

# HOPE HOME NEWS

Hope Lutheran Church

Cherryville, PA

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# WELCOME TO HOPE

# **SUNDAY WORSHIP**

# ► NOTE: SUMMER WORSHIP TIMES BEGIN JUNE 13<sup>th</sup>

SUNDAY, June 6, 2010 8 a.m. Holy Communion **PENTECOST 2** 10:30 a.m. *Musical at the Roxy Theater* 2:00 p.m. *Musical at the* 

**Roxy Theater** 

<u>SUNDAY, June 13, 2010</u> 8 a.m. Service of the Word

PENTECOST 3 9:30 a.m Holy Communion/ Holy Baptism

SUNDAY, June 20, 2010 8 a.m. Holy Communion **PENTECOST 4** 9:30 a.m Service of the Word

SUNDAY, June 27, 2010 8 a.m. Service of the Word PENTECOST 5 9:30 a.m Holy Communion

Graduate Recognition at both worship services!

<u>Please attend worship regularly</u> this Summer while at home or on vacation! <u>Also, please remember your church with regular</u> <u>offerings</u>. Have an enjoyable Summer as you take time to appreciate God's wonderful creation.





Greetings from the Pastor,

May 16<sup>th</sup> is a date that I will long remember. It is the date I was installed as your pastor here at Hope Lutheran Church. And what a day it was! The service was so joyful and uplifting – with Rev. Donald Hayn as our guest preacher

and Bishop Samuel Zeiser presiding at worship. The choirs blessed us with their gifts of music and the bells and the orchestra were present to enhance our worship. Greeters, ushers, altar guild, communion assistants and the acolyte and crucifer worked hard to welcome folks and make sure our worship ran smoothly.

The reception that followed worship was a wonderful opportunity for everyone to celebrate with delicious food, warm ambiance and gracious hosts. Thank you to everyone who helped make the day so special!

And thanks to the entire congregation for the beautiful plaque and the "retired" parament Karen Zimmerman adorned that were given me as a permanent reminder of my call to Hope Lutheran.

I feel truly blessed to be a part of a congregation that has so many committed, capable people who share freely of the gifts they have been given. And I give thanks that, together, we are called to be the body of Christ is this small portion of God's kingdom. Now that I'm "official...let's get to work!

> Blessings, Pastor Jami

#### FROM THE PASTORAL ASSISTANT...

Some years ago while attending a church retreat, I participated with the others in an interesting experiment. We were given a piece of paper with some randomly shaped marks, a computer generated blob. In the center of the page were four dots; which we were instructed to stare at for 30 seconds. "Concentrate and stare at only those four dots," we were told. "Don't look away, let those dots be all you see," the instructor said. Then we were told to close our eyes. To my amazement, in the darkness of my closed eyes, there appeared a clear image of Jesus Christ. How could a seemingly meaningless collection of little dots actually lead up to such a startling image?

In life, we are always seeing a lot more than we realize. Under hypnosis, people can recall the license numbers of cars that passed them on the street or the eye color of a salesclerk who had waited on them weeks earlier. Even when we're not consciously aware of it, our minds are taking in thousands of little pieces of information, processing them and creating from those fragments our general impressions of life, our basic concepts of reality.

Try looking at the pattern of "dots" that make up the image you present to the world as yourself. Consider that each time you respond to anything you encounter in life, your reaction is just one tiny "dot" on an otherwise blank sheet of paper. Over the course of a lifetime, your paper becomes filled with dots. If every experience you had in life was registered as a dot, what kind of pattern would those dots form? What would others see when they looked at your "dots"?

We need to always try to be sure that every "dot", every experience, every response we make, reflects the living presence of Christ in our lives. If the church is the body of Christ, then each one of us is a "dot", a part of the composite image of Christ that the church presents to the world. Do people see Christ in you?

Here are several things to try that will improve your image and help others to see Christ in you:

- 1. Make every stranger you meet glad to have met you.
- 2. Bring peace to every meeting or event.
- 3. Say only nice things about others.
- 4. Look for the image of Christ in everything.

The body of Christ is brought into focus for the world one tiny dot at a time. When you and I can reproduce the image of Christ through the way we love and serve the Lord, that picture of Christ grows a little clearer, a littler sharper each day.

Are you producing dots that lead people to see Christ?

