

HOPE MONTHLY

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Celebrate Easter with Hope

Join your Lutheran Church of Hope family as we celebrate the resurrection of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Holy Week offers a wide range of opportunities to prepare our hearts and minds for Easter. Check out the list of services to the right – you'll see that there's something for everyone.

Start your Easter morning early with the sunrise service at Hope, then hop on I-235 for the quick trip to Veterans Memorial Auditorium in downtown Des Moines. In addition to a spirited worship service, you'll find juice, coffee and doughnuts, a concert of praise to get your hands clapping and your hearts pumping, an Easter egg hunt for the kids, and professional childcare. Parking is easy, close and free.

If you've been around Hope for a while, you know that Easter at Vets is a highlight of the year. This is an excellent opportunity for you to invite friends and neighbors who don't have a church home to come and hear the life-changing good news of Jesus' resurrection. Spread the word!

"The Life of Christ" Mime

April 7 at 7:30 pm
Presented by the High School Ministry

Palm Sunday Weekend

April 8 & 9 at regular worship times
Pastor Mike Housholder

Maundy Thursday

April 13 at Noon, 6:00, 7:15 pm
8:30 pm (Immersion)
Pastor Richard Webb

Good Friday

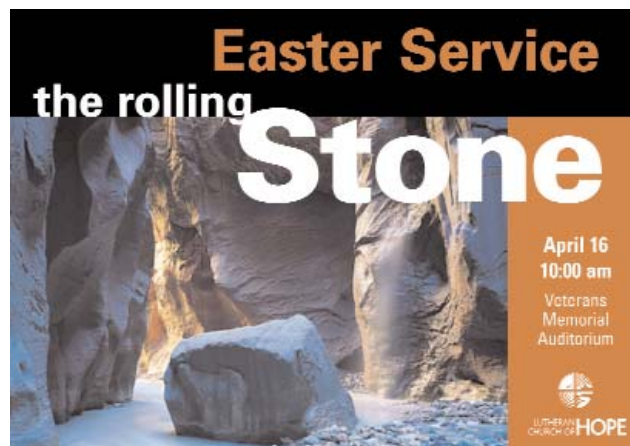
April 14 at Noon, 6:00 & 7:30 pm
Pastor Caroline Boehnke-Becker
Praise Choir will sing at 6:00 & 7:30

Saturday Night Easter Vigil

April 15 at 8:00 pm in the Chapel
A time of music and prayer that will focus on lifting up the Easter Celebration service at Vets.

Easter Sunday Sunrise Service

April 16 at 7:00 am at Hope
Pastor Pat Quaid



Easter Worship at Vets

April 16

**8:00 am Breakfast Begins
9:00 am Concert of Praise
10:00 am Worship**

**"The Rolling Stone"
by Pastor Mike Housholder**



NorthBranch Prepares For April 22 Launch

Feeling called to be a part of NorthBranch, Hope's Ankeny area satellite, or to help with the launch? Please join the team in Ankeny on Saturday, April 1 & April 8 at 4:30 pm. See page two for details!

News & Notes

Building Hope 3D Update

The building process continues to move forward. The site plan has been submitted to the City of West Des Moines for approval. The plans will be put out for bid to general contractors in late April, with selection occurring in late May. Assuming everything goes according to plan, the groundbreaking for the new space will occur in June.

If you are a church member who is a subcontractor or material suppliers for commercial buildings, and you're interested in submitting a bid, please contact Operations Director, Chris Gunnare at 222-1520, ext. 283, or Kevin Nordmeyer at RDG Planning and Design at 309-3208. While we cannot guarantee your bids will be accepted by the general contractors, we will provide them a listing of Hope members. Please provide your name, company name and building trade (ie. drywaller, tile supplier, doors and hardware supplier, lighting fixtures, concrete contractor, etc.).



Please continue to pray for progress, for all interested parties to come to cooperative agreements, and for patience throughout the next year as the congregation excitedly awaits the opening of Hope's new worship space.

