



The Hope Reporter

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

A Monthly Newsletter

August 2010

This Month Will Be Epic

I try not to be given to hyperbole, although I do tend to exaggerate just a bit here and there. But but any standard, this month is going to be one of the most incredible months ever for Hope Lutheran in Melbourne. Let's look ahead, shall we?

*** Aug. 22 @ 4 PM** at the Pineda Presbyterian church (across the street from Hope) Pastor Moreno will be officially installed as the pastor of Hope Lutheran church. This is a big deal! This marks a new beginning in Hope's life as for the first time ever, Pastor Moreno is exclusively serving Hope. Hope is taking on the responsibility of being it's own church and

handling it's own business. There will only be at 10:30 AM service that morning, no 8 AM service.

*** Aug. 29 will be the beginning our new worship times.** I want to spend some time here to tell you how and why we are doing what we are doing.

Our 8 AM service has never gotten above a worshipping group of 30. Our 10:30 is routinely over 60 in attendance. In an effort to seek balance and achieve growth (not much room at the late service), we sought the input of the congregation and decided to move the 8 AM to 9 AM. We imagine a few of the 10:30 crowd will opt for that service, as would most of the former 8 AM attendees.

Of course, this creates a change in the Sunday School experience at Hope. There are many families that love the children's church option at 9 AM, where they worship and the kids head off to school and then rejoin at the end of service. However, there are families that have really enjoyed worshipping together. For those families, we want to offer an adult Bible study also at 9 AM, one led by a lay person of our church. That way they can have Sunday School AND also worship together at 10:30.

*** What does this Mean?**

That is a very good question! All of this means one very simple but exciting truth: We are continuing to progress in our growth and mission as a church. In the coming months there will undoubtedly be even more great developments with respect to land and a building program, additional ministries and incredible growth. All of these of course take place according to God's time and plan and we as His children rejoice in His good will.

In Christ, Pastor Moreno

PS. I am very excited to be formally installed on Aug. 22 as your pastor! I hope to see you there at the 4 PM service! This is very special to my family & I and YOU are my family! :)

Every good and perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of the heavenly lights, who does not change like shifting shadows. He chose to give us birth through the word of truth, that we might be a kind of first fruits of all he created.

James 1:17-18

Men's Bible Breakfast Aug. 28

Join us Aug. 28 at 9 AM for our monthly men's Bible breakfast! We will be meeting at the Grecian Garden Cafe and enjoy a great discussion on some challenging topics! Make sure you sign up at the church so we can reserve the right number of seats!

School Supply Drive

Local children (and all across America) are in need of help to secure supplies they need for school. In the month of August, our donation mission will be gathering school supplies and dropping them off at the church. Paper, pencils, scissors, pens, erasers, glue, lunch boxes, and just about every other school supply is needed. Thank you for supporting the children of our community!



Women's Small Group:

The Wednesday morning Women's Small Group will begin a new book on August 11th. We meet every Wednesday at 10:00 – 11:30. We will be discussing “The Five Love Languages, The Secret to Love that Lasts” by Gary Chapman. If you would like to join us, please contact Dorothee Jones at dotjimbo@bellsouth.net to have a book ordered. The cost is \$9 plus shipping.



Habitat Saturday Aug. 7

As we serve the community and our Lord, we will continue to be active with Habitat for Humanity. We are scheduled Aug. 7 (a Saturday) from 8 AM to about 2 or 3 PM) and this is a wonderful “hands on” way to contribute to the community. Prayerfully consider helping out, even if it is just part of the morning!

Home Bible Studies Launching in August

In order to get out into our communities and grow in God's Word, we taking our show in the road (just a figure of speech!). We will have a study in the north side of the county and the same study on the south side of the county. One will be on Tuesday nights and the other on Thursday nights. If you would like to host this six week study, please let Pastor know.

Sermon Series: Jesus Said WHAT!?!?

