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Welcome Pastor Mark!

From the Pastor:

Hello people of Hope! The time is finally here when Gretchen and I can call Hope and Huron home. Our time in Huron got off to a stormy start but you, the people of this congregation, have done nothing but welcome and care for us. We greatly appreciate and thank everyone who helped us move in, clean up from the storm, provide treats/meals, and continue to offer your talents in various other ways.

This congregation has been such a blessing to us already in our short time here. I am grateful for the work that Pastor Tom Stahl and the other pulpit supply preachers have done over the past ten months, as well as the church council and call committee. Together, we will begin this new chapter at Hope Lutheran, while continuing to proclaim Christ's good news.

Looking ahead, I am excited to learn more about you and your family in the time ahead. So far, I have gotten to meet a number of you briefly at worship or at coffee fellowship but would love the chance to talk with you longer. Please do not be offended if I forget what your name is! For whatever reason, my mind is sometimes better at remembering specific facts/details from previous conversations than names. To help with getting to know you, the council and I will be looking at some potential meet and greet opportunities in the future. If during the week you are driving by the church, please do not hesitate to stop in and say hello. My general office schedule during the week is Monday-Thursday. If you would like to schedule a visit, please let me know at pastormark.nassen@gmail.com or call the church office. Again, thank you so much for all that you have done and for welcoming us into the community.

*In Christ,
Pr. Mark*

Valley Fair for Middle School & High School Youth

Hope Lutheran High School and Middle School youth are invited to Valley Fair this summer with Pr. Mark. We have a group of youth planning on going near the end of July. A tentative plan is to leave Sunday, July 17 and stay overnight at a church in Mankato. We would then leave Monday (July 18) morning from Mankato for Valley Fair, and return to Huron Monday night. If you missed the original email and your child is interested in attending, please reach out to Pr. Mark so he can finalize details with correct vehicle sizes and chaperones.

If you have additional questions, Pr. Mark's contact information is: pastormark.nassen@gmail.com and cell: (605)-595-3495

“Sleep in Heavenly Peace”



A big Thank You to everyone for the donations of sheets, pillows and pillowcases, your support is appreciated and needed. We have on hand 20 beds for youth between the ages of 3 -17 that are now sleeping on the floor. To get a bed they need to go the www.SHPbeds.org to complete a request. That process will require them to choose the Brookings Chapter and then choose their zip code. The request will be forward to a team member here.

So our next task is getting the word out that this program is here in Huron. Several of us have been out visiting with agencies that we think would have an idea where beds are needed. If you are sharing the mission of “No kid sleeps on the floor in our town” give out the web site or pick up a brochure from the welcome center and share it.

Tony and I had the opportunity to go to Brookings and volunteer to build beds. We completed 25 in 3 hours with many other volunteers. If anyone is interested in participating in one of these let me or Darren Simons know and we can get you the information. Later this summer we may do a build here in Huron.

I am excited how this project will impact our youth in the community, our church and ourselves.

~**Barbara Lorenz**

OUR DAILY BREAD DEVOTIONAL

The new copy of the devotional book, Our Daily Bread for June, July, and August is available at the Welcome Center & Gathering area.



Baby Bottle Fundraiser

As in the past, this year Hope Lutheran has participated in Plus One Pregnancy Guidance Center fundraiser. The fundraiser is just about over. **Due date** for filled bottles to be returned to the church is **this**



Sunday, June 19th. You can continue to show support by praying for Plus One staff and clients which helps *make an eternal difference in the life of an unborn baby!*

Meals with Mark (& Sometimes Gretchen)

Pr. Mark and Gretchen are looking forward to getting to know you, the members of Hope Lutheran Church. To help with this, Pr. Mark has a signup sheet for available mealtimes. Gretchen will be available at certain times depending on what her schedule looks like. On Pr. Mark’s office door, there is a signup sheet with available mealtimes and dates. Mealtimes include a variety of breakfast, lunch, and dinner options over the coming weeks. Meals can be at the church, at a park, your workplace, your house, local restaurant, or other location. Pr. Mark will confirm with you prior, so you know you are on the schedule. If you are not available to stop by the church, you may also call the church office or email Pr. Mark at pastormark.nassen@gmail.com to schedule a time.”

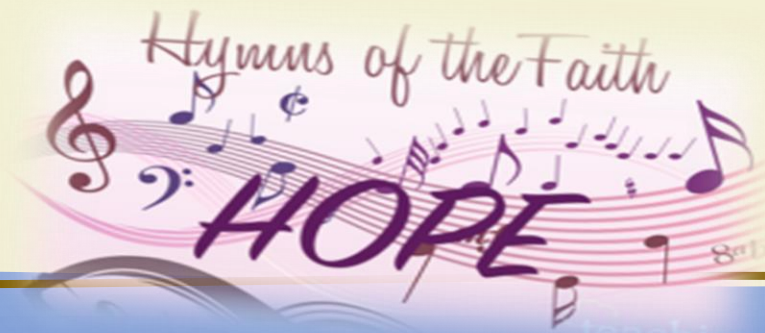
Thanks,
Pr. Mark

Vacation Bible Day!

The Education Committee is tentatively planning to host a Vacation Bible School on the evening of **Wednesday, July 27th** at the church. This would run from approximately 5:30 to 8:00, although the details have not been discussed. Supper would be served to those in attendance. We are trying something a little different in hopes of increasing attendance at VBS. More details will be available once we know if families are able to attend. If you are interested in helping or having your child/grandchild attend, please let **Becky Picek** know at bpicek@live.com.

Please Sign-Up to Help with Worship and Fellowship.

We are still in looking for several individuals to help with the Sunday audio/video system for worship and livestreaming. The system is quite easy to learn and we have good instructors. If you could even help once a month, it would provide the Lords and the Hadley's a little break. Please consider signing up to help with the worship service and/or fellowship. Sign-up sheets are at the Welcome Center or call the Church Office.



We'd Like To Hear From You!

"Oh come, let us sing to the Lord; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!" - Psalm 95:1

A significant aspect of any worship service is the music we sing to proclaim God. As we begin summer, we enter what is referred to by the church calendar as "Ordinary Time". During this time, we hear about the various parables, miracles, healings, and teachings given by Christ throughout his ministry. With this variety, there are several hymns or songs that may go well with a particular theme for a Sunday.

Pr. Mark is looking to hear from you! YES, *YOU*, as to what some of your favorite hymns/songs may be. He is hoping to collect a variety of hymns/songs and use some of them across upcoming worship services this summer. If you wish to offer your suggestions or favorites, please email him at pastormark.nassen@gmail.com. Thank you for your assistance as we rejoice and praise God's name!"

Thanks,
Pr. Mark



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