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GREETINGS FROM THE PASTOR...

Growing up I had a few cousins who were 10+ years older than me and my siblings. Most of the time they would ignore their little pesky cousins and not include us in their conversations or activities. In fact – my oldest cousins called us “Lloyd’s Wrecking Crew” because of the havoc they said we caused whenever we visited their home. Truth be told – we probably were a wrecking crew! But I had one cousin who seemed to have time for me – to chat or play a board game, to play the piano for me or take a walk with me, to bring back a souvenir for me from a trip abroad that he took. I hardly see him but he had an influence on my life.

When I was in high school I felt the call to ordained ministry. Women were not ordained in the Lutheran church until I was a senior in high school. Yet my pastor at the time encouraged me to consider going to seminary because he knew the tides were changing and there would be a place for me. He offered me opportunities to be on the church council, preach in church and help with youth leadership. He never failed to help me see that God could use someone like me. That pastor had a great influence on my life.

You don't have to be a "person of influence" to be influential. In fact - the most influential people in my life are probably not even aware of the things they've taught me. And for many of them, it wasn't what they said to me but how they acted and what they offered me – time, respect, kindness, empathy, wisdom, encouragement.

We may never see the results of our influence. We may never even believe that we've had any influence at all. But that's not important - the important thing is in the doing - in truly seeing others and doing something that we feel will benefit others. The important thing is treating people like Jesus treated people – looking beyond what is obvious and seeing their potential. After all, Jesus

picked common fishermen and a despised tax collector as some of his disciples because he could see what others didn't bother to look at.

I have come to believe that it's not the senators or representatives or the other politicians or businessmen – it's not the screen idols or musicians or sports stars who have the greatest influence on our society - they simply keep things moving, hopefully in positive directions. The greatest influence comes from those individuals who are following their hearts and spirits and trying to do what they know to be right. The greatest influence comes from those individuals who listen and support – who offer their time and guidance – not to get what they want but to care for another's soul. Our world needs “influencers” not just leaders. We all have the potential to influence others through the power of our convictions and our dedication to what we believe to be right – but also through trying to be the best representative of Jesus we can be in this world.

Blessings,
Pastor Jami

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

<p>Sunday, June 2 8:00 AM Holy Communion 9:15 AM Sunday School Movie 10:30 AM Service of the Word</p>		<p>Sunday, June 9 Confirmation 8:00 AM Service of the Word 9:15 AM Sunday School Movie 10:30 AM Holy Communion</p>	
<p>Sunday, June 16 9:00 AM Holy Communion</p>	<p>Sunday, June 23 9:00 AM Holy Communion</p>	<p>Sunday, June 30 9:00 AM Holy Communion</p>	

June 9 - June 16 youth group will be selling Thomson's hoagies to help with costs for our shore trip. Please sign up on the bulletin board in the narthex. Hoagies can be picked up on Wednesday, June 26 beginning at 5:30 p.m.

June 3 at 6 p.m. we will have a youth leader meeting for those interested either helping out with fundraising or chaperoning the Youth Gathering in 2021.

June 24 at 6 p.m. we will have a youth leader meeting for any adult chaperoning the shore trip.

July 22 - July 26: Youth Group Shore Trip.



SUNDAY SCHOOL

June 2 - Cradle Roll through 6th grade movie day in Kuntz Hall

June 9 - Cradle Roll through 6th grade movie day in Hanson Hall. LAST DAY OF SUNDAY SCHOOL!

Do you enjoy working with youth and have a passion for sharing your faith? We are looking for people who would like to volunteer their time as either a Sunday School teacher or classroom volunteer. Please see Ally Lockard if you are interested.

The Sunday School team is also looking for anyone who would like to assist in the planning and organization of our ever growing Sunday School Program, either as a Sunday School co-coordinator or as part of the Sunday School planning team. For more information please see Ally Lockard.

We would like to thank **Robin Zamadics** for all her help and wonderful ideas this past year as a Sunday School co-coordinator, and also the many years she spent as our 5th grade First Communion teacher. You will be truly missed by your Sunday School family.

