

Hope Lutheran Church

August 2026

Summer Thoughts: We have all journeyed with Pastor Helgren and Kathy as they prepared to retire. We struggled working on our workbooks to fill out the MSP to begin the process of preparing for a new pastor. Sometimes in life we journey alone with our concerns, illness, death of a loved one, financial concerns and the list goes on other times such as this it is a joint venture. God wants us to remember that we are never alone in our struggles whether it is a joint issue or one we feel completely alone with. Deuteronomy 1:21b "Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged." In Mark 6:36 "Ignoring what they said, Jesus told the synagogue ruler, "Don't be afraid; just believe."

We journey forward giving our concerns to the Lord knowing he will help to guide and carry us through. We shut out the noise of the world and listen to his holy word and voice strengthened in the process. Gathering together in fellowship and prayer we journey on with Grace Lutheran and Faith Lutheran we will begin new paths of worship trusting that God will help us smooth out the rough patches. Sharon Carman

Church Seasons: We are currently in the green season of Time After Pentecost. The text calls us to live our lives as children of God and avoid following the crowds not following Jesus and the Good News for us.

Festival Days: August 15th, Mary, Mother of Our Lord

August 24th, Bartholomew Apostle

Monthly Schedule: August 2nd, Joint Worship at Hope at 9:30 a.m. Nick Weber

August 9th, Joint Worship at Grace at 9:30 a.m. Erin Ebler

August 10th, Grace & Hope Bible Study 2:00 p.m. at Grace

August 12th, Hope Council 7:30 p.m.

August 16th, Joint Holy Communion Worship at Hope at 9:30 a.m.

Pastor Helgren

August 23rd, Joint Holy Communion Worship at Grace at 9:30 a.m.

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August 30th, Joint Worship at Hope at 9:30 a.m. Erin Ebler

Hope Lutheran Church Council Minutes July 8, 2026

MEMBERS PRESENT: Pastor Helgren, Dave Antholz, Janice Beethe, Keith Moss, Megan Pope, Trevor Pope, and Sharon Carman. Mark Rumery was absent.

Pastor Helgren opened the meeting with prayer.

THE MINUTES from the June meeting were reviewed and corrected.

THE TREASURER'S REPORT: by Megan Pope for June reports: TOTAL INFLOWS \$3,515.71
TOTAL OUTFLOWS -\$4,530.99
NET TOTAL -\$1,015.28

Balance June 30th was \$16,454.39. The treasurer's report was approved.

PASTOR'S REPORT: Pastor visited and communed Judy Lubben, and Carol Speth.

****Pastor officiated at a graveside service for Anita Lowe (Hervey) May 23rd at Grace Lutheran Cemetery.**

****Pastor's week at Carol Joy Holling Camp went well.**

****Pastor spoke about the Zoom Confirmation that will be available for grades 6-12 for those congregations that need this.**

****VBS will be July 13th-17th at Osage 5:30-7:45 p.m.**

****July 19th is Worship in the Cook Park 9:00 a.m. VBS children will sing.**

****Pastor Kate Woolf will cover emergency calls for Pastor Helgren July 20-31st while he is on vacation. Her number is 316-371-0803. We do not have emergency coverage in August.**

****Burr Day's worship and meal went well.**

OLD BUSINESS: **Mission Fest will be October 25th. We are trying to arrange a speaker from Campus Ministry. Hope will host.

****July 12th will be joint worship at Hope and our Retirement Potluck for Pastor and Kathy. The council will be in charge of the dinner. Ruth Heitbrink will make a chocolate cake and a vanilla cake. Hope will supply the meat dishes. Hope will supply the meat dishes. Joint worship will be at 10:00 a.m.**

****The ELW hymnals have arrived. We will order the second set of 50 books soon.**

****July 26th will be joint worship at HOpe with PMA Fred Bredehoeft at 10:00 a.m.**

****We will order 2000 gallons of propane at \$1.70.**

NEW BUSINESS: **Pastor brought the record book he records baptisms, confirmations, weddings, and deaths so we would be aware of what it looked like and know we would need to do the recording after he retires.

****We will have a blessing of the backpacks during worship on August 16th.**

****The pastor will bring the checkbook for the Discretionary Fund. Someone will need to be responsible for this.**

Counting Schedule: 7/12/26 Trevor, 7/19/26 Park Worship-Food Pantry, 7/26/26 Dave, 8/2/26 Keith, 8/9/26 at Grace.

The next meeting will be on Wednesday, August 12th at 7:30 p.m.

We closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Minutes submitted by Sharon Carman.

Lutheran World Relief: It is time to gather items for our School Kits and Personal Care Kits. If you are affiliated with Thrivent you can apply for a Thrivent Action Dollar Card to help purchase your items.

<u>School Kits</u>	<u>Personal Care Kits</u>
4-70 sheet spiral notebooks	1- Lightweight bath towel
1- box of crayons 16 or 24 size	2- bars of soap
5- unsharpened pencils	1- Adult size toothbrush (leave in package)
1- pencil sharpener	1- sturdy comb
1- 2 1/2" eraser	1- metal nail clipper (remove packaging)
5- blue or black pens	
1- ruler	
1- pair blunt scissors	

Hope Lutheran Church-Burr August 2026

Pastor
Jim Helgren

9:00 Sunday School
10:00 Worship Service
*unless noted otherwise

Church Council
Chairman: Dave Antholz
Fin. Sec. Janice Beethe
Treas. Megan Pope
Sec. Sharon Carman
Deacons: Keith Moss
Trevor Pope
Mark Rumery

Worship & Music
Alberta Block
Sharon Carman
Sherri Moss

Organists
Alberta Block
Sheri Moss
Ruth Neeman

WELCA President
Marilyn Moss

Bulletin/Newsletter
Sharon Carman

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2 9:30 a.m. Joint Worship at Hope fellowship after	3	4	5	6	7	8
9 9:30 a.m. Joint Worship at Grace fellowship after	10 2:00 p.m. Hope & Grace Bible Study	11	12 7:30 Hope Council	13	14	15
16 9:30 a.m. Joint Holy Communion Worship at Hope fellowship after	17	18	19	20	21	22
23 9:30 a.m. Joint Holy Communion Worship at Grace fellowship after 30 9:30 Joint Worship @ Hope	24 31	25	26	27	28	29

Cemetery _____ WELCA Meeting _____ Altar Guild _____ Visitation _____
Dave Antholz Bible Study: 2nd Monday @ Grace Marlene Alberta