"God's Vision: Your Congregation" Conference Set for May 4-6

Hope will welcome pastors, lay leaders and congregation members for the second "God's Vision: Your Congregation" conference Thursday, May 4 - Saturday, May 6. The conference is a beginning effort toward the goal of Hope becoming a teaching congregation. Hope has been given so many gifts and blessings – it is only right to share these with the larger church. Hope members are welcome to attend at no charge. For complete details, please see the article on page seven.

NorthBranch Update

NorthBranch, Hope's new satellite congregation in Ankeny, goes live on Saturday, April 22. If you feel called to be a part of the NorthBranch congregation or to help with the launch, please join us in Ankeny on Saturday, April 1 & April 8 at 4:30 pm. The launch team will worship, pray and share the vision for NorthBranch.



The team will join with the larger Hope family to celebrate Easter at Vets before **officially launching the new congregation to the community at 4:30 pm on Saturday, April 22.**

NorthBranch will worship at Resurrection Lutheran Church, located at 914 NW Ash Drive in Ankeny, just a few blocks north of First Street. Worship services will be similar in style to Immersion, Hope's late-night service.

Help further the mission of Hope – *to reach out to the world around us and share the everlasting love of Jesus Christ!* For more information, contact Mark Brandt at 222-1520, ext. 119 or mark.brandt@hopewdm.org, or Molly Juntunen at 222-1520, ext. 162 or molly.juntunen@hopewdm.org.

Mission Trip Recaps Coming Soon

Visit www.hopewdm.org/missions and read the Winter Mission Wrap-up to learn about the trips and teams that visited Juarez, Jamaica, Ghana and New Orleans.

New Member Class

Sunday, April 23 from 5:00-8:00 pm.
Come for 5:00 pm worship and stay for a meal and class.
Childcare is provided.
To register, please call 222-1520.

Children's Ministry

First Communion Class

If your child has been asking about communion, this class is for you! The two-session class will be held Saturday, April 1 & 8 from 1:00-3:00 pm, or Tuesday, April 4 & 11 from 6:30-8:30 pm.

The class is designed for children grades 1-6 and for parents who want to know what communion is all about. (Parents are asked to attend with their children. Child-care for younger children will be provided.) Each session includes a large-group teaching time followed by a small-group discussion and interaction time. First communion will happen on Maundy Thursday, April 13.

Questions? Contact Pam Haglund at 222-1520, ext. 120 or email pam.haglund@hopewdm.org. To register, please contact Deb Gawlik at 222-1520, ext.168.

VBS Volunteer Teams Forming

Join these fun teams as Hope prepares for another exciting year of VBS. Over 1,000 volunteers are needed to help run this great outreach event. If you are interested or have questions, please contact Jessica Mennen at 222-1520, ext. 139 or jessica.mennen@hopewdm.org.

Summer Kingdom Quest Update

KQ will finish another great year the weekend of May 20-21. Summer KQ starts the weekend of June 3-4. Volunteers are needed throughout the summer. If you can help (whether it's every weekend or just once in a while), please contact the coordinator for the age group you'd like to serve (see contact info to the right).

Worship on Wednesdays/ReachOut 56 Calendar Updates

The last night of WOW/RO56 will be April 12. The children grades 1-6 will be treated to a special presentation of the Easter Mime put on by the high school students. Reach Out 56 pick-up will be in the Chapel and pick up for children grades 1-4 will be in the Gym. Children 3 yr old - kindergarten will have their normal programming and pick up in the Gym as well. Thanks for another wonderful season of Wednesday nights. See you next year!

VBS 2006

June 12-16
9:00 am - noon

June 19-23
9:00 am - noon &
6:00-8:00 pm

Visit www.hopewdm.org and click on the Children's Ministry link to download registration and volunteer opportunity forms. Drop boxes for the forms and extra VBS packets are located at all main entrances and Welcome Centers.

Welcome, Amanda!

Children's Ministry is pleased to introduce the new 3 year - Kindergarten Coordinator, Amanda Neppi. Amanda has been a shepherd for many years and is very excited about joining the staff.



