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Tidings

The Monthly Newsletter of
House of Prayer Lutheran Church

July 2023



"OUR JOURNEY TOGETHER" CAMPAIGN

Summer, 2023

Please join with us in this one-month campaign! As we discussed at the Congregational Meeting, in order for House of Prayer to call a full-time Pastor, every member of the church needs to increase their yearly contribution by at least 20% (to bring us back to where we were at the beginning of 2021). We need this commitment for 2024 NOW as we are beginning the Call process this summer. If we are unable to show that we have the requisite funds, the alternatives will be a part-time or shared Pastor.

However, we are confident that members of HOP will rise to the occasion. We need your support now more than ever – please come to worship this summer and reconnect with your church family. Kindly detach and complete the slip below and return it to Sandy Swanson, Financial Secretary by

SUNDAY, JULY 30

You may either mail to House of Prayer, 916 Main Street, Hingham 02043, place it in the offering plate on any Sunday in July, or email your pledge confidentially to Sandy at

sandswan@comcast.net. Should you have any questions/concerns, do not hesitate to contact either Carla Hill or Kathleen Almand.

Weekly Virtual and In-person Worship

Sunday 9:30 a.m.

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Dates to Note

Church Council Meeting

July 20
7PM

Tidings Submission Due Date

July 25

Vacation Bible School

August 7 - 11 9AM - 12PM

Social Ministry Meeting

August 27

Name _____

I am increasing my pledge from \$_____ per week/monthly/year/other
(circle one please)

To \$_____ per week/monthly/year/other for calendar year 2024

I do not have a pledge currently in place, but would like to commit \$_____ to this important project

Signed _____

THANK YOU AND GOD BLESS YOU!

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HOUSE OF PRAYER MISSION STATEMENT

*To share and spread Christ's message of love.
To nurture a vigorous and
compassionate church family, open to all.
To provide meaningful worship and Christian education.
And to actively reach out to help and serve others.*

ELCA MISSION STATEMENT

*"Marked with the cross of Christ forever, we are claimed,
gathered and sent for the sake of the world"*

COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS

Christian Education	Kim Boyd
Evangelism	open
Facilities	open
Finance	Ed Martin
& Stewardship	
Parish Life	open
Shepherds	Sue Bose
Social Ministry	Cathy Martin
Worship & Music	Sandy Swanson



First of all, Sandy and I want to say a HUGE THANK YOU to everyone who helped to set up, price items, bake goodies, bring in clothing, books, and all the other items for the yard sale. Also a huge thanks to Sandy who got the Molisse truck for us to pack, and everyone who helped to run the yard sale as well as clean and pack up afterwards. Barb said if she hadn't been here on Saturday to see the yard sale, she never would have known an event took place!

Our yard sale made almost \$1100, the bake table almost \$100, and we will be collecting an additional \$375 from Savers.

We delivered 1,297 pounds of soft goods, 736 pounds of books, 722 pounds of household goods and had a number of "large items" repurposed through our FUNDrive with Savers. More items were delivered to Household Goods in Acton and Wellspring consignment shop in Hull. (thanks, Lenae!) What does this all mean? We did a great job! Very few items were thrown out so we not only helped our physical church home, but our home planet as well.

Honestly, we could not have done it without ALL of you. A heartfelt thanks for making our "job" as co-chairs of the yard sale pretty easy.

Kim Boyd and Sandy Swanson

Social Ministry

Wellspring Donation for July: Diapers and swimmers, and sunscreen. Thank you to Martha and Bob Linares for transporting our donations to Wellspring!

If you would like to join our committee or participate in any of the activities we do, don't hesitate to ask. Our next meeting is Sunday, August 27, 2023 after church. We will be meeting in the area right outside the sanctuary or at the back of the Sanctuary. Please join us. Our committee is open to anyone. Any questions, contact Cathy Martin at cathymartin19@verizon.net or 617-645-9636.

Synod Assembly

Phoebe Morad and Kathleen Almand attended the ELCA New England assembly meeting at the Worcester DCU Center June 9/10 representing House of Prayer. This opportunity is open to anyone in the congregation.

We were among 250 delegates from six New England states. The agenda was a combination of business/procedural items, reports from current issue task forces, and workshops. There were 15 exhibits showcasing different initiatives and programs.

