

# WORDS OF

# Hope

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VBX



# KNIGHTTIME TALES

CROWNED WITH COURAGE

JOSHUA 1:9

REGISTER TODAY!

[fargohope.org/VBX](http://fargohope.org/VBX)

People of Hope,

I am thrilled to invite you to participate in our VBX-perience this June called “Knighttime Tales: Crowned with Courage.” Joshua 1:9 says, “Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go.”

Our staff is excited to invite God’s children from all over Fargo, Moorhead and West Fargo into our sanctuaries to learn about how they can deepen and grow their faith. It is an amazing sight to behold as we witness children praising the Lord and being filled with the Holy Spirit! Even more remarkable is when I speak to children months later who are still excited to tell you what they learned at VBX. God is planting seeds for the kingdom of Heaven in these young ones! Our work is helping God’s children grow their faith.

Our need for volunteers is always great, but especially this year as we add a session of VBX at our new location for West Campus. We will need nearly 300 volunteers in a variety of roles over the two weeks of VBX at all three campuses. So, as you’re registering your kids, don’t forget to sign up yourself and to ask your teens, and their teen friends, if they can spare a few hours over four days to help local children grow in their faith!

Children and volunteers can register at [fargohope.org/VBX](http://fargohope.org/VBX). Cost: \$15 per child (\$35 max per family). Scholarships are available, please contact our Church Office.

And most important of all, pray! Please pray for children and volunteers. Please pray for God’s grace to touch the lives of all involved in this Holy Spirit filled experience.

In Christ,  
Pastor Paul



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HEAR YE! HEAR YE! CHILDREN OF HOPE, WE WANT TO  
CORDIALLY INVITE YOU TO JOIN US AT THE KINGDOM OF LOVE.

## REGISTER TODAY:

**SOUTH CAMPUS | June 6–9, 9:15–11:30am**

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**WEST CAMPUS | June 13–16, 9:15–11:30am**

**NORTH CAMPUS | June 13–16, 5:45–8:00pm**

Sign up online at [fargohope.org/vbx](https://fargohope.org/vbx)  
or paper copies will be available at the  
Church Office.

VBX is open for children age 3 (by June 1, 2022 and  
toilet trained) through outgoing 5th graders. The cost is  
\$15 per child with a maximum charge of \$35 per family.  
Scholarships are available upon inquiry. Early registration is  
recommended as capacity restrictions may be necessary.

Questions email us at [hopekids@fargohope.org](mailto:hopekids@fargohope.org).

## VBX VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Adults, Middle School & High School Students,  
we are going to need all kinds of Kingdom Helpers  
to make this year's VBX possible. Please consider  
signing up to help at any or all of the sessions. Be one  
of the nearly 300 volunteers that help out each year!

### Help Needed:

Small Group Leaders

Float / Room Helper

Greeter/Registration

Craft/Snack Crew

Meal Crew

See [fargohope.org/vbx](https://fargohope.org/vbx) to choose which Kingdom  
you will serve



### 2022-2023 HOPEKIDS REGISTRATION

Register online at [fargohope.org/children](http://fargohope.org/children).  
Registration forms are available at the Church Office.

Please consider pre-registering by June 20.  
Email [hopekids@fargohope.org](mailto:hopekids@fargohope.org) with any questions.

### LAST DAY OF PROGRAMMING: MAY 1 & 4

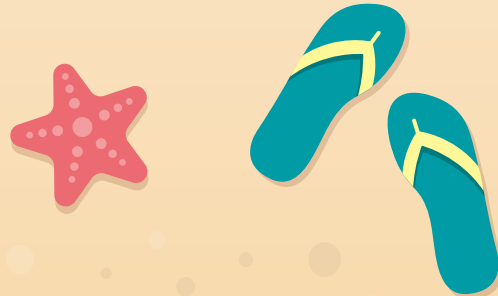
Hopekids on break from May 5–September 7. We hope to see many of you in worship over the summer!

Hopekids you will not want to miss our last day of programming for the spring. We are going to have a “Beach Party.”