Neppi

Children's Ministry Mission Update

KQ and KFC, WOW and RO56 made a big difference in the lives of others again through missions. In March we had our very first children's book drive to benefit the Read First at Home program, the new Riverside library in Jamaica and Good Samaritan Urban Ministries. Hundreds and hundreds of books will be lovingly donated to kids in need. Way to go kids!

In April the kids will learn about a great local program called Shalom Zone Ministries. Shalom Zone is an outreach program offering an afterschool program, community health ministry, and summer day camp for children in kindergarten through fifth grade. Hope kids will support this mission through prayers, teaching others about the mission,

Children's Ministry Contacts 222-1520

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Registration

Paige Henderson, ext. 196

Deb Gawlik, ext. 168

and offerings to help the ministry purchase some of the materials and equipment they need. What a great way to show that "Kids Care Too"!

Student Ministry

JUNIOR HIGH – POWERLIFE

PowerLife is a weekly junior high event that meets Wednesday nights during the school year. For more information, contact Chrissy Oelberg at 222-1520, ext. 148 or chrissy.oelberg@hopewdm.org.

Confirmation Information

Students will be grouped according to their PowerLife small groups for the presentation of their faith statements and confirmation services. The schedule for faith statements is:

8A - 8C 6:00 pm Sunday, April 23 in the Chapel
 8D - 8F 7:30 pm Sunday, April 23 in the Chapel
 8G - 8H 6:00 pm Monday, May 1 in the Chapel
 8J - 8L 7:30 pm Monday, May 1 in the Chapel
 8M - 8O 6:00 pm Tuesday, May 2 in Room 101
 8P - 8R 7:30 pm Tuesday, May 2 in Room 101

Confirmation will be Sunday, May 7 at 1:00 pm for students in groups 8A - 8E and 8J - 8M; and at 3:00 pm for students in groups 8F - 8H and 8N - 8R.

Eighth Grade Retreat at Riverside Bible Camp – April 28-30

We'll leave Hope at 6:00 pm Friday and will be home on Sunday around 1:30 pm. Remember, this is a requirement for Confirmation. We will talk about developing habits that will help students continue to grow into their high school years. **We still need chaperones for the retreat.** If you can help, please contact Chrissy Oelberg at 222-1520, ext. 148 or email chrissy.oelberg@hopewdm.org.

SENIOR HIGH – IGNITION

Ignition is a weekly high school event on Sunday nights. For more information, contact Chrissy Oelberg at 222-1520, ext. 148 or email chrissy.oelberg@hopewdm.org.

Upcoming Events

April 2: Meet Josh Goodman, the new junior high youth director
 April 9: Heather Noble will speak on how Christian friendship begins by walking in Jesus' footprints
 April 16: Easter – enjoy the holiday with your family
 April 23: Christine Meggison will speak on how healthy friendships require the boldness of telling the truth.
 April 30: Wrap-up the series on friendships

The baccalaureate service for graduating seniors and their family and friends is Sunday, May 14 from 6:30-8:00 pm in the Chapel. The service includes worship, a speaker, refreshments, a slideshow and prayer. Please RSVP to chrissy.oelberg@hopewdm.org.

Class for graduating seniors: Wednesdays May 17, 24 & 31 from 7:00-9:00 pm in Rm 101. Bryan Becker will talk with seniors to inform, encourage and prepare them for college. For more information, contact Chrissy Oelberg at 222-1520, ext. 148 or chrissy.oelberg@hopewdm.org.