Ernie 2010

This is taken from a daily devotional book entitled "God's Message for Each Day" Pile your troubles on God's shoulders--he'll carry your load, he'll help you out. Psalm 55:22

It is easy to be honest before God with our hallelujahs; it is somewhat more difficult to be honest in our hurts; it is nearly impossible to be honest before God in the dark emotions of our hate. So we commonly suppress our negative emotions....But when we pray the psalms, these classic prayers of God's people, we find that will not do. We must pray who we actually are, not whom we think we are, not who we think we should be.

In prayer, all is not sweetness and light. The way of prayer is not to cover our unlovely emotions so that they will appear respectable, but expose them so that they can be enlisted in the work of the kingdom.

# June Prayer List

6/01/10 Mary Rudelitsch and family

- 6/02/10 Barbara Romig and family
- 6/03/10 Kristen Mery and family
- 6/04/10 Stephen, Katrina, Joshua Skrapits, Cory Stauffer and family
- 6/05/10 Marian Burkhardt and family
- 6/06/10 Skylar Kostick and family
- 6/07/10 Bruce, Darlene Mack and family
- 6/08/10 Randy, Monica, Christopher Martrich and family
- 6/09/10 Lester Snyder and family
- 6/10/10 Charles, Kim, Patrick Kutzler and family
- 6/11/10 Matthew, Caelin, Emily Mack and family
- 6/12/10 Rose Fritz and family
- 6/13/10 Charles, Jayne, Alyson Kunes and family
- 6/14/10 Nellie Krock and family
- 6/15/10 Phyllis Latshaw and family
- 6/16/10 Richard, Susan Hildebrand and family
- 6/17/10 Jenna, Brandon Delgrosso and family
- 6/18/10 Leslie and Doug Daniel, Cassandra, Brittany Muthard and family
- 6/19/10 Kevin, Vicki, Danielle, Brianna, Megan, Robert Weaver& family
- 6/20/10 Merion, Jane Marsh and family
- 6/21/10 Sharyn Kratzer and family
- 6/22/10 David Mast, Adrienne Rauch and family
- 6/23/10 Russell, Lucille Kromer and family
- 6/24/10 Nancy Waltz and family
- 6/25/10 Edward, Mary, Michael, Adam Seko and family
- 6/26/10 Dale, Barbara, Jeffrey Schaeffer and family
- 6/27/10 Vilma, Nichole, Matthew Hamburg and family
- 6/28/10 Matthew, Tammy, Gavin, Preston, Paige Bauer and family
- 6/29/10 Amy Weil, Caden Butryn and family
- 6/30/10 Dean, Fran, Miranda, Morgan Heffelfinger and family

# **CHRISTIAN EDUCATION NEWS**

I would like to thank the following teachers who are taking a break

from teaching: Tammy Demko Sandy Kramer Jane Tretiak Bernie Kressley Bonnie Zmyewski Stacey Ziegler Louise Santee Joan Sherwood



Thanks to those who have come forward and volunteered to teach next year. There are still a few openings so please contact me if interested.

A second class will be held on Sunday, June 27, 2010 for 6<sup>th</sup> grade students. Instructional letters will be sent out to those who missed the May class. Please remember your duties if you are scheduled to work. If you are unable to assist, please contact a classmate for help.

The next Christian Education committee meeting will be held on Wednesday, July 20, 2010 at the church at 7:00 PM. Everyone is welcome to attend.

There will be a meeting on Sunday, August 22, 2010 for both Level I and Level II students and their parents.

Sunday school will begin on Sunday, September 12, 2010. Enjoy your summer. See you in the fall.



Lynn LaBarre

Thank You

# THANK YOU NOTES

I always am aware that the Lord is beside me at all times, but each time I have the tiniest little doubt my belief grows stronger. My family at Hope always comes through and helps me to reinforce my belief. I am so very thankful for you all. Thank you for the beautiful cards and many, many prayers that have been sent to and

for me. Thank you Pastor Jami for your hospital visit and also Ernie for the many beautiful prayers. May Our Father bless you all with much love, happiness and good health. Sincerely,

Kathy Creyer

Dear Hope Church Members...WOW!!! Thank you all so very much for the beautiful cards, prayers, phone calls, flowers, gift cards and other gifts I received following my recent surgery. It is so wonderful and uplifting to know so many people care about you, and I am extremely humbled and grateful for everyone's thoughts and well wishes. I am back in the church office and taking it "slow"....everything is going well. Thank you again. Love, Jane Tretiak