CONFIRMATION UPDATES

- Saturday, June 8 – 9:00 a.m.: Confirmation Rehearsal
- Sunday, June 9 – 10:30 a.m. Service: Confirmation and reception following the service

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL. . . coming July 8–12

"To Mars and Beyond". Your children will discover the wonders of God's universe by journeying through space and exploring where God's power can take them. Classes will be held from 9 a.m. until noon, with a closing program on Friday, July 12 at 7 p.m. Ages include 3 year olds (potty trained) to children completing 6th grade in June 2019. Registrations can be made at

vbs.hopecherryville.org or by completing a registration form located in the narthex. **T-shirts are provided for each student who is registered by Sunday, June 16.**



We need lots of help so please consider volunteer-ing. A staff nursery is provided for volunteers if you have younger children who are not old enough to attend. Volunteers need to register as well.

So come blast off to Mars with Gillian and his crew.

For faster registrations, use the QR code.



Register today!



ELECTRONIC GIVING

Enjoy the Convenience of Electronic Giving – Consider electronic giving as a way to automate your regular weekly contributions. Our church relies on the financial support of the congregation and electronic giving offers an easy way to give on a recurring basis. To set up a recurring contribution, visit the Church Website at www.hopecherryville.org and locate the Online Giving page.

Online Giving

COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS APRIL 2019

- Coffee with the Council was held on Sunday, May 5 at 9:15 a.m. in Kuntz Hall. Some of the questions that were asked and answers given are:
 - ◆ Where does the money that is donated as Thrivent Choice Dollars go when the church receives it?
That money goes into the general fund to be used to fund our yearly ministries. It is not designated for one specific purpose. Members can see how much comes in from Thrivent by checking the Monthly Financial Statement which can be found on the large bulletin board by the office.
 - ◆ How often will we have other pastors preaching?
Pastor Don Hayn, our part-time Visitation Pastor, will be preaching once a month. Other pastors may preach if he is unavailable or if Pastor Jami is on vacation.
 - ◆ The cross that hung above the altar fell from its hooks on Good Friday evening and was used to decorate the sanctuary during the Easter season. Will that be rehung at some point in time?
The property Committee, Worship and Music Committee, Worship Arts Committee and Council are discussing some possibilities. It is a solid wood cross that is quite heavy so there is a concern that some people may be fearful if it is rehung. No decision has been made to date.
 - ◆ When do we move to the summer worship schedule and how many services will we have each Sunday?
Summer worship hours begin on Sunday, June 16. We will have one service each week at 9:00 a.m.
 - ◆ Are there other property projects in the works?
The concrete contractor will be coming to install the new steps and handicapped ramp entrance at the Kuntz Hall side of the building as soon as the plans are approved by the township.
Due to ice build-up in some of the gutters over the winter – which caused slick sidewalks – Holencik Roofing will be replacing all 5” gutters with 6” gutters before the winter.
- Council approved the purchase of new computer equipment for the church offices and a new package for phone and internet service with RCN. As of January, 2020, the current Microsoft software will no longer be supported. To update our software required modifications to the current computers which would equal the cost of new computers.
- Council approved the proposal from Church Mutual Insurance Company for the renewal of our insurance policy at a cost of \$9080.00 per year. This includes Cyber Liability coverage which we did not have in prior policies.
- Hope’s Church Family Picnic will be held at Indian Trail Park on Sunday, June 14. Tootsie the Clown will be in attendance to entertain the children.
- Another Family Movie Night is scheduled for Friday, July 19 at 6:00 p.m. in Kuntz Hall featuring the movie “Beethoven” – a story about a loveable St. Bernard dog and his disaster-filled journeys.
- Youth will be selling hoagies in June to help finance their summer trip to Wildwood, New Jersey.

CENTERING PRAYER GROUP

June 3 & 17

6:00 p.m.

Sunday School Room off Hanson Hall

Newcomers are always welcome!