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Noble

Summer Stretch Events – Look for More Information Coming Soon

June 5: Bowling at Warrior Lanes for 8-12th graders
 June 24: Movie after Taste Of Hope
 July 24-30: High School trip to Big Stuf camp in Panama City, Florida. Look for sign-up information coming soon.
 August 2: PowerLife trip to Valleyfair
 Mid August: Dodgeball Tournament

Hope Family News

*For a complete list of updated prayer requests, please pick up a weekend bulletin insert.
 To add a prayer request, please e-mail norma.soethout@hopewdm.org.*

BIRTHS

Feb. 17 – Janie Jean Wyatt, daughter of Monte & Lisa
Feb. 23 – William John Latham, son of Christopher & Ann
Feb. 23 – William Perry Lookingbill, son of Wade & Angela
Feb. 25 – Rachel Marie Gass, daughter of Ted & Amy
Feb. 25 – Brayden Keller Mulligan, grandson of Mary Griffiths
Feb. 26 – Jack Charles Andersen, son of Nick & Liz
March 4 – Juliana Joy Heinen, daughter of Matt & Annelie
March 7 – Alivia Rae Romesburg, daughter of Chris Romesburg & Alyssan Fitzgerald
March 7 – Braylon Christopher Jenkins, son of Bryan Jenkins & Amy Johnson
March 13 – Khloe Avalon Grasmick, daughter of Nathan & Holly

BAPTISMS

March 5
 Allison Marie Steele
 Jackson Carter Wentworth
 Hamilton Jay Wentworth
 Luke Jace Hughes
 Thomas George Hughes
 Andrew John Law
March 11
 Michael Lee Corrigan
 Alicia Jenette Corrigan
 Memphis Riley Inglett
 Lauren Naomi Wallace
March 12
 Jacob Carter Wendt
 Ainslee Edna McDowell
 Gaige Steven Sneed
 Preston Lee Schnoor
March 18
 Sydney Anne Schulz
 Larissa Marie Byl
March 19
 Megan Elizabeth Burge
 Jacob Scott Hamling
 Jordan Spencer Sturdivant

March 19, Con't.

Christopher Carlyle Wells
 Joshua Marshall Wells
 Reagan Elizabeth Ridout
 Jett Geoffrey Turner
March 25
 Davis Anthony Nestor
 Ava Marie Morgan
 Matthew Eugene Lindholm
March 26
 Sherry Jean Hawkesworth
 Kalyn Rae Mills
 Matthew Daozhi Zhang
 Kathy Sheng
 Jariah Mae Hannible

WEDDINGS

March 4 – Cindy Warren & Robert Hobbs
March 18 – Amanda Dallenbach & Darren Wood
March 31 – Julie Kramer & Eric Moore

FUNERALS

Feb. 20 – James Christenson

Missions Ministry

*Dear children, let us not love with words or tongue
but with actions and in truth.
1 John 3:18*



APRIL'S MISSION OF THE MONTH: HIV/AIDS AWARENESS AND ACTION

**Do you have a desire to respond to the
AIDS epidemic?**

You can make a difference!

Please Join Hope to Help:

- Increase awareness of HIV/AIDS
- Assist Central Iowans living with HIV to achieve the highest quality of life possible
- Prevent future HIV infections in our community

How: Assemble a team to participate in the MAC VivaGlam AIDS Walk/Run 2006 to benefit the AIDS Project of Central Iowa.

When: Saturday, April 8 at 10:00 am

Where: Des Moines University, 3440 Grand Avenue, Des Moines

Entry Fees: (Includes a t-shirt, but correct t-shirt size cannot be guaranteed) \$25/adult and \$10/youth (12 or under). Children under 5 are free (t-shirt not included)

Visit www.hopewdm.org/missions to link to registration and fundraising forms, or stop by the Mission Shack.

The AIDS Project is a non-profit 501(c)3 organization that provides case management, access to medical and housing programs, emergency funding for medical expenses and other services to 200 people infected with AIDS. The organization also promotes awareness and prevention education.

Mission Riverside Dates: April 21-22, April 28-29, May 5-6, May 19-20, June 2-3, June 9-10, July 7-8, July 14-15, July 28-29, and August 4-5. Mission Riverside continues with the building of two more cabins this summer at Riverside Lutheran Bible Camp in Story City, IA. No special skills are needed. All weekends will offer time to serve, connect and grow by working together. More information is at the Mission Shack. Questions? Please contact Garold & Gretchen Jones at 276-9353.

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Looking for other ways to respond to the AIDS epidemic?

