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To encourage all people to know the love of Christ



We're Running Fargo FOR WELLSPRING!

Support "Team Hope" as they run in Fargo Marathon events to provide clean water to communities in Africa.



Special Congregational Offering
MAY 11 & 15

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PASTORS PAGE

PREACHING SCHEDULE- MAY 2016

April 27/May 1

- *NC Pastor Kevan – #37, “Facing My Fears”
- **SC Pastor-in-Training Luke – #36, “Pride”
- *** CH Pastor Chuck – #35, “Greed”

May 4/8

- NC Pastor Mike – #38, “The Power of Positive Conflict”
- SC Pastor Kevan – #37, “Facing My Fears”
- CH Pastor-in-Training Luke – #36, “Pride”

May 11/15

- NC Pastor Paul – #39, “The Power of Godly Regrets”
- SC Pastor Mike – #38, “The Power of Positive Conflict”
- CH Pastor Kevan – #37, “Facing My Fears”

May 18/22

- NC Pastor Sarah – #40, “When I Fail”
- SC Pastor Paul – #39, “The Power of Godly Regrets”
- CH Pastor Mike – #38, “The Power of Positive Conflict”

May 25/29

- NC Pastor-in-Training Luke – #41, “Love in Action”
- SC Pastor Sarah – #40, “When I Fail”
- CH Pastor Paul – #39, “The Power of Godly Regrets”

*NC = North Campus Sanctuary

**SC = South Campus Sanctuary

*** CH = South Campus Chapel



You can be part of Running Fargo for Wellspring

Team Hope is running the Fargo Marathon for a purpose beyond themselves this year...and you can join the team!

Members of Hope Lutheran running the Fargo Marathon have teamed up this year to run for water. Wellspring for the World is a local organization that partners with World Vision to drill deep water wells in Africa, supplying a source of much needed, life sustaining water for communities. These clean water wells have been proven to save lives, especially the lives of children, and transform communities.

Wellspring for the World was launched by a Hope Lutheran member and continues to have many Hope Lutheran members on their board.

Team Hope will run for water this year at the various marathon events with individual runners are raising financial donations. Along with those individuals donations being raised you can join team by participating in a special congregational offering on May 11 and 15.

100% of every dollar given to Team Hope will be given to Wellspring and will be matched six times by matching gift donors. Therefore, your one dollar becomes a six dollar gift to Wellspring's efforts to provide life changing water for people of Africa.



Pastor Chuck

Jesus said, whoever gives a cup of water to a person who is thirsty is giving that drink to me.

Hope Hoedown Is Coming!

A wonderful block party is returning to Hope Lutheran Church – North Campus! The Hoedown is set for Sunday, June 12, 12:00-2:00pm.

Invite your neighbors for a wonderful afternoon featuring:

- BBQ hamburgers and hotdogs and all the fixins'.
- The Poitin Band will entertain us! They are a unique blend of Irish, Celtic, French Canadian and Metis traditional music and ballads.
- Games Galore for the kids!
- Mule drawn wagon rides for kids and adults!

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WHAT IS GOD UP TO IN OUR CHURCH?

Thank You Brad Hanson!

Brad Hanson stepped down as worship leader of his team in April. He has other demands in his life now and we honor his decision. We often affectionately call his team our "country band." Andria Messelt has been co-leading with him and will assume responsibility for leading the team.

Brad has been serving as a worship leader with us for nearly eight years! His delightful spirit, booming voice and guitar artistry will be missed. He always manages to get our feet moving and our hands clapping on those certain songs! Like Garth Brooks said, "Stand straight, walk proud, have a little faith." Thanks Brad, for some great and inspiring music which helped many of us go down deeper in our faith walk with Jesus!



Brad Hanson

Summer Worship Begins June 1 and 5!

It's hard to imagine our summer worship series begins June 1/5! Our summer theme is "Points of Interest: Your Journey with God and to God."

POINTS OF INTEREST — Our final destination as Christ followers is Heaven. Indeed, this life is but preparation for Heaven. We don't get there by ourselves, but by journeying with God. Along the way, there are "points of interest" which can magnify what God is up to in our lives. Those points of interest give us guidance, direction and purpose, and encourage us to "run in such a way as to get the prize." (1 Corinthians 9:24)

SUMMER WORSHIP SCHEDULE

(Begins June 1)

Wednesday: 6:00pm, Both Campuses*

Sunday:

North Campus – 8:30am (Traditional),
9:45am (Outdoor Worship) &
11:00am (Indoor Worship)

South Campus – 8:15am (Chapel),
9:30am (Outdoor Worship) &
11:00am (Indoor Worship –
Sanctuary)

* **Wednesday Worship is ON BREAK June 8 at South Campus and June 15 at North Campus due to VBX.**

God never said the journey will be easy. He just said that the arrival would be worthwhile!



