



The Hope Reporter

Hope Lutheran Church (321) 242-1610 vierawest.org

Sunday Worship 8 AM & 10:30 AM Christian Education 9:15 A.M.

A Monthly Newsletter

April 2009

What is the Deal with Small Groups Pastor?

It is always important to remember that this isn't just another church: It is a church committed to the Gospel mission of sharing Christ with others. It is a church committed to growing your faith in many different ways. The simple truth is that we are never in a holding pattern in our faith: We are either growing or we are dying.

This is the right time to launch this great new initiative. We have the wonderful opportunity to grow in our faith and relationships through small groups! The basic formula is:

- 1) Meet once a month in small groups set up by the leader(s).**
- 2) The monthly gathering is set up by the small group leader(s) and the gathering could take place in a home, a local restaurant, or anywhere!**
- 3) The gathering will be marked by fun, sharing, fellowship and a devotion!**

I have endeavored to make a home visit with every member at Hope about small groups; and here are the reasons why I feel you will be blessed by participating:

- * You are connected to God through Christ! We can pray, we can study scripture and we can worship! But small groups connects us to each other in a new and powerful way!
- * This isn't another program! It is how we "do" church here at Hope; imagine the blessings of discovering new friends and relationships that may last a lifetime!
- * This isn't something that "adds" to your busy schedule, think of it this way: You may spend one hour a week at church; if you're real ambitious maybe you participate in the occasional Bible study or family night. Now you have the very regular and real chance to connect to God and your fellow brothers & sisters in Christ in a way that is so much more meaningful than a quick handshake on Sunday!

I am confident you will enjoy this new initiative and that you will wonder what church was like before this all started!

You have always embraced the whole notion of the mission church: The temporary facility where we worship; the vision it takes to see what the future holds; and the willingness to expand your comfort zone! I truly want you to grow in a special and powerful way here at Hope and I know this initiative will accomplish that for you and your faith!

In Christ; Pastor Moreno



Small Groups starting THIS Month!

Look below to see which group you are in!

The small groups are fairly simple: 1) Meet once a month 2) Groups of 10 people or less 3) The small group leader sets the site & date 4) They meet for 6 months (April through September)

Everyone should be listed below; hopefully each group is balanced with people you do know and some you don't and hopefully pretty close geographically!



Small Group Leaders-

Alan & Joan Koch

327-3260

Jason & Amanda Eckman

Eric & Wendy Havens

Jean & ? Parent

Wayne & Donnice Stephenson

Small Group Leaders-

Matt & Tracy Thompson

254-5934

Jack & Dot Lube

David & Tammy McLeran

Kevin & Susan Montaque

Eric & Amanda Wolf

Small Group Leader-

Tracey McLaughlin

266-1665

Dawn Abfalter, Kathy Burrier

Dianne Eubank, Scott Minster

Laura Monteleone, Jared Sass

Debbie Schuh, Jenny Snyder

Lisa Soledad

Small Group Leaders-

James & Marilyn Stanley

255-1265

Robert & Debbie Keating

Eric & Erlinda Neinass

Pat & Linda McKee

Bob & Barb Starinksky

Small Group Leaders-

Dakota & Michelle Lawrence

327-3481

Bo & Kris Howard

Steve & Angie Cowart

Dale & Chris Morrison

Nelson & Theresa Serrate

Small Group Leader-

Kathleen & Maureen Allison

759-2908

Bob & Sabra Gill

Harry & Anna Garton

Larry & Roxanne Kerley

Doris Balvanz

Jan Haecker

Small Group Leaders-

Mark & Raquel Moreno

433-1690

Adam & Robyn Meranda

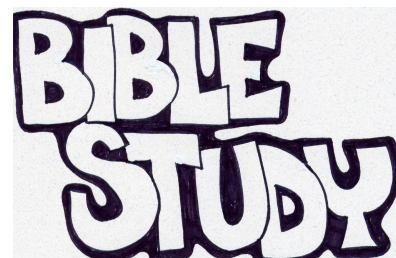
Keith & Timi Mitnik

Tom & Jennifer Decker

Steve & Beth Tabor

Bible Study in April

In April we will begin our Bible study on Romans! We meet Tuesday nights at 7 PM at Hope Lutheran starting April 14 and running through till May 26! This class will also be offered on Sunday mornings beginning April 19. Join us for study and insight into this powerful book!