Pastor Jami, Ernie and all of the wonderful women who celebrated Secretary's Day with me....THANK YOU! I really enjoyed our lunch together, the flowers were beautiful and I can't wait to go shopping with my Visa gift card. I appreciate you recognizing me each and every year with such warmth and hospitality. A special thank you to Judy Dieter for organizing this day for me. God's Blessings,

#### Jane Tretiak

Thank you Hope Lutheran Church for the use of your Fellowship Hall on February 27<sup>th</sup>. We had a great time at this year's Blue and Gold. Hopefully we can make the same accommodations for the next year's Blue and Gold celebration. Thanks again! (donation included)

Cub Pack 26 – Cubmaster Steve Benko Zion Lutheran Church, Northampton

# THANK YOU NOTES CONTINUED ...

Dear Friend in Christ, Thank you for the Easter greeting. Your thoughtfulness and generosity have touched our hearts. It is appreciated more than words can ever express. The Schnabel Family

Thank you to Ernie for the visits to the hospital and home, also thank you to everyone for the cards and prayers during my hospital stay after surgery and also as I recuperate. I appreciated everything very much. God Bless,

Delores Derhammer



**HOLY BAPTISM** 

Caden Michael Butryn, son of Amy Weil and Michael Butryn was baptized on Sunday, May 16, 2010 during the 10:30am worship service. Pastor Jami officiated. *Please* 

welcome Caden into our church family at Hope and pray for his growth in faith.

# **NEW MEMBERS CLASSES**

will be offered on the following dates: Sundays, June 13, 20 and 27 from 10:30am to 11:30am in Pastor Jami's office. New members will be received on Sunday, July 4 – contact church office for more information.



<u>CONGRATULATIONS</u> – the following youth were confirmed on Sunday, May 23, 2010 at the 10:30am worship service. We rejoice with them and pray for their continued participation and growth in the life of the church. The confirmands were: **†** Heather Louise Conway **†** Kristen Elizabeth Doncsecz **†** Olivia

Alexandra Eckroth **†** Jacqueline Lee Frohnheiser **†** Krista Noelle Koropchak **†** LeAnn Marie Makowe **†** 

David Douglas Hornyak **†** Rachel Benner Greenawalt **†** Ryan David Holota **†** Jacob Michael Marunich **†** Cory Claypoole Ninos **†** Joshua Daniel Skrapits **†** Tiffanie Corrinne Wrenn **†** Franklin Larry Zamadics **†** Shelbey LynnAnn Ziegler.

# MILLER BLOOD CENTER DONORS

Members of Hope who have recently donated blood at the Miller Memorial Blood Center are as follows: Debra Leibenguth and Daniel Husser. Thank you to all of our faithful donors. Our blood drive held on Saturday, May 22<sup>nd</sup> was a great success, Please see below.



# **BLOOD DRIVE**

A special thank you to everyone who helped make the 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Blood Drive in Memory of Doug Gable, on May 22<sup>nd</sup> a very successful venture. 42 donors registered that day, and 40 units of blood were collected.

The following people were donors that day: Trish Wieder, Stacy Gogel, Frank Zamadics, John Herman, Tarek Shehab, Fran Shehab, Mary Laubach, John Tropeano, Bob Ehrlacher, Lorah Schlittler, Gail Cichello, Anne Onusconich, Craig Weist, Heather Weist, Don Bush, Steph Simock, Adele Schwartz, William Mondjack, Anne Groler, Alison Hauser, Jim Miller, and Gary O'Brien.

The following donors are faithful members of Hope: Ron Gable, Beverly Goll, Ken Reph, Cathy Fairchild, Stephanie Messinger, Nancy Biechy, Katie Biechy, Debbie Leibenguth, Arlene Fasching, Bill Fritzinger, Melissa Solt, Eileen Lewis, Bill Lewis, Sharon Schell, Robin Silfies, Ed Tretiak, Jane Tretiak, Kelly DiNapoli, Kerry Follweiler, and Brian Leibenguth.

We thank all these donors, and also anyone who donated at the Miller Keystone Blood Center, because of scheduling conflicts.

Thank you all for donating. The gift of blood is the gift of life.

