
October 2020

Hope Lutheran

218 W. 18th Street, South Sioux City, NE 68776

Website: www.Hopelutheranssc.com Telephone: 402-494-1847

Just a couple of reminders,

Hospital Visits: Due to federal hospital regulations, HIPAA, hospitals and care centers can only contact the church if you or your family give them permission or directions to do so. There is no way that Pastor can contact all facilities on a regular basis unless he knows of someone is admitted. Please leave message on the answering machine at the church as well as Pastor does have voice mail on his cell phone. If you should be hospitalized and do not receive a visit within 24 hours after contacting the church, please do so again because for whatever reason possibly the message has not been received. Church: 402-494-1847 or Pastor: 402-368-9929.

Prayer List: Please help us keep our prayer list updated by informing us graciously when names need to be added and removed. If we have taken off names that you would like for us to continue to remember in prayer, please graciously inform us. Thanks

Online Contributions: The church is now offering online contributions. If anyone is interested in contributing online please contact the secretary at the church, if you have any questions or if you are interested. We will have forms you can fill out at the church. Any amount can be contributed and on the day you specify. Contact church at 402-494-1847. Thank you.

Address Updates: If anyone has a change of address, email address or phone number, please let the church office know at Angie@hopelutheranssc.com. If we have your correct information, we will be able to contact you if need be. We do not give out any information because we do respect everyone's privacy.



Upcoming Events:

October 4

9:30AM LWML Sunday

October 12

Columbus Day

October 25

Reformation Sunday

October 31

Halloween

Office Hours:

Monday 9AM-1PM
Tuesday 9AM-2PM
Wednesday 9AM-1PM
Thursday 9AM-2PM
Friday 9AM-3PM

Church email:

Angie@hopelutheranssc.com

Pastor Michael Awe:

531-218-5793

Email:

The1revma@gmail.com

Pastor Henry Witte:

712-202-4751

Email:

Handrwitte@gmail.com

Pastor Paul Flo:

402-987-6805

Email:

Pastorpaulflo@gmail.com



VOTERS MEETING:

A reminder to all member of Hope Lutheran that there is a Voters Meeting held every 3rd Tuesday of each month. The meetings begin at 7:00PM in the Educational Building. We need everyone's input. All Chairpersons must attend.

SORRY IF WE MISSED YOUR BIRTHDAY:

If we do not have your birthday on our list of birthdays for each month, please let the church office know so your birthday can be added.

ATTENTION ALL MEMBERS OF THE CONGREGATION:

No food or drinks are allowed in the church per the Trustees.

2020 Lamplighters Meeting Schedule

9:30AM-11:00AM

First Wednesday of each month.

January 2—Concordia (LSA Meeting)

February 5—Faith

March 4—Hope

April 1---Redeemer (LSA Meeting)

May 6---St. Paul

June 3--- Trinity

July 1—Calvary (LSA Meeting)

August 5—Concordia

September 2—Faith

October 7---Hope (LSA Meeting)

November 4---Redeemer

December 2---St. Paul

January 6, 2021--- Trinity (LSA Meeting)



Serving In October:

Ushers:

4.....Kim Mast & Gerald Barge
11.....Russ Messerschmidt &
.....Dave Calvert
18.....Steve Koch & Dave Schable
25....Daryl Daum & Darwyn Glover

Altar Care:

.....Jeannie Heinemann
.....Laverne Koebernick

Greeters:

4.....Edie Chester
11.....Mr. & Mrs. Terry Koebernick
18.....Mr. & Mrs. Vern Cummins
25.....Mrs. & Mrs. Kim Mast

Altar Flowers:

4.....Lois Wendt
11.....Monica Mattoon
18.....Open
25.....Open

Acolyte:

4.....Josy Jackson
11.....Nicole Messerschmidt
18.....Leiton Heinemann
25.....Erick Moreno

*Please note you do not have to come in if you do not feel comfortable still due to COVID-19

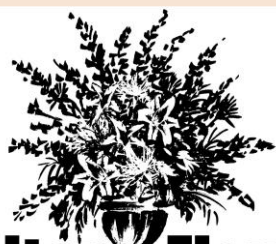
Keep Informed

Please follow our website for any updates regarding services and events due to the COVID-19 mandates.

www.hopelutheranssc.com

****Offerings****

Can be mailed to the church or brought to the church during open office hours. Or you can give offerings directly on the website.



