

Happy February Birthdays

3- Sue Long	13- Craig Mason
6- Wendy Christianson	13- Meghan Green
7- Greg Chad	15- Paul Peterson
8- Lana Lee	21- Dwight Day
9- Darlene Hadrava	21- Joan Kaurala
10- Miles Koski	26- Jonathan Day
13- Tom Kesanen	26- Bev Peterson
	28- Shelley Christensen

Session Highlights

- Rev. Doug Workman is now moderating Session meetings.
- The Worship Committee declined investigating a different location to worship for the month of February. Session will not move forward on this at this time.
- Session voted to change the membership status of some members to 'Friend of the Church.' These are mostly people who have moved away or are people who became members as young confirmands and either no longer live in the area or are not involved at the church.
- Session will respect the wishes of pulpit supply who request to be paid less than what we are willing to pay.
- Sylvia Chad will be the liaison between the HPCP Task Force and Session.

Preaching Schedule

Feb. 2 – Rev. Kate Stangl, Communion
Feb. 9 – Rev. Kate Stangl
Feb. 16 – Pr. Ellen Taube
Feb. 23 – Rev. Doug Workman
Mar. 2 – Sue Stevens, Jazz Sunday
Mar. 9 – Rev. Kate Stangl, Communion

In Sympathy

- We offer sympathy to the family of Pam Hartline who passed away on 1/1 in Phoenix, AZ.
- We offer sympathy to the family of Joan Estep who passed away on 1/6 in Fort Meyers, FL. She requested there be no memorial service.
- We offer sympathy and prayers to Armand and Janice Rafferty and family as Armand is on Hospice with throat cancer.

Souper Bowl of Caring

For participation in the Souper Bowl of Caring, Friendship Soup mixes are again available to purchase: \$5 for small, \$8 for large. Proceeds will go towards the Salvation Army Supper Club.

Jazz Sunday

Back by popular demand is our Jazz Sunday! It will take place on March 2, the Sunday before Lent begins. Sue Stevens has been recruiting musicians from within our church and the wider community. We hope you will join us for this festive worship service!

Congregations Caring for the Earth

Congregations Caring for the Earth will meet downstairs on Monday, Feb. 24 at 10am. All are welcome to attend!

*Love
one
another*



JOHN 15:12

HCPC Task Force Report

The group which has been chosen to discern the future direction of Hope Community with regard to the heating situation as well as the financial and membership concerns has been formed and met for the first time following the worship service on January 19.

They chose to operate under the name of the HCPC Task Force. Members of the group are Pete Wilhelm, Sue Stevens, Irene Salo, Craig Mason, Sylvia Chad and Steve or Ann Badanjak, who will trade off attendance at meetings. The Task Force will plan to meet twice a month, with Pastor Kate Stangl facilitating one meeting per month.

At the first meeting, organizational items were dealt with and responsibilities were discussed. Prior to the next meeting on February 2 the results of the survey from the town hall meeting of December 15 will be analyzed in order to give us an idea of the congregation's thinking in order to give us a good starting point for our discussions.

Our defining tasks are to plan what to do about the necessary heat conversion and to get a sense of how long we can realistically remain a viable church and what our options are in that regard.

The main issue to come out of this meeting is that we recommend pricing the CE Building to sell as quickly as possible in order to free us from the responsibilities of its ownership.

Report submitted by Sylvia Chad, Task Force secretary





**LOVE
AND
BE KIND**

February 2025

**CHRISTIAN
EDUCATION**



Elementary Sunday School

February 2

Luke 4:21-30

Some people reject Jesus, but their anger cannot hurt Him or stop Him from loving them anyway



February 9

Souper Bowl of Caring

Luke 5:1-11

Obeying Jesus can result in great things, even if we don't expect it
God wants us to use our talents and skills for his good purposes

February 16

Luke 6:17-26

Jesus teaches people that being blessed is not just for the rich, but for those who are poor, sick, and sad

February 23

Mark 8:31-38

Jesus teaches that God's love is not just for those who love you back, but overflows to everyone, even those who hate you.

God's love is for everyone



Souper Bowl of Caring

Super Bowl Sunday this year is **Sunday, February 9**. We are still trying to "tackle hunger." The donations, along with funds from the Friendship soup mixes, which will be on sale the last Sunday in January, will go to the Salvation Army Supper Club again.

Please try to continue to contribute to this cause.

Thank you so much as your help is greatly appreciated. You may mail donations or just drop them off at church. We will have the soup pots out on Sunday the 9th.



One Great Hour of Sharing

I will mail the Lenten Fish Banks out in late February.

Remember to try to fill them a little each day or week. We will be collecting them on

Palm Sunday April 13.

They may be brought to church, or dropped off at the CE Building any time. Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, March 6th.

The first Sunday before Lent is March 2nd Transfiguration Sunday which will be a Jazz service.~ Please come and enjoy!~

Age: 7+

February 20, 2025 - Luke 6:27-36

Love for Enemies

Add or subtract words and letters.
Find something important that Jesus said.

① - g -

② + _____
your enemies,

③ - g + g + - ll + d =

④ _____
to those who hate you.

⑤ - el + - dr -

⑥ _____
those who curse you,

⑦ - ea + - fir =

⑧ _____
for those who mistreat you."

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Christian Education Calendar

Sunday February 2	Sunday February 9	February 14	Sunday February 16	Sunday February 23
Luke 4:21-30 No prophet is accepted in his own hometown.	Luke 5:1-11 Jesus Calls Disciples "Fishers of Men".	Love One Another Valentine's day 	Luke 6:17-26 Jesus teaches, the Lukan Beattitudes.	Luke 6:27-38 Jesus teaches love for enemies.