

Milk

March & April 2010
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Like newborn babies, crave pure spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow up in your salvation, now that you have tasted that the Lord is good. *1 Peter 2:2-3*

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Join the

FUN

this Summer

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Real Life Calendar

Mar 11-12	9:00pm-7:00am Real Life All-Nighter-SC
Mar 14	5:00-6:00pm Irresistible Revolution-Atomic Coffee on Broadway
Mar 21	5:00-6:00pm Irresistible Revolution-Atomic Coffee on Broadway
Mar 22	7:Mission J meeting-SC
Mar 28	5:00-6:00pm Irresistible Revolution-Atomic Coffee on Broadway
Apr 4	5:00-6:00pm Irresistible Revolution-Atomic Coffee on Broadway
Apr 11	5:00-6:00pm Irresistible Revolution-Atomic Coffee on Broadway
Apr 18	5:00-6:00pm Irresistible Revolution-Atomic Coffee on Broadway
Apr 25	5:00-6:00pm Irresistible Revolution-Atomic Coffee on Broadway
May 19	7:30pm Baccalaureate-SC
June 15-22	Student Mission Jamaica Trip
July 12	Tee It Up for Teens
July 14-18	Sonshine Music Festival



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Youth Mission Jamaica Trip - June 15-22

All students signed up for this unforgettable, life-changing experience... we will see you, **Monday, March 22, 7:00pm, South Campus** for an important meeting.



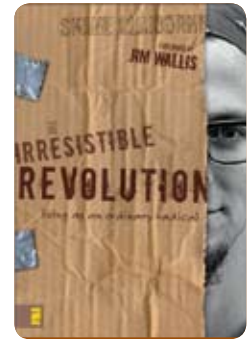
2008 Youth Mission J trip

Wake up Wednesday

Life is too short to sleep through. Stay awake and enjoy it! Join us for Wake Up **Wednesdays, 7:30am.**

- Mark will be at Gloria Jeans on 19 Ave North
- Adam will be at Caribou Coffee on 25 St South

The Irresistible Revolution: Living as an Ordinary Radical Book Study



Can **you** resist? Join us for the book study beginning **Sunday, March 14, 5:00pm** at **Atomic Coffee** (downtown).

We will be reading Shane Claiborne's **The Irresistible Revolution.**

This is what others say about the book: *"Claiborne's stories draw the reader in with humor and intimacy, only to turn the most common ways of practicing religion upside down."* **From Publishers Weekly**

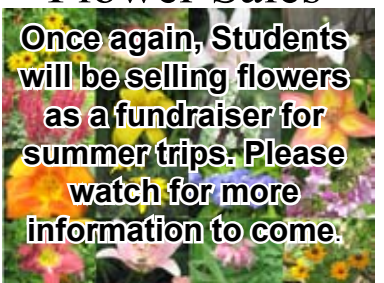
"A moving, often humorous account of a life of faith lived to the fullest." June Sawyers

Save the Date Baccalaureate

Wednesday, May 19, 7:30pm, South Campus-Baccalaureate Worship Service to celebrate the graduating seniors. Open to all Seniors student and their families.

Flower Sales

Once again, Students will be selling flowers as a fundraiser for summer trips. Please watch for more information to come.



Registration -March 11 All-Nighter

Name: _____ Grade: _____ Male/Female _____ Age _____

Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Home Church _____

I give my son/daughter permission to attend Real Life All-Nighter.

Parent/Guardian signature: _____

Date _____

To register complete this form, enclose a \$20 payment and return to the Church Office no later than Wednesday, March 10.

Make checks payable to Hope Lutheran Church. (Please put your name and "All-Nighter" in the memo section.)

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All-nighter!

March 11

9:00pm-7:00am

South Campus (Youth Room)

All are welcome! Invite your friends!



Who: All 10th-12th graders

What: SUPER FUN Christian music festival and camping

Cost: \$100 (covers concert/parking/camping/some food)

When & Where: July 14-17, Willmar, MN

Why: Music+camping+the great outdoors=one awesome time

Registration -Sonshine Music Festival July 14-17, 2010

Name: _____ Grade: _____ Male/Female _____ Age _____

Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Home Church _____

Would you be able to bring a large tent to share? YES NO

I give my son/daughter permission to attend Sonshine Music Festival.

Parent/Guardian signature: _____

Date _____

To register complete this form, enclose a \$100 payment, and return to the Church Office no later than May 31. (Payment non-refundable after May 31.)

