

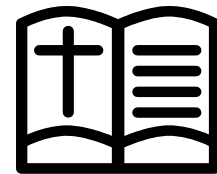
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GOOD HOPE WOMEN OF THE ELCA



CIRCLE NEWS

	<u>Date</u>	<u>Where</u>	<u>Study Leader</u>	<u>Hostess</u>
Morning Circle	Thurs., June 8 9:15 a.m.	Church	Margaret Phelps	Carole Tuecke
Morning Circle	Thurs., July 13 9:15 a.m.	Church	Carole Tuecke	Carole Tuecke
Morning Circle	Thurs., Aug. 10 9:15 a.m.	Church	Gail Hamilton	Marie Schutter

*i love
my
Dad*



*Happy Father's Day
to all of the dads
in our
congregation!*

Adult Bible Study

Monday, June 5th
and Monday, June 19th
at Good Hope
beginning at 6:30

Bring your bible and join
us!

Thinking ahead

On Sunday, June 4, 2023 I'm going to invite everyone to talk about our future ministry.

The conversation will start with a question used last summer:

What ministry would you like to be part of in the next 1 to 60 months?

The question might be the same; but the answers might very well be different.

My goal is to get all of us thinking together about God's future for us as church together. As we talk I'm going to encourage people to keep 5 Core Values in mind from Lutheran Church of Hope in West Des Moines,

Jesus is life. The rest is details.

Lost people matter to God and so they matter to us.

We worship God, not tradition.

Following Jesus is a growing experience.

We are one body, united in Jesus Christ.

God has a future for us—and part of discovering that future is listening and praying—discerning who God is calling us to serve.

Who is my neighbor?

One of the most meaning filled words in the New Testament is neighbor.

Luke tells the story of man who came to Jesus with a very specific question:

"How do I inherit eternal life?"

Jesus responded to the man's question, like Jesus often did, with a question of his own:

"What do you read in scripture?"

The man was quick to reply, "...love God ... and love your neighbor..." Jesus said the man was right. And the man asked Jesus another question, **who is my neighbor?**

Jesus replied telling story about hurting man and three different people who crossed his path. This story that many of us call the Good Samaritan, answered the question in a beautiful way. It is one of Jesus' most loved stories/parables. Look it up in Luke 10:35-

This question, "**who is my neighbor?**" Is a good for us as God's people today.

In a little over a year serving as a pastor in Woden and Titonka I've heard some people say that they have new neighbors. I've heard a few others say they feel like they don't know all their neighbors anymore.

I'll be asking for volunteers to join me later this summer doing a little door knocking and getting to know our neighbors. Many people coming of age in this generation are skeptical at best about churches and religion. There are very real gaps between our neighbors and us in the church. Part of our future together as church is going to be learning who are neighbors are and what places they kind of support they need from God and from God's people.

Thanks for your partnership in ministry,
Pastor John Heille

10 Minute Bible Study
Jesus people and their neighbors.

Read Luke 10:25

A lawyer came to Jesus with a question—lots of people asked him to answer their question. Jesus was a rabbi and people came to him as teacher who might be able to help make sense of God and their lives. The man wanted to know what he had to do to inherit eternal life.

What do you think of this man's question for Jesus?

Do you think he thought he knew Jesus answer already?

Read Luke 10:26-29

Jesus answered the man with an entirely different question—and an invitation to dig into the scripture.

Jesus' answer didn't settle the matter quickly—instead he invited him to think about scripture and how people live out their faith.

Now the man had a new question for Jesus.

What do you think of the man's question in Luke 10:29

Read Luke 10:30-32

Jesus told a story with layers of meaning. Robbers attacked a man—the beat him badly and left him. This poor man lay on the road struggling. Two religious officials a priest who offered sacrifice in the temple and a levite who led worship in the temple walked right past.

How does the story sound if you replace the word priest with pastor and the word levite with church organist?

Read Luke 10:33-35

Jesus' story had villains, a victim, people who ignored, and an unlikely hero. The story only makes sense when we know that Jesus' people looked down on Samaritans.

What made this Samaritan a hero?

Read Luke 10:36-37

Jesus' story didn't take long to tell—but it was so powerful. Now Jesus had a new question for the lawyer and an invitation to do the same thing as the Samaritan.