Feed My Starving Children Thank You

THANK YOU, People of Hope, for your generous support of the Feed My Starving Children Mobile Pack and Hope's Confirmation Ministry! On March 19, Confirmation students, leaders and family members along with Concordia students, staff and alumni packed 303,264 meals – enough food to feed 830 children for an entire year – and together as a congregation we raised over \$86,000 to pay for the mobile pack and feed hungry children around the world in Jesus' name! Glory be to God!

Watoto African Children's Choir Concert

Watoto Children's Choir Concert, "Oh, What Love" is May 20, 7:00-8:30pm, South Campus.

This all-new production presents the vitality of the new Africa. It's vibrance, urban sound and color takes you on an emotional journey from utter despair to joyous celebration, as the children share their stories. A "Love" offering will be taken.



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Words of Hope Monthly Newsletter
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Articles due on the 9th of the month prior to publication to communication@fargohope.org.

Men's Ministry



Men of Hope is a movement that encourages men to lead lives of integrity and passion as followers of Jesus Christ.

Veterans Outreach



Veterans Outreach is a monthly fellowship including a continental breakfast. All veterans & military welcome!

North Campus, 9:00-10:30am
JOIN US MAY 21, NORTH CAMPUS!

Men in Boats is June 3-5, 2016



Join us on Devils Lake for this annual event – a weekend filled with Fellowship, Faith, Friends and Fishing. To register go to fargohope.org/ministries-men-events, or call the Church Office, 701-235-6629.



Speaker: DARRIN TONSFELDT
Topic: The Village
(His story/journey)

May 12
6:30-8:00am
South Campus

Free-will offering will be taken for men's outreach.

Guitar Pickers

Taught by John Bedore

Men—Bring your families and learn the guitar together from the basics to the more advanced. No cost!

Saturday, May 21 (meets every third Saturday), 1:00-2:30pm,

North Campus

RSVP: John Bedore, 701-200-6789



We Make It Easy to Join Hope Lutheran!

"You are a member of God's very own family and you belong in God's household with every other Christian." - Ephesians 2:19

You are invited to be part of Hope Lutheran's mission and ministry by becoming a member during one of our New Member Orientations listed below:

- May 15: South Campus, 9:15-10:45am
- June 19: North Campus, 9:15-10:45am

To register, please call the Church Office, 701-235-6629 or go to fargohope.org/membership.

Join us on May 17 for Monthly Prayer

Join us for an opportunity to lift up the concerns in the life of our church at our monthly prayer time. We meet the 3rd Tuesday of each month: South Campus - 7:00am and North Campus - 6:30pm.

National Day of Prayer

The National Day of Prayer is an annual observance held on the first Thursday of May, inviting people of all faiths to pray for our nation. This year it is on May 5, 6:30pm at the Holiday Inn, Fargo.



HOPE LUTHERAN'S STUDENT MINISTRIES PRESENTS:
THE FIFTH ANNUAL
Mother's Day Brunch
Sunday, May 8, 10:00am-1:00pm
Hope Lutheran Church - North Campus
2900 Broadway N Fargo

Gourmet buffet, decadent desserts & more!
Tickets available beginning April 13 on Wednesday evenings and Sunday mornings in the hallways at both campuses.

- \$20 for adults
- \$10 for children 12 years and under
- Children 4 years and under are FREE

All proceeds benefit Hope Lutheran's Student Ministries Scholarship Fund, allowing students in need to attend mission trips, retreats and events.
For more information, contact Beth at bhili@fargohope.org.

WHAT IS GOD UP TO IN OUR CARING MINISTRY?

Do You Want To Do Something Extreme This Summer?

Joni and Friends Family Retreats are a place where families affected by disability can find hope and get a break from the challenges of everyday life. Volunteers are needed, **August 17-22**. Contact Judy at jsiegle@fargohope.org or 701-235-6629, x241 for information. To register visit: joniandfriends.org.

Be the hands and feet of Jesus! You don't have to be a professional—just come with a willing heart. Serve one on one supporting and befriending a child or adult with disabilities during programming, meals and activities (no personal cares.)



Congrats to 2016 Training Class!

Congratulations to **Carol Johnson, Courtney Peterson, Dona Thompson, Jan O'Connor, Kathleen McNabb and Michele Brandt** for completing the Stephen Ministry Training Class. They are already making a difference in the lives of those around them and I want to praise God for their commitment to learning so they can support others going through crisis situations.

To find out more about the summer Stephen Ministry class and how you or someone you know could be matched with a Stephen Minister, talk with a Hope Lutheran Pastor or Kim Y. at 701-235-6629, x221. For more information online, visit fargohope.org/stephenministry.



Courtney, Jan, Kathleen, Michele, & Dona



Join HopeCare Visitation Ministry

Jesus calls us to visit one another and show care and love to each other.

To sign up or learn more, contact: hopecare@fargohope.org or call 701-235-6629.

Prayer Ministry

In the book of James we hear the words “*pray for one another*.” It’s what Christian people do to lift each other up and follow the path that Jesus walked.

One way to do that is to be a pray-er for Hope Prayer Ministry. Twice a week we email you a list of people who are requesting your help. We ask that you thoughtfully read, pray and lift these people to God.