APRIL WORSHIP LEADERS

		Reader	Greeter	Sunday School (9:15)
Apr. 5	8 AM	R. Kerley	L. Monteleone	R. Moreno & A. Cowart
	10:30	T. Decker	The Howards	
Apr. 12	8 AM	D. Burrier	The Stephensons	A. Eckman & K. Howard
	10:30	D. McLeran	The McKees	
Apr. 19	8 AM	D. Lawrence	The Gills	J. Decker & M. Lawrence
	10:30	J. Stanley	The Deckers	
Apr. 26	8 AM	K. Allison	The Cowarts	R. Meranda & R. Moreno
	10:30	B. Tabor	The Starinksys	

Confirmation Retreat this month

This month we are enjoying a confirmation retreat to Camp Wingman April 17-19! We will be doing the ropes courses and having a great time! We will also meet Wednesday nights at FVLC!

Holy Week & Easter Worship Schedule

We will have a full schedule of worship opportunities, please join us for these powerful worship experiences. Notice we have worship services at 7 PM both on Maundy Thursday and Good Friday.

April 9 Maundy Thursday 7 PM @

Hope Lutheran

April 10 Good Friday 7 PM @

Hope Lutheran

April 12 Sunrise Easter at Rotary

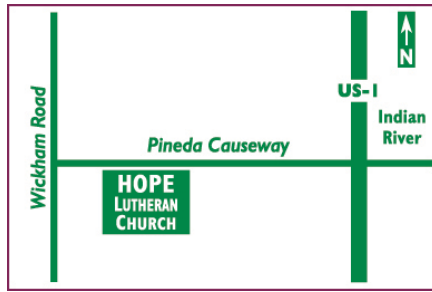
Park 6:45 AM

April 12 Easter Sunday 8 & 10:30

@ Hope Lutheran

9:15 Easter Egg Hunt





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EASTER BREAKFAST

**Important Dates: A First
Look at April 2009**


Easter Sunday Schedule

8 AM Worship
9:15 AM Breakfast
& Egg Hunt
10:30 AM Worship

Holy Week Worship Schedule

April 9 Maundy Thursday 7 PM @ Hope
April 10 Good Friday 7 PM @ Hope
April 12 Sunrise Easter Rotary Park 6:45
April 12 Easter Sunday
8 & 10:30 @ Hope
9:15 Easter Egg Hunt

April Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<div>APRIL</div>			1 10 AM YMCA Bible Study 6:30 PM Confirmation at FVLC 7:30 PM AA meeting	2 10 AM Moms Club of Viera @ Hope 7 PM Men's Basketball @ Health First	3 9:30 AM Card Making	4 9 AM LWML Easter Egg Hunt Grand Haven 10 AM - Noon
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Angel Food Ministries



Want to **SAVE MONEY??** Try **Angel Food Ministries!**

There are several Brevard County churches participating in a great ministry to provide all families (including yours!) with affordable food. Look at the menu below as also the participating churches. Contact the one closest to you to find out how you can place an order! This program is open to ALL!

Central Church of Christ	321-637-0591	Emmanuel United Methodist Church	321-254-8785
The Church United	321-794-4623	Faith Fellowship Church	321-259-7200
American Legion Post 117	321-729-8089	Our Father's House	321-243-5670
Crossroads Christian Fellowship	772-589-3185	Calvary Chapel of Melbourne	321-952-9673

SIGNATURE BOX

Balanced nutrition and variety with enough food to feed a family of four for a week.