Altar Flowers

The 2020 Calendar for altar flowers is in the Narthex. So if anyone would like to sign up for flowers, please sign your name and also what the flowers represent. Thank you

Officers

Chairman: Darwyn Glover (20)

Treasurer: Pat Glover (20)

Secretary: Sheila Floyd (21)

Financial Secretary: Cindy Quandt (21)

Boards

Elders

Ed Stone (22)

Robert Billiar (21)

Doug Mallette (20)

Mike Floyd (21)

Richard Quandt (20)

Stewardship

Tom Gesell (20)

Marie Wakefield (21)

Vern Cummins (20)

Ada Hunt (21)

Education

Katie Andersen (20)

LuAnn Petersen (22)

Mallory Calvert (20)

Jo Diediker (21)

Vicki Gesell (22)

Trustees

Daryl Daum (22)

Dave Schable (20)

Matt Calvert (21)

Missions

Suzy Awe (22)

Carl Petersen (21)

Annette Poss (21)

Jeanie Heinemann (22)

Friendship Committee

Laverne Koebernick

Melissa Reed

Sharon Weber

Clarrene Leffler

Pat Glover

Kathy Danielson

Hispanic Ministry Committee

Dave Calvert

Clarrene Leffler

Sandy Calvert (Treasurer)

Dorothy Westin

Sharon Weber

Ed Stone

Kathy Danielson

Names that are **highlighted in bold** are the Chairpersons of each board.



ANNOUNCEMENTS | (WHAT'S HAPPENING)

- ❖ **October 4th is LWML Sunday. LWML is a Very Important Mission for LCMS. Did you know that women who are members of the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod are members of Lutheran Women's Missionary League? Please talk to a member of the Ladies Aid, to find out how your Mites (Loose Change) are working in the Mission Fields. On Sunday Mite boxes will be available for you to put your Mites. In.**

The live stream is available on the bottom of the welcome page on the church website. There is also a tab that says livestream and will take you directly to the video. Previous videos are listed under the livestream tab as well.

In need of volunteers to help out with Faith, Food & Fun Day. It will only require one hour of your time. Need volunteers for help watching the kids in the gym. It will be every Saturday starting September 12-December 19. If you are interested please contact Pastor Awe-402-368-9929 OR Pastor Flo-402-987-6805

**PASTOR AWE'S PHONE
NUMBER HAS CHANGED
IT IS NOW 531-218-
5793. PLEASE DELETE
HIS OLD NUMBER.**

**THERE WILL BE NO
FRIENDSHIP DINNER**

**If anyone has pumpkins
they could donate for
Faith, Food, & Fun craft
project. Contact Pat
Glover at 712-389-1261.**

OCTOBER Birthdays

1 st	Don Larson
2 nd	Amelie Durant
3 rd	Nancy Chester
4 th	Lois Wendt
10 th	Dawn Maslonka
12 th	Mike Floyd
13 th	Penny Parker Bailee Durant
14 th	Ray Bathke Suzy Awe
17 th	Lynette Barker
19 th	Tim Bigham, Sr.
20 th	Pat Glover Kim Mast Colton Bruggeman
24 th	Karen Bathke Jamison Baker
28 th	Darren Miller
29 th	Sheila Curiel Pam Moreno Jeremy Johnson
31 st	Pam Fowler



September 2020 Voters Meeting

Meeting called to order by President Glover.

Members Present: Darwyn Glover, Laverne Koebernick, Sheila Floyd, Daryl Daum, Dave Calvert, Richard Quandt, Cindy Quandt, Dale Hosch, Robert Billiar, Marie Wakefield and Katie Andersen with Pastor Flo, Pastor Witte and Pastor Awe

Opening Prayer by Pastor Awe.