The Gable Family

#### **VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 2010**

Mark your calendars now for Vacation Bible School. This year's theme is Hero Headquarters. It is scheduled this year for the week of July 12, 2010 with the closing program at 9:30am on Sunday, July 18<sup>th</sup>. Bible School will run from 9:00am to 12Noon. Registration forms included in this



edition of the Hope Home News. Also, you can register online at www.hopecherryville.org.

# **ANNUAL PHILLIES TRIP**

Thursday, July 8<sup>th</sup> vs. Cincinnati Reds. The cost is \$50.00/person. This includes the game ticket, a hoagie, soda and bus transportation. There are also fireworks after the game. We will leave Hope Church at 4:00pm. The game begins at 7:05pm and we expect to return by 1:00am. Please make checks payable to





Wayne Weidner.

**GREETERS** - Our Evangelism Team has decided to start a new volunteer position for Sunday mornings. We will send you a letter describing what to do on your assigned day. ⊁\_\_\_\_\_

I would like to volunteer to be a greeter on Sunday mornings.

Name

Phone

Number

Worship time I prefer 8:00am 9:30/10:30

HOPE FEST HELP IS NEEDED June 25<sup>th</sup> and June 26<sup>th</sup>. Volunteers needed for 2- hour shifts. A set-up and clean-up crew is also needed. See the sign-up sheets in the narthex after each service. During the week, the sign-up sheets will be on the bulletin board. Cakes and goodies are needed for the raffle, as well as soups and halushki to be sold at the stands. Call Bonnie Zmyewski at 610-767-7260 for more information. Please help; we can't do this without YOU!



# HOPE FEST CHINESE AUCTION

Chinese Auction items needed. Please help by donating "NEW" items to our auction. Items or gift certificates can be dropped off in the church office. Your donations are very much appreciated.

#### **HOPE FEST ITEMS NEEDED**

In addition to Chinese auction items, donations of cakes for our cakewalk and soup donations would also be greatly appreciated. Items can be dropped off at the church either on Thursday evening (June 24<sup>th</sup>) or Friday, (June 25<sup>th</sup>) before 5:00pm. Thanks!

# **JEWELRY FOR HOPE FEST**

The basket committee of Hope Church is looking for your gold, silver, costume, even broken jewelry. The ladies are selling jewelry at Hope Fest on June 25<sup>th</sup> and June 26<sup>th</sup>. Anything, new or used including watches, tie and money clips, pins, necklaces, rings, etc. even the jewelry box itself. Please drop off your donations in the marked "jewelry" box in the narthex. Your donations are greatly appreciated. Come visit us at Hope Fest to look for a new treasure to wear home.

# HOPE CHURCH'S YARD SALE

Labor Day, Friday, Sept. 3rd & Sat. Sept. 4<sup>th</sup>. Items can be dropped off after Bible School beginning Monday, July 19<sup>th</sup>.



# **BEAR CREEK CAMP**

Register Now for Summer Camp! Brochures and information available by speaking to Kim Roth, our church Bear Creek Ambassador.

# **BEAR CREEK DAY CAMP AT HOPE CHURCH**

Mark those calendars for August 2 - August 6. This is a day camp for children entering grades 1 - 6. Leaders from Bear Creek Camp will lead the children in songs, games, Bible lessons, etc. We will have a special day for the campers with a picnic and water fun at the church. It is lots of fun!! Bear Creek Day Camp is usually very popular, and fills up quickly.

# \* \_\_\_\_\_\_ Pre-Registration for Bear Creek Day Camp

(August 2 – August 6 at Hope Church, Cherryville) Child's Name

Age\_\_\_\_\_ Grade (9/09)\_\_\_\_\_ Telephone\_\_\_\_\_

Parents' Names

Address

Emergency Number



# Anything Staff should be aware of?

*I* can be an adult helper with some small tasks during the week

# **KNOEBELS UPDATE**

A day of fun and fellowship on Saturday, August 7th planned by the Evangelism Committee. There is a \$12.00 fee (children 4 & under free). Fee covers lunch served at 2:00pm & daylong use of



pavilion. Church van may be available for those who don't have transportation. Family and friends invited to join in the fun! Sign up sheets in narthex & money is due ASAP. Make checks payable to Hope Lutheran Church & specify evangelism outing in memo. Call Ernie Doncsecz @ 610-767-6339 or John Zmyewski @ 610-767-7260 or church office with questions.

