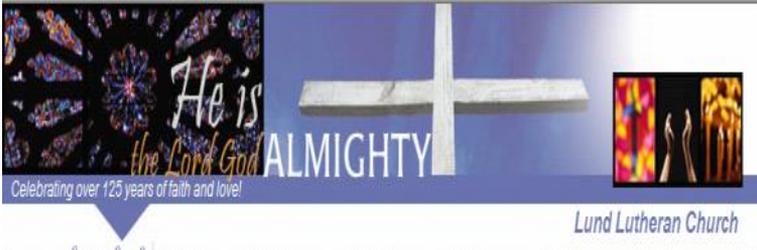


Lund Newsletter



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March Message from Pastor Jim Osvold
HOPE FILLED
Romans 15:13

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

"I hope..." What a positive and encouraging thought we convey when we say to someone, "I hope for you..." It might be that a person is interviewing for a new job, is facing some medical tests, or is excited about a budding relationship. We offer our "hope" that things will turn out well. Hope is always at the beginning of any new venture, new relationship, new start. It is also at the center of a "restart", after things have not turned out well. Even a pessimist hopes that the anticipated failure will not be disastrous!

Hope is more than being optimistic though. I saw a movie once that was called "Hope Floats." Sandra Bullock portrayed a woman with a Pollyanna disposition, even as things went south. Her optimism wasn't based on any tangible reality. Instead she just carried a sense of hope that everything would turn out alright, even though sadly it did not. There is a billboard in our community sponsored by an emergency agency that reads, **"Hoping for the best' is not an emergency plan."** We need something much more than just hope for hope's sake.

The word "hope" is laced throughout the scriptures, appearing more than 180 times. True hope is always connected with the person of God. Hope is the primary operating word for Christians. Why? Because of Jesus, our loving Savior, we are guaranteed the fulfillment of the greatest hope we can imagine. It is the hope that we will one day be rid of sin once and for all. It is the hope that we will live forever in a restored, loving relationship with our Creator. It is the hope that transcends the grave. We worship the God of Hope. **Romans 5:5 "And hope does not put us to shame,**

because God's love has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit, who has been given to us." Jesus is the one and only true hope giver this hopeless world has ever encountered.

Hope is something we have when we are anticipating what we do not yet have. As followers of Jesus, trusting in him, we believe that when we die, yet shall we live. When our dead bodies are laid to rest, we believe that we will one day be resurrected like Jesus. We are given the promise of this hope in the evidence of Christ's own death and resurrection. The Apostle Paul states in **Romans 8:23-25 (NIV)** "...we ourselves, who have the firstfruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly as we wait eagerly for our adoption to sonship, the redemption of our bodies. ²⁴ For in this hope we were saved. But hope that is seen is no hope at all. Who hopes for what they already have? ²⁵ But if we hope for what we do not yet have, we wait for it patiently."

This Easter we will again celebrate the uniqueness of Jesus' victory over death. No one has ever died and then come to life again to live forever--except Jesus. We can rightly place our hope in Him because he has backed up what he said with what he did. Those who turn away from following Jesus to pursue their own willful ways will one day be confronted with how hopeless they are. In **Job 27:8** we are reminded, **"For what hope have the godless when they are cut off, when God takes away their life?"** We have a living hope. It lives because Christ lives. We have a joyful hope. Our joy will be complete when we meet Jesus face to face. We can live in a peaceful hope. We are at peace with God, reconciled to him in Christ through the forgiveness of our sins, and at peace in the midst of life's storms because we know who holds us securely in his Almighty Hands. We trust him, and our trust is rewarded with the abiding presence of the Holy Spirit. We overflow with hope as we share our joy of salvation with others through word and deed. This real, and trustworthy hope is powerful, so powerful that we sing, "Hallelujah, Jesus lives!" May the world hear our hope!