Simply email prayer@fargohope.org and let us know you'd like to be a part of the Prayer Ministry.

REGULAR EVENTS

hopecare

AA

North Campus, Mondays, 5:30pm
South Campus, Mondays, 6:00pm
For help call the FM Area Hot line, 701-235-7335
The FM Area 52 website, fmconnectinglist.org has more information about meeting places and times.

AL-ANON

South Campus, Mondays, 1:00pm
Al-Anon begins each session with a large group presentation and then breaks up into small groups. Childcare is available. They do not meet on holidays such as Christmas, Memorial Day, Labor Day, etc.

BLOOD PRESSURE CHECKS

The Parish Nurses and Health Ministry team provide free blood pressure checks every second Sunday of the month in the **Sky Light Office** at North Campus.

ONWORD TOGETHER SUPPORT GROUP

North Campus, 3rd Thursdays, 4:30-6:00pm
For people and families affected by mild TBI/concussion. Contact: Nan, nan@onwordtherapy.com or 701-364-5433 or 701-866-3618 (c)

T.O.P.S. TAKING OFF POUNDS SENSIBLY

Thursdays, 9:00am, North Campus
TOPS doesn't pay celebrities to endorse them, and they don't promise quick fixes or promote unrealistic images of the “perfect” body. Instead, they focus on health.

GRIEF FELLOWSHIP

You are invited to Applebee's (19th Ave N, Fargo) **5:30pm, the first Tuesday of each month**. We have a short devotion and prayer. Contact Nancy, 701-361-2833, for more information.

Enhanced Stephen Ministry Class Offered

SUMMER TRAINING COURSE

Stephen Ministry will be offering an *enhanced* home-study training course this summer.

The course will begin **May 31** and be completed by **July 26**.

Class is open to people *for their own personal growth* and those *who desire to become a Stephen Minister*. To sign up or for questions, contact us at hopecare@fargohope.org.



SUNDAY, MAY 1

North Campus

- 8:30am Traditional Worship
- 8:30am Breakfast
- 9:00am Coffee and Donuts
- 9:45am Contemporary Worship
- 9:45am Hopekids
- 11:00am Contemporary Worship
- 11:00am Hopekids

South Campus

- 8:15am Traditional Worship- Chapel
- 8:30am Breakfast
- 9:00am Coffee and Donuts
- 9:30am Traditional Worship- Chapel
- 9:30am Contemporary Worship-Sanctuary
- 9:30am Hopekids
- 11:00am Contemporary Worship-Sanctuary
- 11:00am Hopekids

MONDAY, MAY 2

North Campus

- 5:30pm AA
- 7:00pm NeedleWorks

South Campus

- 9:00am Women's BSF Leaders Meeting
- 1:00pm Al-Anon
- 6:00pm AA Group

TUESDAY, MAY 3

North Campus

- 6:00pm Aerobics
- 7:30pm Read 'n Relate

South Campus

- 9:30am Quilting
- 5:30pm Pilates

Off-Site

- 1:00pm Golf Girls-See page 11 for details

WEDNESDAY, MAY 4

North Campus

- 12:00pm Men's Bible Study
- 1:00pm Bulletin Stuffers
- 1:00pm "The Armor of God" Women's Study
- 5:00pm Wednesday Night Supper
- 5:20pm Hosanna Kids Choir
- 5:45pm Bells of Hope Rehearsal
- 6:00pm Wednesday Worship
- 6:00pm Hopekids
- 7:00pm "Me, Myself & Lies" Women's Study

- 7:15pm Confirmation
- 7:15pm Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

South Campus

- 7:00am Men's Bible Study
- 9:00am Women's BSF
- 5:00pm Wednesday Night Supper
- 6:00pm Wednesday Worship
- 6:00pm Hopekids
- 7:00pm Praise Choir Rehearsal
- 7:15pm Confirmation

THURSDAY, MAY 5

North Campus

- 8:30am TOPS
- 1:30pm Mary-Martha Circle
- 5:15pm Aerobics
- 5:30pm Stephen Ministry Training
- 6:30pm Stephen Ministry Supervision

South Campus

- 9:00am KAMS
- 5:30pm Pilates
- 6:00pm Special Needs Support Group

Off-Site

- 12:00pm "Experiencing God" Women's Study

FRIDAY, MAY 6

North Campus

- 1:00pm Bulletin Stuffers
- 6:00pm Skunberg/LaLonde Wedding

South Campus

- 9:00am Bulletin Stuffers
- 11:00am "Dealing with Offense" Women's Study

SATURDAY, MAY 7

SUNDAY, MAY 8

North Campus

- 8:30am Traditional Worship
- 8:30am Blood Pressure Checks
- 9:00am Coffee and Donuts
- 9:00am Mother's Day Brunch
- 9:45am Contemporary Worship
- 9:45am Hopekids
- 11:00am Contemporary Worship
- 11:00am Hopekids