### 2022-2023 HOPETOTS REGISTRATION

Please register your children ages 6 weeks-4 years old at [fargohope.org/hopetots](http://fargohope.org/hopetots). Children age three by August 1, 2022, and toilet-trained may register for Hopekids.



### SPECIAL LEARNING EVENT FOR 5TH GRADERS & THEIR FAMILIES

Students and their families gathered together for an afternoon filled with: worship, the heart of communion, the history of communion, a shared Sedar Meal & a cross craft. May God bless our 5th graders and their families as they continue in their faith journey with Confirmation this fall.

### 5TH GRADERS AT HOPE RECEIVED THEIR FIRST COMMUNION:

Congratulations to our fifth graders who received their first communion on Maundy Thursday at all three campuses.





### ONE MISSION: FARGO-MOORHEAD

June 28-30 | South Campus (no overnights)

Registration is open and runs through June 8 (current 5<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> graders). Students will be serving at various locations throughout Fargo-Moorhead. Cost \$60.

Register at [fargohope.org/middleschool](http://fargohope.org/middleschool)

### SUMMER CAMP OPPORTUNITIES

No summer Castaway...please visit our website at [fargohope.org/middleschool](http://fargohope.org/middleschool) for more details regarding IPoint opportunities.

### CONFIRMATION PROGRAMMING

Confirmation programming last night is May 4. Registration for 2022-2023 is open! Please register at [fargohope.org/middleschool](http://fargohope.org/middleschool).

### 9TH GRADE AFFIRMATION OF BAPTISM SERVICES AND PHOTOS:

Mark your calendar for May 15. Confirmation services will be held at all three campuses. Students and group leaders have been assigned to a specific service time.

Best of Times will be available at the North Campus Tuesday, May 3, 4:00-8:00pm, and at the South Campus, Thursday, May 5, 4:00-8:00pm. Students may sign-up for either day, regardless of which campus they attend. You can sign up by going to [fargohope.org/middleschool](http://fargohope.org/middleschool). West Campus students will take their photos on Sunday, May 15, 12:30pm, prior to the Affirmation of Baptism service at the West Campus.



# HIGH SCHOOL MINISTRY

### THE RETURN OF HSM NORTH CAMPUS!

Beginning September 7, all students in grades 10-12 will have the option to attend High School Ministry at either our North or South Campus locations! A typical night of HSM looks like time for snacks, games, and hangout time with friends, worship, a message, and of course, small group! We cannot wait to add this additional opportunity for community this fall! More details to come!

Get your student registered at [fargohope.org/highschool](http://fargohope.org/highschool)!

### UPCOMING EVENTS

05/11

#### HSM Bonfire

South Campus | 7:15-10:00pm

Students in grades 9-12 are invited to kick-off the summer with a good old fashioned Bonfire.

05/18

#### Baccalaureate

South Campus | 7:15pm

Local high school seniors and their families are welcome to attend this special worship service to honor the class of 2022 and their continued journey in faith.

07/17



#### Senior Retreat | July 7-July 9

Register at [fargohope.org/highschool](http://fargohope.org/highschool)

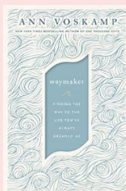
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#### Camp House | July 31-August 4

Register at [fargohope.org/highschool](http://fargohope.org/highschool)

# WOMENS MINISTRY • [fargohope.org/women](http://fargohope.org/women)



## BIBLE STUDY

**WayMaker: Finding the Way to the Life You've Always Dreamed Of** by Ann Voskamp

April 21-August 22 | Noon-1:00pm | Fee: Cost of Book  
Atomic Coffee with Karen Moore  
Register at [fargohope.org/women](http://fargohope.org/women).



## GET CONNECTED, MOMS!

**MOPS/MOMSNEXT** May 14, Play date at the River's Bend Park, 601 26th Ave E West Fargo; 9:00-11:00am.

Join our Facebook page to stay up to date: *Hope Lutheran MOPS/MOMSnext*.