1.5 lb. New York Strip Steak (4 x 6 oz.)
 2 lb. Chicken Breast Stir Fry
 2 lb. Breaded Breast Fillet
 1 lb. Steak Fajita Strips
 20 oz. Supreme Pizza
 28 oz. Jumbo Beef Patties With Gravy
 1 lb. All Meat Hot Dogs
 10 oz. Individually-Wrapped Cheese (16 slice)
 1 lb. Mixed Vegetables
 2 lb. French Fries
 12 ct. White Corn Tortillas
 1 lb. Rice
 15 oz. Peach Halves
 6 oz. Pancake Mix
 32 oz. 2% Shelf Stable Milk
 Dozen Eggs
 Dessert

SENIOR/CONVENIENCE BOX

For Seniors or People on the Go!

Ten perfectly seasoned, nutritionally balanced, fully cooked meals—just heat and serve. Each meal has been developed with the dietary needs of senior citizens in mind, and contains 3 oz. of protein, a starch & two vegetables or fruit.

New Orleans Style Chicken over Savory Rice with Okra & Tomatoes and Diced Sweet Potatoes
 Grilled Chicken Strips & Penne Pasta with Creamy Tomato Basil Sauce, Capri Blend Vegetables and Green Beans with Onions and Red Peppers
 Beef & Bowtie Pasta with Herbed Tomato Sauce, Capri Blend Vegetables and Corn
 Flame-Broiled Salisbury Steak with Brown Gravy, Sour Cream & Chive Potatoes and Mixed Vegetables
 Cheesy Chicken and Broccoli Casserole with Rice, Green Beans and Squash Medley
 Classic Chicken Tetrizzini with Diced Carrots and Green Peas
 Country Fried Steak with Cream Gravy, Red Skin Whipped Potatoes and Mixed Vegetables
 Spaghetti with Meatballs, Green Beans and Cinnamon Applesauce
 Chicken Parmesan with Whipped Potatoes and Capri Blend Vegetables
 Flame-Broiled Beef Patty with Onion Gravy, Sour Cream & Chive Potatoes and Capri Blend Vegetables
 10 2-pack, individually-wrapped cookies

They also have allergen free meal boxes and various specials, check out the website at angelfoodministries.com

Birthdays

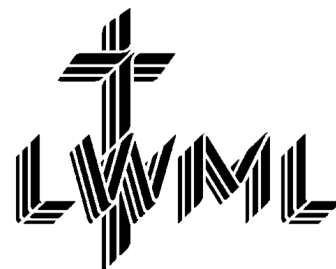
6 Doris Balvanz
 12 Matthew Thompson
 15 Eric Nienass
 16 Barbara Starinsky
 29 Luke Havens



LWML April Meeting

Wow! That's all I can say about the Zone Rally at Good Shepherd in Titusville. It was GREAT! If you didn't attend, you missed a great rally. There was a sleep-over on Friday night which was attended by seven women and Edith Anne made a surprise appearance. She also appeared at the rally on Saturday! The tables were decorated beautifully, the fellowship was wonderful, and the worship service led by Rev. Alan Koch, the Zone's Pastoral Counselor and assisted by Rev. Bruce Alberts the pastor of Good Shepherd was fantastic. Bible Study was great! And the lunch fabulous! It truly was a wonderful day with much information being shared and most certainly blessed by our Lord and Savior.

Please mark your calendars for our next meeting! The next meeting of our LWML group will be **APRIL 4, 2009**! Yes, we do normally meet on the second Saturday, but Easter is the second weekend of April so we are changing our meeting date to the **FIRST SATURDAY OF APRIL**! We have lots to talk about! There will always be some sort of food available and always coffee!