Richard Quandt made a motion to approve the August Minutes. 2nd by Dale Hosch. Passed. Cindy Quandt made a motion to approve the August Treasurer's Report. 2nd by Richard Quandt. Passed. Laverne Koebernick made a motion to approve the August Individual Summary of Accounts. 2nd by Robert Billiar. Passed. Laverne Koebernick made a motion to approve the August Financial Secretary's Report. 2nd by Richard Quandt. Passed.

Christian Education: Faith, Food, and Fun Day has begun. It starts Saturday mornings at 9. Students have catechism class, then play games and do other activities, and we serve a meal to students and remaining volunteers. We could still use another volunteer, to help with the gym activities. We are asking for an hour of your time. The first week had a small number of students, but they had a lot of fun and we're excited to see the program grow. We are continuing to reach out to confirmation aged students, grades 3 and up; they may join at any point during the year. Sunday School is starting again beginning September 20. If you know of any school aged kids, let them know we have reopened our doors for Sunday School as the state has moved into phase 4, and the restrictions for gatherings have been reduced, allowing the Sunday School classes to resume.

Trustees: Tucker Glass has removed the broken glass from the side window on the east door of the church. After the new glass has been sandblasted with the cross, they will finish the installation;

Elders: Pastor Awe advised that Pam Davies and Stephanie Doscher have been transferred to Redeemer, Sioux City. Since Pam Davies and Stephanie Doscher have transferred to Redeemer, the church needs to have an official record for the church files. A motion from Robert Billiar and a 2nd from Richard Quandt to release Pam Davies and Stephanie Doscher to Redeemer. Passed. Discussed upcoming Phase IV corona virus status for Dakota County. September 14th is the official date set for that. Signs will be removed from pews allowing open seating in the Sanctuary. We will, however, set up the gym as we did in Phase II for social distancing for worshipers who are not comfortable in the sanctuary. This will continue through September. It was also decided not to change communion through the middle of the month of October. Also discussed ways to avoid congestion at the rear of the sanctuary as worshipers enter. Elders' zones were reviewed and discussed. Circuit Forum will be October 11th, 2020 at Grace Lutheran in Wayne, NE. Pastor Awe and Ed Stone will represent Hope. We will need nominations at the next Voters meeting. Kevin Diediker sent a letter of resignation to Chairman Stone which was read to the Elders. We can't thank Kevin enough for his years of dedicated service to the Board of Elders.

Stewardship: Board reviewed the August 2020 bank statements, budget reports, bank account transfers, Memorial and several Church savings accounts and all activity looked good. Great job Pat! The Board also discussed the need to add new members to the Stewardship Board and discussed the option of combining some committees or Boards to make work more efficient. Our next meeting is set for Thursday, October 8th @ 4pm.

Memorial Committee: No Report.

Missions: No Report.

Hispanic Ministry Committee: We held our monthly meeting and this also included our quarterly meeting. We discussed the ESL classes which have now started. We discussed the donation from Holy Cross. We are waiting to hear more from them. We checked with Pastor Flo to see how things were going with "Faith Food and Fun" and if he needed anything. We had Mr. Todd Seifker, a guest speaker, who was from West High school. He was the Teacher of the Year, with a lot of Hispanic background.

Pastor's Report: Pastor Flo reported that things went well. We had Saint Paul's being represented with 3 people present. This means that more and more people are becoming aware of our Hispanic Ministry. The new