South Campus

- 8:15am Traditional Worship- Chapel
- 8:30am Breakfast
- 9:00am Coffee and Donuts
- 9:30am Hopekids
- 9:30am Traditional Worship- Chapel
- 9:30am Contemporary Worship-Sanctuary
- 10:00am Baptism Orientation
- 11:00am Contemporary Worship-Sanctuary
- 11:00am Hopekids

MONDAY, MAY 9

North Campus

- 9:00am Quilting
- 5:30pm AA Group

South Campus

- 9:00am Women's BSF Leaders Meeting
- 11:45am Read 'n Relate, Too
- 1:00pm Al-Anon
- 6:00pm AA Group

TUESDAY, MAY 10

North Campus

- 6:00pm Aerobics
- 6:00pm ABDC Daycare
- 6:30pm Stephen Ministry Leadership
- 7:00pm "Loving Well" Women's Study

South Campus

- 9:30am Sarah Circle
- 5:30pm Pilates

Off-Site

- 1:00pm Golf Girls-See page 11 for details
- 7:00pm Lydia Circle - homes

WEDNESDAY, MAY 11

North Campus

- 12:00pm Men's Bible Study
- 1:00pm "The Armor of God" Women's Study
- 1:00pm Bulletin Stuffers
- 5:00pm Wednesday Night Supper
- 5:45pm Bells of Hope Rehearsal
- 6:00pm Wednesday Worship
- 6:00pm Hopekids
- 7:00pm "Me, Myself & Lies" Women's Study

- 7:15pm Confirmation
- 7:15pm Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

South Campus

- 7:00am Men's Bible Study
- 9:00am BSF Day Women's Class
- 5:00pm Wednesday Night Supper
- 6:00pm Wednesday Worship
- 6:00pm Hopekids
- 7:15pm Confirmation

THURSDAY, MAY 12

North Campus

- 8:30am TOPS
- 5:15pm Aerobics
- 6:30pm Stephen Ministry Training

South Campus

- 6:30am Man Talks with Breakfast
- 9:00am KAMS
- 5:30pm Pilates

Off-Site

- 12:00pm "Experiencing God" Women's Study

FRIDAY, MAY 13

North Campus

- 1:00pm Bulletin Stuffers

South Campus

- 9:00am Bulletin Stuffers
- 11:00am "Dealing with Offense" Women's Study
- 5:00pm Oliver Wold Benefit

SATURDAY, MAY 14

South Campus

9:00am MOPS
4:00pm Moen/Steen Wedding

SUNDAY, MAY 15

North Campus

8:30am Traditional Worship
9:00am Coffee and Donuts
9:45am Hopekids
9:45am Contemporary Worship
11:00am Hopekids
11:00am Contemporary Worship

South Campus

8:15am Traditional Worship- Chapel
9:00am Coffee and Donuts
9:15am New Member Orientation
9:30am Hopekids
9:30am Traditional Worship- Chapel
9:30am Contemporary Worship- Sanctuary
11:00am Contemporary Worship- Sanctuary
11:00am Hopekids

MONDAY, MAY 16

North Campus

9:00am Quilting
5:30pm AA Group

South Campus

1:00pm Al-Anon
6:00pm AA Group

Off-Site

7:00pm Dorcas Circle – Homes
7:00pm NeedleWorks – Caribou Coffee

TUESDAY, MAY 17

North Campus

6:00pm Aerobics
6:30pm Monthly Prayer Ministry
7:00pm “Loving Well” Women’s Study

South Campus

7:00am Monthly Prayer Ministry
9:30am Quilting
5:30pm Church Council Meeting
5:30pm Pilates
6:30pm Ruth Circle

Off-Site

1:00pm Golf Girls-See page 11 for details
9:30am Naomi Circle – homes

WEDNESDAY, MAY 18

North Campus

12:00pm Men’s Bible Study
1:00pm Bulletin Stuffers
1:00pm “The Armor of God” Women’s Study
5:00pm Wednesday Night Supper
5:45pm Bells of Hope Rehearsal
6:00pm Wednesday Worship
7:00pm “Me, Myself & Lies” Women’s Study

South Campus

7:00am Men’s Bible Study
5:00pm Wednesday Night Supper
6:00pm Wednesday Worship
7:15pm RealLife GIANT Event

THURSDAY, MAY 19

North Campus

8:30am TOPS
4:30pm Onword Together Support
5:15pm Aerobics
6:30pm Stephen Ministry Training
6:30pm Stephen Ministry Supervision

South Campus

5:30pm Pilates

Off-Site

12:00pm “Experiencing God” Women’s Study

FRIDAY, MAY 20

North Campus

1:00pm Bulletin Stuffers

South Campus

9:00am Bulletin Stuffers
11:00am “Dealing with Offense” Women’s Study
7:00pm Watoto African Children’s Choir Concert

SATURDAY, MAY 21

North Campus

9:00am Veteran’s Outreach
1:00pm Guitar Pickers

SUNDAY, MAY 22

North Campus

8:30am Traditional Worship
9:00am Coffee and Donuts
9:45am Contemporary Worship
11:00am Contemporary Worship