# **ELECTRONIC RECYCLING EVENT**

Lehigh Valley Lutheran School will be collecting unwanted electronics and used printer ink cartridges. Drop off at the school from 9:00am to 3:00pm on Saturday June 19. Please to go http://sites.google.com/site/lvlsrecycling for details regarding accepted items.

# **NEWSLETTER SCHEDULE**

The next newsletter will be a combined (July/August) edition. Any news items that should be included must be received in the church office by Monday, June 21<sup>st</sup>. You can email your information to Jane Tretiak at office@hopecherryville.org. In September a new newsletter schedule will be published for you to include on your calendars. Thank you.

# **75+ BIRTHDAY PARTY**

On Saturday, August 14<sup>th</sup>, there will be a Birthday Party for anyone 75 years or older at Hope Church. The party/picnic will begin at 11:30 am in Kuntz Hall. There will be food, fellowship and entertainment. Mark your calendars now. Watch for more information and a sign up sheet soon!





# SUMMER WORSHIP HOURS

Beginning Sunday, June 13<sup>th</sup> our summer worship hours will begin. The worship services will be at 8:00 and 9:30am, no Sunday Church School.



# Exercise Body and Soul

**PILATES** is a body balancing system that improves muscle strength & flexibility, balance, posture & overall well being. It will develop the core to create stability for maximum efficiency with minimal effort. The class combines Mat Pilates, core training, ab fusion & Yoga to create a leaner, stronger, toned and more flexible you. Great for everyone! \$5.00 drop in fee or \$4.00/class/month. Classes run one day a week. Contact Amy Nichols @ 732-547-7118 or anichols3902@aol.com.

**<u>ZUMBA</u>** is currently running another 6-week session which began on May 15 and runs through June 26. Drop-ins are welcome for \$6.00 per visit. Class starts at 9:30. Please arrive 15 minutes prior to start time. Please call Kris Doncsecz at 610-767-6339 with questions.



To our Hope Church family, Rich and I wish to thank our pastors and fellow members for their friendship and support over our 20+ years of membership. We are about to begin a new chapter in our lives, which takes us to Dallas, TX. We are full of excitement and anticipation of trying something new, but it is very difficult to

leave friends, family and the area in which we grew up behind. I would especially like to thank the Sunday School teachers, Brownie Girl Scouts and Sunday School students that I worked with over the years. I learned much more than I taught! Thank you to David Ziegler and Janet Filchner for a church music program unlike any I've ever experienced. Also, thanks to Jane, for working with me on Senior Choir flower orders for many years. It is going to be difficult to find a church with as many talented individuals and opportunities to serve as you have here at Hope. May you grow ever stronger under the leadership of Ernie and your new pastor, Jami. Sincerely,

Rich and Susan Demko 8001 Whippoorwill Drive McKinney, TX 75070

# **GRADUATES**

The following is a list of names we have been given so far for graduation. If your name is not included, or the information is incorrect, please notify the church office as soon as possible. Future plans and college degrees will be included in the next edition of the Hope Home News and also in the church bulletin on graduation recognition Sunday, which will be held on Sunday, June 27, 2010 at both worship services.

# HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES

Matthew Bahnick – Bethlehem Catholic Rodney Christman – Northampton Jonathan Distler – Northern Lehigh Jen LaBarre – Bethlehem Catholic Kaitlyn Messinger - Northampton



# **COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY GRADUATES**

Jonathan Bednar – Penn State University Brittany Grube – Alvernia University Aaron Lamparter – Embry Riddle Aeronautical University Nick Steiner – Lehigh University

Congratulations to each of our graduates! May God Bless all of your future endeavors!



#### **RECENTLY HOSPITALIZED**

The following persons were hospitalized from April 15<sup>th</sup> to May 28<sup>th</sup>: Anna Gardner, Kathy Creyer, Erma Green, Herman Kunkel, Katlyn Rehrig and Bertha Hantz. *Please keep these persons and their families in your prayers.* 

# WHAT TO DO WHEN YOU ARE HOSPITALIZED

- 1) When being admitted give our Church Code #251
- 2) <u>Give your permission</u> for the hospital to release your admittance information to the church when we call.
- 3) Have someone call the church office 610-767-7203 when being admitted to the hospital if you desire a visit.