Catechism classes are off to a good start. Hoping to have more students next week. This is very difficult, because we are dealing with split families. The children aren't always in one household. We did have 2 new students that came with their mother. The children spoke no English, and they joined the group and really had a good time. Let's hope that we will continue to see them. Since Pastor Flo has been having devotions at individual houses, he has been hearing that these people would like to be Lutheran. Pastor Flo explains to them that he wants to continue to bring the Word of God to them and tell them what it means to be a Lutheran. If after hearing what Pastor Flo has to say, and they want to be Lutheran, we will make them a Lutheran. The Hispanic Ministry has been struggling with finances. Pastor Flo continues to apply for grants, like The Soldiers of the Cross grant. This grant wants to help churches and Pastors who are struggling financially. Pastor Flo got a call from Alexandria, Virginia. They are interested in starting Hispanic Ministry, but need some guidance. Pastor told them that from his stand point he would love to help, but he couldn't fly out at this time, with the finances the way they are. This congregation never hesitated, and said they were paying for the whole trip. Pastor Flo talked things over with Pastor Witte and Dave, and Pastor Flo was given the OK to go visit this Congregation to see if he could give them some insight on this Ministry. Pastor Witte has been using the What's App on his phone to give some devotion that goes out to almost 40 people.

Friendship Committee: We delivered the large print Portals of Prayer and cards to our shut-ins and service personnel. Vote of the Committee: Not to have the Fall Festival dinner this year! Will help the Mission Board with a silent auction event.

President's Report: Thank you for coming.

Pastors Report: No Report.

Old Business: The Narthex walls are still on schedule to get started in late October. We will be going with the lace design that will match what is in the church. Carpet for the church entrances are in bad shape. We are waiting for a bid from Curry Floor. It wasn't ready for Voters, due to Curry being sick. We already voted to replace the carpet, but not comfortable right now without the bid. This carpet is more expensive, but it is made to stand up to the elements. Right now, the Trustees should be able to go ahead with the carpet. The amount of the bid, should still fall under the dollar amount that the Trustees can spend. The renovation of the kitchen in the Ed Building was brought to the Voters a few months ago. A bid was sent in by Nick Sebade. A committee along with the Trustees have decided to move forward on this. The bid came in at \$5,400. Darwyn showed the voters what the kitchen would look like renovated. We will need to check with the fire marshal to make sure that the placement of the counter will be within the fire code. Have everything in writing. If the counter is not within the fire code, there might have to be some adjustments and this could affect the bid. After speaking to a fire marshal, and making sure things are at code, President Glover will bring the bid back to the voters for a final motion.

New Business: The Nominating Committee and Board Elections are on hold till October. We need more people to step forward and help fill these positions. If positions are not filled on these Boards, then the Board will have to be eliminated. These Boards are very important to keeping Hope Lutheran Church running smoothly. Please step forward and volunteer. Soundproofing the interior walls in the Pastor's office is still a work in progress. The Voters were asked to nominate the Wayne Circuit Visitor Pastor. Names of Pastors are on the back of the Voters Agenda. A motion was made by Richard Quandt and 2nd by Robert Billiar to nominate Pastor Ricky Jacobs as a nominee for Circuit Pastor. Passed. This name will be sent to the Circuit Forum by Oct. 11th. We are having issues with cars being parked in the church parking lot. Signs in English and Spanish are in place that let unauthorized parkers know they will be towed at the owners' expense. Church members will be talking to the business owners about removing the vehicles they have been leaving on the church lot. If nothing is done, the tow stickers will be placed on the vehicles. No cars will be left over night on the lot.

Meeting Adjourned with the Lord's Prayer. Sheila Floyd, Secretary

Ladies Aid Meeting Tuesday September 1, 2020

Sheila called the meeting to order. There were 11 members present and 1 guest.

Paula read the treasurer's report and it was filed for review.

Lois has sent out 1 get well cards to Doug Mallette.

LWML Sunday is planned for the first Sunday of October. Ada, Pat and Sheila will put together a new banner.

A motion was made by Clara and seconded by Pat to send \$100 from our funds to LWML for mites.

The new mite box, made by Ervin Messerschmidt and painted by Dr. Billiar, is now in the church available for donations of mites at anytime.

We have been collecting school and health kits. They will be put together at our October meeting and later delivered to the Orphan Grain Train in Norfolk.

A motion was made by Suzy and seconded by Donna to send \$500 to our adopt a student, Drew Oswald.

We received a receipt for our \$30 sent to Lutheran Hour Ministries.

Pat cleaned out the food in the kitchen cabinet. Pastor Flo has the extras in his office for those who may be in need of food.

The birthday song was song to Shirley and Donna.