South Campus

8:15am Traditional Worship- Chapel
9:00am Coffee and Donuts
9:30am Traditional Worship- Chapel
9:30am Contemporary Worship- Sanctuary
11:00am Contemporary Worship- Sanctuary
12:30pm Youth Mission Jamaica Informational Meeting

MONDAY, MAY 23

North Campus

5:30pm AA Group

South Campus

1:00pm Al-Anon
6:00pm AA Group

TUESDAY, MAY 24

North Campus

6:00pm Aerobic
7:00pm “Loving Well” Women’s Study

South Campus

12:00pm VBX Volunteer Training
5:30pm Pilates
5:30pm VBX Volunteer Training
6:30pm Visitation Training

Off-Site

1:00pm Golf Girls-See page 11 for details

WEDNESDAY, MAY 25

North Campus

1:00pm Bulletin Stuffers
6:00pm Wednesday Worship
7:30pm Baccalaureate

South Campus

6:00pm Wednesday Worship

THURSDAY, MAY 26

North Campus

8:30am TOPS
5:15pm Aerobics

South Campus

5:30pm Pilates

FRIDAY, MAY 27

North Campus

1:00pm Bulletin Stuffers

South Campus

9:00am Bulletin Stuffers
11:00am “Dealing with Offense” Women’s Study

SATURDAY, MAY 28

South Campus

4:00pm Baumgartner/Shappel Wedding

SUNDAY, MAY 29

North Campus

8:30am Traditional Worship
9:00am Coffee and Donuts
9:45am Contemporary Worship
11:00am Contemporary Worship

South Campus

8:15am Traditional Worship- Chapel
9:00am Coffee and Donuts
9:30am Traditional Worship- Chapel
9:30am Contemporary Worship- Sanctuary
11:00am Contemporary Worship- Sanctuary

MONDAY, MAY 30

MEMORIAL DAY

Office Closed

TUESDAY, MAY 31

North Campus

6:00pm Aerobics
7:00pm “Loving Well” Women’s Study

South Campus

5:30pm Pilates
6:30pm Summer Stephen Ministry Training

WHAT IS GOD UP TO IN CHILDREN'S MINISTRY?



See back page for more information.

Hopekids Blast off Last Week of Hopekids

The last week of Hopekids is **Wednesday, May 11 and Sunday, May 15**. Blast off into summer with this fun-filled celebration!



Kids Choir - North Campus



NORTH CAMPUS Hosanna Kids Choir will sing **Wednesday, May 4-6:00pm** and **Sunday, May 8**, during all worship services for **Mother's Day**.

Directed by Vicki Melchior, 701-429-8225.

Register for the 2016/17 Hopekids Year!



Registration for Hopekids (Sunday School) is now available online at fargohope.org/children. If you do not have access to a computer or a smartphone, registration forms are available at the Hopekids Help Desk on Wednesday evenings or Sunday mornings.

To ensure your family is able to attend the hour of your choice, please **pre-register by June 16**. Questions? Contact Nicole Weisz at 701-235-6629 or nweisz@fargohope.org.

HOPEKIDS CHILD CARE

Summer for School Age Kids

Each week during the summer there will be weekly themed sessions for students who have completed Kindergarten - 5th Grade. Identical sessions are offered at North and South Campus.

Children can attend as many sessions as they like, whether it is one, two or all of the sessions. Children may also register and participate in daily activities through the Fargo Park District.

How to Register:

Please complete a separate registration form for each child. Registration forms can be found at fargohope.org/summer in the Child Care Center Office.

Children are placed in sessions on a first come basis. A \$25.00 non-refundable, non-transferable registration fee is required with the completed registration form.

For more information, contact Gayle gjohnson@fargohope.org or 235-6629, x226.

Hopekids Shining for Jesus!

Hopekids, thank you for giving with a joyful heart to Feed My Starving Children!

We raised \$2,170.27 in one week!!



To register, contact the Church Office at 701-235-6629. Baptisms may be scheduled after you attend Baptism Orientation. For more information visit fargohope.org/baptism.

WHAT IS GOD UP TO IN STUDENT MINISTRY?



2016-17 Confirmation Registration is Now Open!

All 6th-9th grade students must be registered each year that they are in Confirmation. It's worth taking a few moments to get it taken care of right away! Register at fargohope.org/confirmation. Questions? Contact Luke: 701-235-6629 or lbrodeur@fargohope.org.

real life.

**GIANT
EVENT**

All Real Life students are welcome to join us for a Giant Event at the **South Campus bonfire pit** (located just east of the north parking lot). Enjoy treats from the grill, games and music as we celebrate a year of ministry together and get summer off to a fun start! Fun starts at 7:15pm. We can't wait to see you there!

High School Retreat – Camp House

Experience the beauty of the Northern Minnesota woods at Camp House in Brimson, MN on **August 7-11**. This retreat will provide you the opportunity to experience God in a new way, without the distraction of your daily life. This retreat is for 9th-12th graders and costs \$300 per person. Sign up for the retreat at fargohope.org/real-life!



