

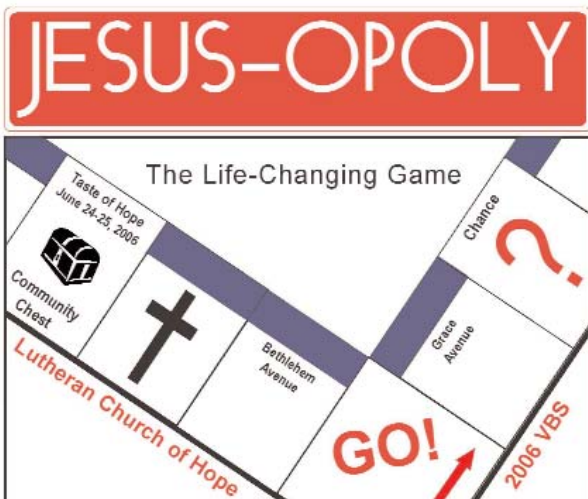
HOPE MONTHLY

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Summer at Hope - Fellowship, Food and Fireworks!

If you're between the ages of 0 and 99, you'll want to be part of the fun in June.



Vacation Bible School

June 12-16 9:00 am - Noon

June 19-23 9:00 am - Noon and 6:00-8:00 pm

"Jesus-opoly" is the name of the game for two weeks of VBS. Silly songs, Bible stories, skits and crafts are just part of what makes Vacation Bible School such a great experience. Registration and volunteer forms are available at www.hopewdm.org/children, or at all main entrances. Drop boxes are also available for completed forms. The cost is \$10 per child, or a \$25 family maximum.

More than 1,000 volunteers are needed to make VBS a spectacular outreach event. Volunteer information is available on the web, or at all main entrances. Spots for some of the sessions are going quickly, so sign-up today.

Taste of Hope

What do you need for a great summer festival? Music, food and sun, for starters. Add outdoor worship, a 5K run, a petting zoo, inflatable rides, and fireworks and you've got Taste of Hope 2006! And it's all free and open to the public. In fact, that's the whole point — to invite others to experience the sights, sounds, and (of course) tastes of Hope.

Hundreds of volunteers are needed for the weekend. To help, give Jen King a call at 222-1520, ext. 203, or email her at jen.king@hopewdm.org.

Donations are also needed, including: bottled water, pop, snack cakes (such as Little Debbie or Hostess brands), wet wipes and cookies. The planning team is also looking for bingo prizes (anything ranging from homemade treats to gift certificates — whatever you can dream up!). To contribute, please contact Gail Smith at 222-1520, ext. 110 or gail.smith@hopewdm.org.



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News & Notes From Pastor Mike



Church Trends

Not so long ago, I read an article in a church periodical regarding a disturbing trend. Worship attendance in mainline, evangelical and Roman Catholic churches has slipped over the past five years, and continues to do so.

Some of the nation's leading pastors and deepest thinkers are publicly pondering the decline. Their biggest concern is the lack of young adults (often referred to in sociological circles as "Generation X" or "postmoderns") connecting to any church.

Why? Part of the reason has to do with the postmodern rejection of practically anything that feels institutional. So while spirituality might be embraced, organized religion is ignored or considered irrelevant by many young adults.

The truth is, in some ways, the church *has* become irrelevant. Not the message we proclaim — God's word has connected with every generation for almost 20 centuries — but when we hold tighter to our religiosity, rituals, and styles of worship than to the good news of Jesus Christ, we begin to lose our ability to connect. The message does not change, but the manner in which we communicate it must if we are going to be effective for God. It's not "change for the sake of change" or to achieve the label of "innovative." It is change for the sake of mission and for the purpose of reaching out effectively to a generation with the love of Jesus.

Denial won't help. Formerly fast-growing evangelical denominations are not keeping up with population growth. Of the 50 largest Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA) congregations, almost half of them saw a decline in worship attendance last year. The average American is 33 years old. For Lutherans, the average is 59. That's quite a gap, and while Hope (an ELCA congregation) is a statistical exception (average age approximately 25, average attendance continues to grow), we are a part of the wider church and we must continue to ask questions regarding the future of the church if we are going to faithfully fulfill our Christian mission.

So, what's next for us?