Aug. 1	“I Want”	Luke 12:13-21
Aug. 8	“Wide Awake”	Luke 12:32-40
Aug. 15	“Hard Saying”	Luke 12:49-53
Aug. 22	“Healing Trouble”	Luke 13:10-17
Aug. 29	“Kids Table”	Luke 14:1-14



AUGUST WORSHIP LEADERS

		Reader	Greeter	Sunday School (9:15)
August 1	8 AM	L. Kerley	C. Perry	The Morenos
	10:30	T. McLeran	The Wolfs	
August 8	8 AM	J. Sass	The Keatings	The Deckers
	10:30	T. Decker	The McKees	
August 15	8 AM	L. McLaughlin	The Eckmans	The Cowarts
	10:30	R. Ricard	The Starinskys	
August 22	8 AM	A. Cowart	S. Minster	No Sunday School
	10:30	A. Meranda	J. Snyder	
August 29	9 AM	E. Havens	The Gills	The Sutters
	10:30	D. Lawrence	D. Eubank	

August Anniversaries

August 13

Jim & Dorothee Jones

August Birthdays

6 Cassandra Whalen

14 Emily Cowart

15 Jennifer Decker

16 Angie Cowart

22 Parker Meranda

New Worship Schedule Beginning Aug. 29th!

To accommodate our growth, you voted on preferred worship times. Our council met and helped refine the schedule to one that will benefit our church and community. Our new times are:

9 AM Worship with Children's Church

(Children leave after kids message and come back in at communion)

9:15 AM Adult Bible study (led by lay leaders)

10:30 AM Worship

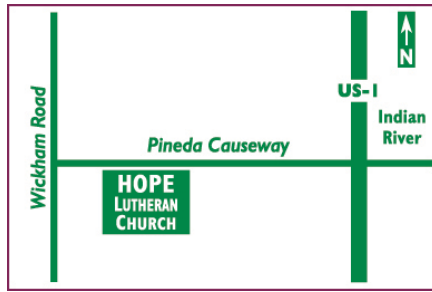


Laura McLeran is in Hong Kong

Please pray for Laura as she serves in Hong Kong this summer as a short term missionary. Check out her blog at :

<http://noforkforyou.blogspot.com/>

and keep an ear out for developments as we share at church!



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Important Dates: A First Look at August 2010



Aug. 8 Habitat Workday

Aug. 15 New Member Sunday

Aug. 20 Family Movie Night

Aug. 21 Youth Kickoff Party

Aug. 22 Pastor Moreno's Installation

Aug. 28 Men's Bible Breakfast

Aug. 29 New Worship Schedule

9 AM Worship w/ Children's church

**9:15 Adult Bible Study (in our other location at
the end of the plaza)**

10:30 Worship

August Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 8 & 10:30 Worship 9:15 AM Ch. Ed. 5 PM Choir 7 PM AA Meeting	2	3	4	5 9 AM MOPS Melbourne 6:30 PM New Member Class	6	7 8 AM Habitat Workday
8 8 & 10:30 Worship 9:15 AM Ch. Ed. 5 PM Choir 7 PM AA Meeting	9	10 10 AM Water Song Bible Study 5:30 PM AA Meeting 6:30 PM Cub Scouts	11 8AM & 7:30 PM AA Meeting 10-11:30 Women's Small Group	12 6:30 PM New Member Class	13 9:30 AM Card Making Pastor Moreno Navy Drill	14 Pastor Moreno Navy Drill
15 8 & 10:30 Worship New Members 9:15 AM Voters 1 PM Watersong 5 PM Choir 7 PM AA Meeting	16	17 5:30 PM AA Meeting 6:30 PM Cub Scouts 6:30 PM Bible Study	18 8 AM & 7:30 PM AA Meeting 10-11:30 Women's Small Group	19 6:30 PM Bible Study	20 6 PM Family Movie Night	21 5 PM Senior & Junior Youth Kick Off
22 10:30 Worship 4 PM Installation Service 7 PM AA Meeting	23 7 PM Hope Council	24 10 AM Water Song Bible Study 5:30 PM AA Meeting 6:30 PM Bible Study	25 8 AM & 7:30 PM AA Meeting 10-11:30 Women's Small Group	26 6:30 PM Bible Study	27 9:30 AM Card Making	28 9 AM Men's Bible Breakfast @ Grecian Garden Cafe
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Coming Soon...

Grand Haven is planning a Fall Festival and we will partner with them for the event. Stay tuned for the date and details! This event will be in October and it will be HUGE!

Hope will be participating in **“Operation Christmas Child”**. This Fall families, in particular children, will fill shoe boxes with toys and toiletries. Samaritan’s Purse Organization adds information sharing the Gospel and the boxes are shipped to children in impoverished countries. The boxes are typically collected in October. We will also continue to have an Angel tree during Advent for local children.