Flower Sale Pick Up Day

A big thanks to all those who ordered flowers in our youth Flower Sale Fundraiser!

Pick up your orders on Thursday, May 5.

- Students, please pick up your orders to make your deliveries from 2:00-7:00pm.
- For those who ordered flowers but did not order from a particular student, please pick up your flowers from 2:00-7:00pm.
- Your flower orders will be at the campus you specified for delivery (South Campus: Discovery Center, North Campus: Fellowship Center).



If you have any questions, please feel free to call Beth (701-235-6629, x323) or Paul (701-235-6629, x247)

RealLife Contacts:

Beth Hill, bbill@fargohope.org

Paul Norell, pnorell@fargohope.org

Baccalaureate for Seniors

All High School seniors and their families are invited to join us for a Baccalaureate Celebration at the **North Campus, Wednesday May 25, 7:30pm.**

All seniors are invited to celebrate all that God has done and the ways he continues to guide your future. Please join us for a root beer float immediately following in the Fellowship Center.

Farewell to Bethany Hill



Bethany Hill

Bethany Hill has blessed Hope Lutheran Church with her love for students and families and passion for Jesus in her leadership of Ignite College Outreach Ministry (2012-2015), North Campus Children's Ministry Director (2012-2014), and Director of Student Ministry (2014-2016). During her time at Hope Lutheran she has felt God call her to care for kids and families in more specific ways, so this June, Beth will be leaving

Hope Lutheran and returning to college at the University of Nebraska (Lincoln) to pursue a Master of Science in Marriage and Family Therapy.

Please join us in thanking Beth for sharing her faith and gifts with Hope Lutheran Church. We will be acknowledging her ministry and send her with our heartfelt prayers in worship on **Wednesday, May 18 and Sunday, May 22 at the South Campus**. There will be a reception in her honor between services on Sunday, May 22 in the Discovery Center.

NORTH CAMPUS CONFIRMATION SCHEDULE

Date	6 th /7 th	8 th /9 th	Large Group Topic
May 4	Large Group	Small Group	Apostle Paul
May 11	Small Group	Large Group	Spiritual Gifts

SOUTH CAMPUS CONFIRMATION SCHEDULE

Date	6 th /7 th	8 th /9 th	Large Group Topic
May 4	Small Group	Large Group	Spiritual Gifts
May 11	Large Group	Small Group	Apostle Paul

WHAT'S GOD UP TO IN WOMEN'S MINISTRY?

PRAYER AND MEDITATION GOD BOX

by Peggy Monsebroten

I have many storage boxes; a box for pictures, cards, a box of school memorabilia, boxes of mementos and favorites of kids and my "happy" box that makes me cry.

When I think of my friends I realize I have boxed them as well. There's a friend for comic relief, a tell-all friend I trust with everything who listens and gives solid advice, a friend just to hang with, etc.

Then there is my God box. I realized I had put him in a box that described him as a loving God who only did good, fair and loving things that I could make sense of. But when bad things happen to good people, I ask, "Where are you, God?"

The reality of this fallen world gave me doubt and fear. This world where no one is immune to the hard stuff that we hear about in the news of innocent and hurting people. Where is God in all this?

He is out of this box that I had created for him.

I know now that God cannot be put in any box and can not be comprehended by mere humans. God does not cause the evil in this world, for we live in a fallen world, and God promises not to leave us or forsake us. I am called to trust not to understand.

"God is my refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble." Psalm 46:1

God has a place or "safe box" that he wants us in so we stay close to him. I sometimes step out of his perfect box and there are consequences. I am safest when I stay where he wants me.

Dear Lord, help me to stay close to you, where I am the safest in every situation. Amen.

Are you Loving Well?

Love springs from God and we have no higher calling than to love. Join us for the **Loving Well** video series by **Beth Moore**, and gain insights how God's love provides the key to loving others.

The Loving Well video-based study is offered Tuesdays, May 10-31, 7:00-8:30pm, North Campus. There is no cost but a \$7 journal is optional. No homework required for this study.

Pre-registration suggested. Childcare available if registered by May 2. Sign up at fargohope.org/womenbiblestudies or in the Church Office.



KAMS meets every Thursday at the **South Campus, 9:00-11:00am**, for Bible study, guest speakers and fellowship. All moms with kids of any age are welcome. Childcare is provided for a small fee.

May 5 - Bible Study

May 12 - Spring Tea

We are on summer break starting May 19.

For more information, contact Amanda P., 503-347-6945 or amandaperzinski@yahoo.com.



MEMORIALS AND GIFTS RECEIVED JANUARY 6, 2016 – APRIL 11

Laurie Brooks

Roger Pederson and Barbara Johnson

Gary and Nikki Almquist

Alan Brutlag

Robert and Beverly Knudson

James Enno

Arlene Huseby

Dennis Larson

Leo and Nancy Peterson

Tim and Julie Erickson

Rene Lefdahl

Don and Carolyn Opgrande

In Honor of Lorna Longlet's

100th Birthday

Mary Martha Circle

Lyman Lorentzen

Dorothy Pederson

Norine Lussenden

Richard and Kathleen Toomey

Norine Lussenden

Rudy Mason

Jack and Linda Hendrickson

Rick and Ruth Clarens

Jim and Sharon Puppe

John and Wanda Peterson

Joan Larson

David and Laura Langemo

Mark Meberg

Tim and Becky Barrus

Michael and Susan Kiser



"Mothers of Preschoolers" is designed to nurture EVERY mother with children infancy through kindergarten. Members come from all walks of life and share one desire - to be great moms!

