

Voice of Hope

Hope Lutheran Church
Milton, WI
October, 2021



*Serving All Through Jesus Christ In Thought, Word and Deed
Use whatever gift you've received for the good of one another so that you
can show yourselves to be good stewards of God's grace in all its varieties.
1 Peter 4:10*

Blessing of the Animals

Bring your family pets (on an unretractable leash or in a cage, please or you can bring a photo of your furry friend), on Sunday, October 3 for a Pet Blessing service at 9:15 am under the pavilion. We will bless our pets this day in honor of St. Francis of Assisi's day, October 4. St. Francis is remembered for his love and care for animals. Confirmation students will help plan this service for our Sunday School and congregation. Large and small animals are welcome!



Our **First Communion Celebration** is scheduled for the 10:30 am worship service on October 17. We will rejoice with our first communicants with a congregational potluck following the second service. (details on page 3)



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Worship Schedule

Sunday

8:00 & 10:30 am Worship, with Facebook Live at 8:00 am
Education Hour (PreK-6th gr) 9:15 am

Visit us on Facebook:
Hope Lutheran Church Milton, Wisconsin

Website:
hopemilton.org

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Pastor Carol

I want to invite you to a fun event this October

FIRST COMMUNION CELEBRATION AND TRANSITION TEAM CELEBRATION:

Please remember to pray for our 4th through 6th grade youth who are preparing to receive their First Communion at the 10:30 am worship service on October 17. To rejoice with and celebrate our first communicants please plan to attend a congregational potluck following the second service.

Please plan to bring favorite potluck dishes to share. We will eat and then our Transition Team has planned a fun, interactive activity to help us to explore and understand our history together as a congregation. We'll be sharing memories, insights and laughter about ministry together over almost four and a half decades. This activity will help the Transition Team continue their work in preparing things for the Call Committee. You won't want to miss it.

Blessings,

Your Interim Pastor,

Rev. Carol R. Baumgartner

Thank you

Thank you to all of the folks who have been busy with various projects around our building, painting, cleaning, reorganizing. Bunches of thanks to our Board of Education, teachers and helpers who have just begun a new school year with our students. A special shout out to Bob Clift for refinishing the old Sunday school desk for pastor to use in her office.

Thanks to our staff, for always showing up, being supportive of one another, and faithful to our calling to serve the people of Hope.

Gratefully,

Pastor Carol

Hope's Little Food Pantry

Thank you to everyone who helps to keep our little food pantry stocked. All donations are greatly appreciated.



Operation Christmas Child

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ at Hope Lutheran Church,

Whether there is COVID-19 or not in our world, there are still vulnerable children around the world who need your help. You are invited to participate in a local service project - packing shoeboxes that go to children in need around the world. Be an international missionary without leaving Milton! For 29 years, Samaritan's Purse has partnered with churches and others to pack shoeboxes full of gifts and necessities along with Jesus' message of hope to children suffering from poverty, natural disasters, war, disease, and famine around the world.

This will be our church's 19th year participating in this project. Please join Milton Seventh Day Baptist Church for our 2021 packing party Saturday, November 6th at Milton 7th Day Baptist Church, 720 East Madison Avenue in Milton.

Families encouraged to stay together as a family service project.

Anyone willing to serve in packing boxes is welcome!

Gift items and shoeboxes are supplied by our church.

For more information, contact Janet at churchoffice@miltonsdb.org

Thank you for your consideration. We hope to see you there!

Sincerely,
 Ellie Greene
 Community Engagement Coordinator
 Milton Seventh Day Baptist Church

See page 10 for a list of items being collected.

Hope Treasurer's Report	
August General Mission Income	\$18,011.30
August General Mission Expenses	\$15,840.67
Difference	\$2,170.63
YTD General Mission Income	\$120,555.30
YTD General Mission Expenses	\$123,598.01
Difference	(\$3,042.71)
Benevolences paid	\$5,688.57

Worship Assistants

We are in need of a few more lectors, and ushers for each service. If you are interested in assisting please contact Evelyn Preston at 608-754-2475 or office@hopemilton.org. Training is available for those who may be new to volunteering or who may need a refresher course.

