lunch & Games Jan 11 - Sack Lunch & Games Jan 18 - Sack Lunch & Games Jan 25 - Catered Lunch & BINGO

## SAVE THE DATE: HOPE'S CHILI COOKOFF FEBRUARY 19<sup>TH</sup>

#### CALL COMMITTEE

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

#### 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!!!





## Thank you to all who donated to our mitten tree!!!

The mittens, hats, scarves, snow pants and other "winter wear" have been taken to Grant Elementary School. These donations gratefully have been received and distributed to those in need.

## And now, as the New Year begins, the needs are still so great...

Please consider bringing non-perishable food to help "Fill the Cart" in the Narthex.

These donations are collected and taken regularly to St. Vincent De Paul and HACAP to help meet the needs of many in our community. Winter can be a very harsh time for those who struggle with financial hardships and food insecurity. If you are able, please join us in helping to bring some love and warmth to others in the food we share!

Foods that are needed: Peanut Butter Cereal Soups Oatmeal Spaghetti Sauce Rice Mac and Cheese Pasta



"THE FEWER THE WORDS, THE BETTER THE PRAYER." Martin Luther

# AS WE FIND OURSELVES IN THIS, THE 12 DAYS OF CHRISTMAS...

With Christmas Day being the First Day of Christmas, and January 5<sup>th</sup> the Twelfth, we now find ourselves well on our way to January 6<sup>th</sup>, which is Epiphany!

The carol, The Twelve Days of Christmas, is steeped in history and tradition... For some, it has become a type of small catechism...

- 1. The partridge in a pear tree is Jesus Christ.
- 2. Two turtle doves are the Old and New Testaments.
- 3. Three French hens stand for faith, hope and love.
- 4. Four calling birds are the four gospels of Matthew, Mark, Luke and John.
- 5. Five golden rings represent the Torah or Law, the first five books of the Old Testament.
- 6. Six geese a-laying stand for the six days of creation.
- 7. Seven swans a-swimming represent the sevenfold gifts of the Holy Spirit prophesy, serving, teaching, exhortation, contribution, leadership, and mercy.
- 8. Eight maids a-milking are the eight beatitudes.
- 9. Nine ladies dancing are the nine fruits of the Holy Spirit love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control.
- 10. Ten lords a-leaping are the ten commandments.
- 11. Eleven pipers piping stand for the eleven faithful disciples.
- 12. Twelve drummers drumming symbolize the twelve points of belief in the Apostles' Creed.