Other calendar items: FL-GA District retreat is scheduled for September 25-27, 2009 at the Sirata Beach Resort in St. Petersburg Beach. If you have not attended a retreat before, you should try to attend this one! Families are welcome! You can make this a special retreat for your family as well. The next Zone Rally will be November 7th and Faith Viera will be hosting it. Faith's LWML group will be asking our group to help with the putting it all together! Please think about helping with this and also attending it! Look forward to seeing you all on April 4th at 9 AM. Blessings,

Joan Koch



Church Softball

It is time to get out your glove and get ready to play! We will be playing 7 Sundays in a row; April 19th through May 31st! We play at Viera Regional Park (the baseball fields at the back of the park) Sundays from 1-3 PM. Bring the whole family; and you may want to bring drinks and snacks and some sunscreen too! This is open to everyone, so invite someone!



Flowers, Lillies and Memorials, O My!

We have been blessed to receive FREE flowers for Sunday worship for the last year and a half but now we pay \$25 per Sunday. It is still a great deal from KaBloom florist but in this economy, they simply cannot give away flowers anymore. Please prayerfully consider signing up on the flower chart to buy one arrangement for \$12 or both for \$24 in memory of a loved one, or to honor a loved one's birthday or anniversary. In addition, you can but an Easter lily for \$7 and the forms are in the narthex at church. Of course, there are always other opportunities to help the church through memorial gifts to buy needed church items (past items include the communion set, the candle lighter, the advent wreath) or contributions to the building fund for the day we get land and start our building program!



February Financials

Operating Income		Feb Actual	YTD Actual	YTD Budget	Annual Budget	Variance
	Envelopes	5,995.00	10,468.25	10,000.00	60,000	468.25
	Loose Plate	585.50	1,227.00	1,666.67	10,000	(439.67)
	Interest	0.00	33.33	33.33	200	(0.00)
	Other Missions	575.00	1,325.00	0.00	0	1,325.00
Total Operating Income		\$7,155.50	\$13,053.58	\$11,700.00	\$70,200	\$1,353.58
	Building Fund	330.00	800.00	666.67	4,000	133.33
Operating Expenses		Feb Actual	YTD Actual	YTD Budget	Annual Budget	Variance
Pastoral Support paid to FVLC		524.00	1,048.00	1,739.67	10,438	691.67
	Continuing Ed.	1,050.00	1,350.00	83.33	500	(1,266.67)
	Mileage	0.00	96.12	0.00	0	(96.12)
	Total Support	\$1,574.00	\$2,494.12	\$1,823.00	10,938.00	(671.12)
	Rent/Mortgage	3,602.00	7,204.00	7,204.00	43,224	0.00
	Campus Maint.	0.00	0.00	83.33	500	83.33
	Utilities	165.40	386.59	466.67	2,800	80.08
	Cable/Internet	54.95	54.95	0.00	0	(54.95)
	Phone	0.00	75.00	100.00	600	25.00
	Office Supplies	0.00	25.00	166.67	1,000	141.67
	Total Facilities	\$3,822.35	\$7,745.54	\$8,020.67	48,124	275.13
	Worship Supplies	371.46	683.22	416.67	2,500	(266.55)
	Bible Study Supp.	197.00	332.00	66.67	400	(265.33)
	Fellowship	0.00	0.00	83.33	500	83.33
	Visiting Pastor	0.00	100.00	50.00	300	(50.00)
	Music	714.18	1,564.18	1,633.33	9,800	69.15
	Nursery	120.00	240.00	260.00	1,560	20.00
	Total Worship	\$1,402.64	\$2,919.40	\$2,510.00	15,060	(409.40)
	Missions	27.99	277.99	916.67	5,500	638.68
	Outreach	0.00	0.00	916.67	5,500	916.67
	Advertising	1,113.53	1,665.43	416.67	2,500	(1,248.76)
Total Expenses		\$7,940.51	\$15,268.48	\$14,803.67	\$88,822	(\$464.81)
Net Incom/(Loss)		(\$785.01)	(\$2,214.90)			\$888.77