



The Hope Reporter

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

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

A Monthly Newsletter

November 2010

Reminders

Christmas Poinsettias are available to be purchased in memory of a loved one or just as a special gift. Forms are at church and the cost is \$7.

Have you signed up to be on the prayer chain? You can at our website at vierawest.org

The building fund is a wonderful way to give a gift for the future mission and ministry of our church!

Are you a Thrivent member? If so, you could give FREE money to the Lutheran church of your choice! Find out more at Thrivent.com

Now for Something Completely Different...

As we head into this part of the year, we can predict a few things: Lots of political ads, busy schedules and family get-togethers. There will be much competing for your attention, time and effort. But before the holiday season goes full blast, take a moment to reflect on the bigger picture.

'T is the season -

Holidays are upon us

As we gather together

Now with our loved ones

Keeping family traditions

Savoring, turkey, dressing, ham...

Give thanks to the One

In whose name we gather

Vine from which all blessings grow

It is good to be thankful

Never forgetting

God is great, God is good...

- Kathryn E. Darden



Never forget that indeed God is good and He continues to provide for us. This holiday season remember that you don't have to go into debt and spend money you don't have on gifts that your loved ones don't need. What they need is what you need: To know that your love in Christ is vibrant and alive and that your relationship is growing. We have much to be thankful for in life: Our family, our church, and our faith in God. Keep that in mind this month as we try something completely different from the "normal" way to approach the holidays: Do it with love and restraint rather than with stress and indulgence.

In Christ, Pastor Moreno



Holiday Worship Schedule

Nov. 24 Thanksgiving Eve 6:30 PM

Dec. 1 Children's Program 6:30 PM

Dec. 8 Meal Fellowship 6:30 PM

Dec. 15 Choral Service 6:30 PM

Dec. 24 Christmas Eve 6:30 & 8 PM

All services will be held at Hope Lutheran

Opportunities to Give to Others in Need

Operation Christmas Child

You can help share the love of Christ by putting together a shoe box filled with inexpensive items and care for a child in need! More info & forms are in the church; shoe boxes need to be back to church by Nov. 14th!

Thanksgiving Baskets

This month we are taking food donations for needy families. Some items we'll need are instant potatoes, canned veggies, stuffing, pie crusts, and just about anything! These will go to needy families in the area and donations need to be at church by Nov. 21st!

Angel Tree

Keep an eye out at church for our angel tree! We have done this every year of Hope's life and find needy children in the area to share with. We often get names from Children's Home Society, Devereaux School, area hospitals and other agencies. Gifts need to be in gift bags with tissue instead of gift wrapping and are due back at church by Dec. 19th.

NOVEMBER WORSHIP LEADERS

		Reader	Greeter	Sunday School (9:15)
Nov. 7	9 AM	D. Burrier	The Sutters	N. Sutter & A. Cowart
	10:30	J. Stanley	The Starinskys	
Nov. 14	9 AM	L. Kerley	The Cranes	A. Eckman & N. Sutter
	10:30	R. Ricard	The McKees	
Nov. 21	9 AM	M. Thompson	The Gills	S. Montague & R. Moreno
	10:30	R. Moreno	The Havens	
Nov. 28	9 AM	L. McLaughlin	The Cowarts	A. Cowart & R. Moreno
	10:30	T. McLeran	The Mitniks	

Movie Night: Toy Story 3



You are invited to join us for a fun movie night at Hope! We meet Nov. 12 at 6 PM (a Friday night) and we'll watch the latest installment of Buzz and Woody in action! Pizza and Capri Sun are available for \$3 and parents are not required to attend. Please sign up at the church and we'll have a great time!

Thanksgiving Eve Worship

Mark your calendar! Our Thanksgiving Eve worship service will be Nov. 24th at 6:30 PM. We will have a special worship experience that centers around what it truly means to be thankful. Join us and be bold to invite a friend! Who knows...they just might thank you for it!