Pastor Moreno’s Installation

You are invited to celebrate with us the

Installation Service of

Rev. Mark Moreno

as Pastor of Hope Lutheran Church

Sunday, August 22, 2010 @ 4 p.m.

Dinner immediately following

Service and Dinner will be held at

Pineda Presbyterian Church

5650 N. Wickham Rd Melbourne, FL

R.S.V.P on sign up at church

or faithviera@bellsouth.net

Hope is hosting the potluck for Pastor Moreno’s installation at Pineda Presbyterian Church (located across the street from Hope). We are asking that if your last name begins with A-K, please bring a main dish; L-R bring side dish; and S-Z bring a dessert (Hope will also provide a sheet cake). If you would like to help decorate the Fellowship Hall and or help set up the drinks and potluck, please contact Dorothee Jones. Thank you for helping as we celebrate this wonderful occasion.

Voters Meeting to Call Pastor Moreno Aug. 15

Join us in-between services on Aug. 15 as we will hold a congregational meeting to call Pastor Moreno. This meeting will also discuss a number of issues that impact our congregation. The leadership wants to make sure that all of our people understand the developments and directions of our maturing church. We'll also have food!

Youth Kick Off Event

Aug. 21 @ 5 PM

Join us for a game night at Hope complete with food! We'll set our programs and events for the upcoming year. This is a "can't miss" event where the kids and families will play a pivotal role in setting their program!



Family Movie Night Aug. 20 @ 6 PM

On Friday Aug. 20 at 6 PM we will watch James and the Giant Peach! The plot centers on a young English orphan boy who enters a gigantic, magical peach, and has a wild and surreal cross-world adventure with a group of anthropomorphic insects he meets within the giant peach. Come and join us for a movie and pizza and a great night out!

On the Lighter Side...

Over the years, Bill Watterson's strip "Calvin and Hobbes" have often given great insights into deep theological questions. That and juvenile humor. I miss seeing Calvin in the newspapers; it has been several years since the artist abruptly ended the strip.



LCMS Convention News

Do you know that our church body, The Lutheran Church--Missouri Synod, has 2.5 million baptized members, ranks as the 2nd largest Lutheran church body in North America and the 11th largest denomination in the USA. We have 10 colleges, two seminaries, 91 high schools and the nation's largest Protestant elementary school system and we have 6,150 congregations.

July 10-17 the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod gathered in convention and elected new leadership:

President - Rev. Matthew C. Harrison

First Vice-President - Rev. Herbert C. Mueller, Jr.

Second Vice President - John C. Wohlrabe, Jr.

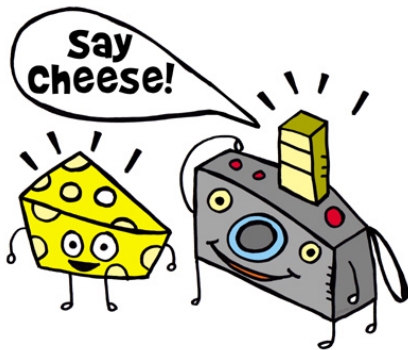
Third Vice President - Paul L. Maier

Fourth Vice President - Daniel Preus

Fifth Vice President - Scott R. Murray

They also worked on nine major topics through committees dealing with such subjects as:

World Mission, Theology & Church Relations, Human Care, Education, Structure and Governance.



New Photo Directory

Every Sunday in August we will be taking photos for an updated church directory. Our hope is to have the directory ready to go Aug. 29 at our new worship times. So make sure that you come to church all set to get a family photo! This will be a great tool for you to get to know some of the new people you will meet at worship!

Don't Forget the Flowers!

Remember to sign up to sponsor flowers to place on the altar Sunday mornings! For \$25 you can take the two arrangements in honor of birthdays, anniversaries, or just about anything! Sign up sheet is on the wall by the coffee pot!

Did You Know??

At Hope we open our doors to many different community groups:

Cub Scouts & Girl Scouts

AA Groups

Mom's Club

Scrap-bookers & Stampers

The US Census Bureau

These groups are very appreciative to our church and we are making a very positive and important contribution to our community by letting them know that we are here to be involved and engaged in our neighborhood!