Our last meeting is **Saturday, May 14, 9:00-11:00am**. We meet September through May and childcare is available.

Our theme this month is about embracing rest, relaxing and rejuvenating. We hope you can join us!!

For more information, contact Amanda at afbrat96@hotmail.com or 701-371-9072.

Belong Tour

BELONG is a live event bringing women together in arenas across the country. It's where you will go to connect, reboot, and hear from remarkable communicators who have experienced God's love in a profound way. They will help you hone in on how to live a full, faith-filled, purposeful life.

October 21-22, Xcel Energy Center, St. Paul, MN

There are only six tickets available at **\$105** with a free t-shirt. Please contact Genora S. smilinglady323@gmail.com or 701-361-5436.

David and Bonita Johnson

Jim and Jean Jorgenson

Michelann Tangen

Don and Carolyn Opgrande

Kristen Opgrande Robinson

Doris Welle

Colleen Harris

Susan Kiser

Todd Jennings Banasik

Roberta and Bonita Neas

Helen Brakke

Benjamin and Eleanor Hahn

Alton Sletto

Jim and Sharon Puppe

Herman Lee

Bob and Bev Knudson

Gerry Robbins

Bob and JoEllen Carlson

Gayle Pladson

Al and Jackie Krieger

Erva Moilanen

Memorial gifts meet two important needs at once. They allow you to express your feelings for the loss of a loved one. In addition, memorial gifts are placed in the Foundation's Perpetual Fund and only the earnings are disbursed to further develop the programs and ministries of Hope Lutheran Church.

MILESTONES & REGULAR EVENTS

Milestones for March 9 through April 11

BAPTISMS:

Desmond Jude Sullivan, son of Michael Sullivan & Brianna Davis
 Kyle Douglas, Kennedy Aliyah & Myles Anthony, children of Justin & Angie Froehlich and Helen Reed Froehlich
 Shea Allen, son of Chris & Lisa Kay Herman
 Howard Robert, son of Eric & Kari Carlson
 Raemi Jo, daughter of Matthew & Tania Saylor
 Edmund David, son of Trevor & Cassie Good
 Lydia Vivian, daughter of Brandon & Laura Bucholz
 Beckett John, son of Brant & Brianna Miller
 Kyrie Anne Korinta, daughter of Willy Korinta and Jason & Beth Thompson
 Everly Ruth, daughter of Wade & Tessa Sather
 Eve Ashley, daughter of Dusty & Natalie Richter
 Mia Marie, daughter of Mike & Allison Anderson
 Adeline Anne, daughter of Andrew & Veronica Olson
 Robye David, son of Jesse & Beverly Taylor
 Braxtyn Thomas, son of Michael & Kelsey Buechler
 Lane Joseph, son of Jess & Maureen Bartelt
 Ava Kristine, daughter of Trey & Nicole Hausmann
 Noah Allan, son of Kelley & Katie Dukart
 William James, son of Nick & Emily Gard
 Landry Miles, son of Justin & Becky Swoboda
 Henry Fisher, son of Scott & Kelly Krenzel
 Jeb Michael, son of Todd & Alissa Krueger
 Ava Grace, daughter of Kyle & Kristen Burbank
 Asher Daniel, son of Corey & Kelly Palensky

MARRIAGES:

Erica Olson & Cole Schill 3/12/2016
 Nicole Syverson & Joseph Raasch 4/2/2016

DEATHS:

Noel Gunderson 3/10/2016
 Gayle Pladson 3/23/2016
 Dolores Clair Carson 3/26/2016
 Lloyd Overbo 4/1/2016
 Pete Jesten 4/3/2016
 Eric Brennan 4/6/2016

Usher Schedule for May

NORTH CAMPUS

May 1/4 Team 7 – Rindy
 May 8/11 Team 1 – Naseth
 May 15/18 Team 2 – Thomas
 May 22/25 Team 3 – Klatt
 May 29/June 1 Team 4 – Anderson

SOUTH CAMPUS –SANCTUARY SUNDAY

May 1 Team 2 – Opp/Keim
 May 8 Team 3 – Peterson/Hendrickson
 May 15 Team 4 – Hansen/Hesse
 May 22 Team 5 – Kroke/Straabe
 May 29 Team 6 – Ulrich/Lichtblau

SOUTH CAMPUS SANCTUARY WEDNESDAY

May 4 Team 1 – Steidl
 May 11 Team 2 – Sauvageau
 May 18 Team 3 – Reinholz
 May 25 Team 4 – Becher

