

The Spirit of



EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

Growing Together with Hope

Offering Envelopes



The new 2012 offering envelopes are ready to be picked up in the Narthex! Please remember to take them today.

Bring an empty stomach to Hope's Annual "30 Pieces of Silver" Breakfast!!



What: Pancake Breakfast (*with more than just pancakes!*)

Where: Here at Hope

When: Sunday, February 19 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Why: To raise money to fund the activities of our Youth

Cost: Free-will Donation (*pay what you want, all are welcome!!*)

Join us on Sunday, February 19 - immediately following the 9 a.m. service until 1 p.m. We will serve until everyone has had enough to eat.

Breakfast will include pancakes, bacon, sausage, scrambled eggs and fruit. There will be many beverages to choose from – coffee, hot tea, milk, and juice! Come and have a great breakfast and share in fellowship with others from the congregation and community while supporting our youth.



Inclement Weather Policy for Hope

Please use the school closings/delays for the Seneca Valley School District as a guide for Hope's Winter Schedule during Church Office hours.



If Seneca has a two-hour delay or is cancelled, the weekly Wednesday Discipleship and Women's Bible Study will be cancelled.



If you would like to learn more about the mission and ministry of Hope, please plan to attend the New Member Class on **Sunday, February 19 from 12:30 to 2:30 p.m.** Please join the pastors at the Pancake Breakfast prior to the class.

Please sign up online under **Event Registrations** at www.hopelutherancranberry.org or call the church office (724.776.3141).

Hope's Annual Report Meeting will take place on...

Saturday, February 11 @ 5 p.m.

Sunday, February 12 @ 9 a.m.

Sunday, February 12 @ 11 a.m.

Everyone is invited to attend!!



Cam's Office Schedule:

- **Monday** → OFF
- **Tuesday** → 9 to 4:30
- **Wednesday** → 9 to 4:30
- **Thursday** → 9 to 4
- **Friday** → Floating Hours
- **Sunday** → 8 to 12:30



ELCA National Youth Gathering
July 18 – 22, 2012
New Orleans, Louisiana

Super Bowl!!!

ARE YOU READY FOR SOME FOOTBALL!?!?
February 5 is Super Bowl Sunday! Need food for your party?! We have your solution!

We are having a **Super Bowl Sub Sale!** Subs will be delivered on Super Bowl Sunday just in time for the big party! Contact Cam for more info.



FEBRUARY 12 – High School Youth Group vs. CHAOS

FEBRUARY 26:

- **Parent Meeting @ 10 am**
- **National Youth Gathering Meeting @ noon**

CHAOS

Christ Has All Our Solutions

Next Meeting:
This weekend is Youth Quake!!



Upcoming Meeting Dates:

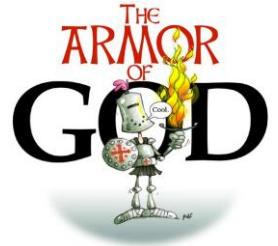
February 12 – CHAOS vs. HS Youth Group
March 4

**CHAOS is for any youth in 6th – 8th grade; friends are always welcome!!

Kidz Klub

Next meeting:

February 12
from 4 to 6 p.m.



Kidz Klub is for any child in 1st - 5th grade!!

Friends are always welcome!!

Upcoming Dates: March 4

We are pleased to announce that we are participating in a fundraiser with Chick-fil-A!!! Please save your receipts from the Cranberry store only and place in the marked red box in the Narthex. We will **receive 20%** of the sales receipts in Chick-fil-A dollars to purchase food items for upcoming youth events. You can collect receipts from family and friends as well, but they must be from the Cranberry store.



Please direct any questions to Lisa Feathers at 724.776.9365 or LMFinMars@msn.com.

Souper Bowl of Caring is coming up fast!



Please remember to bring extra cash for an offering February 5, 2012 to benefit a local charity. Hope's youth will be collecting the offering after church in large soup bowls. All

proceeds will be submitted and then put to use through the Souper Bowl organization.

In 2011, nationwide: **17,701 groups** generated \$9,590,540 in cash and food items for **local charities!** Please join us by donating to this great cause!



Sunday School Schedule

Please mark your calendars.

There will be **NO** Sunday school on the following days:

- Sunday, April 8 – Easter
- Sunday, May 27 – Memorial Weekend



EVERY PURCHASE MATTERS

The gift cards are here...look for yours on sale!!
(*\$25, \$50 and \$100 cards are available.*)

One, Two, Three STRIKES You're Out at the... Whoa! Whoa! Whoa!



That's not right. You just got a Turkey, because – it's Bowling Season and time for the **Hope Sunday Night Rollers** bowling group to start up again.