Lund Lutheran Church Council
Minutes from Meeting February 11, 2016

Present: Robin, Jennifer, Myra, Karen, Lynda, Pastor Jim, Tom, Carol,
Russ Absent: Belynda

Meeting opened by Vice President Robin Turnwall
Devotions were given by Pastor Jim

Additions added to the agenda:

Ladies Night In, items for Leadership Training, Wheel chair, grill, kitchen,
move annual meeting to the fall, sign for visitors (office), Sunday open
church with meal/soup/movie

Robin will be President of the council, Russ Vice president
Motion was made to accept all reports given Tom/sec. Karen
Installation of council members will be Sunday, February 14th.

New Business:

Ladies Night In February 19th and March 18th.

Motion made to accept Ladies Night In by Myra/sec. Carol.

May 15th Sunday School Program
June 9 – 11 Vacation Bible School
June 12th Vacation Bible School program

Pastor Jim gave a report on “Feed My Starving Children” (February 19th &
20th) at Atonement Lutheran Church in Fargo. They need to raise
\$88,000.00 to be able to do this. Volunteers are needed for 2-3 hour shifts,
Sharon will be a leader for this. A free will donation will be taken on
Sunday the 14th. A motion was made by Myra to have Missions match the
offering up to \$500.00. Seconded by Lynda.

Auroura’s bake sale: Let her use one Sunday to serve and receive proceeds
from coffee towards her schooling, tentative date Sunday, March 6th.

Carol and Lynda will check on a wheel chair. Robin will check on a grill.
Open Sunday Soup/movie, April 3rd at 5:00pm Karen Halver.
Next Meeting Thursday, March 10th Pastor Jim closed with a prayer.
Lynda Hultin

Hello there, Mousey here.

What a month February has been. Ash Wednesday, Lenten services, great food and fellowship before the services, Lane Arnold Okeson was baptized, and Council Members were installed,

What a blast it was to pack meals for **Feed My Starving Children** at Atonement Lutheran Church in Fargo. Lund is so blessed to have members take part in this. Thank you Robin, Jennifer, Marcie, Cleo, Lynda, Pastor Jim, Barb and Sharon. We were really busy filling, weighing the bags and sealing them, then packing them in a box.

Lund gave a nice check to them for \$875.00 from our members and the Mission money, The money bought 5,995 meals. Maybe next year, more will sign up to go. There are jobs for ages 8 to 108, so if you can't pack, there are other jobs. We watched a video about a family of children that the mother had died and the dad was never around, and a 1 1/2 year old that weighed 9 pounds, and now a year later he has gained weight and was able to walk, thanks to this program.

God is always guiding us to help those in need and how fortunate we are to be able to help.

I was lucky to catch a ride to see it all and I want to go again next year. The good feelings that everyone had when they left was awesome.

Thank you God for all the blessings we have.
Till next month, Mousey

Feed My Starving Children

With 16 volunteers at our station, we packaged 29 boxes with 216 meals in each box for a total of 6,264 meals.

204 volunteers. during our 2 hour session, packaged 249 boxes for a total of 53,784 meals to feed 148 children for a year, costing \$11,832.00. Total for the 2 days there were 427,000 meals packaged.

Praise God!



Kids EVENTS



**Sunday School
8:30am—9:30 am
Sunday Mornings
Ages 3 years and up are
welcome to attend.**



YOUTH NEWS

**Attention Students
Youth Night Wednesdays
6:30 pm Supper
Talk & More
7 - 8:00PM
Will resume on March 30th.**

We do not meet during Lent, but you are encouraged to attend Lenten Services and help with the suppers.

Ladies Night "In"

at Lund Lutheran Church
Church will be open

6:00pm on Friday, Mar. 18th

until

3:00pm on Saturday, Mar. 19^h

Come for quiet fellowship . . . and stay as long as you'd like.

Bring bedding . . . this is **NOT** a stay-up-all-night event.
Bring a project to do, a book to read, a movie to watch
. . . no entertainment is planned.