First, in the midst of all these disheartening numbers, we must remember we worship a God of unmatched power, and we are believers in resurrection. The Holy Spirit always comes through, and the church will not disappear. In fact, historically speaking, in times of greatest challenge, God has sent renewal to his church (reformation, revivals, etc.) that has transformed and made relevant the body of Christ for new generations. The church is still the hope of the world.

Second, we can't become evangelically complacent. If we love people and believe that God desires to change their lives, then inviting our unchurched friends to come and meet Jesus is not optional. Because we love, we share the good news.

Third, we can't become complacent in our worship. We must bring everything we have — heart, soul, mind, body, and strength to worship, because it makes a difference! When we come to worship just to consume spiritual things, we miss the point. God calls us to worship to serve him and the people around us — it's called a "service." When we only go through the motions, what message does that send to God who knows our hearts, and what message does it

send to the people standing around us? As worshipers, we can follow the example of King David, who worshiped God with everything he had (2 Samuel 6:16-22) and God blessed him, not because he was morally perfect, but because he was a man after God's own heart (1 Samuel 13:14). Pray before you show up, when you show up, during, and after the service. Ask God to open your mind and your heart, and to blow away the barriers that keep you from giving him your best attention and energy in worship. If you do, God who is faithful will use worship to refresh your soul ... and who couldn't use some serious refreshing every week!

We must also continue to offer new and relevant forms of worship for new generations. The fact is, most young adults will never warm up to old worship forms they consider irrelevant. By that, I don't mean to single out the great classic hymns and traditional liturgy (which on some levels new generations embrace), but also contemporary praise music, which connects with plenty of baby boomers (age 42-60), but is definitely not making the connection for most younger adults ... and, again, denial won't help. If we aren't speaking their language, aren't connecting to their hearts musically, and aren't listening to their concerns, how can we expect new generations of people to just start showing up for worship?

I ran into a young man who was on his way to a construction job yesterday. He said, "Hey Pastor, how's it going?" I didn't recognize him and he must have sensed that, so he explained that he attends the coffeehouse service in the Gym every Sunday (a service with a very unique and "unplugged" feel to it). He told me he probably would have never tried church again if it had not been for a service like that.

Around Hope, it warms my heart when I hear someone say, "This particular service is not for me, but that's ok, because God is using it to connect with someone ... and I love that!"

Finally, it appears that the future is potentially bright for very small congregations (sometimes called "house churches") and for the very large congregations that are willing to launch them. Recent history has not been kind to large congregations that become inward focused and self-centered. Outreach-focused large congregations, in contrast, are thriving.

Hope's recent launch of NorthBranch in Ankeny is a good foretaste of our future, as is the development of the services in the Gym, the Immersion worship experience targeted for postmoderns on Thursday nights, and our partnership with Elim Fellowship in Des Moines, as well as Globeserve in Ghana, Africa. I believe God is calling Hope to continue to develop relationships like that and start dozens more satellites, house churches, and new congregations all over the world over the next few decades. It's about multiplication of God's kingdom, not just additions to one congregation.

The mission of Lutheran Church of Hope is to "*reach out to the world around us and share the everlasting love of Jesus Christ.*" Keep the faith, and keep pressing on! God is making a difference in this world through you, and you are a very important part of his church in the world today.

In Christ's Love,
Pastor Mike Housholder

Children's Ministry

Summer Kingdom Quest (age 3 - grade 6): After a Memorial Day weekend break, Summer KQ will start June 3-4. This summer the kids will walk through the seven days of creation at "Camp Wadyawannano" and get answers to crazy questions young minds always ask. No pre-registration is required.

Summer KQ Volunteers: Volunteers are needed throughout the summer to help with Summer KQ. Teaching is not required, just assisting the children as they go through their activities. All families with children attending Summer KQ are asked to volunteer. Whether you can help on a regular basis, or just every once in a while, your service will be greatly appreciated!

To help, please call 222-1520 and ask for the coordinator for the grade you want to serve: 3 yr-Kind, Amanda Nepl, ext. 131; grades 1-4, Dawn Thompson, ext. 124; or grades 5 & 6, Emilie Hoffman, ext. 166.

Children's Ministry Mission Updates: June's Mission of the Month is Riverside Lutheran Bible camp. As the kids learn about Riverside, they will support the camp with their prayers, as well as with offerings. The donations Hope kids send will be used to send children to camp who otherwise could not afford to go. What an awesome way to show that "Kids Care, Too"!