Come join us two Sunday evenings a month for some bowling fun and fellowship. We usually bowl the 1st and 3rd Sunday of the month @ 7:00 p.m. at the Freeway Lanes, on Rt. 19 just south of Zelenople. The cost for (3) games, including bowling shoe rental, is **\$11.00**. We will start the bowling season on Sunday, September 25.

Please call Peter Colpo at 724.538.8610 or email at him at pncolpo@zoominternet.net to let him know if you are interested in bowling this year. So come join us whenever you are available for some fun, fellowship, and bowling.



Bump, Set, Spike, SCORE!!! Registration have begun for the "Hope Volleyball League"

We will be taking the court starting in February 2012!

**Please sign up online under 'Event Registration' –
the roster is due this week!!**

See Cam for more details!!

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Jesus, The One and Only



Our Women's Bible Study continues on Thursday nights from 7 - 9 p.m. and Friday mornings from 9 – 11

a.m. with a Beth Moore 11 week DVD study of Jesus, from birth to death.

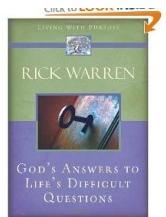
We have begun our life-changing journey through the hills of Galilee with the Teacher, across the lake with the Master, and finally, on the road with the Savior – His face set toward the cross.

Join us as we learn and grow together in Christ.

Please note: For weather cancellations, follow the Seneca Valley School District's weather information.

Bible Study

During the month of February, Pastor Ron will be discussing the book by Rick Warren, "God's Answers to Life's Difficult Questions." This bible study is open to everyone.



Meetings will start at 7 p.m. at the church in the Narthex beginning February 2 until February 23.

Please register online www.hopelutherancranberry.org under "Event Registrations."

Topics include:

- *How Can I Cope with Stress?*
- *How Can I Rebound from Failure?*
- *How Can I Be Confident in a Crisis?*
- *How Can I Live Above Average?*
- *How Can I Overcome Loneliness?*
- *How Can I Ever Change?*



Hope's Dinner Group...

will be dining at the

Springfield Grille located in Mars on
Saturday, February 18, at 5:30* p.m. (*special time!!)

For reservations or information call
Paul or Janet Wunderlin at 724.713.4722.



Girls Night Out!

Come and enjoy a little girl time. If you need childcare, we have that too. Please contact me (Marcia Salsbury) at salsbury@zoominternet.net or call with any questions,

my number is 724.473.0209.

Looking ahead, we will be getting together on **Fat Tuesday, February 21** and in March; we will be hosting a baby shower for Global Links.

Most importantly, take a little time out of your busy schedule to come and visit with your sisters in Christ. If you have to come late, come late; if you can only come for a half hour, come for that half hour; just come and enjoy the friendship and fellowship! **See you there!**

--**Marcia**

Attendance and Offering:

January 22, 2012

Saturday @ 5 p.m. – 53
Sunday @ 9 a.m. – 282
Sunday @ 11 a.m. – 95

Total: 430

Operating Fund: **\$8,411.00**
Expansion: **\$1,079.00**

Total: \$9,490.00



ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICES:

February 22, 2012, at 12:15 and 7 p.m.

During Lent, Hope will offer Holden Evening Prayer Services on Wednesdays at 7 p.m. beginning February 29 to March 28, 2012.

Join us at 6 p.m. for a Meager Meal each Wednesday before service. The Meager Meal will consist of soup and crackers.

There will also be a short Lenten Bible Study for anyone interested in attending directly following the service.



Helping those that cannot help themselves...sharing surplus, savings lives

The Social Ministry will be travelling to Pittsburgh to help with Global Links on **Saturday, May 12** Please meet at **9 a.m. at Panera's in Cranberry.**

Anyone who is interested in volunteering, please contact Judy Aikens at jbaikens@zoominternet.net.

JOIN US for a "Global Links Baby Shower"

When: Tuesday, March 6, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

What: Global Links Night of Fun, Sharing and Education

Who: Everyone is invited!

Come enjoy food, fellowship and a night to learn about this great ministry!

Jennifer Novelli, Community Outreach Manager of Global Links, will share information regarding the mission of Global Links from 7 to 7:30 p.m. with question & answer time to follow.

Global Links is a Pittsburgh-based medical relief and development organization dedicated to promoting environmental stewardship and improving health in resource-poor communities, primarily in Latin America and the Caribbean. Its two-fold mission provides hospitals in our region with a socially and environmentally beneficial alternative to sending hundreds of tons of still-useful surplus materials to landfills.

At this time too, we will present to Global Links all the baby items we have collected.

What you can do - any or all of the following:

- 1) RSVP: **Yes** I will attend this event to the church office or to Judy Aikens (jbaikens@zoominternet.net or 724.831.8104)
- 2) Donate to Global Links new baby collection (see item list below). Bring item(s) to Church on or before March 6.
- 3) If you like to sew, make a tote bag. See the following Link for directions for these simple totes: <http://www.globallinks.org/files/misc/BabyBagSewing2011.pdf>
- 4) Contribute money toward the purchase of fabric for the tote bags. Fran Harbison has offered to be the resident fabric buyer.