The meeting closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Our next meeting is October 6th at 6:00pm in the Education Building.

All ladies are welcome to attend!

Respectfully Submitted, Marie Wakefield



October 2020

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 6P ESL Classes	2 Pastor's Day Off	3 9A Faith, Food & Fun Day
4 9:30A Worship Service w/communion 10:30A Bible Study/Sunday School 5P Hispanic Service *LWML Sunday	5 10:30A Bible Study 6P ESL Classes	6 6P Ladies Aid 6P HMC Meeting	7 9:30A Staff Devotions 7P Worship Service w/ communion 8P Elder's Meeting	8 4P Stewardship Meeting 6P ESL Classes	9 Pastor's Day Off	10 9A Faith, Food & Fun Day
11 9:30A Worship Service 10:30A Bible Study/Sunday School 5P Hispanic Service	12 10:30A Bible Study 6P ESL Classes *Columbus Day	13 10A Friendship Meeting	14 9:30A Staff Devotions 7P Worship Service	15 6P ESL Classes	16 Pastor's Day Off	17 9A Faith, Food & Fun Day
18 9:30A Worship Service w/communion 10:30A Bible Study/Sunday School 5P Hispanic Service	19 10:30A Bible Study 6P ESL Classes	20 6P Mission Board Meeting 7P Voter's Meeting	21 9:30A Staff Devotions 7P Worship Service	22 6P ESL Classes	23 Pastor's Day Off	24 9A Faith, Food & Fun Day
25 9:30A Worship Service 10:30A Bible Study/Sunday School 5P Hispanic Service *Reformation Sunday	26 10:30A Bible Study 6P ESL Classes	27	28 9:30A Staff Devotions 7P Worship Service	29 6P ESL Classes	30 Pastor's Day Off	31 9A Faith, Food & Fun Day *Halloween

Hope Lutheran Church Treasurer's Report
South Sioux City, Nebraska

Period
Ending 08/31/2020

Prior Month
Ending Bal 17,058.29

Current
Mth
Ending Bal 13,545.92

Checkbook

		Current Month	YTD Amount	Budget to Date	Annual Budget Amt
Budget Receipts					
Account #					
1010	Envelopes - General Fund	12,526.92	114,601.56		
1020	Loose Plate - General Fund	5,117.75	5,912.01		
	Sub Total	17,644.67	120,513.57		
Non-Budget Receipts					
1110	Debt Reduction		0.00		
1120	Special Gifts		6,509.50		
1130	Reimbursements	166.40	1,170.29		
1140	Miscellaneous Income		1,085.40		
	Sub Total	166.40	8,765.19		
+	Transfer from Savings		2,945.50		
+	Transfer from Stifel		0.00		
+	Transfer from LCEF		10,000.00		
+	Loan Proceeds		0.00		
	Total Deposits	17,811.07	142,224.26		
Monthly Balance					
	Total Monthly Disbursements	21,323.44	135,009.34		
+	Transfers to Savings		1,190.00		
	Total Disbursements	21,323.44	136,199.34		
Current Balance		13,545.92			
Disbursements		Current Month	YTD Amount	Budget to Date	Annual Budget Amt
Mission Board Outreach					
2010	Synod Support (3%)	382.25	3,596.77	3,000.00	4,500.00
2020	Hispanic Ministry (2%)	254.83	2,397.84	2,533.33	3,800.00
2030	Light of the World Outreach		160.00	400.00	600.00
2040	Concordia Seminary Support		0.00	266.67	400.00
2110	Missionary Support - Sarah Kanoy	500.00	500.00	533.33	800.00
2120	Lutheran Family Service of Iowa		0.00	333.33	500.00
2130	Her Health		0.00	333.33	500.00
2140	Poland		0.00	666.67	1,000.00

Friendship Committee

2310	County Fair Ministry		0.00	0.00	0.00
2320	Local Outreach	21.15	148.05	1,333.33	2,000.00
2330	Inreach		0.00	666.67	1,000.00
2340	Video Ministry		0.00	66.67	100.00
2950	Non Budget - Mission Board		328.68	0.00	0.00
	Mission Board - Sub Total	1,158.23	7,131.34	10,133.33	15,200.00