Tech Team Update

The Tech team has been busy working on getting our new video system purchased and getting the building ready (wires & electric run). We are still looking for a number of people to share the weekly duties of videoing the service so it can be on a rotating schedule instead of the same person every week. If you are interested in helping on this team, please contact the office, 868-3680 or office@hopemilton.org. High School & Middle students with experience are encouraged to volunteer.

Volunteer Work Group

A huge thank you to all the volunteers who began the journey to spruce up our Hope building and grounds on August 3, 2021.

These volunteers have faithfully completed so many projects, i.e., stretching the sanctuary carpet, shampooing carpets in Friendship Hall, sanctuary and the narthex, putting up new shelves off the main office to store all the generous food items for the little food pantry, painting and repairing the children's play area, cleaning out the storage room off the kitchen, painting Ben Hall, putting up a large map in Ben Hall for the quilters, washing Sunday School chairs and lower level solarium windows and curtains, removing the broken shed and planting grass seed in that area and around on the lower entrance way, replacing light bulbs, refinishing a desk for Pastor Carol, filling dirt in holes around the building, replacing and painting trim around the garage doors, and the list goes on.

The tasks continue as there are still many more projects to do. Volunteers meet the First Tuesday of each month and the next gathering will be October 5th at 9:00 am when they will begin cleaning out the garage. Please consider stopping at Hope and giving of your time and talents. All ages welcome.

If any of the congregational boards have input as to where items should go in the garage, please feel free to contact Pat Parsons, 6080-868-3997.

Our Hope family is so appreciative of all the time, talent and work being done to glorify our Lord.

Milton Food Pantry

Needs for pantry:

Mac and Cheese	peanut butter	granola bars
canned fruit	canned chicken	tuna
crackers	deodorant	shampoo/Conditioner
Jello/pudding	soup	

As always, money donations are welcome. Food or money donations can be dropped off at the Food Pantry (36 Hilltop Dr) on Wednesday morning preferably from 9-11 or Wednesday afternoons from 2-4. You may also bring your donations to the outside bin near the church entrance.

Lutheran World Relief by the Numbers

On September 18th, our LWR kits were delivered to the Ingathering in Madison where they were loaded onto a boxcar headed to a distribution center where they will be sent to those in need all over the world. This year, we assembled 287 Baby Care Kits, 46 School Supply Kits, 74 Personal Care Kits and 59 Quilts. Thank you to all who donated and made this possible. A special thank you to Phil & Jane Johns, Mark & Ellen Muth and Janet Parr for putting the kits together and ready to ship, as well as the quilters for all their hard work and Brenda and Cliff O'Beirne for delivering all the boxes to Madison.

Prayer Shawl & Baptismal Ministry

We are meeting the first and third Mondays at 1:00 pm going for the fall. We would like to welcome anyone interested in joining us for some interesting discussions and a little knitting or crocheting. If you have any questions please contact Marilyn Krause, 608-751-2264.

Quilt Ministry

Hope's quilt-tying ministry to support Lutheran World Relief has resumed.

The volunteers meet every Tuesday afternoon from 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm and would invite additional volunteers to join in this Christian fellowship ministry. You do not need to know how to sew. If you can tie a knot, you can tie a quilt. However, if you would like to sew quilt squares together in your home, please stop in on a Tuesday and pick up a kit.

Over the summer many members donated beautiful fabrics for this ministry including bedlinens, comforters, mattress pads, bolts of fabric, table cloths, curtains and remnants. One member left the quilters a note stating she had been to an estate sale and wanted to share all the goodies she bought (thank you Anita).

Hope Lutheran is gifted with so many generous and giving members. This Christian fellowship ministry is very blessed and looks forward to providing love and warmth to the less fortunate around our world. Prayerfully consider supporting this ministry.

October 2021						
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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3 8:00 am Worship w/Livestream 9:15 am Education Hour with Blessing of Animals 10:30 am Worship	4 1:00 pm Prayer Shawl Ministry	5 9:00 am Buildings & Grounds Work Day 3:30 pm Staff Meeting 1:00 pm Quilting	6 5:30 pm Youth Bells 6:00 pm Confirmation 6:15 pm Bells	7	8 6:00 pm Euchre	9
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17 First Communion 8:00 am Worship w/Livestream 9:15 am Education Hour 10:30 am Worship 11:30 am Potluck w/Historical Timeline Review	18 1:00 pm Prayer Shawl Ministry Pastor on vacation	19 1:00 pm Quilting 3:30 pm Staff Meeting 6:30 pm Church Council 10/18-10/25	20 5:30 pm Youth Bells 6:00 pm Confirmation 6:15 pm Bells	21	22	23
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BeFriender Ministry



The Hope BeFriender Ministry Group will meet on Saturday, October 16, 2021 at 10:00 am in Friendship Hall.

