

# Mount Hope Happenings

December 30, 2018

## THIS WEEKEND

**Lessons & Carols** - One service only on Sunday at 9:30 a.m.

**Coffee hour** - Join us in the Fireside Room after the service for coffee, treats and fellowship.

### Today's Sunday School schedule:

- No Sunday School classes today.

We welcome all children ages 3K - 5th grade on Sundays at 10:00 a.m. Please contact Christine Hintze, Sunday School Coordinator, with any questions ([sundayschool@mounthopelutheranchurch.org](mailto:sundayschool@mounthopelutheranchurch.org) or 262-993-4647).

### 2018 OFFERINGS & CONTRIBUTIONS:

The church finance system functions on the calendar year, so please have your 2018 donations into the church office by noon on **Sunday, December 30th**. Donations received after December 30th will appear on your 2019 statements. Thanks for your understanding.

Curtis Templin  
Finance Team

### 2019 OFFERING ENVELOPES

Please pick up your 2019 offering envelopes. The envelope boxes are located on tables in the hallway across from the church office. If you have any questions please contact Mary (Accts. Receivable) at [mary@mounthopelutheranchurch.org](mailto:mary@mounthopelutheranchurch.org) or 414-541-9500 ext. 113.

## WORSHIP

**Saturday worship** resumes on January 5, 2019.

## INTERIM PASTOR

We are pleased to announce that effective January 8, 2019 the Reverend Michael Mueller will start as our Interim Pastor. Rev. Mueller has over 25 years of experience in the ELCA.

Rev. Mueller will bring a wealth of experience that matches very well with what Mt. Hope current needs and what we identified earlier this year as areas of focus; Ministries, Worship Experience and Youth.

His roles with Racine Interfaith Coalition as a Community Organizer align well with the how and where our Hope Ministries can grow to service our West Allis Community.

He has a strong music background. Music to Rev. Mueller "has been for me a rich aspect of worship life and my own personal life."

We look forward to working with Rev. Mueller and close with his Personal Ministry Statement which seems very pertinent to our daily lives.

*'At a transitional time in the history of the church, I feel called to the work of personal and communal transformation. I want to learn with others to share the mind of Christ in radically inclusive community, weaving contemplative practice with acts of love in the service of justice'*

Paul Cannestra  
President  
Board of Governance

## PASTOR ON-CALL

Mt. Hope Members - In the event of an emergency (through January 7th), please contact the pastor on-call, Rev. Jay Thorsen at 262-271-5455.

## ANNUAL MEETING

The Annual Meeting of the congregation will take place on Sunday, January 27, 2019.

There will be **one worship service at 9:30 a.m.** followed by the meeting at 10:30 a.m.

## BLOOD DRIVE

Our next blood drive is Tuesday, January 29 from 3:00 – 7:00 p.m. A reminder for blood donors: no caffeine on donation day. Sign up in the Fireside Room. Call Sandy Alioto 414-546-1716 or Diane Guenther-Weis 414-708-8242 with questions.

## THANK YOU

**Thank you** to Sandy Sikich for her hard work decorating our church for Christmas. It is so beautiful!

**Thank you** to the Rantanen's for setting up the nativity scene.

**Thank you** to Tom Giesfeldt for the outstanding work he did on the floors. So shiny!

**Thank you** to our worship leaders especially Donna Jonasen and Sandy Paukner who have stepped up during this time of transition and have done a wonderful job.

## WORSHIP LEADERS

**December 30, one service at 9:30 a.m.:**

Worship Leader: Donna Jonasen; Readers: Lynne Loosen, Kelly Norton, Luellen Breed, Carrol Jerdee, Dave Loosen, Pat Morris, Karen Davis. **January 6:** Assisting Minister: Cathy Hinrichs; Communion Prep: Linda Melbard; Communion servers: Corinne Seflow, Bruce Malchow, Sandy Paukner; Reader: Bobbie Malchow.

## IN SYMPATHY

**Our deepest sympathy** to family and friends of †Gladys Webb who died on December 27, 2018.

Services at Mt. Hope on Wednesday, January 2nd, Visitation 1:00–3:00 p.m. Service at 3:00 p.m. followed by a reception in the Fellowship Hall.

## IN OUR PRAYERS

**Family and friends** of †Gladys Webb.

**Continuing concerns:** Jane Bereiter, Irene Brandies, Luellen Breed, Sherry Christie, Carol Dethloff, Brian Dombrowski, Glenn Forrest, Audrey Herden, Frank Janosch, Glen Jones, Lorin Jones, Marlene Koch, Sharon Kopacz, James Mages, John Nason, DeVere Seflow, Ron Steiner, Randy Szyba, Carol Taylor, Austyn, Tracey, Corey.

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

## THIS WEEK

**Sunday, December 30<sup>th</sup>**

*One Service Only*

*No Sunday School Classes*

**9:30 a.m. Worship: Lessons & Carols**

**Monday, December 31<sup>st</sup>**

*New Year's Eve*

*Church office closed*

5:00 p.m. Cocaine Anonymous (Fellowship Hall)

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

**Tuesday, January 1, 2019**

*New Year's Day*

*Church office closed*

**Wednesday, January 2<sup>nd</sup>**

1:00 – 3:00 p.m. Visitation for †Gladys Webb (Service at 3:00 p.m.)

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

6:30 p.m. Youth Planning

**Thursday, January 3<sup>rd</sup>**

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

**Friday, January 4<sup>th</sup>**

**Saturday, January 5<sup>th</sup>**

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

**5:30 p.m. Worship (Chapel)**

**Sunday, January 6<sup>th</sup>**

**8:30 a.m. Worship**

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

**10:00 a.m. Worship**

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