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PowerLife Calendar

- Mar 3 7:00-8:00pm 8th/9th Grade Large Group - NC/SC
7:00-8:00pm 6th/7th Grade Small Group - NC/SC
- Mar 10 7:00-8:00pm 6th/7th Grade Large Group - NC/SC
7:00-8:00pm 8th/9th Grade Small Group - NC/SC
- Mar 14 ??? Michigan Mission Trip Participants & Leaders
Mandatory Meeting
- Mar 17 7:00-8:00pm 8th/9th Grade Large Group - NC/SC
7:00-8:00pm 6th/7th Grade Small Group - NC/SC
- Mar 21 8:00am-1:00pm Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser
- Mar 24 7:00-8:00pm 6th/7th Grade Large Group - NC/SC
7:00-8:00pm 8th/9th Grade Small Group - NC/SC
- Mar 31 **Holy Week - NO CONFIRMATION**
- Apr 7 7:00-8:00pm 8th/9th Grade Large Group - NC/SC
7:00-8:00pm 6th/7th Grade Small Group - NC/SC
- Apr 14 7:00-8:00pm 6th/7th Grade Large Group - NC/SC
7:00-8:00pm 8th/9th Grade Small Group - NC/SC
- Apr 21 7:00-8:00pm 8th/9th Grade Large Group - NC/SC
7:00-8:00pm 6th/7th Grade Small Group - NC/SC
- Apr 28 7:00-8:00pm 6th/7th Grade Large Group - NC/SC
(with parents - Celebrate and Register)
7:00-8:00pm 8th only Grade Large Group - NC/SC
(with parents of 8th Graders - Celebrate and Register)
- Apr 30-May 2 9th Grade Confirmation Mission Retreat
- May 7-9 2nd 9th Grade Confirmation Mission Retreat
- June 8-11 Summer Castaway
- July 19-20 Twin Cities Fun Trip

Michigan Mission trip

The YouthWorks Mission Trip to Sault Ste. Marie on **June 16-July 3** is just around the corner. Planning and praying have begun. A mandatory meeting for trip participants and leaders is:

Sunday, March 14, 4:00pm, South Campus

Please contact Kathryn with questions.



If you are a student who is planning on going to Michigan and want to take part in the fundraising, please contact Kathryn ASAP!

Pancake Feed!!!

Sunday, March 21



Students, help serve pancakes from 8:00am-1:00pm and raise some funds for your trip to Michigan.

Fundraiser goes to help Powerlife students going on the Michigan Mission trip.

Gallons of Gas Fundraiser

Please help the 6th-9th grade participants of the Youthworks mission trip to Sault Sainte Marie pay their way to Michigan by donating:

- \$15 for 5 gallons of gas
- \$30 for 10 gallons of gas
- \$60 for a full tank of gas

Envelopes are available in the hall by the mission trip map and can be turned into the Church Office.

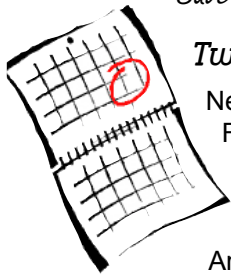
Please write your name on the envelope so that your donation can be included on your giving record. Thank you in advance for your support!



Flower Sales

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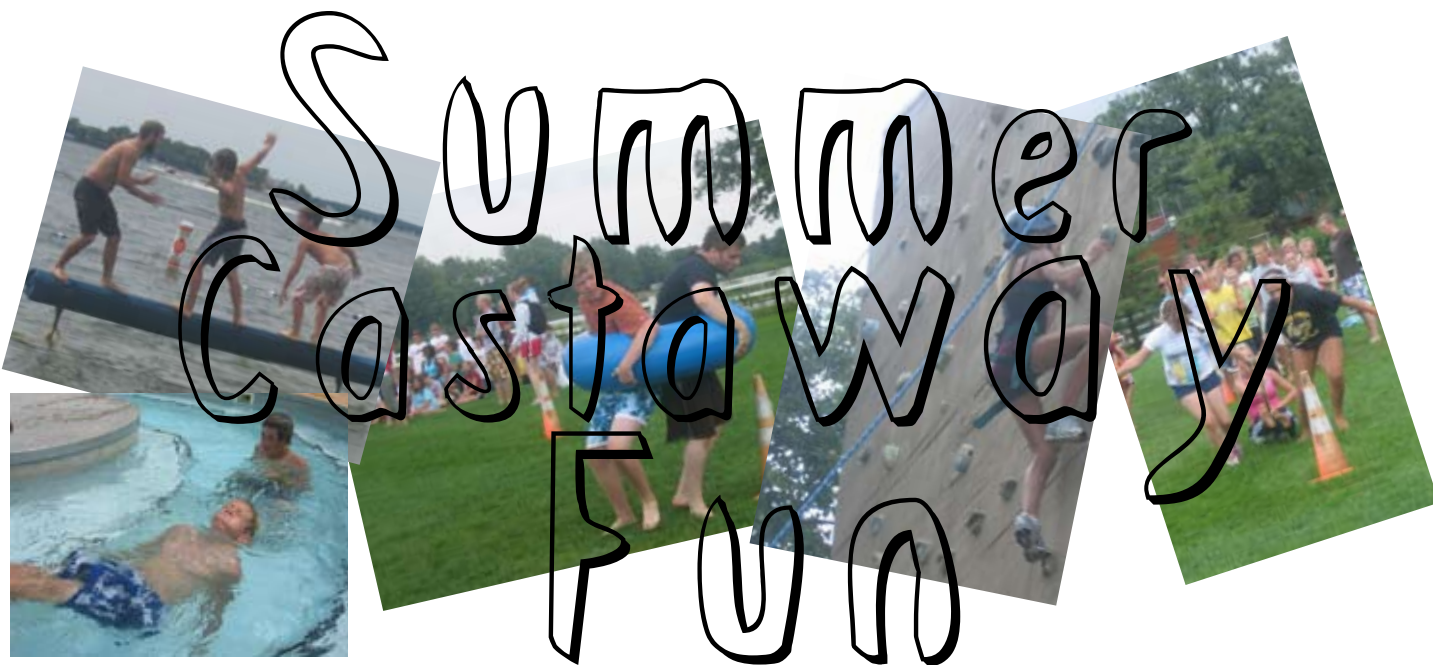
Save the Date for Twin Cities Fun Trip!