All are welcome to this instructional group whether you are a BeFriender volunteer or just interested in performing Home Bound Communion. Also, please prayerfully consider becoming a volunteer BeFriender Minister, as well.

If you have any questions or concerns please contact Pat Parsons at 608-868-3997 or email at ronpatpa@hotmail.com.

Euchre

Everyone who enjoys playing Euchre is invited to join us on Friday, October 8th, for an evening of fun and food. We meet at the church at 6:00 for a potluck dinner followed by eight rounds of cards. Meat will be provide, please bring a dish to pass.

For more information or to make your reservation, please contact Bette Dabson, 868-2735 or Caroline Britton, 868-7727.

Education News

Many thanks for all who made Rally Day a great beginning to our Sunday Education Hour 9:15-10:15. We had about 55 attendees. Emily Miller had activity centers well planned. Parents helped, and the Board of Education provided the ice cream and toppings. Thank you to Janet Parr for suppling the apple juice.

Strips of material may still be added to the Celebration Banner until September 26. Then the banner will be hung for all to see. Be sure your family has hung some strips. Materials are downstairs in Fellowship Hall.

Welcome to Karen Hall as a new member of the Board of Ed.

The board is brainstorming ideas for Senior High Youth, Please share ideas with the church office or Pastor Carol.

Raffle tickets for the Education Quilt will be available before and after services until October 31 at 8:00. Tickets are \$5.00 each or 5 for \$20.00. The drawing will at 9:15 am on October 31st. You do not need to be present to win.



GIFTS Thrift Store

GIFTS Thrift Store, 1141 Black Bridge Road, will host its grand opening from 10 am to 5 pm on Saturday, October 16. The celebration will feature special sales on merchandise plus the opportunity to meet the staff and volunteers. Shoppers will also learn more about what items are acceptable to donate and volunteer opportunities. Proceeds benefit GIFTS homeless men's shelter that provides meals, daily devotional services and education that allows program participants to rebuild their life skills, address addiction issues and prepare to re-enter the workforce.

Thrift Store seeks volunteers

Volunteers are needed to help bring in and sort donations . The resale shop is open Monday through Saturday. To learn more about volunteer opportunities, visit giftsshelter.org to fill our a volunteer application. Proceeds help financially support and grow the faith-based nonprofit organization's programs and services at its homeless men's shelter, 1025 N. Washington St. Janesville.

Agrace Hospice

Agrace Seeks Volunteers in Rock County

Agrace is seeking volunteers across Rock County to visit with hospice patients or support its Janesville thrift store. Volunteer orientation will take place at Agrace's Janesville office **October 26, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.** Pre-registration is required. Call (608) 327-7163 or visit agrace.org/volunteer to fill out an application.

Agrace Offers Two Virtual Support Groups in October

In October, grief support specialists from Agrace are offering two virtual (accessible with a tablet, computer or smartphone) grief support groups for adults:

- **Bridges (virtual)** meets online October 13 and 27, from 9:30 a.m. to 11 a.m.
- **COVID-19 Loss Group (virtual)** meets online October 6 and 20, from 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m.

Pre-registration is required for all groups. For details, fees or to register, visit Agrace.org/GriefGroups or call (608) 327-7118.

Stories of Faith in Action

"**Stories of Faith in Action**" connects us as church and illustrates how, through your generosity, God is at work across the ELCA. It highlights how a portion of your offering, called Mission Support, advances the ministry of our church, helping the ELCA nurture Christian community, raise up leaders, serve our neighbors and strive for justice. Most importantly, it's one way to thank you for your faithful generosity to your congregation, your synod and the churchwide organization — by showing your offering at work. You can also check out stories of faith in action at <https://www.livinglutheran.org/sofia/>.

Operation Christmas Child Collection List

Here is a list of items to donate for Operation Christmas Child. **Contact Milton 7th Day Baptist Church** to bring donations: churchoffice@miltonsdb.org or 608-868-2741, or bring them to Hope and we will get them to Milton SDB.