Compassion International is a Christian child advocacy ministry that helps more than 728,000 children in 20 countries. The ministry's HIV/AIDS Program offers desperately needed support to HIV/AIDS-affected people. How can you help?

- Donate to the Compassion HIV/AIDS fund
- Sponsor a Compassion child affected by HIV/AIDS

Look for information packets at the Mission Shack and the Welcome Centers throughout the month of April.

**More than 12 million African children
and 14 million children worldwide have
lost one or both parents to AIDS.**

Care Ministry

Watch for the Spring Hope Catalog, coming in April, for the next series of Care classes and groups. Below are just a few of the support groups that can listen, care and partner with you so you can remain "hope filled."

Alcoholics Anonymous (AA) Saturdays 9:00-10:00 am, Rm 212 and Sundays 5:00-6:00, Rm 207

AA is fellowship of men and women who have had a drinking problem. Membership is open to anyone who desires to do something about his or her drinking problem.

AI-ANON Sundays 5:00-6:00 pm, Rm 201A

AI-Anon is a fellowship of relatives and friends of alcoholics. The group helps the families of alcoholics by practicing the 12 steps, by welcoming and giving comfort to families of alcoholics and giving understanding and encouragement to the alcoholic.

Alateen Sundays 5:00-6:00 pm, Rm 201B

Alateen is a fellowship of young AI-ANON members, usually teenagers, whose lives have been affected by someone else's drinking.

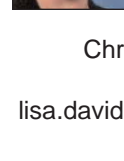
Narcotics Anonymous Saturdays 7:30-8:30 pm, Rm 215

NA is an international fellowship of men and women who are seeking or have found release from drugs. Membership is open to all drug addicts.

Care Ministry Contacts 222-1520



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Adult Ministry



For a listing of all classes and seminars offered at Hope, see the Hope Winter 2006 Catalog. The Spring/Summer Catalog will be distributed in mid-April.

To register for any of the classes below, please email registrations@hopewdm.org, or call the church office at 222-1520.

Spring Alpha

*Wednesdays, April 19 - June 7, 6:00-8:30 pm, Gym/Worship Center.
Holy Spirit Retreat: Friday and Saturday, May 19-20*

David: A Man After God's Own Heart -- Developing the Character of a Leader

*Last Wednesday of each month through June,
7:30-9:00 pm, Worship Center*

We are all called to grow in servant leadership in our own walk of faith. To learn more about the character of a leader, please join other people of faith and servant leaders as we explore the life of David through a series of monthly classes. Childcare is available.

Let Prayer Change Your Life

Saturday, April 8, 9:00 am - 3:00 pm, Rm 101

This one-day seminar will help you: revitalize your daily discussions with God; provide structure to help you focus; make your prayer life exciting and addicting; shift your personality, priorities and perspectives to a heavenly point-of-view; and teach you how to listen to God and discern his will for your life. Childcare will not be available. Cost is \$15, including materials, light breakfast and lunch.

Creation to Jesus

Sundays, April 23 - May 14, 9:30-10:30 am, Large Rehearsal Rm
Discover how the Old and New Testaments tie together, and learn of God's never-ending love for his children. Once you understand the big story, your whole world will begin to change. Childcare is available. Materials provided are \$12.

Spiritual Gifts

Tuesdays, April 18 - May 30, 7:00-8:15 pm, Rm 216

In this class, you'll discover how your spiritual gifts connect you into the community of faith in ways that give you energy and help you live out God's amazing dream for you. As you learn with others, you'll reflect on what God is showing you and what he has in store for your life. Childcare is available. Materials provided are \$5.

Thursday Morning Bible Study for Women

The Tale of Two Women: The Stories of Ruth and Esther

March 30 - May 18, 9:15-11:15 am, Rm 212

Join women of Hope each Thursday morning for a time to connect with other women and dig into God's Word through large and small group discussion. Bring your Bible and find out how your story connects to the story of Ruth and Esther. Childcare is available. Cost is \$10.