Pizza on Friday night and Egg Bake on Saturday morning.
(on your own for Saturday lunch)

Bring a snack to share or an additional meal item.

Please RSVP to Karen Halver

Call 218.846.0140 or Text 218.841.4907

(Ladies under 18 will need signed permission from a parent)



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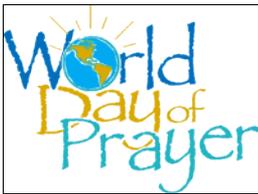


Women's Bible Study

Tuesday, February 9th

Jan Anderson Hostess

All women are welcome to attend!



Friday, March 4th 12:00 Noon
United Methodist Church DL

A light lunch will be served
after the service.

This year we are praying for the women of Cuba.



**Lane Arnold Okeson Baptism
February 14, 2016**



**Installation of Church Officers
February 14, 2016**

March Lectionary

March 6	Joshua 5:9-12	Psalm 32	2 Cor. 5:16-21	Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32
March 13	Isaiah 43:16-21	Psalm 126	Philippians 3:4b-14	John 12:1-8
March 20	Isaiah 50:4-9a	Psalm 31:9-16	Philippians 2:5-11	Luke 22:7-8, 14-23
March 27	Isaiah 65:17-25	Psalm 118:1-2, 14- 24	Acts 10:34- 43	John 20:1-10, 19-23

March Worship Volunteers



Reader:

Ushers: Les & Donna Heimark

Greeters: Les & Donna Heimark

Communion Server: Russell Okeson

Communion Helper:

March Sunday Coffee Servers:



March 6: Willie & Lynda Hultin

March 13: Les & Donna Heimark

March 20: Jay & JoNell Richards

March 27: Easter Sunday Rolls Served at 9:00am

Lund and Area Happenings:

Wed., March 2nd Supper 6:00 pm Lenten Service 7:00pm.

Friday, March 4th World Day of Prayer United Methodist Church Noon

Sunday, March 6th Sunday School 8:30am Worship Service with communion 9:45am.

Tuesday, March 8th Women's Bible Study 2:00 pm.

Wednesday, March 9th Supper 6:00 pm Lenten Service 7:00pm.

Thursday, March 10th Council Meeting 6:00 pm.

Sunday, March 13th Day Lights Saving Time Begins

Sunday, March 13th Sunday School 8:30am Worship Service 9:45am.

Wednesday, March 16th Supper 6:00 pm Lenten Service 7:00pm.

Friday, March 18th Ladies Night In 6pm—Saturday 3:00 pm

Sunday, March 20th Sunday School 8:30 am Worship Service with communion 9:45 am.

Thursday, March 24th Maundy Thursday Service 7:00 pm. No Meal.

Friday, March 25th Good Friday Service 7:00 pm No Meal.

Sunday, March 27th Easter Sunday Worship Service 9:45am. Rolls served at 9:00 am.

Wednesday, March 30th Youth Night Supper 6:30 Talk & More 7-8pm.



Lenten Services

Suppers will be served
from 6:00pm—7:00pm

Worship Service at 7:00 pm

March 2nd, March 9th, & March 16th,

Maundy Thursday Service March 24th 7:00pm, No meal

Good Friday Service March 25th 7:00pm No meal

Easter Sunday March 27th

Rolls served at 9:00am

Worship at 9:45am



Birthdays:

- March
- 5. Karen Halver
 - 11. Kris Nelson
 - 17. Don Okeson
 - 19. Drake Halver
 - 22. Lynda Hultin
 - 25. Judy Gildersleeve
 - 26. Nancy Bromley
Jay Richards
 - 27. Karen Lundberg



Anniversaries:



March 10. Mark & Barb Beug



Don't forget to set your clocks ahead on Saturday night, March 12th.

Daylight Savings Time

Begins on Sunday, March 13th

Spring is just around the corner!