STORYWEAVERS and lunch

Tuesday, June 11, 10:00 a.m.

For more information call
LeeAnn Chandler, 610-440-0341

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

Thursday,
June 13
10:00 a.m.



SOUP GROUP AND DELIVERY



Wednesday,
June 5
9:00 a.m.
Kuntz Hall kitchen.

OUTREACH MINISTRY

Meeting Sunday, June 16
Following worship service

You don't want to miss:

SIGHT & SOUND
THEATRES

MIRACLE OF CHRISTMAS

Saturday, November 2

See page 7 for all the details



Start cleaning out those closets, base- ments and garages!

We are having the yard
sale. Friday and Saturday,
August 30 & 31 (Labor Day
weekend), 8 a.m. to 1 p.m.



NO clothing, shoes, linens,
electronics, large furniture, car seats, hard-sided
luggage or mattresses/box springs will be ac-
cepted.

Annual Church Picnic July 14

Indian Trail Park

Hot dogs, hamburgers, rolls
and beverages supplied by
Evangelism Committee



PASTORAL ACTS

Stella Rae Bailey, daughter of Kevin R. Bailey & Tiffany A. (Miller) Bailey, was bap-
tized Sunday May 5.

Jazmine Marie Bonnema, the daughter of Joseph M. Bonnema & Michelle M. Neetz ,
was baptized Sunday, May 19.

We welcome Stella and Jazmine as the newest members of our church family.



THANK YOU . . .

To the Hope Lutheran Congregation (especially Pastor Jami),

Thank you for welcoming Maddie into the church family at her baptism. We appreciate the blanket and the book so much. Also, thank you for the banner. (I still have mine). Pastor Jami—thank you for everything. You are extraordinary!

God bless,
Alisha & Maddie Wainwright

Dear Trudy,

I appreciate the honorarium given to me by Hope Church for lending worship on April 28th. However, I would prefer it is used for other ministry expenses.

Hope Church's (for so many years) and Pastor Jami's kindness and welcome to me is payment enough. Again, thank you and