November Birthdays

8 Ella Stanley
9 Pat McKee
22 Maureen Allison
25 Robyn Meranda
28 Tammy McLeran

Anniversaries

Nov. 3 Montagues
Nov. 22 Deckers

Childrens' Christmas Program

Our Advent season will be ushered in by our little ones! Join us Dec. 1st for our first midweek event of the season: The Childrens' Christmas Program! The theme this year is "God's Family Tree" and is filled with wonderful songs and scenes that unfold the story of Christmas.

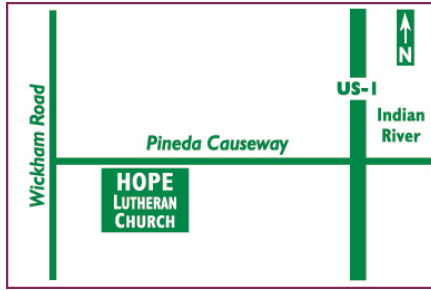
Advent Worship Services 6:30 PM Wednesdays

We will enjoy the Advent season this year with three midweek services:

Dec. 1 The children will share with us "God's Family Tree"

Dec. 8 Bring a dish to our Dinner Fellowship

Dec. 15 Join us for a choral service of lessons and carols



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Important Dates: A First Look at November 2010



Nov. 3 & 10 Confirmation @ Hope

Nov. 12 Toy Story 3 Movie Night

Wednesday mornings: Women's Small Group

Thursday nights: James Bible Study

Sunday nights: High School Youth

Nov. 24 Thanksgiving Eve Worship

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

November Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2 5:30 PM AA Meeting 6:30 PM Cub Scouts	3 6:30 PM Confirmation	4 6:30 PM James Bible Study	5 Jr. Youth Gathering	6 Jr. Youth Gathering
7 9 & 10:30 Worship 9:15 AM Ch. Ed. 5 PM Choir 6 PM Youth Night 7 PM AA Meeting Jr. Youth Gathering	8	9 10 AM Water Song Bible Study 5:30 PM AA Meeting 6:30 PM Cub Scouts	10 8AM & 7:30 PM AA Meeting 10 AM Women's Study 6:30 PM Confirmation	11 6:30 PM James Bible Study	12 9:30 AM Card Making 6 PM Movie Night Toy Story 3	13
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Outreach Corner

Thank you to all the volunteers that made Hope's booth at the Centre at Suntree's Fall Festival on October 30th a success. We had games and snow cones and were able to talk to our community about who Hope is as church for missions. Thank you to Angie Cowart and Raquel Moreno for coordinating the event. A special thank you goes to Bill Quilitzsch for building the fishing and the pumpkin golf games and to the Stanley family for painting the games. These games will be used at our future Fall Festivals.

Last month we distributed information for our families to fill shoeboxes with toys and toiletries for "Operation Christmas Child." Samaritan's Purse organization adds information to share the Gospel and the boxes are shipped to children in impoverished countries. We are coordinating this mission project with the Sunday School classes. The shoe boxes and/or \$7 to cover shipping are to be returned either Sunday, November 7th or 14th. For more information contact Jennifer Decker or Dorothee Jones.



Senior Youth (grades 9 through 12)

Join us Sundays 6 - 8 PM. Every youth night will have Bible study & food included, and this month we'll be doing the following:

- Nov. 7** Youth Night @ Hope Dave
Ramsey Generation Change 6 PM
- Nov. 14** Youth Night @ Jones' Home 6 PM
(Assemble shoe boxes for kids)
- Nov. 21** Youth Event @ Noon
Thanksgiving basket food delivery
- Nov. 28** Youth Night @ Hope Dave
Ramsey Generation Change 6 PM

Junior Youth / Confirmation (grades 6 through 8)

We meet for regular confirmation classes the first two Wednesdays of the month and also a great youth gathering this month! Our schedule:

- November 5-7** Youth Gathering: Images
- November 3 & 10** 6:30 PM @ Hope and our topic is Worship & Our memory work is Luther's Morning & Evening Prayers
- Nov. 21** Youth Event @ Noon Thanksgiving basket food delivery