# **HOPE LUTHERAN SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

Hope Church offers scholarship money to fulltime college students. Funds are available for the 2010-2011 school year and all full-time college students who are members in good standing of Hope, Cherryville, and are in their second year (or higher) of study are encouraged to apply. The requirements of eligibility are:



- - 1. attending an accredited college or university full time
  - 2. will be entering second year (or higher) of college in fall of 2010
  - 3. is a member in good standing of Hope Lutheran Church, Cherryville, PA

Applications can be picked up from the church office or can be obtained by phoning 610-767-7203 or by writing to PO Box 1030, Cherryville, PA 18035. The deadline for applications to reach the church office is Friday, July 23, 2010. (Recipients of scholarship awards will be invited to be at a worship service on Sunday, August 8th to receive the first of two checks, the second of which will be sent the first week in January 2011.)

# **SECRETARY'S HOURS**

Jane Tretiak's hours will be changing in June. Beginning on Monday, June 7<sup>th</sup> her hours for June will be Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday from 8:00am-3:30pm. She will continue to be off on Tuesdays. Her salary is based on 30 hours from September to May, and on 26 hours for June, July and August. July and August will be a summer schedule as she will use her extra hours worked as "comp" time, watch the weekly bulletins for updated office hours.

# **DAFFODIL SUNDAY**

A special thank you to Judy Dieter and Jen Laury for volunteering to continue to organize Daffodil Sunday for 2011. Thank you for keeping up this worthwhile cause to benefit the American Cancer Society to help with cancer research. Daffodil Sunday is a wonderful community outreach for Hope Church to participate in. Thank you so much.

Doris and Linda

# **SPRING BASKET SOCIAL**

The 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Spring Basket Social was held in Kuntz Hall on Friday, April 16, 2010. Monies raised were divided equally between The Northampton Area Food Bank and Hope Church's Good Samaritan Fund.

THANK YOU TO EVERYONE who in some way helped to make this evening successful! The Northampton Area Food Bank thanks everyone who supported this fundraiser and also brought along a canned good or non-perishable item. Hope Church thanks everyone who supported this fundraiser, which helps the Pastors' discretionary (or Good Samaritan) fund, which in turn helps members and/or persons in our community with special needs.

The Basket Committee would like to take this opportunity to say good-bye to Janet Pauker & thank her for years of dedication to fund raising.

Ticket sponsors were Pat & Daryl Amey and Linda & Tom Sidor. In lieu of tickets, Judy & Vince Dieter made a donation toward food expense. Bill Fritzinger & Craig Reenock continue helping each year with behind the scenes support and publicity.

Boy Scouts & Leaders of Troop 242 set up tables/chairs the evening prior to the social.

Connie Cuellar donated many Longaberger baskets & other items. At each social, more volunteers come forth to help sell tickets, serve in the kitchen area and/or help with clean up. You know who you are and we appreciate you! Thrivent Financial for Lutherans matched \$400.00 of monies donated to The Northampton Area Food Bank as part of their community outreach program.

Following is the financial report from the 2010 Spring Theme Basket Social: **Beginning Balance** \$5,881.64 **Expenses:** \$99.64 (rolls, paper goods) Profit: \$5,782.00, plus \$400 from Thrivent = \$6,182.00 total Continued on the next page...

# 2010 SPRING BASKET SOCIAL CONTINUED...

\*All meats, pierogies, haluski, chicken pot pie, baked beans, condiments, beverages, baked goods, filled baskets & certificates were donated.

# Amount given to The Northampton Area Food Bank: \$3,291.00 (2,891.00 + 400.00 matching funds from Thrivent Financial for Lutherans).

#### Amount given to Hope's Good Samaritan Fund: \$2,891.00.

THE 2010 FALL BASKET SOCIAL IS ON OCTOBER 8, 2010 (proceeds to Hope's Building Maintenance Fund).