For more information on Global Links, visit www.globallinks.org or if you have any questions, contact Judy Aikens (jbaikens@zoominternet.net or 724.831.8104).



global links

Global Links regularly donates medical materials to improve conditions in maternity wards in resource-poor areas. We also provide new parents with carefully selected supplies for after the baby arrives, all packed in a sturdy, handmade bag. Please choose from the supplies on this list, which we have developed in consultation with our partners overseas.

global links

- Baby clothes, new (3 -24 months)
- Baby combs, brushes & nail
- Clippers
- Baby hats
- Baby powder/cornstarch
- Baby washcloths
- Cloth diapers & diaper pins
- Diaper covers (plastic pants)
- Diaper bags
- Diaper cream
- Lanolin
- Receiving blankets
- Newborn diapers
- Diaper wipes
- Baby shampoo
- Band-aids (all sizes)
- Sanitary napkins
- Bar soap (mild)
- Cotton balls
- Gauze pads, sponges, rolls
- Medical adhesive tape

**** Unexpired for at least 18 months :**
Hydrocortisone ointment
Antibiotic ointment (Neosporin)



Church Council The new 2012 Church Council minutes are now available in the church office.



and **Sanctuary Candle** 2012 sign up charts are located on the bulletin board in the Sunday school hallway.

This year, there is opportunity to sign up for the Prayer Table Candles and monthly Coffee Sponsorships.

There are only a few dates left!!

Prayer List for HOPE

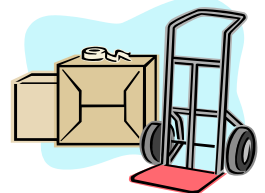
*** Please notify the church office if prayer is desired. Prayers will be listed for one month.*

- Jessica Young - recovery (heart & stomach problems)
Cathy - surgery; *friend of Diane Gollick*
Jeanie Hill-O'Brien - hand surgery and knee replacement
Malcom Hamilton - heart failure/stroke; *Judy Buccini's uncle*
Greg Bacsik - heart attack (triple by-pass surgery); *Leigh Buckley's uncle*
Nellie and parents - health concerns; *friends of Ginny Hill*
Deb - cancer; *friend of Karen Douglass*
Judy - bone cancer; *friend of John & Jane Graf*
Wyatt - seizure - recovery; *friend of Mary Kay Soergel*
Emily Kroll - pneumonia
Kelly Cadamore - recovery from surgery
Lois Walsh - surgery
Jessica Young - stomach and heart problems
Cindy Maguire - recovery from surgery; *Joe Maguire's mother*
Dan Douglass - pneumonia
Lois Knapp - fractured pelvis; *Carol Flinn's mother*
Lori Gray's Father-in-law - extremely ill; *friend of Tina Kramer*
Bill Monaghan - declining health
George Haas - *Jena Silkwood's brother-in-law*
Jim M. - complications from surgery; *a friend of Steve Dancisin's*
Ruth Rothermel - health concerns; *Pam Fister's mother*
Katelyn Caccamo - viral meningitis; *Marcia Salisbury's cousin's daughter and Brittany Steighner's friend*
Walter's father, lung problems
Carl Stiehl -
Nadyne Nicolas - breast cancer
Natalie Menzl - open heart surgery (hole in heart)
Hannah Menzl - health concerns
Phil Keller - health concerns
Marie Teets - cancer
Marion Drollinger - *a friend of Betty Tolbert*
Doris Bach



Please pray for the family and friends of the Paterno family. Joe recently lost his battle with lung cancer and joined the Church Triumphant.

VOICe needs your help!



Victim Outreach Intervention Center, a safe haven for families dealing with violence, needs your help. **VOICe Movers** collects donations of furniture from the community when families are preparing to leave the shelter to move into a new home.

Do you have a few hours on a Saturday morning that you could spare? Do you have a kind heart and a willingness to help others? We are looking for men, women, and families who are willing to help with their transition.

You can volunteer as your schedule permits. Please contact Karen Johanknecht at 724.452.5665 or karens@johanknecht.com.

Hope's 2011-2012 Sunday School Mission Project

When a child arrives at the doors of **Mars Home for Youth** (MHY) staff goes into action; asking what that child needs to begin the journey of healing. A few precious items can mean all the difference to a traumatized youth who may feel very much alone and away from what is familiar. Recently, a member of the **Hope** congregation dropped off **TEN** baskets to the Mars Home, each filled to the brim with hygiene supplies and necessities. Ten children benefited greatly from this generosity and the thought that someone cared was tremendous.