- **Winter Items:** hats, gloves/mittens, scarves, socks
- **Homemade Kits:** fishing or sewing kits, clotheslines
- **Non-Liquid Hygiene Items:** toothbrushes, dental floss, small tissues, mild bar soap, wash cloths, brushes/combs, fun Band-Aids, lip balms
- **Extra Accessories:** hair clips, bows or ties, girls' bling, watches, toy jewelry, stickers, lipstick, compact mirrors, children's underwear or shoes
- **Summer Items:** children's t-shirts, smaller flip flops, small slip-on sandals, smaller balls, uninflated soccer balls & pumps, jump ropes, summer toys, sunglasses, hats / ball caps
- **School Supplies:** pens/pencils, colored pencils, pencil sharpeners, crayons, markers, large notebooks, small notebooks (3"x4"), solar calculators, small coloring / picture / sticker books, erasers, dry paint sets, scissors, glue sticks, stamps/ink pads
- **WOW Items (fun special gifts):** small cars, small dolls, small stuffed animals, small toys (puppets, trucks, small etch-a-sketch), kazoos / harmonica, yo-yos / Slinky, small Lego kits, play doh, small games, toys that light up or make noise (with extra batteries), flashlights, musical instruments, playing cards, glow sticks

Do Not Donate: used or damaged items, candy; toothpaste; war-related items such as toy guns, knives, or military figures; chocolate or food; seeds; fruit rolls or other fruit snacks; drink mixes (powdered or liquid); liquids or lotions; medications or vitamins; breakable items such as snow globes or glass containers; aerosol cans.



MINI GOLF the GARDEN

October 9, 2021
1:00 - 5:00 p.m.
\$5/golfer

Edgerton Hospital's Healing Garden

Register & pre-pay: www.edgertonhospital.com

Bring the family and enjoy some fun in the Healing Garden!

- 9 mini golf holes
- Delicious food
- Fun activities for the kids
- Important health information

Skip the line and pre-pay for golf!

All proceeds will benefit the Edgerton Hospital Foundation. In case of inclement weather, the event may be cancelled. Being that this event is a fundraiser for the Foundation and payment is considered a donation, refunds will not be issued.

Edgerton HOSPITAL AND HEALTH SERVICES **Edgerton Hospital Foundation**

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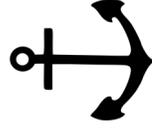


OCTOBER

Birthdays & Anniversaries

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| 1. Jim Woolstrum | 19. Ann McCulloch,
Adrianna Ellefson |
| 2. Christopher Waldhart,
Karleigh Chapin | 20. Joe Thompson, Pete Reed,
Arlene Miland, Megan Ellefson |
| 3. Todd Keeser, Denise Webb,
Carter Holtz | 21. Mary Maxwell, Denise Mezera,
David Cresswell, Bob Marshall |
| 4. Angela Wiswell | 22. Brian Benson, Luci Chwala |
| 6. David Webb, Erin Greschner,
Delmar Friedrichs | 23. Amanda Waldhart |
| 7. Jordy Getchel, Jeanette
Koele, Kelly Jo Fields | 24. Janet Arndt, Kaden
Symkowski |
| 8. Lori Warren | 25. Abbie Bilz, Logan Peterson |
| 10. Theresa Dahl, Tucker
Kapellen | 26. Renee Gille |
| 11. Caitlynn Suiter | 27. Nancy Schultz, Brayden
Shefka, Annette Baker |
| 12. Pat Parsons, Cody Letson | 29. Emery Fredrick, Mara Muth |
| 13. Jeremy Webb, Molly Hanson | 30. Lexie Schutz, Kody Symkowski |
| 14. Jodi Servin, Blake Sisson,
Emilia Fredrick | 31. Dave Warren, Bradd Olson,
Collin Riggs |
| 15. Lena Westlund, Ryan Lovell | |

Jerry & Theresa Dahl	October 1
Carl & Sandy McNutt	October 3
Jared & Lindsay Hergert	October 4
Bruce & Kay Kenyon	October 5
Roger & Dawn Jensen	October 9
Chris & Tonya DeRemer	October 10
Paul & Sandra McShane	October 11
David & Anne Cresswell	October 12
Seth & Jessica Suiter	October 18
Cliff & Karen Hall	October 19
David & Marie Benson	October 23
John & Barbara Mathews	October 27

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