

Hope Lutheran Church

January 2022

From the Pastor,

Happy New Year!

Will 2022 be better than 2021? I hope so. 2021 was better than 2020. So better doesn't mean "better" any more, just better different. 2020 was different from 2019, but not better.

God was with us in each year. God will be with us in 2022. We must approach each day trusting that God will be with us that day. We should even invite God to be with us that whole day. Paul says that if we allow Christ to live in us we no longer live for ourselves but we live for Christ.

Living for Christ means putting the will of God before our will and needs and desires. Our decisions made are in view of what is best according to God's will and what is best for others around us. When we can achieve this then we can truly love ourselves without it being a selfish love or decision.

However 2022 will be different or similar to the past years is unknown. What is known is that we can trust God to be there already while still being here; this year, right now with you.

Happy New Year to you and God with you!

Church Seasons: The Church Season of Time After Christmas ends on January 5th. The Church Season of Time After Epiphany begins January 6th and ends March 1st. The Epiphany season is about expecting God to keep God's promises and seeking God's presence in ordinary things like babies, stars, light and other people.

Church Festival Days: January 1st: Name of Jesus

January 6th: The Epiphany of Our Lord

January 9th: The Baptism of Our Lord

January 18th: The Confession of St. Peter

January 25th: The Conversion of St. Paul

January 26th: Timothy, Titus, Silas, Missionaries

U.S. Holidays: January 1st: New Year's Day

January 17th: Martin Luther King Jr. Day

Confirmation January 5th, 12th, 19th, & 26th at 4:00 p.m.

Grace Lutheran Church Bible Study meeting January 10th , 1:30 p.m.

Hope Lutheran Church Council January 12th, 7:00 p.m.

Hope Lutheran Church General Meeting & Bible Study January 13th, 1:30 p.m.

Joint Worship Hope & Grace at Grace Lutheran January 16th, 10:00 a.m.

Grace Lutheran Church Annual Meeting January 16th, 11:00 a.m.

Hope Lutheran Church Worship Committee January 18th, 1:30 p.m. at Alberta's

Grace Lutheran Church Council January 18th, 7:00 p.m.

Hope Lutheran Church Annual meeting January 23rd at 11:00 p.m.

Hope Lutheran Church Council Minutes , December 8, 2021

Members Present: Pastor Jim, Dave Antholz, Mark Panko, Russel Moss, Janice Beethe, and Linda Eisenauer.

Members Absent: David Lubben and Keith Moss.

The meeting was opened with Pastor Helgren giving a prayer.

The minutes from the November meeting were reviewed and approved.

The Treasurer's Report: For November by Mark reports:

TOTAL INFLOWS \$7,571.41

TOTAL OUTFLOWS -4,650.77

NET TOTAL \$ 2,920.64

Pastor's Report: Pastor Jim said there would be NO Christmas ad in the Tecumseh Chieftain in December for either of our two churches.

Old Business: The future of the parsonage will be decided at the Annual Meeting, January 23rd, 2022. We want input and any recommendations from our members on how to proceed.

The area churches met with Faith Lutheran and Hope was represented by two of our Council members. Delaware officially closes the last Sunday in April 2022.

New Business: A new copy machine has been ordered with a price tag of \$1,950. It will take 2-3 months until the new one can be delivered. Meanwhile we are using a "loner" @ \$0.013/copy.

The front mat (outside) has blown away with the wind so we are doing some price checking around to replace it.

The children's Christmas Program is December 19th during the regular service.

The Christmas Eve Candlelight Service will be at 5:00 p.m. Communion distribution will remain the same. Cathy will do the candy sacks. The offering will be split between Lutheran Family Services and us.

The budget for 2022 was amended to include a 4% raise for Pastor Jim.

Council decided January 9th the congregation and Council members can take the Christmas decorations down and put away after church.

The annual Meeting Reports are DUE JANUARY 16th.

The Annual Meeting at Grace is also January 16th at 10:00 a.m. there will be NO SERVICE at Hope. We are invited to worship at Grace that Sunday.

The Annual Meeting at Hope is January 23rd, 2022 with Communion.

The next meeting will be January 12th at 7:00 p.m.

We adjourned with the Lord's Prayer.

Submitted by Linda Eisenhauer, Secretary

A special thank you to Nancy Gerking, Vanessa Sell and Sharon Carman for helping the Sunday School children with their M&M Christmas reading and music. You are greatly appreciated!

Fritos Treats: 2 bags Fritos (9 ½ oz.), 1 bag chocolate chips divided, 1 cup sugar, 1 cup light corn syrup, 1 cup creamy peanut butter

Spray a 9x13 pan with Pam spread one bag of Fritos on the bottom. Sprinkle half the bag of chocolate chips over Fritos. In a large saucepan combine sugar and corn syrup over medium heat. Bring it to a boil for 1 minute stirring so it does not stick. Remove from heat and stir in peanut butter mixing well. Pour half of the mixture over the Fritos then top with the other bag of Fritos and remaining chocolate chips. Let stand till set and cut into bars when cool.

Enjoy; found the recipe on Facebook. Sharon

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January 2022



1:00 Sunday School
10:00 Worship Service
unless noted otherwise

Parish Ministry Associate
Haron Carman, Ret.

Church Council
Chairman: Dave Antholz
in. Sec. Janice Beethe
reas. Mark Ranko
ec. Linda Eisenhauer
lecons: Keith Moss
David Lubben
Russel Moss

Worship & Music
Alberta Block
haron Carman
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heri Moss
Organists
Alberta Block
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ELCA President
Arllyn Moss

2 **Holy**
Communion
Worship 10:00 a.m.

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

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4:00-5:00 p.m.
Confirmation

7:00 Church
Council

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1:30 p.m. Bible
Study & General

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23rd Annual

Meeting

11:00 a.m.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 New Year's Day

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blessing of
the Lord be
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WELCA Meeting

Bible Study: Judy Lubben

Devotions: Marilyn Moss

Hostess: Marilyn Moss

Altar Guild

Visitation

Linda Eisenhauer

Alberta Block