

Mount Hope Happenings

November 17-18, 2018

THIS WEEKEND

Coffee hour - Join us in the Fireside Room between services for coffee, treats and fellowship.

Altar flowers are given by Kathy Zingsheim in celebration of wedding anniversary.

Today is Commitment Sunday with one worship service at 9:30 a.m. Our guest speaker is Pastor Larry Westfield, recently retired Regional Representative of the ELCA Foundation. After the service, we'll gather in the Fellowship Hall for brunch and conversation.

Today's Sunday School rotation schedule:

- No classes, all children remain in church

We welcome all children ages 3-5th grade on Sundays at 10:00 a.m. For information contact Christine at sundayschool@mounthopelutheranchurch.org.

Christmas Poinsettias - TODAY is the deadline to order Christmas poinsettias! See the order form in today's bulletin.

THANKSGIVING

Thanksgiving worship service is on Thanksgiving Eve, Wednesday, November 21 at 7:00 p.m.

Thanksgiving Food Drive: We're asking everyone to fill a grocery bag with needed items and return it to church by Thanksgiving. Pick up a bag from the bin next to the elevator. Don't have time to shop? We'll accept monetary donations to fill a bag on your behalf.

FAREWELL PASTOR BRIAN

Pastor Brian has accepted a call to serve at St. John's Lutheran Church in Brookfield. His

last Sunday at Mt. Hope will be on November 25, and last day in the office will be November 30.

FACILITY MAINTENANCE

Boiler Fund - The goal is \$43,000 for the boiler. We have received \$37,698 (through 11/11/18). Please make checks payable to Mt. Hope and note "Boiler Fund". Thank you!

CHRISTMAS TOYS FOR KIDS

Ho! Ho! Ho! Yes--we are starting our Christmas toy collection! We are hoping that each child who comes to the Hope Closet will be able to receive a toy this Christmas. We will also be supplying some extra toys for Good Samaritan families. Please bring your toy donations to the Fireside Room and place them under the Christmas tree. You will bring a smile to a child's face this Christmas!

ALTAR FLOWERS

The 2019 altar flower sign up is available at the church office counter. If you'd like to give altar flowers - please sign up and note any special occasion. The cost is \$25 (for two arrangements). Contact Sandy Paukner with any questions 262-782-2588.

GOLDEN MEMBER CHRISTMAS EVENT

We're asking for volunteers to assist with the Golden Member Christmas worship and luncheon on December 11th. We need transportation drivers, and volunteers to help with set up, serving, and clean up. We also need cookie bakers to provide a special treat for members to take home. See the sign up sheets in the Fireside Room. We appreciate and thank you for any help you can provide. Contact Gale Hendrickson (414-327-2882) or Sandy Alioto (414-546-1716) with questions.

VOLUNTEER NEEDED

We are in need of an offering counter. We count once a week and it usually takes about an hour. Please contact Linda Helminski if

you're interested in helping out (414-321-3194 or 414-526-0044). Thank you.

COMMUNITY

Thank you to everyone who took part in the Outreach for Hope Family Bike Ride! **54** Congregations were represented through riders, volunteers or donations. **465** ride participants raised donations. We raised a grand total of: **\$113,381** to support more than **20** life-giving ministries throughout the Greater Milwaukee Synod. We are deeply grateful for your generous support!

The Lutheran A Cappella Choir of Milwaukee will be presenting its annual Christmas concert, "Out of Darkness...Light!" on Friday, Dec. 7th at 7:30pm and on Sunday, Dec. 9th at 3:00pm. Friday's concert will be held at Grace Lutheran Church, W196 N9525 Cross View Way, Menomonee Falls. Sunday's concert will be held at St. Matthew's Lutheran Church, 1615 N. Wauwatosa Ave., Wauwatosa. Ticket prices are \$15 (\$12 for seniors and students). Details are available at www.lutheranacappella.org.

WORSHIP LEADERS

November 18: Assisting Minister: Jeff Sikich; Communion prep: Eileen Ihn; Communion servers: Sandy Alioto; Organist: Jill Dahlgren; Reader: Corinne Seflow. **November 25:** Assisting Minister: Keith Paukner; Communion prep: Kathy Toth; Communion servers: Sandy Paukner, Cathy Hinrichs, Mike Heins; Reader: Cathy Hinrichs.

IN SYMPATHY

Our deepest sympathy to family and friends of †Richard "Dick" Koch who died on November 9, 2018. Husband of Marlene, father of Lori (Paul) Cannestra, grandfather of Andrew Cannestra, brother of Judy Hutto.

IN OUR PRAYERS

Family and friends of †Richard Koch.
Continuing concerns: Jane Bereiter, Irene Brandies, Luellen Breed, Sherry Christie, Delores Cowell, Carol Dethloff, Brian Dombrowski, Glenn Forrest, Audrey Herden, Frank Janosch, Glen Jones, Lorin Jones, Marlene Koch, James Mages, Vikki Schaal,

Ron Steiner, Randy Szyba, Carol Taylor, Austyn, Tracey, Corey.

In the military: Tai Chao, Keegan Dentici, Jeff Foti, Greg Hastings, Natalie Nelson, Troy Nieland, Devin Paulson, Michael Strelow, Sawyer Wickersham.

THIS WEEK

Sunday, November 18th

Commitment Sunday: One service

8:45 a.m. Instrumental Ensemble
(Quilter's Rm.)

9:30 a.m. Worship (Sanctuary)

10:30 a.m. Brunch (Fellowship Hall)

4:00 p.m. Confirmation Class (Youth Rm.)

6:00 p.m. Fellowship Dinner (Serenity Inn)

6:30 p.m. High School Youth: Brewing the Faith (Youth Room)

Monday, November 12th

6:00 p.m. WISH Support Group (Conf. Rm.)

Tuesday, November 20th

7:30 a.m. Women's B'fast Group (Michael's)

6:00 p.m. Governance Board (202)

7:30 p.m. Milwaukee Chorus (Fellowship Hall)

Wednesday, November 21st

Thanksgiving Eve

6:00 p.m. Facility Management

6:00 p.m. Hope Choir (Chapel)

6:30 p.m. Cocaine Anonymous (Fireside)

7:00 p.m. Thanksgiving Worship (Sanctuary)

Thursday, November 22nd

Thanksgiving

Church offices closed

3:00-7:30 p.m. Hope Closet & Hope Food
Pantry: Open for Clients

Friday, November 23rd

Church offices closed

Saturday, November 24th

10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. Hope Closet & Hope
Food Pantry: Open for Clients

5:30 p.m. Worship (Chapel)

Sunday, November 25th

8:30 a.m. Worship (Sanctuary)

9:00 a.m. Sunday School: Service Project

9:30 a.m. Coffee/Fellowship (Fireside)

10:00 a.m. Worship (Sanctuary)

10:00 a.m. Sunday School