

This Week at HOPE July 3, 2024



Did you know that the 2019 Churchwide Assembly of the ELCA called for the ELCA to develop a social statement on civic life and faith, the relationship of church and state, and related matters?

The ELCA has multiple social statements which serve as our “primary documents to address significant social issues. They are intended to aid reflection, shape conscience and set forth the ELCA’s teaching and policy on the major social issues and questions of contemporary life. Social statements are developed by task forces, using an established process of study and widespread participation across the church to guide theological and moral deliberation” (from elca.org).

In 2023 the task force for this social statement issued a 6-session study for public feedback that informed this Draft Statement on Civic Life and Faith. Now, in the summer of 2024, congregation and synods are invited to study and provide feedback on the draft statement. Our next adult forum will provide a platform for discussion on this statement. Please join us on Sunday, July 14th for this discussion and opportunity to provide feedback.

To access the draft statement and more information on providing feedback click this link:

[ELCA’s Draft Statement on Civic Life & Faith](#)

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Blood Drive at Hope Lutheran August 6th 12-5:00.

Please help us by donating if you can.

Summer is our **biggest Critical Need challenge of the year** with donor activity at it's lowest due to people taking time off, traveling, celebrating upcoming holidays and festivities.

- ⇒ Yet, emergency situations & injuries are also on the rise, putting greater strain on available blood resources.
- ⇒ Ex: 1 car accident victim could need 100 units of blood.
- ⇒ Below is a look at our hospital's weekly inventory and orders for patients.

Current Blood Inventory July 1st – July 7th:

- ⇒ Most patient orders for *Type O- blood have been reduced* due to limited quantities.
- ⇒ *All Platelet supply orders are experiencing "some" reductions* due to insufficient supplies.
- ⇒ *Type B- blood is experiencing "some" reductions* as well due to insufficient supplies.
- ⇒ All blood types are needed; *Type O Blood especially.*
- ⇒ *Power Red Donors critically needed.*
- ⇒ For donating, you will receive \$20 Amazon.com gift card via email from Amazon

Scan to make appointment



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**Meals Needed!
Sign Up Here**

Congregational Life Ministry is continuing our Meal Train for Gwen & Ed Paulson. If you wish to contribute sign up here.

[Paulson Meal Train](#)




John and I can't be more thankful for all the meals that have been provided for us and all the meals have been fantastic! With that said, we have decided that the meal train is no longer needed.

Thank you!

Love,
Karen and John.


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STERLING PONDS PARTY
8.06.24
5:30-8:00PM

Bounce Houses, Balloon Art, Face Painting,
FREE Meal, Raffle Prizes, Ice Cream Truck, 50/50
Raffle, Live Music, Games, donation collection,
local Fire/Police/EMT & More!!!

HOPE Lutheran Church, 3337 Kingsbarn Ave, River Falls





Holy Yoga

FOR BODY, MIND & SPIRIT
WEDNESDAYS, 6:00PM
JULY 17- AUG 21, 2024

Outdoor Yoga Engaging the Psalms

bring a yoga mat, water bottle, & yourself!
Cost: FREE WILL offering

3337 KINGSBARN AVE
WINDS OF THE SPIRIT PAVILION



**HOPE will be serving
free root beer floats**

**Meet River Falls
Saturday July 13
11:00 to 1:00**

River Falls City Hall

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YOUTH NEWS



FUN AT EAGLE EYE FARM!

All K-12th grade youth are invited for a day of fun at Eagle Eye Farm
Monday, July 8th 11AM

Those needing a ride please meet at HOPE by 10:30AM

Cost: \$10/person, no more than \$20/family

(cash or check payable to HOPE re: Youth Eagle Eye)

We'll enjoy a fun tour of alpacas, pigs, chickens, sheep, llamas, & highland cattle as we celebrate all God's creatures together!

Make sure to dress for the farm:

Closed toe shoes you won't mind getting messy, hat/sunscreen, etc.

PLEASE BRING A SACK LUNCH AND WATER BOTTLE

[SIGN UP HERE](#)



For all K-12th kids/families! We'll also be tie-dying pillow cases for Grace Place (provided)

[SIGN UP HERE](#)

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FREE
ADMISSION!

A POOL PARTY WITH
HOPE LUTHERAN CHURCH

08.03.23 | 6:15-7:30 PM | GLEN PARK POOL | ALL ARE WELCOME!

Treats provided!

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VBS & Children's Musical with First Congregational Church!!



CHRISTIAN ART

STOP! LOOK! LISTEN!

Carl Huneke, CC BY-SA 4.0

July 29-Aug 1
9:00-11:30 AM
Age 3-completed Grade 5

First Congregational UCC
110 N 3rd St. River Falls
715-425-2052

TO REGISTER VISIT:
www.firstchurchrf.org



ALL ARE WELCOME!
NO CHARGE!

VBS is free and open to all community children. Join us!
Registration forms can be [FOUND HERE](#)

Dinner and a Presentation: August 1, 6:30PM



RESCUE IN THE NIGHT: THE STORY OF DANIEL IN THE LION'S DEN

CHILDREN'S MUSICAL

DINNER & SHOW: Aug 22, 6:30 pm
REHEARSALS: Aug 19-22, 9:00 AM-Noon
AGE: Completed Kindergarten - Grade 6

ALL ARE WELCOME! NO CHARGE! TO REGISTER VISIT: WWW.FIRSTCHURCHRF.ORG
First Congregational United Church of Christ | 110 N 3rd St. River Falls | 715-425-2052



Dinner and the Show: August 22, 6:30PM

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Property Ministry is in need of volunteers this summer to mow HOPE's lawn and to help weed and maintain our flowers.

