

January 8, 2012

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The Spirit of

HOPE

EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

Growing Together with Hope

Offering Envelopes



*The new 2012 offering envelopes
are ready to be picked up in the
Narthex!*

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
Confirmation students

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.



**FEED THE
HUNGRY**

**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.*



Altar Flowers

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

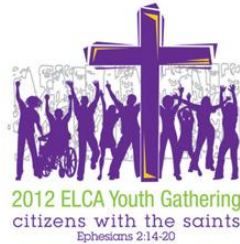
This year, there is opportunity to sign up for the Prayer
Table Candles and monthly Coffee Sponsorships.

Cam's Office Schedules:

- **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

Eligibility: Any teenager going into ninth, tenth, eleventh or twelfth (9th, 10th, 11th, or 12th) grade or having just graduated from high school at the time of the Gathering is eligible to register!



Super Bowl!!!

ARE YOU READY FOR SOME FOOTBALL!?!?
February 5th is Super Bowl Sunday! Need food for your party?! We have your solution! Starting this weekend, we will be 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.



JANUARY 15 – High School Youth Group will be snow tubing at the Rickert's (*pending on having snow*) if not, we will meet at our regular scheduled time at the church!

CHAOS

Christ Has All Our Solutions

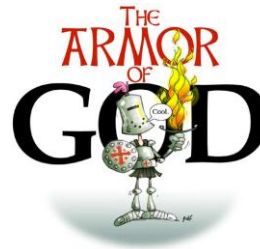
Next Meeting: TODAY
from 6 to 8 p.m.



Upcoming Meeting Dates:
January 28-29 for YouthQuake

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

The meeting for this afternoon has been rescheduled for next Sunday!!



Kidz Klub

Next meeting:
January 15
from 4 to 6 p.m.

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

Friends are always welcome!!

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.



**Sunday school is starting up again this morning!!
Glad to have you back.**



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 starts this weekend for our "Hope Volleyball League"

We will be taking the court starting in February 2012!
Please contact Pastor Ron or Cam Warba for more information!

Hope's Dinner Group...

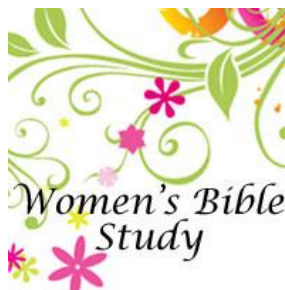


will be dining at the

Runway Sports Bar & Grille

located at 473 Airport Road in Butler, 16002 on **Saturday, January 14, at 6:30 p.m.**

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



YOU'RE INVITED – WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Please prayerfully consider joining us for a close-up and intimate portrait of Jesus the Messiah. This 11 week DVD study of Jesus, from birth to death, will allow us to go on a 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.

What: Jesus the One and Only, by Beth Moore

Who: All women are invited, please bring friends!

When: Thursday evenings and Friday mornings

Time: Thursdays from 7 – 9 pm; Fridays from 9 – 11 am

Where: Hope Lutheran Church

RSVP: Books need to be ordered in advance. Please contact Karen Johanknecht at karens@johanknecht.com or 724.452.5665 to sign up.

Childcare: Will be available when requested on Friday mornings.

Cost: \$14.95 for the workbook

Come join the Card Ministry...



We would like to invite you to join our Card Ministry at Hope. To date, we have sent

out over **50 cards**. There are 10 of us currently that are notified of opportunities to uplift members and friends of Hope by sending a card. Those cards consist of:

Congratulations, Get Well, Sympathy, Baby and Thinking of You.

If you know of someone who would like to join our ministry please notify Ginny Hill at ginnbh1@aol.com. If you know of anyone who would be uplifted by such a card, please do not hesitate to notify the church office of the particulars – 724.776.3141 or

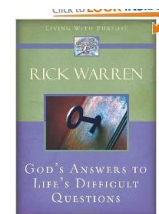
fredieann@hopelutherancranberry.org.

Bible Study

Beginning in 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.

More details will follow soon.



Attendance and Offering:

December 24 & 25, 2011

Christmas Eve @ 4 p.m. – 361
Christmas Eve @ 7 p.m. – 329
Christmas Eve @ 11 p.m. – 109

Total: 799

Christmas Day @ 10 a.m. - 55

Grand Total: 854

Operating Fund: \$13,276.00
Expansion: \$499.00

Total: \$13,775.00

January 1, 2012

New Year's Day @ 10 a.m. – 98

Total: 98

Operating Fund: \$4,010.00
Expansion: \$1,744.00

Total: \$5,754.00

Prayer List for HOPE

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

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 - recovery from surgery
Lois Knapp - fractured pelvis; *Carol Flinn's mother*
Lori Gray's Father-in-law – extremely ill; *friend of Tina Kramer*
Hazel Sims - recovery from surgery; *Becky Sims' daughter (Jean Sims' granddaughter)*
Bill Monaghan - declining health
George Haas - *Jena Silkwood's brother-in-law*
Jim M. - complications from surgery; *a friend of Steve Dancisin's*
Hannah - surgery; *a friend of Mary Kay Soergel's*
Ruth Rothermel - health concerns; *Pam Fister's mother*
Katelyn Caccamo – viral meningitis; *Marcia Salisbury's cousin's daughter and Brittany Steighner's friend*
Ed Chelen - recovery triple by-pass surgery; *Lisa's husband*
Carl Stiehl - *Walter's father*, lung problems
Nadyne Nicolas - breast cancer
Natalie Menzl - surgery (hole in heart)
Hannah Menzl - health concerns
Phil Keller - health concerns
Marie Teets – cancer
Marion Drollinger – *a friend of Betty Tolbert*
Doris Bach

Mars Home for Youth – Hope's 2011-2012 Sunday School Mission Project

Mars Home for Youth - located right here in our community on route 228 - provides a sanctuary to help youth (ages 9-18) heal and cope with psychological and social traumatic experiences. MHY has evolved over its 130-year history to meet the changing needs of children and families in crisis, but has always remained true to its commitment to support youth who deserve every opportunity at a better life. Through comprehensive residential, educational and community-based services, MHY responds to an array of hardships and traumas, including mental illness, behavioral issues, abuse and neglect, providing a safe and connected community that encourages healthy recovery, healing and growth for clients.

Our Hope community has an opportunity to support Mars Home for Youth beginning now through June of 2012 with a special **Sunday School Mission Project**. Your gift of personal hygiene items or monetary donations will be used for the purchase of Bibles (*provided to approximately 600 youth/year*). These items will help improve the lives of so many youth. If you are donating toward the purchase of a Bible and would like to include an inspirational note or card, we will happily deliver this special note of encouragement to the recipient when they receive their Bible.

Personal Hygiene Kit Wish List:

- Shampoo & Conditioner- (including shampoo for ethnic hair)
- Deodorant
- Body Wash
- Toothpaste
- Tooth brushes
- Dental Floss
- Chapstick
- Washcloths
- Plastic baskets to hold toiletry items (Dollar Store baskets)

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**.

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.