**Summer KQ starts June 3-4 for kids
age 3 - grade 6**

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**For information on Vacation Bible School, please read the front cover,
or visit www.hopewdm.org/children.**

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

- April 10** – Madison Riley Siefken, daughter of Matt & Michelle
- April 17** – Cecelia Jane Gardiner, daughter of Adam & Amanda
- April 17** – Jenna Lauren Roberts, daughter of Vic & Rosalyn
- April 20** – Adam Timothy Bryte, son of Tim & Kinzee
- April 24** – Gabriel Ross Cahail, son of Lester & Darci
- April 25** – Reagan Elizabeth Carmichael,
daughter of Jeremy & Mindy
- April 29** – Andrew Franklin & Samuel Philip Swanson, twin sons of
Brian & Gina
- May 3** – Keegan Drake & Shay Mahone Holdmeyer, twin sons of
Eric & Amanda
- May 3** – Evan Alan Fischer, son of Jason & Jacey
- May 4** – Cale Lucas Kline, son of Jeremy & Kelly
- May 8** – Ethan Christopher Rehmer, son of Chris & Heather
- May 8** – Isabel Marie Roberts, daughter of Pat & Sue

BAPTISMS

- May 7** – Ashlund Reed Adamson, Keely Shea Hagan, Siena
Bethany Meier, Grant Thomas Ogle, Marlee Jane Rubner,
Taner Austin Santry and Josie Grace Vande Krol
- May 13** – Brooke Nicole Dohrmann, Abbie Marie Garlock,
Stephen Lester Garlock and Matthew Alan Stewart
- May 14** – Kathryn Marcia Janssen, Maxwell Allen Lonson, Nathan
Anthony Riesberg, Karen Shanks and Erika Lea Starr

BAPTISMS, CONTINUED

- May 20** – Macy Anne Blomgren, Danika Lea Jacobsen, Olivia Joyce
Jacobsen and Janie Jean Wyatt
- May 21** – Casey Allen, Bailey Anne Baldock, Gannon Robert
Baldock, Karen Kay Baldock, Easton Jon Padilla,
Philip David Padilla, Isaac Hiles Sutcliffe,
Noelle Marie Sutcliffe and Mara Ann Yokiell
- May 27** – Madilynn Inez Publow
- May 28** – Maeve Margaret Rehmann

DEDICATIONS

- May 7** – Jada Olivia Van Steenvoort

WEDDINGS

- May 6** – Julie Nystel & TJ Schendel
- May 6** – Sarah Bos & Jeff Becker
- May 13** – Cheri Baskerville & Ryan Helps
- May 20** – Danette Kroemer & Lonnie Hubbs
- May 20** – Susan Strang & Shane Murphy
- May 20** – Kristi Edgington & Will Petersen
- May 25** – Julie Peers & Steve Harvey
- May 27** – Deanna McDow & Mark Strempeke
- May 27** – Erin Lower & David Flemmer

Student Ministry

Summer Stretch Events For Students Finishing 8th Grade - Graduating Seniors

Bowling at Warrior Lanes in Waukee

Monday, June 5 from 6:00-8:00 pm

Have you been practicing? \$10 at the door gets you unlimited bowling, shoes, pizza and pop.

Chapel Cinema Presents. . . "The Chronicles of Narnia"

Saturday, June 24 from 9:00-11:30 pm

Come to "Chapel Cinema" at Hope West Des Moines to watch this recent blockbuster. Admission is free and snacks will be provided.

Summer Stretch Events For Students Finishing Grades 6-8

It's like having Disney World all to yourself!

Sunday, June 25 from 2:00-3:30 pm

Come play all the free games you want at Taste of Hope after it closes to the public.

**Remember to invite your
friends to
Summer Stretch events!
There's no need to register.**

Questions?

Contact Chrissy Oelberg at

222-1520, or

chrissy.oelberg@hopewdm.org.

