

# The Hope Reporter

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

Sunday Worship 9 AM & 10:30 AM

A Monthly Newsletter November 2011

#### **Reminders**

Nov. 23

Thanksgiving Eve Worship @ 7 PM

Sundays 6:30 PM Youth Night

Wednesdays 10 AM Women's Small Group

Nov. 4-6 Middle School Youth

Nov. 11-13 Church Camp Out

Nov. 19 LWML Fall Rally

Nov. 30 Advent Worship @ 7 PM

Nov. 26 Bible Breakfast

#### The Legacy

There comes a time in life where you feel like your losing more than you are gaining. I'm not talking about sports or the stock market! I'm talking about those parts of life that are full of meaning. This past week I lost a dear friend, correct that, a dear family member to cancer.

I met Tom during my vicarage year in Lake Worth FL in 2000. He was the head elder and his wife Carol was a key youth volunteer. Together they taught me much about being a pastor, a husband, a father and quite simply, a christian. We became so close so quickly that they graciously agreed to be godparents to our newborn Elise. It was hard to say goodbye at the end of the year, but we knew we'd meet again.

When I got the call to serve in Florida a year later, they were at my ordination and installation. They were there when Elijah was baptized. They were there at Hope's first worship service. They've been there every Thanksgiving and Easter and for special events and regular days. God sure did make sure we'd meet again!

We spoke a lot about everything in life but rarely spoke about his cancer and the reality that he was dying. He was too busy living to spend every moment fixated on death. At his memorial service, I saw a quote:

"In Heaven, God will not only wipe away our tears, He will fill our hearts with joy and our mouths with laughter. Joy is the serious business of Heaven!" -Tom Coffman

Tom didn't get a huge write up in the world's newspapers like Steve Jobs, but Tom has something that apparently some of the richest people in the world don't have: Peace and comfort in knowing salvation is in Christ! His legacy will not soon be forgotten, not by his family nor friends. Of course, I know that I will meet Tom again.

As we approach Thanksgiving, here is a fair question to ask: What is your legacy? What difference has God made through you? If indeed joy is the serious business of heaven, we best not wait until heaven to experience joy!

In Christ, Pastor Moreno

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## Church Camp Out

We are going native! Hope Lutheran is throwing a good, old fashioned camp out at Manatee Hammock! You are welcome to come and join the camping group the weekend of Nov. 11-13. The address is:

Manatee Hammock

7275 South U.S. Highway 1, Titusville, FL 32780 Phone: 321-264-5083 ---- Fax: 321-264-6468

For more information, contact Amanda Wolf or Pastor!



## Come and Hear about Mission as told by Missionaries!

#### Wednesday, Nov. 2 at 7 PM at Risen Savior Lutheran:



Rev. Dr. Carl and Deaconess Deborah Rockrohr serve the Lord through LCMS World Mission in South Africa. Carl will teach at Lutheran Theological Seminary (LTS) in Pretoria and also will assist the rector with administrative tasks. Additionally, he will assist the bishop of the Lutheran Church of Southern Africa (LCSA), an LCMS partner/sister church, with various tasks as needed. Deborah is developing the new deaconess training program at LTS and will teach diaconal classes while serving as the director of this new program. To learn more about the Rockrohrs and their ministry, visit www.rockrohr.net.

#### Sunday, Nov. 13 at both service at Hope Lutheran:



Rev. Frederick Reinhardt is based out of Nairobi, Kenya, where he serves as the area facilitator for French-speaking Central and East Africa. In this role, Fred works with the African leadership of the various French-speaking Lutheran church bodies. He also coordinates contact with emerging Lutheran groups that are interested in partnership with the LCMS or requesting theological training. Previously, Fred served in northeastern Togo, from 2000 to 2007, which included his two-year vicarage, and from 2007-2010, he was based out of Senegal as the French-speaking West Africa area facilitator.

# Holiday Worship Schedule

Nov. 23 @ 7 PM Thanksgiving Eve Worship

Nov. 30 @ 7 PM Advent Worship

Dec. 7 @ 7 PM Advent Worship

Dec. 14 @ 7 PM Advent Worship

Dec. 24 @ 7 & 8:30 PM Christmas Eve Worship

Dec. 25 @ 9 AM Christmas Day Worship (No 10:30 service that day)



# NOVEMBER WORSHIP LEADERS

		Reader	Greeter	Sunday School (9:15)
Nov. 6	9 AM	D. Burrier	The McKees	J. Decker
	10:30	B. Jones	The Stanleys	
Nov. 13	9 AM	J. Eckman	The Deckers	R. Moreno
	10:30	J. Sass	The Starinskys	
Nov. 20	9 AM	S. Minster	The Montagues	N. Sutter
	10:30	K. Allison	The Stewarts	
Nov. 27	9 AM	L. Rugg	The Morenos	R. Moreno
	10:30	E. Wolf	The Gills	

# Children & Youth Ministry Schedule

## Kingdom Kids (K - 5th Grade)

**Sunday School News:** Our Sunday School is doing GREAT things and we have an exciting curriculum! Join us Sunday mornings for this great growing opportunity!

### Junior Youth (6th - 8th Grade)

**Confirmation News:** We do not meet this month for regular classes because we are headed on an awesome weekend gathering Nov. 4-6!