## READ AND RELATE

*The Four Winds* by Kristin Hannah

**Tuesday, May 3, 7:00pm**, N. Campus Fellowship Center  
**Monday, May 9, 11:00am**, S. Campus Library



**KAMS (KIDS AND MOMS)** Thursdays, 9:00-11:00am for Bible study, fellowship and support.

We will be discussing the book, *Character Matters: Raising Kids with Values that Last*, by John and Susan Yates. For details and to RSVP daycare, contact Ruth Clarens at 701.238.1831 or [rcclarens@gmail.com](mailto:rcclarens@gmail.com).



## CARD MINISTRY

**May 17 | South Campus | 6:30-8:30pm**

Cards with beautiful, heartfelt designs and a monthly reflection are made for HopeCare ministries. Projects are preplanned, and all supplies are provided. Spots are limited, registration required at [fargohope.org/women](http://fargohope.org/women).

## TONING TOGETHER

Join women of Hope for low impact aerobics and toning via Skype, Tuesdays, 5:00pm and Thursdays, 5:15pm. Download Skype app and send your email to [MaryHolm23@gmail.com](mailto:MaryHolm23@gmail.com).

# 33 THE SERIES™

**SOUTH CAMPUS | 6:30am**

All men of Hope are invited to join us on Wednesday mornings at the South Campus for a relaunch of 33 series. 33 is a study for men designed to help them in their walk with Jesus.



**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED,**  
for weekly and hourly opportunities.

**CASTAWAY CLUB**

JUNE 12-17 & AUGUST 15-20

For more information contact  
[ADULTS@FARGOHOPE.ORG](mailto:ADULTS@FARGOHOPE.ORG)



## MAN TALK BREAKFAST

**Thursday, May 12 | 6:30am**  
South Campus



June 10-12, 2022

Lakewood Park Bible Camp • Devils Lake

➔ Register at [fargohope.org/men](http://fargohope.org/men)

## SMALL GROUPS

Small groups are a great way to connect in fellowship with other members and grow in your faith. Small groups can take many forms including Bible study groups, sermon series groups (following our current sermon series), and interest groups. Small groups can be designed for men, women, or all adults.

To find a small group visit [fargohope.org/adults](http://fargohope.org/adults) and click the Find a Small Group button.  
To start a small group visit [fargohope.org/adults](http://fargohope.org/adults) and click the Start a Small Group button.  
If you have questions, contact [adults@fargohope.org](mailto:adults@fargohope.org)

UPCOMING SERMON SERIES

# REJOICE IN ALL CIRCUMSTANCES

APRIL 20–MAY 29

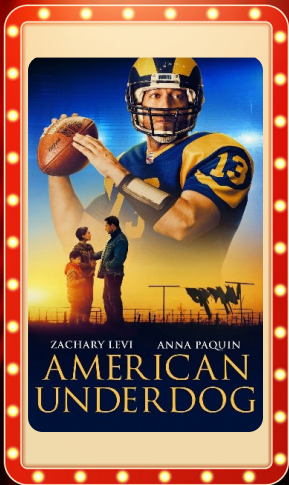
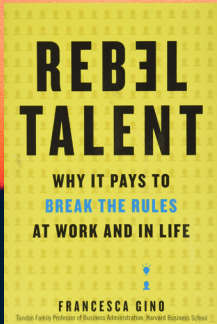
## GLOBAL LEADERSHIP SUMMIT BOOK CLUB

May 9 | 7:30-8:30pm | North Campus Room 11

For men and women who attended the GLS, this is a great way to take what you learned to a new level. Register at [fargohope.org/adults](http://fargohope.org/adults).

“Rebel Talent” by Dr. Francesca Gino

Do you want to follow a script—or write your own story? Award-winning Harvard Business School professor Francesca Gino shows us why the most successful among us break the rules, and how rebellion brings joy and meaning into our lives.