Lunch With Jesus

Wednesdays, April 19 - June 7, 11:45 am - 1:00 pm, Rm 214

Gain a clearer understanding of God's Word and the truly immense and earth-shattering nature of Jesus' ministry. You will be fascinated in learning how the Old and New Testaments tie together and will be in awe of God's never-ending love for his children. A large group talk and small group discussion will be offered. Please bring your Bible. Childcare is available.

Beyond Stitchin' Mission

*Mondays, April 24, May 1, 8, 15, 22, 6:30-9:00 pm, Rm 104 & Saturday,
May 6, 8:30 am - 3:00 pm, Rm 101*

This group is for new quilters who have attended a beginner's Stitchin' Mission and want to learn more, or quilters with some experience. Come to make an 87" X 56" bed-sized quilt for Camp Kinshuko, a Christian family camp in Iwate, Japan. Classes are free and include the pattern. Some donated materials are available. Visit www.hopequilters.com for additional information.

PIGS (Pretty Interesting Guy Stuff)

These groups meet on a year-round basis in small groups for Bible and book studies, fellowship and prayer. New men are welcome to participate at any time throughout the year. PIGS is offered three times throughout the week:

On Wednesday mornings, the entire group meets in the Gym at 6:30 am for a hot breakfast and announcements and then breaks into small groups from 7:00-8:00 am.

The Wednesday noon groups meet in Rooms 213 & 216 from 11:45 am - 12:45 pm, provide their own lunches and participate in Bible and book studies, fellowship and prayer as they eat.

Thursday morning PIGS dine on Krispy Kremes, juice and coffee as a large group in Room 201 before splitting into small groups for study and prayer. They meet from 6:30-8:00 am.

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To register, e-mail registrations@hopewdm.org,
or call 222-1520.



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**God's Vision:
Your Congregation
Conference**

The second "God's Vision: Your Congregation" event will be held at Hope Thursday, May 4 - Saturday, May 6. The conference will begin with the Immersion service on Thursday night and conclude with Saturday worship.

The conference is designed for congregational leaders from around the state and beyond. The goal is to empower and equip leaders to go back to their own congregations with renewed passion and vision.

In an effort to make the conference accessible to all, fees are kept to a minimum. One participant is \$50; two participants are \$100. All additional participants from a congregation are asked to pay only for their lunches (\$5 per day). In other words, a church can bring a dozen people for just \$100. Financial assistance is available.

All Hope pastors will present information, and many of Hope's staff members will conduct the 24 workshops.

The conference is a beginning effort toward the goal of Hope becoming a teaching congregation. Hope has been given so many gifts and blessings – it is only right to share these with the larger church.

Members of Hope are welcome to attend at no charge. You are encouraged to invite people who would like to visit Hope and learn what God is doing.

For more information contact Lela Griffin at 222-1520, ext. 149 or email lela.griffin@hopewdm.org, or Melissa Johnson Matthews at 225-8858.

Easter Flowers

Sign up for Easter flowers in memory of your loved ones, or to praise God for blessings received. Look for the bulletin insert for more information. Sign-up by April 9.

See a Winter 2006 Hope Catalog for a listing of all groups and classes.

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Worship Ministry



Friday Night Fellowship -- "Life of Christ" Mime

Please join the high school celebration of the Easter season with the mime performance, "Life of Christ" on Friday, April 7 at 7:30 pm in the Chapel. Experience the story of Christ through music, acting and media.

Admission is free, and a free-will offering will be taken with all proceeds benefitting the student Mission Jamaica trip. For more information, contact Lisa Sargent at 222-1520, ext. 138.

Glorify God at His Table – Design Team Opportunities

No special skills required! You just need a desire to serve God. Have fun being creative, enjoy fellowship with others and help decorate for weekly, Christmas and Easter services. For more information, please contact Linda Folden at 223-5301 or hkgirl10705@hotmail.com.

Immersion
**Thursday late-night church
at Hope**

Thursdays 8:30 pm

Miss a talk or want
to get involved?
[See beimmersed.com](http://beimmersed.com)

Immersion is a casual, late-night ministry that draws younger Christians and seekers, and those who are young at heart. You can expect edgier music than at the contemporary services, but the same Spirit-filled message and focus on God.