Board of Christian Education

3010	Sunday School		183.52	1,000.00	1,500.00
3015	Sunday School - Missions		0.00	0.00	0.00
3020	Vacation Bible School	35.68	225.70	1,000.00	1,500.00
3025	LCEF VBS Grant		0.00	0.00	0.00
3030	Teacher Training		0.00	333.33	500.00
3040	Counselor Training and Expenses		0.00	333.33	500.00
3090	Resource Material		0.00	233.33	350.00
3110	Adult Education		238.19	133.33	200.00
3120	Mid Week School	123.95	566.00	333.33	500.00
3210	Parochial School Tuition Assistance		0.00	666.67	1,000.00
3220	Camp Luther Jr League		0.00	166.67	250.00
3230	Registration for District Meetings		0.00	200.00	300.00
3310	Youth Activities		0.00	666.67	1,000.00
3320	Sports Ministry		0.00	333.33	500.00
3950	Non Budget - Board of Christian Education		0.00	0.00	0.00
	Board of Christian Education - Sub Total	159.63	1,213.41	5,400.00	8,100.00

Board of Stewardship

5110	Offering Envelopes		0.00	66.67	100.00
5120	Stewardship Education		0.00	333.33	500.00
5510	Vanco Online Admin Fee		0.00	0.00	0.00
5950	Non Budget - Board of Stewardship		0.00	0.00	0.00
	Board of Stewardship - Sub Total	0.00	0.00	400.00	600.00

Board of Elders**Pastoral Support**

		Current	YTD	Budget	Annual
		Month	Amount	to Date	Budget Amt
6110	Admin. Pastor's Salary	3,837.16	30,697.28	33,897.33	50,846.00
6120	Admin. Pastor's auto	625.03	3,358.37	2,400.00	3,600.00
6130	Admin Pastor's Housing	2,118.66	14,830.62	16,949.33	25,424.00
6140	Pastor's Health Reimbursement	65.70	1,587.10	1,866.67	2,800.00
6150	Admin Pastor's Benefits	2,032.92	16,263.36	15,484.00	23,226.00
6160	Admin Pastor's Continuing Education		0.00	166.67	250.00
6170	Admin Pastor's Conventions and Conf		411.10	333.33	500.00
6190	Church Plan-Retirement	400.00	3,200.00	0.00	0.00
6210	Guest Speakers		0.00	300.00	450.00

6220	Wayne NE Circuit Dues		250.00	166.67	250.00
	Administration				
6310	Secretary's Salary	1,269.82	9,766.29	11,648.00	17,472.00
6320	Secretary's Benefits	139.28	1,114.24	1,275.33	1,913.00
6330	Secretary's Soc. Security & Medicare Secretary's Soc Sec/Med/NE/Fed	119.00	834.82	891.33	1,337.00
6340	Withholding	139.00	1,028.18	0.00	0.00
6380	Treasurer's Salary		0.00	166.67	250.00
	Christian Worship				
6410	Organists	250.00	1,950.00	3,333.33	5,000.00
6421	Music Fund		0.00	66.67	100.00
6510	Alter/Worship Supplies		745.47	666.67	1,000.00
6910	Select Account Administration Fee	7.80	62.40	0.00	0.00
6950	Non Budget - Board of Elders		125.99	0.00	0.00
	Board of Elders - Sub Total	11,004.37	86,225.22	89,612.00	134,418.00
	Board of Trustees				
	Administration				
7010	Office Supplies	377.81	3,761.05	3,666.67	5,500.00
7020	Postage		55.00	666.67	1,000.00
7040	Telephone	123.17	986.41	800.00	1,200.00
	Church Properties				
7210	Custodian's Salary	670.00	5,360.00	5,360.00	8,040.00
7310	Janitor Supplies	24.71	529.32	666.67	1,000.00
7320	Kitchen Supplies		101.58	333.33	500.00
7410	General Maintenance		695.88	3,333.33	5,000.00
7420	Equipment		0.00	666.67	1,000.00
7510	Electricity	615.96	4,808.02	5,000.00	7,500.00
7520	Gas	394.00	3,718.00	5,000.00	7,500.00
7530	Water, Sewer and Garbage	172.14	1,473.35	1,466.67	2,200.00
7540	Snow Removal and Lawn Care	125.00	3,108.00	3,666.67	5,500.00
7810	Insurance	949.07	6,152.31	6,000.00	9,000.00
7910	Quickbooks Monthly Adminstration Fee		0.00	0.00	0.00
7950	Non Budget - Board of Trustees		250.00	0.00	0.00
	Board of Trustees - Sub Total	3,451.86	30,998.92	36,626.67	54,940.00
8000	Non Budget - No Board	5,549.35	9,440.45	0.00	0.00
	Total Budget Disbursements	15,774.09	124,864.22	142,172.00	213,258.00
+	Total Non Budget Disbursements	5,549.35	10,145.12	0.00	0.00
	Total Disbursements	21,323.44	135,009.34	142,172.00	213,258.00