**Express
Your
FAITH**

July 12 & 13

July 19 & 20

July 26 & 27

6:00-8:30 pm

**Cost: \$15 for first week, \$25 for
two weeks, and \$35 for all
three weeks.**

Students entering grades 6-12 in Fall 2006 are invited to the Express Your Faith summer workshops. This is a fun, hands-on opportunity to express your Christian faith through the arts. Workshops will be offered on Tuesday and Wednesday nights for three weeks in July from 6:00-8:30 pm. Students may participate for one, two, or all three weeks.

Youth entering grades 6-8 will choose from a large variety of workshops, such as Caricature Drawing, Break Dancing, Quilting, Bead Making, Portrait Photography, Jewelry, Silk Screen, Wood, Acting/Drama, Modern Dance, Drama/Writing, Behind the Scenes with Praise and Worship Band Soli Deo, Beginning and Intermediate Acoustic Guitar Lessons.

Students entering grades 9-12 will have the opportunity to choose from a Music Studio or Art Studio. Students may select one workshop/studio each week. Participants will also have the option to volunteer with the children enrolled in Kingdom Quest, working with the kids on a variety of art activities.

Registration forms are at the Welcome Center tables. Registration deadline is June 30. For more information, contact Wendi Henning at EYFHope@msn.com or 221-1970, or Cyndee Buck at bidesign@mchsi.com or 223-5348.

Staff Update



Eickelberg

Dave Eickelberg, currently the High School Ministry Assistant, will soon step into the full-time role of High School Ministry Director. Heather Noble, the current director, will remain on the Student Ministry staff, but will transition to a part-time position.

"I've been so blessed to serve in this role, but I'm ready to take the opportunity to spend more time with my baby boy," Noble said. (Heather and husband Nate welcomed son Judah to the world in December.)



Noble

Eickelberg is excited to expand his work in the ministry: "I can't wait to take on this new opportunity," he commented. Along with his new position at Hope, Eickelberg is also looking forward to a new role at home: he and wife Sarah are expecting their first child in October.

WWW.HOPEWDM.ORG

Recent additions to the site include videos of the Building Hope 3D Celebration (under Sermons), and a video and photo gallery of the Easter service at Vets (under About Us).

**New Church Picture Directory to be
Created this Summer**

Photos will be taken in July and August. To make an appointment to have your picture taken, visit www.hopewdm.org/about.

Missions Ministry

Mission Navajo To Serve This Month

Thirty-six missionaries from Hope will serve in Tohlokai, New Mexico from June 16-24. Participants are Darren, Emma & Joshua Georgeff; Wayne Haines; Roxie Hart; Ryan Hart; Stacie Hart; Lynn & Sue Jesse; Lyle Jessen; Peter Keller; Brad, Tommie, Katie & Kelsey Krehlik; Bill & Lona Love; Carol Lucier; Michael, Patricia, Abby, Chelsea, Michaela, & Mitchell Maas; Nick & Beth Nelsen; Steve, Helen & Sierra Ogbourne; Martha Ortman; Roger Rinderknecht; Craig & Karyl Rhude; Debbie Schade; and Michael & Kylie Schwartz. Please keep them in your prayers:

- Pray for God to change the lives of those who are serving, as well as the lives of those being served.
- Pray for God to provide shelter, protection and encouragement to Hope's missionaries
- Pray for the Hope family to walk humbly, with spirit, and to be full of joy for what God has done.



Wayne Haines and a friend -- Mission Navajo 2005

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Mission Appalachia July 22-29, 2006

Missionaries on this week-long trip will serve with Appalachia Service Project, a home repair ministry located in Jonesville, Virginia. Construction skills are not required to participate. For more information, please contact Susie Folkerts at 223-8848.

Mission Riverside continues into its third year 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.

Dates are June 2-3, June 9-10, July 7-8, July 14-15, July 28-29, and August 4-5. (Friday night stays are optional. Mission work is done on Saturdays.) More information is at the Mission Shack, or contact Garold & Gretchen Jones at 276-9353.

Wanted: Mission-Minded Health Care Professionals

The Missions team would like to identify health care professionals within the Hope family (such as doctors, nurses, pharmacists, and medical technicians) for upcoming opportunities to serve both locally and globally. By adding your name to the list, you're simply indicating that you have an interest in missions; you will not be obligated in any way. To get connected, please contact Brad Krehlik (see contact information above).

Care Ministry

For a complete list of Care Ministry classes and groups, please see the Hope Spring/Summer catalog, available at the Welcome Centers near all main entrances, or online at www.hopewdm.org.