## SUMMER MOVIE NIGHT

June 9 | North Campus | 6:30–8:30pm

*American Underdog*

The inspirational true story of Kurt Warner, who overcomes years of challenges and setbacks to become a two-time NFL MVP, Super Bowl champion, and Hall of Fame quarterback. Just when his dreams seem all but out of reach, it's only with the support of his wife, Brenda, and the encouragement of his family, coaches, and teammates that Warner perseveres and finds the strength to show the world the champion that he already is.

Upcoming movie nights: July 12 & August 9

## TRAVEL OPPORTUNITIES

Three reservations are now available for the Alpine Europe including the Passion Play of Oberammergau Tour. The 12 day tour is September 13-24, 2022. Contact Pastor Kevan at [ksmith@fargohope.org](mailto:ksmith@fargohope.org) for the itinerary and reservation form.

The Holy Land Tour is set for March 21-30, 2023. Brochures and reservation forms are now available at the Information Center at each campus. This is a unique experience like no other you will ever take as you walk where Jesus walked! The tour is just before Holy Week and Easter which will make your experience even more wonderful in 2023!



## WE ARE BETTER TOGETHER

Every day you see people who are hurting: those who have lost a job, have lost a loved one, have gone through a divorce, or are battling a terminal illness. Stephen Ministers are God's representatives who bring His love to those who are hurting.

Are you gifted with the heart for caring? God is waiting to make a difference in others' lives through you! Stephen Ministry Training will equip you to become a better listener, set boundaries with others, be assertive in your communication, identify signs of depression, and in what to say, or not say to someone who is hurting.

Our next Stephen Ministry training class will start October 6, 2022 and we want you to prayerfully consider the opportunity to participate and become a Stephen Minister at Hope Lutheran Church.

To learn more about Stephen Ministry, contact a Hope Lutheran Pastor or Kim Youngquist at 701.235.6629, x322 email [hopecare@fargohope.org](mailto:hopecare@fargohope.org) or go to [fargohope.org/stephenministry](http://fargohope.org/stephenministry) to find out more.

We can be better together!

## WHAT IS A STEPHEN MINISTER?

Stephen Ministers are often referred to as the "After People." Stephen Ministers are there:

...after you've washed and returned the last casserole dish.

...after the divorce papers have been served and the bottom falls out of your life.

...after you arrive home following the funeral service and the emotions you've held at bay come crashing in on you.

...after the doctors have said, "There's nothing more we can do."


...after the call you'd always hoped you'd never get.

...after the nursing home director shakes your hand and says, "Welcome to your new home."

...after the gavel goes down, the handcuffs go on, and your loved one is led away.

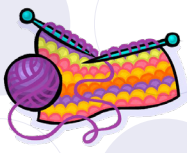
...after you find the pink slip inserted with what is now your final paycheck.

...after your family and friends have heard your story one too many times, but you still need to talk it out.



Stephen Ministers at Hope Lutheran make us better together. They are here to care for you when you go through a rough patch in your life. Contact any Hope Lutheran Pastor or Kim Y. at 701-235-6629, email [hopecare@fargohope.org](mailto:hopecare@fargohope.org) or visit [www.fargohope.org/hopecare](http://www.fargohope.org/hopecare). Our Stephen Ministers are here to care for you!





**hopecare**  
to love as Christ first loved us

**NEEDLEWORKS MINISTRY:**

Woven Together in Prayer

May 6 & 16 | 7:00pm | North Campus Library

Q's? Contact: [hopecare@fargohope.org](mailto:hopecare@fargohope.org)



**PRAYER CROSS MINISTRY**

Prayer Cross making will take place at the South Campus garage on Tuesday, May 10 at 6:30pm, with pizza starting at 6:00pm, and again on Wednesday, May 18 at 1:00pm. The Prayer Cross ministry team would love to invite new people, especially those who'd enjoy doing different levels of woodworking or stamping of our prayer crosses.

Questions? Contact [adults@fargohope.org](mailto:adults@fargohope.org).



**HOPE PRESCHOOL CLOSING**

After many years of providing preschool education in north Fargo, Hope Preschool will be permanently closing its doors on Friday, May 27, 2022.