Immersion is more than a midweek worship; there are small group and service opportunities as well.

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APRIL IMMERSION SERMON TITLES

- April 6: Big Questions of the Faith
- April 13: Maundy Thursday
- April 20: Seven Longings of the Human Heart
- April 27: Seven Longings of the Human Heart

Welcome to Hope!

Weekend Worship Schedule

Saturdays:

4:30 and 6:00 pm (contemporary services in the Worship Center)

Sundays:

Contemporary Services: 8:15, 9:30 and 11:00 am & 5:00 pm
(In the Worship Center with additional seating in the Chapel for 9:30 and 11:00 am)

Coffeehouse: 9:30 and 11:00 am in the Gym

("unplugged" music with a big-screen message ... and breakfast!)

Traditional Service: 8:15 am (in the Chapel)

A Sampling of Ministries

Children: *Kingdom Quest (KQ)* for age 3 - grade 6 on Saturdays 4:30 pm, Sundays 9:30 & 11:00 am.

WOW for age 3 - grade 4 and *ReachOut56* for grades 5-6 on Wednesdays 6:00 pm; *Kids' choirs* for grades 1-4 and grades 5-6 Wednesdays 5:15 pm, and grades 7-12 on Sundays 11:00 am.

Junior High: *PowerLife Confirmation* grade 7 at 6:00 pm Wednesdays; grade 8 at 7:30 pm Wednesdays.

Senior High: *Ignition* for grades 9-12 at 6:00 pm Sundays, plus many small group options. Call Chrissy at 222-1520, ext. 148.

Women: Lunch with Jesus at 11:45 am Wednesdays; plus many small groups. Call Victoria Worthington at 222-1520, ext. 121.

Men: PIGS Bible study at 6:00 am Wednesdays and Thursdays.

Alpha – An introduction to Christianity: Next session of this very popular course runs April 19 - June 7.

Adult Bible studies/classes: Dozens of options; pick up a Hope Catalog, go to www.hopewdm.org, or call 222-1520.

Music: Praise! Adult Choir at 6:00 pm Wednesdays; Chapel Choir at 7:30 pm Wednesdays; Bell Choir at 6:30 pm Mondays; Hope Orchestra at 6:30 pm Mondays. Call Lisa Sargent 222-1520, ext. 138.

Media: Volunteer to help with the audio and visual side of worship. Call Josh Kaiser 222-1520, ext. 136.

Missions: Local partnerships, summer building projects, short-term mission trips. Call Pastor Pat 222-1520, ext. 112.

Small groups: A wide variety of groups within the church. Call Victoria Worthington at 222-1520, ext. 121.

Prayer: Healing prayer services on the fourth Monday every month; plus prayer groups. Call Pastor Richard 222-1520, ext. 113.

Care: Support groups for depression, grief, divorce, etc. Call Pastor Pat at 222-1520, ext. 112.

Check out Lutheran Church of Hope online – www.hopewdm.org

Solid Rock Resources

Hope's bookstore

Saturdays: 4:00-4:30 pm and 5:30-6:00 pm

Sundays: 9:15-9:30 am, 10:30-11:00 am,
noon - 12:30 pm, 6:00-6:30 pm

SERMONS ON CD: Contact Sue Bravard at susan.bravard@hopewdm.org. The CDs are available at the bookstore for \$3. During the week, CDs are available in the church office.

April Worship Themes

April 1-2 "I Am The Resurrection" - Mike Housholder

April 8-9 (Palm Sunday) "Hosanna" - Mike Housholder

April 13 (Maundy Thursday) "Not Just My Feet" - Richard Webb

April 14 (Good Friday) "It Is Finished" - Caroline Boehnke-Becker

April 16 (Easter Sunrise) "Rabboni!" - Patrick Quaid

(Easter Celebration at Vets Auditorium) "The Rolling Stone" - Mike Housholder

April 22-23 "Joshua" - Mike Housholder

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