

Hope Anderson Education Scholarship is an annual scholarship provided by the generosity of Ken and Linda Anderson to assist students within the Hope Community pursuing higher education. We are pleased to announce that the scholarship application window is now open. The 2026 scholarship will offer \$1,000 to one student currently enrolled in college, tech school, or other higher education. Scholarship applications can be found on our website under the 'Faith Formation' tab or at the kiosk in the gathering space. Deadline for application materials is July 31st.

You Are Invited To Heart For Luther Park Each summer, children and youth from our congregation grow in faith at Luther Park Bible Camp, where camp extends the ministry of the church and home. Support this shared ministry by joining us for Heart for Luther Park on Saturday, August 1, from 10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. This annual fundraiser for all ages features an outdoor live quilt auction, silent auction, maker's market, two raffles with prizes including a Solo Stove, a handmade quilt, and a free week at camp, plus live music, a food truck lunch, friendship bracelets, gagaball and nine-square, and more! Every bid, purchase, and raffle ticket helps ensure Luther Park can continue sharing the life-changing love of God with campers of all ages. Learn more about lutherpark.org.

Pastoral Partners—The Pastoral Partners next meeting is on Sunday, August 9th at 10:15 in the fireside room.

Friendship Group To those of you that participated on the LaCrosse Cruise....there is a photo memento for everyone (1 per single or couple) on the table by the entrance to Olson Hall. Please help yourself.

Green Team will meet Thursday August 6th at 4:00. New members welcome!

Remember that battery collection is always the last Sunday of the month.

Thank you to all who helped make this **Christmas in July** special. A special thank you to the bakers, kitchen captains, and the cast of the Christmas in July Skit, The Lost Wiseman, by Rev. Dr. Judy Kincaid starring: Todd Johnson--Wiseman, Erica Kajer—Camel, Ken Anderson--Shepherd, Evelyn Martinsen--Sheep, Maddie Mai--Angel, Ellie Bower--Star

Office Volunteers—This fall, Lauren is going back to school and the office will be vacant on Monday mornings. (8:30-12:00pm). We are asking for volunteers to be here to help answer the phones on these mornings. Reach out to the office if you are interested.

Days for Girls Underwear and Recorder Drive The Eau Claire Days for Girls Team will be packing the products we have made since March in early August. We are requesting your help in supplying the underwear needed to complete the kits. The underwear can be the classic brief, high cut brief, full brief, hipster or bikini. No boy cut underwear. The sizes can range from Girls 12 – 16. We can also use women's underwear sizes M -XL. Avoid white colored underwear. We will have a box in the Gathering space the month of July for the collection. Thank you for your support.

Do you have a musical recorder that your children played in grade school just collecting dust in a closet in your house? The community of Los Heroes is looking for recorders for their children to play. Pastor Joel teaches music and is willing to teach the young people in Los Heroes. Playing music is uplifting and very good for brain development. Please clean the recorder well and drop off in the donation box for DFG underwear. We will collect recorders through the month of July.

July 26, 2026
Order of Service
Christmas in July

Welcome and Announcements
Special Music—Grace Lenhart
Greeting
Opening Prayer
Opening Hymns: #290 & 270(Vss 1, 3)
First Reading: Titus 2:11-24
Second Reading: Isaiah 9:2-7
Gospel Acclamation—Page 151
Gospel Reading: Luke 2:1-7
Hymn: #281
Children's Time
Prayers for the People
Sharing God's Peace and Noisy Offering
Offertory #186
Offering Prayer
Great Thanksgiving
Words of Institution
The Lord's Prayer
Distribution
Distribution Music: #279 & #278
Post Communion Prayer
Christmas in July Skit
Benediction
Sending Hymn: #267
Dismissal

School Supplies are once again being collected by the Board of Outreach for the kids at Sam Davey and Northwoods Elementary Schools. Items needed:

- #2 pencils
- Colored pencils – pack of 12 (Crayola preferred)
- Erasers
- Highlighters (yellow)
- Markers, regular and fine tip, primary colors (Crayola preferred)
- Crayons - 24 count boxes (Crayola preferred)
- Loose-leaf paper - wide lined
- Pencil box or bag
- Spiral wide-ruled notebooks (blue, green, red, or yellow)
- Glue Sticks (unscented)
- Glue Bottles (small/regular size)
- Pocket folders (red, blue, green, yellow or purple)
- Scissors - small blunt style and regular
- Resealable plastic bags-sandwich and gallon sizes

Puzzle Drive for Northwoods Elementary!

The Board of Outreach is also collecting new or gently used puzzles for Northwoods Elementary School. During indoor recess time, the kids could really use some fresh puzzles to keep things fun and engaging. We’re looking for standard or wooden peg puzzles (24–300 pieces) There will be combined collection boxes labeled "School Supplies and Puzzles" in the Gathering area in July and August. Please bring your donations by Sunday August 23rd so we can distribute the items to the schools. Thank you for your support!

For pastoral care, you may reach Pastor Judy at judy@hopechurchec.com or 906-399-1387

At Hope Lutheran we acknowledge that we are on the ancestral homelands of indigenous peoples of the Council of Three Fires including the Ho-Chunk, Dakota, and the Anishinaabe (Ojibwe). Each of these Nations is unique and sovereign. We are grateful to their ancestors for their deep commitment to caring for the land.

Thank you for your gifts to Hope!

In Memory of:
Clarice Kunferman.....Larry and Helen Kieth, Reanate and George Kumferman
Dick Porn, Father of Jackie Faanes.....Roger and Sue Tietz



Weekly Calendar

- Sunday, July 26**
9:00am Worship Christmas in July
10:00am Coffee Connections
- Monday, July 27**
8:30am Monday Coffee
6:30pm Open Dartball
- Tuesday, July 28**
- Wednesday, July 29**
- Thursday, July 30**
9:00am Feed My People
- Friday, July 31**
Hope Anderson Scholarship Deadline
- Saturday, August 1**
- Sunday, August 2**
9:00am Worship
10:00am Coffee Connections

Hope has updated its “text to give” info to the following

text “offeringhope” to 1-888-364-give (4483)
Or scan the QR code.



This week we pray for:

Leona Fuerbringer, Jeanette Perry, Sue Carlson, Richard Brownell, Joanne Martin, Don Rassbach, Nathan, Allison Price, The Family of Darlene Tubbs, The Family of Dee Bouley

Today we celebrate Christmas in July. Enjoy the Christmas story and hymns. After worship, join us for Christmas cookies.

Worship Statistics at Hope:

July 05—116—\$4,970.00
July 12—137—\$9,055.00
July 19—167