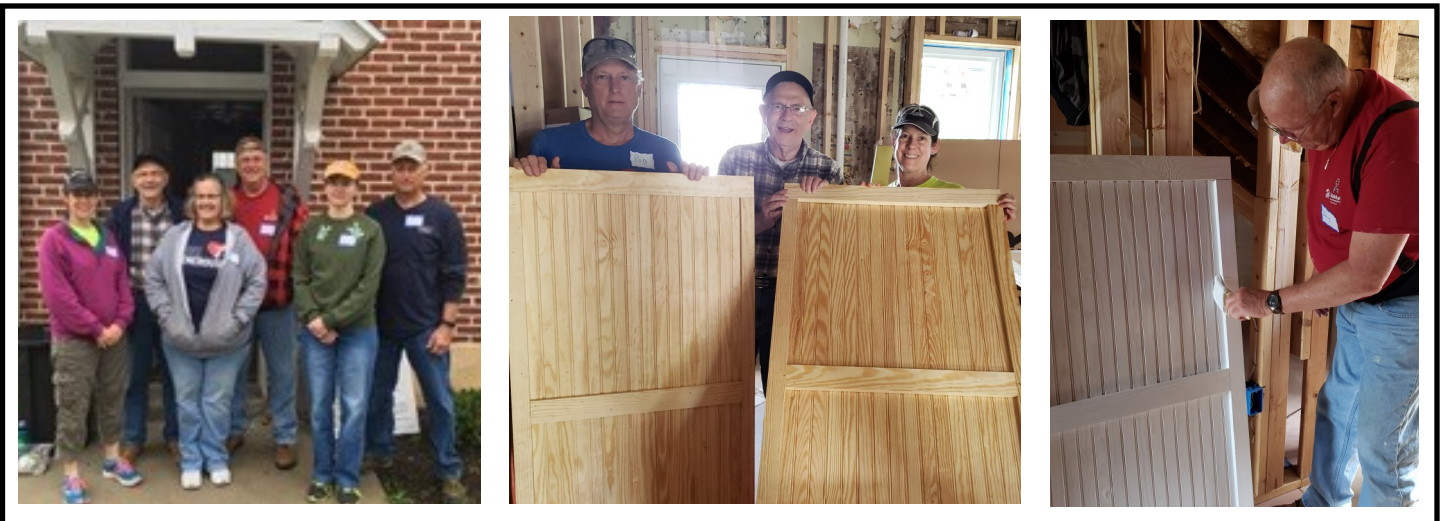
Blessings,
Clark

Dear friends,

Thank you to everyone for all the birthday wishes and cards for my 91st birthday. I deeply appreciated it.
Mildred Binder

HOPE'S HELPING HANDS

Hope's Helping Hands members have been working in conjunction with Habitat for Humanity on the rehab of a house in Easton that is being sponsored by Thrivent Financial as a Faith Build Home. Recently, six of our members spent the day on this project constructing custom closet doors along with some painting and caulking around the newly installed windows in both sides of this twin home. We were fortunate enough to have the opportunity to meet the two future homeowners (single moms) and their young sons as they stopped by while we were working. They are thrilled to be able to have a home they can call their own. We will be returning to the site for another workday on Saturday, June 1. We're anxious to see the progress made on these homes during the past month. Hope's Helping Hands is also making a financial donation to Habitat for Humanity of the Lehigh Valley to assist them with the funds needed to complete this home in Easton.



Also please SAVE THE DATE for our upcoming annual **Shrimp Boil** on Saturday, August 17, 2019. This dinner will be a take-out only event. More information will be given in the July newsletter. Thanks to everyone for supporting our various fundraising events.



WELLNESS TEAM

Caring for all kids like they are our own.

All children deserve the chance to grow up to be whatever they can imagine.

Every year preventable injuries kill almost 1 million children around the world. The vast majority of these injuries happen to children who live in poorer communities.

Keeping kids safe is a global issue that directly affects all of us. We cannot stand idly by while too many children are stripped of the opportunity to follow their dreams.

There are affordable, proven practices that are available right now that can save the life of a child. Education, stronger laws and safer environments make a difference. Many developed countries have reduced child injury deaths by 50% in the past 25 years.

From the second our babies are born, we know we will do anything within our power to protect them.

Learn more - check the June poster in the narthex.

BLOOD DRIVE

JULY 21

Kuntz Hall

7:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

This blood drive will be held in memory of Meagan Duarte.

We are asking volunteers to sign-up on line or after church,
June30, July 7, and July14.

We are hoping for a good response since weather forced us to cancel in January.

Thank you for your support.

EVANGELISM

Thursday Evening Bible Studies: will stop at the end of May and will resume in September. Everyone is welcome to be a part of this study and it is our hope that you will consider joining us in the fall. We are all learning together and have some very interesting and informative discussions.

Church Family Picnic: will be held at Indian Trail Park on Sunday, July 14 beginning at 11:30 a.m. Evangelism will supply hot dogs, hamburgers, rolls, the condiments, and the beverages. You are asked to bring a covered dish. Hope church's grill master, Chip Hunsicker, has agreed to do the grilling and we all know what a great job he does at that. There will be plenty of fun and, fellowship for all ages. Tootsie the Clown will be there for a short time after lunch to entertain the children. Amy Weil has agreed to plan some games for after Tootsie leaves. Our own Bob Small has agreed to share his musical talents

with us. Everyone seems to enjoy a few games of bingo, so please bring a wrapped prize for some lucky person to win. Look for the cake walk again and there are other fun events in the planning. Bring your lawn chair and sit by the creek (some people have even gone wading in the past), and enjoy an afternoon with your church family...mark your calendars.

Bus Trip to Sight and Sound: for the Miracle of Christmas will be Saturday, November 2. We will leave the church by 8:15 a.m. for the 11:00 a.m. show. After the show our driver will take us to Shady Maples for lunch. Cost is \$125.00 for adults and \$75.00 for children; this includes your bus, the show and lunch. Please make check payable to Hope Lutheran Church and write "Evangelism bus trip" in the memo. Checks can be given to Trudy

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MARK YOUR CALENDARS—FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT



Friday, July 19

"Beethoven" (PG)

Doors open at 6:00 p.m.