As you are all aware we have faced staffing shortages this year and that struggle continues. After exploring our options, we have determined that we are not able to fully staff Hope Preschool next fall and therefore have made the decision to close the program.

Thank you for allowing us to be a part of your children's lives and allowing us to watch them grow and learn.

Hope Leadership Team

HOPE WANTS TO  
**COMMUNICATE**  
BETTER WITH YOU!



**Please take a minute to fill out our Communication Survey online at [fargohope.org](http://fargohope.org).**

This survey is designed to help us better understand how you connect with us, and where you learn about all things happening at Hope.

Thank you for taking the time to complete the survey!

## MEMORIALS

March 9–April 7



### Memorials Given to Hope Lutheran Church

March 8 – April 7

**Garnet And Jean Blouin**  
Kay Gorder

**Ronald Pederson**  
Kay Gorder

**Marvin Gutknecht**  
Bill & Joanne Steidl  
Barb Altman  
Charles & Lynda Belter

**Gary Woodbury**  
Curtis & Dorene McDougall

**Donna Fluge**  
David Lundeen  
Andrew & Cindy McLean  
Jo Jensen  
Don & Diane Jelinek

**Allen Schroeder**  
JW & Karen Schroeder

**Ilene Lee Block**  
Linda Bakewell

**Mary Ellen Larson**  
Dan & Terri Abbott

**June Morlock**  
Leslie & Brenda Trandem

**Bonnie Pollock**  
Leslie & Brenda Trandem

**Denise Plecity**  
Mike & Kathy DuBord



### Memorials Given to Hope Lutheran Foundation

March 8 – April 7

**Ray Mickelson**  
Betty Webb

**Donna Fluge**  
Geri Rau  
Joanne Proehl  
Jim & Sharon Puppe

**Bonnie Pollock**  
Jim & Sharon Puppe

**Verna Thompson**  
Jim & Sharon Puppe

**Garnet And Jean Blouin**  
Dave & Lori Hilde

**Joyce Gullingerud**  
Erva Moilanen

**Marshal Moore**  
Erva Moilanen

**Robert L Johnson**  
Erva Moilanen

**Skip Anderson**  
Alice Dosland

## MEMBERS AND *Milestones*

March 9–April 7



### BAPTISMS

**Rylee Jean**, daughter of Andrew & Andrea Whyalen

**Isaac James**, son of Zachary & Kathryn Olson

**Mia Britton**, daughter of Dustin & Laura Weber

**Indy Mae**, daughter of James & Carissa Guler

**Hudson Adam**, son of Ryan & Molly Oas

**Eliana Hiraya Fernandez**, daughter of John & Lou Ell

**Owen Scott**, son of Jacob & Shelby Greenwood

**Jaxson Charles, Isla Christine, Finley James, and Lincoln Christopher Hovelson**, son and daughters of Zachary Hovelson & Tiffany Motis