Who are the neighbors God is pointing his people, the church, towards today?

JUNE 2023

JUNE USHERS: Rob Brandt, Dwane & Dawn Schutter, and Kristen Hinz

JUNE ACOLYTE: Lane Boekelman

JUNE JR.USHER: Addilyn Heyer

ALTAR FLOWERS: June 18th & 25th Brenda Ricke

JUNE KITCHEN DUTIES: Carol Heesch



JULY 2023

JULY USHERS: Gary, Scott, Zach & Jake Meinders

JULY ACOLYTE: Jeremiah Trunkhill

JULY JR. USHER: Karly Lium

ALTAR FLOWERS: July 16th Sharon Bengtson

JULY KITCHEN DUTIES: Joyce Welsh



AUGUST 2022

COMMUNION SET UP: (Aug. 27th) Wally & Sue Heyer

COMMUNION CLEAN UP: August 27 Kyle & Michaela Franzen

AUGUST USHERS: Larry & Vicky Nelson, Randy Tjaden and Ken Spear

AUGUST ACOLYTE: Rowan Welhousen

AUGUST JR. USHER: Alyvia Lium

ALTAR FLOWERS: Aug. 6: Jeannette Chapin
Aug. 27: Lisa Tjaden

AUGUST KITCHEN DUTIES: Joyce Welsh



Bible Camp

It's time to think about Bible Camp.
We have many
Opportunities available-
Ingham Lake, Okoboji, or Riverside.

Have you
discussed the possibility with your child?
Bible camp is a wonderful way
to meet other young Christians and
explore God's word. There will be fun,
fellowship and friendships made to last a
lifetime!

GOOD HOPE CEMETERY FLOWER POLICY

Planting live flowers & plants and
glass jars are prohibited.
All flowers not in urns or
suitable containers must be
removed by June 10th.
After June 10th, flowers will be
removed at the discretion of the
caretaker.

**No iron hearts, shepherds
hooks, etc
after June 10th**



Vacation Bible School
July 16, 2023 – July 20, 2023
5:30 to 8:00 p.m.
Preschool -6th grade
(Grade just completed)

Launch kids on a cosmic quest where they'll have a blast shining Jesus' light to the world.
Stellar rockets kids on an out-of-this-world adventure that's light years of faith-building fun.

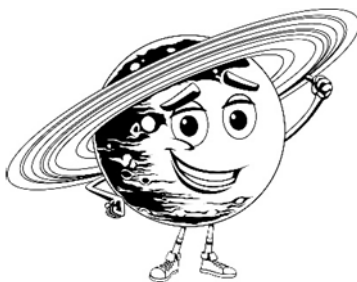
To register use QR code or go the website
vbspro.events/p/5915d9



Paper registrations available at TBC

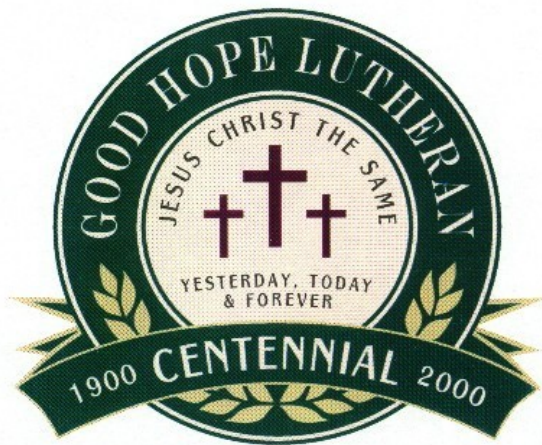
Questions? Contact Brenda Ricke:
515-928-7752

We are also looking for volunteers to
lead children thru the activities.



This is a great way for students to
earn silver cord hours!





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Return Service Requested

Over the years
As we grow old,
We remember our father
So brave and bold.

In the garden,
Leaning on the plow,
He would listen to me;
I see him now.

He would give me advice
And understand;
He was always there
To lend a hand.

God made fathers
Strong and firm,
For he knew our lives
Would have great concerns.

So he gave us fathers
To teach us to pray,
And guide our lives,
And show us the way.

So on this day
Let's take time
To say, "Thanks, dad.
I'm glad you're mine."

HAPPY FATHER'S DAY!!