**Looking ahead to December:** In December we meet twice: Once for our Christmas party and once more to distribute gifts to needy families!

#### November Birthdays

8 Ella Stanley

9 Pat McKee

22 Maureen Allison

28 Tammy McLeran

#### November Anniversaries

Nov. 3 Montagues

Nov. 22 Deckers

## Senior Youth (9th - 12th Grade)

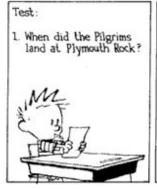
#### **Sunday Youth Nights:**

Nov. 6 - Bible Study & Cooking @ Morenos

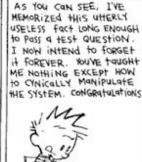
Nov. 20 - Servant Event Thanksgiving Baskets

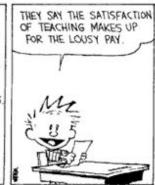
**Nov. 13 -** Rave Movie & Youth Nite w/FVLC

**Nov. 27 -** Bible Study & Games

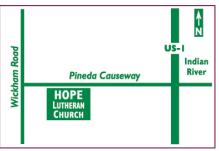












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#### **Important Dates: A First Look at November 2011**



Thursdays 7 PM Bible Study @ Hope
Sundays 6:30 PM Youth Night

Wednesdays 10 AM Women's Small Group
Nov. 4-6 Middle School Youth Gathering
Nov. 11-13 Church Camp Out

Nov. 19 LWML Rally at Faith Merritt Island
Nov. 23 Thanksgiving Eve Worship

Nov. 26 Men's Bible Breakfast
Nov. 30 Advent Midweek Worship

9 AM Worship w/ Children's church 10:30 AM Worship

# November Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 10 AM Water Song	2 8AM & 7:30 PM AA	3 9 AM Moms Play	4 Middle School	5 Middle School
		Bible Study	Meeting	Group	Youth Gathering	Youth Gathering
		5:30 PM AA Meeting	10 AM Women's Small Group	2:30 PM COC Quest	2:30 PM COC Williams	
			2:30 PM COC Suntree			
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
9 & 10:30 Worship	7 PM AA Meeting	10 AM Water Song Bible Study	8AM & 7:30 PM AA Meeting		9:30 AM Card Making	Hope Campout
Middle School Youth Gathering		5:30 PM AA Meeting	10 AM Women's Small Group		Hope Campout	
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6:30 PM Youth Night						
7 PM AA Meeting						
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
9 & 10:30 Worship	7 PM AA Meeting	5:30 PM AA Meeting	8AM & 7:30 PM AA Meeting		Pastor Moreno Drill	8 AM LWML Fall Rally
Hope Campout		Meeting	10 AM Women's			Pastor Moreno
5 PM Choir			Small Group			Drill
6:30 PM Youth Night						
7 PM AA Meeting						
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5 PM Choir		Meeting	7 PM	Thanksgiving		
6:30 PM Youth Night			Thanksgiving Eve Worship Service			
7 PM AA Meeting			Worship Service			
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6:30 PM Youth Night			Small Group 7 PM Advent			
7 PM AA Meeting			Worship Service			

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## LWML Fall Rally

The Space Coast Zone of the Lutheran Women's Missionary League is having its Fall Rally on Saturday, November 19th at Faith Lutheran in Merritt Island. The theme is "Preparing for Jesus." Registration (\$6) and Breakfast begins at 8:15am with worship beginning at 9:30am. The event will go to about 2pm. Enjoy a worship service, bible study, lunch, and fellowship with the Lutheran women of the Space Coast. For more information contact Dorothee Jones.

# Women's Small Group

The Wednesday Morning Small Group we continue a bible study book titled "Obadiah, Jonah, and Micah." God calls prophets to speak to His people His words of repentance and faith. In the midst of disobedience, danger, and suffering, Obadiah, Jonah and Micah extend God's grace and the sure hope of deliverance. The book has twelve sessions. Contact Dorothee Jones at dotjimbo@bellsouth.net or 321.984.9707 for more information or to have a book ordered.

# Operation Christmas Child



It is time to fill shoeboxes with toys and toiletries for "Operation Christmas Child." The Samaritan's Purse organization adds information to share the Gospel and the boxes are shipped to children in impoverished countries. You may track your box by donating the \$7 shipping cost online. The shoeboxes are to be returned either Sunday, November 6th or on the 13th. For more information contact Dorothee Jones.

#### Outreach Corner

From now until Thanksgiving Hope is collecting canned goods and/or grocery gift cards for food baskets for local needy families for Thanksgiving. If you know of a family in need please contact Pastor.

Come out to the Light Fest at Wickham Park! Hope is helping with this community event on Saturday, December 3rd from 5:45pm – 10pm. We, wearing our HOPE shirts, will take the entrance fee, collect donated canned goods for local food pantries, greet the visitors, and direct traffic. The Light Fest's proceeds benefit many worthy organizations including Habitat for Humanity, Melbourne PAL, Boys & Girls Club, Devereux, Joe's Club, and others. If you are unable to help that evening, do visit



the park in December for a beautiful light display. For more information contact Rich Sutter or Dorothee Jones.

#### Men's Bible Breakfast Nov. 26

Join us Saturday Nov. 26 at 9 AM for our monthly men's Bible breakfast at the Grecian Garden Cafe. We enjoy some great food and conversation and are also going through a topical study!