Church Mouse Program Potluck Planned for June 6

Thank you to all of the volunteers who anonymously corresponded with college students as part of the Church Mouse program throughout the 2005-2006 school year. A potluck will be held June 6 at 5:00 in the Gym throughout the college students and Church Mouse volunteers the opportunity to meet face-to-face. Look for registration for next year's Church Mouse program in late summer, or contact Melodie Grinvalds at 224-6324 or Grinco6@aol.com. for more information.

Depression Support Group Presents "Experiencing God's Healing Presence – Learning about and Experiencing the Ministry of Prayer"

Learn about and experience the Ministry of Prayer at this free seminar led by Pastor Richard Webb and April Hauck on Saturday, June 4 from 9:30-10:30 am in Rm 214. Upcoming "Summer Wellness Series" topics include healthy eating and care ministry opportunities. The seminars are open to anyone, and registration is not needed.



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Adult Ministry

The Adult Ministry team provides opportunities for adults to get connected with Jesus Christ and one another.

The team would like to thank all the volunteers who served as team leaders, hosts, class facilitators and small group leaders this year.

Because of the servant leadership these volunteers have displayed, adults have grown deeper in their relationship with Jesus Christ, in their spiritual maturity as they study God's word, and in their understanding of the life Jesus calls them to live.

The Adult Ministry team is honored to serve the men and women of Hope, and we look forward to our continued relationship with you as we journey together in faith!

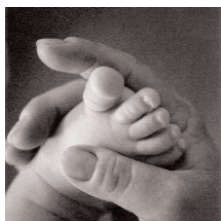
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- Pastor Caroline Boehnke-Becker**, ext. 114
- Barb Crist**, Discipleship Director, ext. 125
- Victoria Worthington**, Connections Director & Women's Ministry Coordinator, ext. 121
- Cathy Aagaard**, Marriage and Parenting Coordinator, ext. 115
- Larry Lang** (225-0900) & **Ed Nichols** (987-0858), Men's Ministry Coordinators
- Lora Trost**, Alpha Host Coordinator, 986-7340
- Becky Zemlicka**, Alpha Fellowship Coordinator, ext. 312
- Trish Toma-Lark**, Communications and Publicity Coord., ext. 317
- Debbie Pantzlaff**, Administrative Coordinator, ext. 117
- Betsy Hines**, Administrative Assistant, ext. 179

For a complete listing of all classes and seminars offered at Hope, see the Spring/Summer Catalog, available at any Welcome Center. To register for a class, please call the church office at 222-1520 or email registrations@hopewdm.org.

We're Planning for a Baby – Now What?

Tuesdays, May 30 & June 6, 7:00-9:00 pm, Rm 212
Facilitated by Cathy Aagaard



One of the most common questions asked by new parents is "what have we done?" This class will explore the changes that occur in your marriage and what to expect with a newborn. It is open to any couple who is pregnant or thinking of starting a family and is not intended to be a replacement for hospital classes. Join other couples for fun, fellowship, encouragement and support!

Fun in the Sun

Saturdays, July 8-29
(Time and room assignment to be determined.)



This 45-minute program is geared toward infants, toddlers and their families. It's a time to sing, dance, enjoy special bonding time with your child and "make a joyful noise together" by worshipping God.

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

May 31 and June 28
7:30-9:00 pm in the 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. Class will resume in August. Childcare is available.

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THE LEADERSHIP SUMMIT 2006

THURSDAY-SATURDAY, AUGUST 10-12

Lutheran Church of Hope is proud to host THE LEADERSHIP SUMMIT 2006 live via satellite from Willow Creek, August 10-12.

Bring your entire team from your workplace or gather your fellow leaders here at Hope. This summit will strengthen and sharpen your leadership gifts and talents. Rededicate yourself to God's life-changing work. To register or for more information, log onto www.hopewdm.org and follow The Leadership Summit 2006 link.

Worship Ministry



Thursday late-night church at Hope

Thursdays 8:30 pm

Miss a talk or want to get involved?
See 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.