You don't need to have a green thumb or landscaping knowledge. All you need is to be willing to drive the mower or be willing do some light weeding and maintenance in the garden. Any time you can give will be much appreciated.

There is a sign up sheet in the back of the church, you can also call or email Doug or Susie Rudesill :

Doug - rudesill@comcast.com Phone 715-410-7789

Susie - psrudesill@gmail.com Phone 715-808-3095

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Synod Women's Organization of the
Northwest Synod of Wisconsin

Summer Retreat St. Croix Valley Conference

Saturday, August 17, 2024

Ezekiel Lutheran Church

202 S 2nd Street, River Falls, WI

(on street parking only)

\$15 Admission Fee
(includes program
and lunch)

8:30am - 9:15am
Registration and
Coffee

9:15am—11:30am - Event
Lunch to Follow



The Kids Are Not OK:

*"The effects of cell phone use on
adolescents mental health and what
families can do about it"*

Lynne Silva-Breen, MDiv, MA, LMFT

*Lynne was an ELCA Pastor in Wisconsin and Minnesota for 20+ years
before returning to graduate school. She obtained her degree in
Marriage and Family Therapy and has just recently retired from
her practice in Burnsville, Minnesota.*

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All are invited & needed
to participate in the leading of worship!
Please prayerfully consider sharing y
our time and talents!

SIGN UP HERE

Want to help but not sure what the job entails?
Learn more in our [Worship Volunteer Guide](#)

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All are invited to join Pastor Annie for this weekly small group conversation and Bible study!

This is a great chance to grow in relationship with God and one another.

Discussion time includes group check-in, opening meditation, and study of the week's worship texts.

We meet via Zoom so all can join from wherever you are!

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88419155061?pwd=di9hUXlraeDdzM0dCK0pPMDNtbHczZz09>



CHANGE IN EGG SALES

Going forward, if you would like to purchase eggs in support of HOPE's Youth Ministry, please contact Karen Rodewald at 715-222-2551.

You can either pick them up at HOPE or come to our farm at 249 State Rd 65 River Falls.

This will ensure the freshest eggs for you!

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Please lift up the following people in prayer

Joe McIntosh

Brad Hermann (Friend of Pastor Annie)

Jerry Sather Family (Brother of Karen Hamilton)

Woody Fangmeier (Friend of Jeff & Karen Rodewald)

Family of Kermit Paulson

Marcus Stack (Friend of Steve & Karen Kaste)

Janet Cudd (Friend of Jeff & Karen Rodewald)

Jeremy Martinson (Brother-in-Law to Elise Forward)

Mary Alice Jones (Martie Guthrie's mother)

Family of Teajai Schmidt (relative of the Boocks)

Jacob Dan and family (Friends of Jeff Rodewald)

Karen Hamilton

Patricia Miller (Sister of Carl Warren)

Rhiannon Bondhus (Niece of Bondhus family)

Lori Snyder (Friend of Nancy & David Peters)

Ed and Gwen Paulson

Randy Dopkins (Family friend of Olive Olson)

Eden Annoye (Relative of Debra James)

John Weller (Cousin of Karen Brohaugh)

Dave and Deb Haugen (Family of Ellen Roose)

Phyllis and Tom Haugen (Family of Ellen Roose)

Fatma Aljarrah (Friend of Faye Perkins)

Beth Lindgren Family (Dan Malaney)

Michael Jacobson (Brother of Linda Jacobson)

Barb Carmichael (Friend of Nancy Sailer)

Dennis & Sandy Schultz (Friends of Bill & Kay Montgomery)

Nancy Miller (Friend of Paula & Phil Klacan)

Linda Shurden (Friend of Nancy Sailer)

Joyce Kendall (Mother of Cara Getschel)

Hannah Forward

Amanda Olson (daughter of Olive Olson)

Ella Conover (Phil & Paula's Klacan's Niece)

Daryl Kleeman (brother of Darcy Boock)

David Boock (Relative of the Boocks)

Lee Hill (friend of Naomi)

Gary Siebold

David Hendrickson

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July Birthdays



Name	Date
Janet Gerber	7-Jul
Bill Warner	7-Jul
Lucas Ladnier	11-Jul
Danielle Tokheim	15-Jul
Betty Lou Oppegard	16-Jul
William Berndt	18-Jul
Luke Stang	18-Jul
Jon Filarsky	21-Jul
Piper Rodewald	22-Jul
Erin Nelson	23-Jul
Payton Torntore	24-Jul
Joseph McIntosh	25-Jul
Ian Porten	25-Jul
Steve Leitch	28-Jul
Nancy Peters	30-Jul

July Baptisms



- Will Bohnert
- Alyssa Boock
- Andrea Boock
- Denise Burkett
- Lucas Ladnier
- Peter Nelson
- Elizabeth Rodewald
- Eric Rodewald
- Hunter Rodewald
- Douglas Rudesill
- Spencer Ziebarth



July Anniversaries	Date	Celebrating Years
Jerry & Darcy Boock	03-Jul	48
Phillip & Paula Klacan	20-Jul	39
John & Karen Hamilton	26-Jul	33
Marc & Martie Gutherie	25-Jul	27
Jason & Hallie Neuhaus	10-Jul	20
Mitch & Erin Nelson	13-Jul	17