Show begins at 6:30 p.m.

Hot dogs, pizza, candy, snacks

and drinks will be provided

This is a free event

When the family of George Newton decides to adopt a cute St. Bernard puppy, the patriarch soon feels displaced by the dog. Before long, the adorable canine, dubbed Beethoven, has grown considerably, leading to household mishaps. While George's wife and kids dote on Beethoven, it takes time for him to see the pooch's finer qualities. However, Beethoven's life with the Newton family is jeopardized when a scheming vet tries to nab the dog for a deadly experiment.

EVANGELISM

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Mertz. We expect to return around 6:00 - 6:30 p.m. Sign up sheet is on the bulletin board in the narthex. THE BUS IS FILLING UP QUICKLY SO RESERVE YOUR SEAT NOW.

NEXT EVANGELISM MEETING: June 6 at 5:45 p.m. New members to this committee are always welcome to this committee as well as new ideas. Next

worship at Renaissance Assisted Living will be June 12 at 10:00 a.m.; anyone wishing to join us to provide worship and communion for the residents is welcome.

For more information about Hope's Evangelism Committee, please feel free to call Sharyn Kratzer, 610-261-1277.

HOPE LUTHERAN PRESCHOOL

Is now accepting registrations for three year olds and four year olds for the 2019-2020 school year. The school's structured learning environment prepares children for their formal school experiences. Activities include: music, crafts, gym, painting, language arts, field trips and much more.

Please call Deb Gable at 610-767-7523 for more information or to register your child. Your child must be 3 years of age and potty trained by September 1 in order to register.



FINANCIAL SUMMARY - APRIL 30, 2019

	Regular	Building	Memorial	Scholarship	Memorial Garden
Balance Beginning of Year	\$ 102,873.22	\$ 146,144.08	\$ 139,489.65	\$ 95,612.84	\$ (4,061.92)
Income - April	45,292.64	3,352.83	1,759.07	1,440.15	-
Income - Jan.-Mar.	97,756.28	4,445.02	(1,922.63)	(2,295.63)	2,000.00
Total Income	143,048.92	7,797.85	(163.56)	(855.48)	2,000.00
Expenses - April	30,529.07	99.00	-	-	-
Expenses - Jan.-Mar.	88,488.24	5,346.31	-	2,000.00	-
Total Expenses	119,017.31	5,445.31	-	2,000.00	-
Net Income	24,031.61	2,352.54	(163.56)	(2,855.48)	2,000.00
Net Special Appeals	1,123.30				
Balance End of April	\$ 128,028.13	\$ 148,496.62	\$ 139,326.09	\$ 92,757.36	\$ (2,061.92)

SUMMARY:

Income exceeded expenses in the Regular Fund for the month of April by \$14,763.57, and for the year 2019, income exceeded expenses by \$24,031.61, giving us a current balance in the Regular Fund of \$128,028.13. Last year the net income for the same period was \$4,939.54 with a balance of \$96,069.18.

*** The current income statement is posted in the narthex. ***

NEWSLETTER SCHEDULE

All committees, groups and persons submitting content for the church newsletter should follow the schedule listed below. Articles may be edited so we do not exceed Post Office guidelines.

Please email your articles to Laurie Christman (communications@hopecherryville.org). Thank you.

<u>Edition</u>	<u>Article Deadline</u>	<u>Collation Date</u>
July	Monday, June 17	Thursday, June 27 @ 10:00 AM

Please let the office know if you need to update your delivery method of the Hope Home News. The paper copy contains the news that fits on six pages. The digital version generally runs longer.

SYNOD NEWS

The June 2019 issue of *Synod News* is available online.

Visit <http://nepasynod.org/documents/synod-news/synod-news-2019-6.pdf>

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