JUNE IMMERSION SERMON TITLES

“Getting Who God Is – For Real”

- June 1: God’s Not Your House Pet
- June 8: God’s the One Who Really Shows Up
- June 15: God’s the One Who Gets His Hands Dirty
- June 22: God’s the One Who Got Nailed
- June 29: God’s Quite the Earthquake

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Webb

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Meggison

Praise! Express Summer Choir

Praise! adult choir invites all adults to be a part of the “Express” Summer Choir during the month of June. The choir will meet Wednesdays, May 31 - June 21, from 6:00-7:15 pm. The group will lead worship and sing at services throughout the month of June, as well as at Taste of Hope, June 24-25. It’s just a one-month time commitment, but lots of fun and fellowship are guaranteed. Invite a friend! Questions? Call Mike Horstmann at 222-1520, ext. 116 or email mike.horstmann@hopewdm.org.

Building Hope 3D Update



The Building Hope 3D team is working diligently to keep the pre-construction process moving. The West Des Moines Planning and Zoning Commission has approved the site plan, and meetings with the City Council and the Board of Adjustment will have taken place by the time of this newsletter's publication. Bids from general contractors will be returned

June 20. The building team will then interview the lowest bidders and present recommendations to the church council. Assuming council approval, the team plans for construction work to start around the first of July. Please continue to pray for the process and for the people who are leading the church through this expansion.



“We Have Liftoff!”

Borrowing a famous line from NASA, Pastor Mike Housholder kicked off the opening service for Hope NorthBranch on April 22. His assessment was met with a round of applause and several shouts of joy from the overflow crowd. NorthBranch is Hope’s first satellite congregation, located in Ankeny.

“We’ve been so encouraged by both the size and the enthusiasm of the congregation the last few weeks. We can’t wait to see what God has in store for NorthBranch,” said Mark Brandt, one of the Hope staff members leading the new congregation.

Hope NorthBranch worships on Saturdays at 4:30 pm at Resurrection Lutheran Church, located at 914 NW Ash Drive in Ankeny, just a few blocks north of First Street. Services are casual and similar in style to Immersion, Hope’s late-night service.

NorthBranch will feature a variety of preaching styles, from recorded messages from Hope in West Des Moines to live messages by Hope preachers. There is a time of fellowship and education for adults and children after worship each Saturday, with opportunities for connection and discipleship developing as the new congregation grows. Quality childcare is provided for children ages 0-3.

For more information, visit www.hopenorthbranch.org, contact Mark Brandt or Molly Juntunen at 224-0019, or send an email to mark.brandt@hopewdm.org or molly.juntunen@hopewdm.org.

Weekend Worship Schedule

Saturdays:

4:30 pm – Contemporary service at NorthBranch Satellite Church, located at Resurrection Lutheran Church, 914 NW Ash Dr. in Ankeny
4:30 & 6:00 pm – Contemporary services in the Hope Worship Center

Sundays:

Contemporary Services: 8:15, 9:30 and 11:00 am & 5:00 pm (in the Worship Center. Extra seating in the Chapel for 9:30 & 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

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

Alpha: An introduction to Christianity: next session of this very popular course runs Sept. 17 - Nov. 19.

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

Children: *Kingdom Quest (KQ)* for age 3 - grade 6 on Saturdays 4:30 pm, Sundays 9:30 & 11:00 am. VBS for ages 3 - entering grade 6. Call Michaelle Bown at 222-1520, ext. 169.

Fellowship Volunteer Opportunities: Dozens of opportunities for fellowship and to serve one another. Call Jen King at 222-1520, ext. 203.

Junior High & Senior High: Fun opportunities for students entering 8th grade - graduating seniors. Contact Chrissy Oelberg at 222-1520, ext. 148.

Men: PIGS Bible study meets at different times throughout the week. Contact Ed Nichols at 987-0858.

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 Erin Cox at 222-1520.

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

Missions: Local partnerships, summer building projects, short-term mission trips. Call Brad Krehlik at 222-1520, ext. 163.

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

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

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

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

Hope cookbooks are available for \$5 while supplies last.
Every penny goes to Missions.

A DVD of the Easter service at Vets,
including the Concert of Praise, is available for \$4.

June Worship Themes

Spirit of God

Sermons by Pastor Mike Housholder

June 3-4	An Outside-the-Box God!
June 10-11	What Makes Heaven Happy?
June 17-18	What Are You Waiting For?
June 24-25	Catch the Spirit of Hope!

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