THANK YOU to Kris Doncsecz, Kim Ritter-Roth and Sally Kraus for signing up to join the Basket Committee of Hope Lutheran Church at the recent Volunteer Expo held in Kuntz Hall. The Committee welcomes you and looks forward to working with you! Respectfully submitted by Kathy Fogle, Linda Sidor & The Basket Committee of Hope Lutheran Church

# <u>URGENT</u> <u>CONSUMERS – PROVIDERS – FAMILIES</u>

Arc's Friendship Dances seek volunteers in order for the dances to continue! For over 16 years, The Arc Friendship Dances have been organized solely by the Pioli family and held here at Hope Lutheran Church from September through May. Dances for the fall of 2010 and spring of 2011 are in jeopardy and urgently need volunteer support in order to continue. Dances are held from 7:00-9:00pm. Help is especially needed at 6:00pm for setting up chairs and tables prior to the dance and putting them away after the dance at 9:00pm. There is also light kitchen cleanup needed. If you can lend a hand to keep these popular dances going, please contact Darlene Pioli ASAP. Darlene can be reached at darp@ptd.net or 610-760-0761. Volunteers must be able to do some heavy lifting/moving and be able to arrive promptly at 6:00pm. Ongoing, rather than sporadic support would be greatly appreciated. Please share this request with anyone who might be interested and available. Without reliable, motivated volunteers I regret to write that our dances will be ending. Thanks so much!

PASTOR'S REPORT:	<ul> <li>Attended "Boundaries for Believers" Workshop on May 4<sup>th</sup>.</li> <li>In need of one male delegate for the Synod Assembly in June.</li> <li>Offered some suggestions on where the Installation offering will go.</li> <li>It was decided by Council that it will go to The Lutheran Disaster Relief.</li> <li>Worship – 11 services (preached 5 – no sermon at 2) Attended Level II Confirmation Retreat (April 23-25)</li> </ul>
PASTORAL ASSISTAN	<ul> <li>JT: Worship - 12 services (preached 7), includes Holy</li> <li>Week and Easter</li> <li>Good Friday Community Service</li> <li>Northern Lehigh Valley Mission District Assembly</li> <li>Northampton Food Bank Annual Meeting</li> </ul>
COMMITTEE REPORT YOUTH:	'S Pizza on Wednesday Sandwich sale May 9, 2010.
SOCIAL MINISTRY:	Gracedale talent night May 3, 2010 Allentown Rescue Mission Dinner Post office food drive. Food Bank yard sale May 22, 2010
WORSHIP & MUSIC:	No meeting Joseph at the Roxy on June 6, 2010; 10:30 and 2:00
PROPERTY:	Lights for bell choir Replace bell chimes Hanson Hall kitchen painted New burner for furnace New service contract with Andres Plumbing & Heating
STEWARDSHIP:	Time and Talent Expo, May 16 <sup>th</sup>
EVANGELISM:	National Day of Prayer on May 6, 2010
CHRISTIAN ED:	Confirmation on May 23, 2010 In need of Sunday School Teachers Vacation Bible School July 12-16, 2010. Mother's Day Program Hope Lutheran Church

Congregational Council Minutes Continued... May 10, 2010

PERSONNEL

COMMITTEE: No meeting

NOMINATING: Committee in place; no meeting

COUNCIL PRAYER TASK FORCE No report

MEMORIAL GARDEN: Meeting May 11, 2010

CONSTITUTION COMMITTEE: Committee in place, no meeting

NEW BUSINESS: Council Staff Retreat Sept. 10-11, 2010 at Kirkridge Telephone system and computer upgrade Facility fees/Hall Rentals policy updates Youth fitness class Herald Theatre picnic September 18, 2010 – Kuntz Hall Insurance (property, auto, workers comp & liability) updated.

Next meeting: Monday June 8, 2010 at 7:00pm



# Registration is now open for Diakon's Girls on the Run summer program

**What?** This program will feature a BRAND NEW Girls on the Run activities and games aimed at increasing self esteem and healthy behaviors in  $3^{rd} - 5^{th}$  grade girls.

**When/Where?** Monday, Tuesday, and Thursdays 6pm – 7:30pm, June 21<sup>st</sup> to August 5<sup>th</sup> at <u>Cedar</u> <u>Creek Park</u>, 2600 Parkway Boulevard, Allentown.



#### What will my daughter be doing? GOTR is a

visit

character building program of experiential learning

through running games and activities that teaches well-defined social and personal skills. The program culminates in a non-competitive 5K run event which gives the girls a chance to shine and an overwhelming sense of accomplishment.

**Give your daughter the gift of confidence. Enroll her today!** For more information: call 610.682.1337 or 1.888.499.2699 (toll free), or

www.diakon.org/gotr