**Rylee Jo Wobbema**, daughter of Brandon Hanna & Megan Wobbema

**Bostin Warren**, son of Travis & Jacklyn Pack

**Pierce James Dilbeck**, son of Brandon Dilbeck & Tawny Hildebrant

**Solveig Noelle**, daughter of Jonathan & Katelyn Morken

**Drew Nathan**, son of Nathan & Jill Ostby

**Delilah Annie**, daughter of Troy & Amelia Peterson

**Marleigh Jean**, daughter of Jordan & Kasie Carlson

**Ezekiel George**, son of Greg & Lara Gerlach

### NEW MEMBERS

Precious Gayflor

John Geis

Jill & Tyler Hofer, Adam

Elaine & David Koble

Chris Larson & Erin Rainey, Caylee

Jodi & Kevin Larson

Kelsey Olson & Carol Seefeldt

Esther Vincent

### MARRIAGES:

Alexandra Gebeke & Andrew Simonitch

### DEATHS

Marvin Gutknecht 2/28/2022

Lance LeClair 3/9/2022

Janet Johnson 3/21/2022

Ellery Kundert 3/31/2022



## MAY PREACHING SCHEDULE

### “Chains”

Philippians 1:12-30

North: May 1 Intern Stef Jordheim

### “Thank the Lord!”

Philippians 1:3-11

South: May 1 Pastor Ben Jacobson

West: May 1 Pastor Ben Sullivan

### “Press On!”

Philippians 3:7-14

North: May 4/8 Pastor Ben Sullivan

South: May 11/15 Pastor Ben Sullivan

West: May 11/15 Pastor Mike Toomey

### “Be Glad & Rejoice!”

Philippians 2:12-18

North: May 11/15 Pastor Ben Jacobson

South: May 4/8 Pastor Ben Jacobson

West: May 4/8 Pastor Sarah Seibold

### “Citizens of Heaven”

Philippians 3:15-21

North: May 18/22 Pastor Mike Toomey

South: May 25/29 Pastor Mike Toomey

West: May 25/29 Intern Stef Jordheim

### “Godly Thinking”

Philippians 4:4-9

North: May 25/29 Pastor Ben Sullivan

South: May 18/22 Pastor Ben Sullivan

West: May 18/22 Pastor Ben Jacobson

### Worship note:

Youth programming ends on Sunday, May 1 and Wednesday, May 4



## WORSHIP TIMES

### NORTH AND SOUTH CAMPUS

#### Wednesday:

6:00pm Contemporary

#### Sunday:

8:30am Traditional (South Campus in Chapel)

9:30am Contemporary

10:45am Contemporary

### WEST CAMPUS

Wednesday: 6:00pm Contemporary

Sunday: 9:30am Contemporary



## LOCATIONS



### SOUTH CAMPUS

3636 25th St. S, Fargo



### NORTH CAMPUS

2900 Broadway N, Fargo



### WEST CAMPUS

2633 55th St S, Fargo

### FARGOHOPE.ORG

CHURCH OFFICE 701.235.6629



## HOPE LUTHERAN PASTORS



Paul Nynas  
Senior Pastor



Michael Toomey  
Executive Pastor



Sarah Seibold



Ben Jacobson



Ben Sullivan



Stefanie Jordheim  
Pastoral Intern/  
WC Director



Kevan Smith  
Visitation Pastor



## WORSHIP ONLINE

If you are unable to attend in-person, we invite you to worship with us online! You can watch live or find the play-back on our website at [fargohope.org/watch](http://fargohope.org/watch). You can also watch on Facebook and YouTube: search for Fargo Hope.

## FACEBOOK & YOUTUBE

Wednesday 6:00pm

Sunday 8:30am Traditional, 9:30am

Contemporary

A podcast of sermon audio is available the Monday following worship at [fargohope.org/listen](http://fargohope.org/listen) or on the iTunes store.



## STAFF

### WORSHIPARTS

John Bedore; Paul Norell; Kim Klatt; Justin Morken; Joe Weatherly; Hope Brown Johnson; Heidi Ivesdal; Sara Lichtblau; Paul Luthi; Andria Messelt; Anna Mitchell; Rachel Pulling

### WOMEN'S MINISTRY

Judy Siegle Aamodt

### HOSPITALITY

Kay Jastram, Jo Pederson, Virginia Luchau

### YOUTH MINISTRY

Nicole Weisz, Katie Van Dame, Kathy Braunschweig, Andria Messelt

### HOPECARE

Barb Van Dame; Kim Youngquist

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Dave Peterson; Chris Schlepp



*Membership that Matters*

Sign up at [fargohope.org](http://fargohope.org) and a pastor will contact you to visit and welcome you to Hope's family. It's that easy. Questions? Email [welcome@fargohope.org](mailto:welcome@fargohope.org).

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**FARGOHOPE.ORG/ABOUT**

# WOMEN'S SPRING BRUNCH

Featuring The Garden of Healing

**Saturday, May 7 • 9:00–10:30am • North Campus**

Early bird tickets \$13 until April 27, then \$18 (Scholarships available)

***Register at [fargohope.org/women](https://fargohope.org/women)***