Siouxland Hispanic Ministry

Out-reach AND In-reach

Supporting Siouxland Hispanic Ministry

In this time of pandemic, we have lost much of our regular support for our *Siouxland Hispanic Ministry*. If financially supporting a specific ministry is something you or your congregation has been considering, please keep us in mind!

Interested in Supporting?

If you'd like to support our Hispanic ministry here in Siouxland, please send aid to the address on the bottom of the page. Make checks payable to Hope Lutheran Church with "Hispanic Ministry" on the memo line. **Thank you!**

Sometimes giving something a name can be problematic because it creates something "separate" in our minds. For example, when we talk of *outreach* or *evangelism*, one potential—though unintended—consequence is that we start to see this as something separate from the "normal" life of the Church. But *out-reach* and *in-reach* are inseparably linked; they are both parts of living in the



community of faith. We share the Good News of Jesus with those who don't yet know what He has done for them (out-reach). Then, newly adopted sons and daughters who are brought into the family of God through faith need to be nurtured and fed and cared for by their pastor and by their church community (in-reach).

In his book *The Care of Souls*, Harold Senkbeil writes, "There is no division between the care of souls and mission. God has joined them together in Scripture. Mission and ministry, out-reach and in-reach, evangelism and care of souls are all linked by God's own design. And what God has joined together, we dare never separate." Senkbeil wonders if this lack of in-reach is one of the reasons why the number of committed Christians continues to decline quickly in spite of "a solid half century

Prayers

- That our new season of **English and Citizenship classes** goes well! We'll be starting very soon!
- That our new catechism program "**Faith, Food, and Fun**" would start out strong.
- Keep your prayers going for **Carmen!** She's got a few months of chemo left and we are praying for a cancer-free future!

For the Calendar

Our quarterly *Siouxland Hispanic Ministry* meeting will be: **Tuesday, December 1 at 6:30 pm.** Come and join us!

of concerted evangelistic efforts and concentrated emphasis on the growth of the church."

We all continue being sinners (and saints!) after we're given the gift of faith, and sinners need care—lots of it! And so, we **out-reach AND in-reach**. "Winning souls and keeping souls comprise the two-sided coin of the church's mission" (quotes are from pages 220-221 of *The Care of Souls*).

Photo on page 1: *Fátima* is one of my catechism students. She was proud to showcase her art skills with one of the VBS crafts. *Fátima* and her two siblings have spent a full year learning the Bible stories with me. They are learning so much!



To the left: The very courageous *Pastor Mike Awe* was willing to take on whatever hairdo our VBS kids wanted if the congregation raised \$5000 or more for our Hispanic Mission. You can see that the goal was met! Thanks for your sacrifice, Mike! And thanks to Hope Lutheran for supporting our Hispanic ministry!

That's it for now! May our Lord bless you and keep you! Thank you for your continued prayers and financial support of our *Siouxland Hispanic Ministry!*

Pastor Paul Flo