Twin Cities Fun Trip: July 19-20

Need a REAL summer break!? Leave Fargo and come down to the cities with us! We're headed to the Metrodome to take in a Twins game and spend a whole day at Valleyfair. It's an American getaway at its best! Ballgame, fried food, rides that make you scream, hanging out with friends...what more could you ask for!?

Registration set for 2010-2011 PowerLife Confirmation

- Students currently in confirmation will register for next year at our last Learning Event, **April 28**.
- New students (current 5th graders) will register **Wednesday, May 5, 7:00-8:00pm** at both campuses.



Summer Castaway: June 8-12

Who: All Current 6th-8th graders

What: Summer camp!!

When: June 8-12th

Where: At Castaway Club, located on Beautiful Pelican Lake

Cost: \$345 (\$100 non-refundable deposit required with registration)

Start your summer off right!! This is guaranteed to be probably the best week of your summer vacation! Join us for a week at Young Life's Castaway club. Your week will be filled with water skiing, tubing, banana boating, climbing walls, zip line, hot tubs, summer sports, beach time, and friends old and new!

Registration for Summer Castaway: June 8-12

Name: _____ Grade in school (09-10): _____ Circle one: Male/Female

Address: _____ City: _____ St: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: () _____ email _____

I give my son/daughter permission to attend Summer Castaway: Date: _____

Parent/Guardian signature: _____

Mom or Dad, can you be a group leader? Yes ___ No ___

Return this form and a **\$100 non-refundable** deposit to the Church Office no later than Friday, **May 28**.

Please make checks payable to Hope Lutheran Church (write student's name & "Castaway" in the memo.)

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Registration - 9th Grade Confirmation Mission Retreat



Name: _____ Grade: _____ Male/Female _____ Age _____
 Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____
 Phone: _____ Campus you usually attend (circle one) North Campus South Campus

Weekend I will be attending (choose one) April 30-May 2 (FULL) May 7-May 9 _____

I give my son/daughter permission to attend the 9th Grade Mission Retreat:

Parent/Guardian signature: _____

Date _____

Return this form and a **\$20 non-refundable** deposit to the Church Office no later than April 7

Make checks payable to Hope Lutheran Church.

(Please write student's name & "Mission Retreat" in the memo section.)

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The 9th Grade Confirmation Mission Trip to the Twin Cities is expected as a capstone experience for 9th grade confirmation curriculum. Spots are limited and registrations will be processed on first come, first served basis.

- There are two available weekends to participate: ~~April 30-May 2~~ (full) and May 7-9 (only 5 spots left).
- Total cost will be **\$125 per person**. Your deposit is non-refundable, so talk this over as a family and get back to us as soon as possible

Be part of the Experience

Leaders are needed for the 9th Grade Confirmation Mission Retreat, We need one leader for every five students. If you would like to spend a weekend doing mission work with 9th graders, please contact Peggy at 235-6629, x238 or ppepsin@fargohope.org.



Can't Make the Trip?

Alternative Assignment (for 9th graders unable to participate in Mission Retreat)

- Independent Study with mission focus
- Will be provided the end of April

(Contact Peggy in April)

Affirmation of Baptism for 9th Graders

In the fall of 2010, students who are in 9th Grade PowerLife Confirmation will be affirming their faith in the Affirmation of Baptism (Rite of Confirmation). The dates are:

- **South Campus – September 26, 2010**
- **North Campus – October 3, 2010**

9th Grade Interviews begin in March

In preparation for Affirmation of Baptism in the fall, 9th grade interviews will be scheduled in March.