"Thank you for everything you have done for me. I really appreciate that you were so generous and helped out. I hope you are always smiling."
~Katrina

"Thank you for going out of your way. You didn't have to but you were kind and generas {sic}. Thanks." ~Unique

Mars Home for Youth is always in need of the following items for the 600 children MHY serves annually:

- Shampoo
- Deodorant
- Chap Stick
- Dental Floss
- Toothpaste
- Washcloths
- Small plastic baskets
- Monetary donations for the purchase of Bibles

Monetary donations will be accepted in the weekly offering plates, during Sunday school or can be dropped off at the church office. Please be sure to indicate on your check and envelope that your donation is supporting the **SS Mission Project: Mars Home for Youth**.

To further involve our Sunday School youth, we are asking parents to consider sending in one hygiene item per month. For February, we would like the students to donate one bottle of shampoo. Additional information will be provided to our youth in their Sunday School classes.

A Mars Home for Youth Donation Box is located near the coat rack. Thank you in advance for any items you are able to donate!

Please contact Deb Payerchin at 724.321.3651 or pdpayerchin@hotmail.com for additional information or questions.

(As of December 31, 2011, a little over \$1500 has been collected!)

VOICe News!

Victim Outreach Intervention Center thanks you for your love and support during this holiday season and throughout the past year. Your Angel Tree donations were a blessing to so many, making their holidays something to remember. For those who adopted families, we thank you for your generosity as all of the families greatly appreciated their gifts. Your monthly donations of cereal, paper items, cleaning supplies and so much more helps us to reduce our costs and continue to service those families in need. Thank you for your support of our efforts!



The **VOICe Donation Box** has returned and can be found under the coat rack in the Sunday school hallway. If you have gently used or new items that you'd like to donate, please place them in the box which will be delivered the last Thursday of every month. The following is a list of items that are currently needed at the shelter:

Shelter Needs:

- * Ace bandages
- * Hot/cold packs (for injuries)
- * Batteries, all sizes

For our housing programs, we need:

- * Curtains
- * Curtain rods
- * Vinyl mattress covers (twin, full, queen)
- * Interior trash cans
- * Sweepers
- * 9 volt batteries (for smoke detectors)
- * Mops
- * Brooms

General Needs are:

- * Garbage Bags
- * Paper Towels
- * Window Cleaner
- * Toilet Bowl Cleaner
- * Floor Cleaner-Pinesol, Mr. Clean, etc.
- * Dish Soap
- * Batteries
- * 2012 Wall Calendars

Fund Raiser Needs:

We are looking for donations for our Mardi Gras Basket Raffles! If you have items to donate, please let the staff know that your items are for the Mardi Gras! Perfect way to re-gift those presents you got for the Holidays!

We thank each and every one of you for your support through 2011 and look forward to a wonderful 2012! Please know that you make such a huge difference in the lives of survivors and their families!

Don't forget to call before arriving! (724.776.5910)





Classes begin in March, so mark your calendars now!

First Communion is for any child in second grade or above. Join us from 6 to 7 p.m. in the

Fellowship Hall on Monday, March 5 & 12 and in the Sanctuary on March 19, 2012.

You may sign-up online

www.hopelutherancranberry.org under the "News & Events – Event Registration."

Pleasant Valley Homeless Shelter Dinner February 19!



MENU:

- Rigatoni – **NEED 8 lbs.**
- Spaghetti Sauce – **NEED 10 to 24 oz. jars**
- Meatballs – **NEED 10 lbs.**
- Mozzarella Cheese – *provided*
- Parmesan Cheese – *provided*
- Italian Bread *provided*
- Tossed Salad – *provided*
- Salad Dressing – *provided*
- Margarine – *provided*
- Snacks/Cookies - **NEED for 30 men**
- Dessert – **NEED for 30 men**

- Foam Bowls #12 – *provided*
- Foam Plates – 6" – *provided*

Sign up at the Information Table!! **Please bring your food HOT and READY to GO!!** If you cannot prepare it, please bring it one week earlier so it can be prepared. We leave Hope at 6:45 p.m. and usually return between 8:30 & 9:00 p.m.

Please contact Ken Parshall (724.772.8183) or email kjpar_2004@yahoo.com if you have any questions.

We are always taking collections for **Gleaner's Food Pantry.** The baskets are located in the Narthex.

Thank you for your continued support of this ministry.

2012 Collection Dates:

- ❖ February 12
- ❖ March 11
- ❖ April 8
- ❖ May 13
- ❖ June 10
- ❖ July 8
- ❖ August 12
- ❖ September 9
- ❖ October 14
- ❖ November 4 - *Thanksgiving*
- ❖ December 2 – *Christmas*



College and Career Ministry:

**Winter Retreat at Lutherlyn
February 17 – 19
Sign up online or see Pastor Rich
for more details!!**