SOUTH CAMPUS-CHAPEL 8:15

May 1 Team 2 – Sigurdson
 May 8 Team 3 – Harris
 May 15 Team 4 – Hansen
 May 22 Team 5 – Langerud
 May 29 Team 6 – Schoenheit

SOUTH CAMPUS-CHAPEL 9:30

May 1 Team 1 – Larsen
 May 8 Team 2 – Brantner
 May 15 Team 3 – Hewitt
 May 22 Team 4 – Erickson
 May 30 TBD

REGULAR EVENTS

AEROBICS

Tuesdays, 6:00pm and Thursdays, 5:15pm
 North Campus

GIRLS GOLF

Tuesdays, 1:00. For location, email Nicki—
nalmquist@fargohope.org

HLCW CIRCLES

Dorcas Circle—3rd Monday, 7:00pm, hosted by participants
 Lydia Circle—2nd Tuesday, 7:00pm, hosted by participants
 Mary-Martha Circle—1st Thursday, 1:30pm, North Campus
 Naomi Circle—3rd Tuesday, 9:30am, hosted by participants
 Ruth Circle—3rd Tuesday 6:30pm, South Campus
 Sarah Circle—2nd Tuesday, 9:30am, South Campus

NEEDLEWORKS

1st, 3rd and 5th Monday, 7:00-9:00pm
 May 2—North Campus
 May 16—Caribou
 May 31 - On Break for Memorial Day
 Join us in fellowship while you knit or crochet for others. Questions? Nicki A,
 701-235-6629, x237

PILATES

5:30pm Tuesdays & Thursdays, South Campus
 \$2/class or \$30/quarter. Contact Tracy,
tracym104@hotmail.com

QUILTING

North Campus: 2nd & 3rd Mondays, 9:00am-2:00pm
 South Campus: 1st & 3rd Tuesday, 9:30am-Noon

READ 'N RELATE BOOK CLUBS

The book for May is "The Nightingale" by Kristin Hannah
 North Campus, Read 'n Relate
 Meets the 1st Tuesday of the month
 May 3, 7:30pm, North Campus
 Questions? Linda, 701-866-6190
 South Campus, Read 'n Relate, Too
 Meets the 2nd Monday of the month
 May 9, 11:45am-1:00pm, South Campus
 Questions? Karen, *ksilbernagel@cablone.net*
 or 701-280-0318.
 Both groups meet together in June for a potluck and to pick selections for the next year.

WALKING

North & South Campus
 8:00am-5:00pm - Monday - Friday

New Members Received March 20, 2016

Welcome to the family of Hope.

Jordan Anderson
 Greg and Ambert Ausmus
 Patrick
 Marissa Bercier
 Michael and Tanya Carlson
 Madison
 JoAnna Champeau
 Brent and Jaci Edison
 Jamie Erickson
 Cody Frauenberg
 Josh and Joyce Griffin
 Logan and Kitra
 Scott and Jordyn Haider
 Jaxon and Finnley
 Michael Harwood
 Matthew Hoffarth
 Ryan and Tanya Jacobson
 Rylan and Adra Sundberg
 Johnny Jorgensen
 Brian and Erin Kaluza
 Maggie Konteh
 Mitch and Kendra Kudrna
 Keegan Lantz
 Brandon and Ashley Larson
 Anders, Hayes and Kenley

Tim and Hannah Leier
 Beckett
 Thomas and Justine Loegering
 Shirley McCulhan
 Shawn and Amber Michalski
 Stevie
 Amy Mireault
 Jan Moen
 Maggie Moen
 Laura Nelson
 Nick Pulkrabek
 Jamie Schaeffer
 Shane and Jennifer Sharpe
 Abbie Siirila
 Jon Skauge
 Aaron Sorvig
 John Thome
 Kate Tulibaski
 Alissa Tyryfter
 Nate and Jen Vollmuth
 Cheri Vraa
 Taylor Wagner
 Lowell and Michele Wahl
 Dylan
 Mandi Wahl

Worship Services

North Campus 2900 Broadway N

Wednesday Worship
6:00pm - Contemporary
Sunday Worship
8:30am - Traditional
9:45 & 11:00am - Contemporary

South Campus 3636 25th St S

Wednesday Worship
6:00pm - Contemporary
Sunday Worship Chapel
8:15 & 9:30am - Traditional
Sunday Worship Sanctuary
9:30 & 11:00am - Contemporary

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**NEW IN 2016...
CHOOSE YOUR WEEK!**

JUNE 6-9 * SOUTH CAMPUS
JUNE 13-16 * NORTH CAMPUS
5:45-8:00pm
\$10 per child (family max of \$25)

Register online at fargohope.org/children

VBX is for children age 3 (by July 31, 2015) through grade 5.

VOLUNTEER FOR VBX!

Join our crew and help make this an unforgettable week of VBX!
Adults and youth (grade 6 and up) are needed in a variety of roles - Crew Leaders, craft helpers, snacks and more. Pick up a volunteer form at the Information Center or contact Angela at abartsh@fargohope.org or 701-325-6629.

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