Interviews are a 15-20 minute, one-on-one visit with a Student Ministry staff person where you:

- Identify your faith story
- Review your confirmation goals and set a plan to complete goals as necessary



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Parent Page Practical Faith



What does it mean, really, to trust God, to “have faith”? One opportunity we have, is to show our kids exactly what trusting God looks like, both in our daily lives and in the ways we talk with them about walking in God’s wisdom.

Our talking points are from Proverbs 3:1-12, which mostly gets specific about what it means to trust God in some very practical ways. These classic wisdom verses reveal wise actions we can take, and the payoff that follows those actions.

Of course, the most powerful wisdom classroom our children have is to see how wisdom and foolishness pays off in our lives, how our choices to trust God in specific ways lead to success, failure, joy or fear in our families.

We can solidify that teaching by opening up with them about the wisdom choices we’re facing, how we’re processing those choices as believers in Jesus, and how we’re processing what comes next. Hopefully a few of these questions from Proverbs 3 will help keep that conversation going. Consider reading those 12 verses together as part of the conversation.

Talking Points

1. When you think of trusting God, what do you picture doing? Is that just about not worrying, or are there some real, practical things we do when we are trying to trust God more? *[Parent: Suggest that prayer, obedience, and giving thanks are all trust actions—and there are many others.]*
2. According to Proverbs 3:1, one practical way we can trust God is to remember His teaching and His commands. What are some good ways we can remember God’s teaching and instruction to us?
3. Is it hard for you to remember or memorize God’s teaching? Why or why not? How does it help?
4. Proverbs 3:2 tells us that God’s Word has the power to prolong our lives and lead us into prosperity. What are some practical, real-world ways that remembering and obeying God’s Word could do those things?
5. What do you think it might mean to hold on to love and faithfulness—to the point that you tattoo them on your heart? How could we do that in a real way?
6. How could loving God and others with His kind of love—the unselfish kind—and being faithful to Him and His Word and other people lead to our having a good reputation? What does it matter if we have a good reputation?
7. Do you ever hear the message in your world that you should trust yourself first or trust your feelings most? What’s wrong with that message?
8. Proverbs 3:5 tells us not to trust our own understanding of life, but to trust God instead. Can you think of a time when you had to make a choice between what made the most sense to you—and obeying what God said? *[Parent: Be willing to open up about such a time in your life.]*
9. Is there such a thing as “personal wisdom” that doesn’t come from God? If so, where would it come from?
10. Proverbs 3:7 says we should not be wise in our own eyes. Why would God’s wisdom be so much better than our own “personal” wisdom?
11. Why would living in God’s wisdom lead to better health than living in our own apart from His?
12. What are some practical ways that we should trust in God with our money? *[Parent: To give our money away to church or those in need is an act of faith, believing that God will still meet our own needs.]*
13. What is the difference between responding to discipline as a person who trusts God and responding as someone who doesn’t trust Him? How does it feel different? How does it look different on the outside?
14. Do you really believe God’s discipline in your life—even through your parents—is a sign that He cares about you? Why or why not? What is a practical way you can show that? *[Parent: It may be helpful for you to be honest about a time when God disciplined you through your circumstances or an authority in your life—and how your attitude reflected trusting God or not.]*

From “Youth Specialties”

Proverbs 3:1-12

- 1 My son, do not forget my teaching, but keep my commands in your heart,
- 2 for they will prolong your life many years and bring you prosperity.
- 3 Let love and faithfulness never leave you; bind them around your neck, write them on the tablet of your heart.
- 4 Then you will win favor and a good name in the sight of God and man.
- 5 Trust in the LORD with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding;
- 6 in all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make your paths straight.
- 7 Do not be wise in your own eyes; fear the LORD and shun evil.
- 8 This will bring health to your body and nourishment to your bones.
- 9 Honor the LORD with your wealth, with the firstfruits of all your crops;
- 10 then your barns will be filled to overflowing, and your vats will brim over with new wine.
- 11 My son, do not despise the LORD’s discipline and do not resent his rebuke,
- 12 because the LORD disciplines those he loves, as a father, the son he delights in.



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Hope Lutheran Student Newsletter

For parents and students who are involved in **PowerLife** (grades 6-9) and **Real Life** (grades 10-12)

PowerLife Change Wars Update

On his recent trip to the Central African Republic, Pastor Paul learned that the need for a clean water source at the medical center in Gallo, Africa, is more urgent than the need for medical staff housing and more costly than first anticipated. Therefore our Change Wars offering will be directed to this need for clean water.

**Total Raised by Feb 10:
\$4,257.63!**



SAVE THE DATE for Tee it Up Fore Teens Golf Tournament.

**July 12, 2010
Edgewood Golf Course**