Of interest:

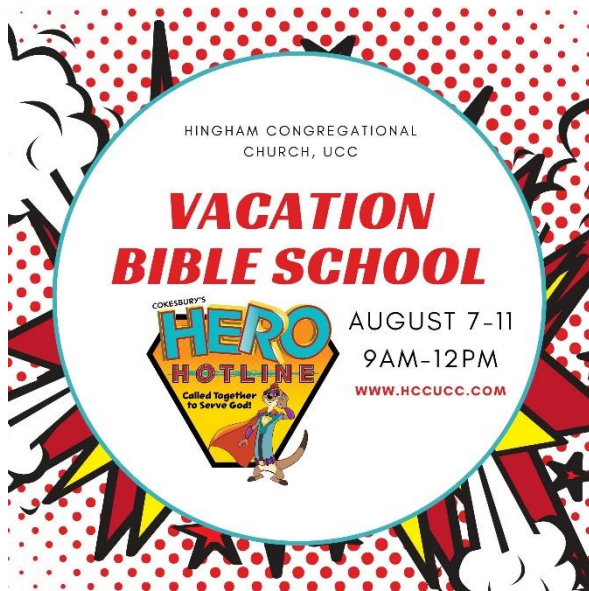
- The Synod has used a small portion of their investment reserves to meet last year's budget but remains in good financial shape.
- There was one resolution voted on and passed - [For Peace for a Weary World](#)
- The number of congregations continues to decline as does the population regularly worshipping. (In all traditional denominations). There have been a few closures and mergers in the Synod over the last year.
- There was an extensive report from the anti-racism task force established last year - the group is developing plans to help ensure that no one suffers from racism in their interaction with the Synod.
- There were reports from Ascentria and Calumet- Calumet is headed for a busy summer and is opening a new events building.
- There was a lot of emphasis in Bishop Hazelwood's presentation and the workshops on "Death and Resurrection" - the church recreating itself in today's reality of decline. Several examples of congregations who had successfully merged with other Lutheran churches, other denominations, or with not-for-profit organizations were given.
- Synod Green Team, AMMPARO welcoming congregations, WELCA, ELCA World Hunger, and LWR were among the exhibitors.
- As Bishop Hazelwood has announced his retirement, next year's Assembly will include a vote for the new Bishop. In the meantime, we are all encouraged to participate in a [Landscape Survey](#) to prepare for the election of the new Bishop

There were many short and inspiring stories of the work of our Synod in our communities. We encourage you to participate next year!

Christian Education Committee *Kim Boyd, Chair*



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL will be held at Hingham Congregational Church, 378 Main St, Hingham August 7-11, 9 am – 12 noon for those ages 4 to rising 5th graders. Sign children up to participate in VBS and sign up to VOLUNTEER for VBS through the link <https://hccucc.com/VBS-2023/>. The theme is “Hero Hotline”. All activities will be held outside, weather permitting. We hope some of our congregants will be able to help out and many of our children will be able to attend!



ENJOY YOUR SUMMER VACATION, stay safe, use sunscreen, and we'll see you back in the fall! Say thanks to your Sunday School and youth group teachers Cheryl Vassilopoulos, June Fontaine, Martha Willson, Kim Boyd, Phoebe Morad, Vicki Oman. We couldn't do any of this without you! Always looking for new faces to help us out in our Sunday School classrooms and welcome any ideas you may have to make our program more relevant and interesting to our young church family. See Kim Boyd with any of those thoughts or suggestions.

MUSIC NOTES FROM LENAЕ

We'll be switching to our "River of Life" setting of the liturgy soon for the summer. If you aren't as familiar with this setting, the booklets will be in the pews if you want to have the actual music and not just the words in the bulletin. If we have visitors, please show them these booklets so they can feel comfortable and participate more in the service. Thank you! Also, remember the hymnals are always in the pews, so you can always look the hymns up in the hymnal if you like to sing from the music!

Worship/Music Committee

We are meeting monthly with Pastor Beatrice with some nice ideas presenting to us! And we are inviting you to assist us! We would like to 'dress up' the front of our church. Suggested ideas are planters, flags, welcome signs etc. If you are someone with some good planter/plant ideas, flag ideas, signage ideas, we'd invite you to let one of us know, as we'd really appreciate some assistance, someone who might have a good flare for any of these areas. Solar lights lining the driveway is an idea for our nighttime meetings. Our big sign by the road needs an update also. We would appreciate some ideas regarding that.

Art and Faith (previously Art and Sacred Story) materials are still available, and we would like to see if there is an interest in continuing having some time to do this. Please see the signup sheet in the hallway if you'd like to participate.


We will be looking into some 'cleanup' areas - the Sunday school room, the cupboards in the hallway. The nursery was last done last year but wouldn't hurt to look at it again. Please let this committee know if you'd like to participate with us.

Bread making - we thank all of you that have already donated, and to those that have signed up for this. Just a reminder, you may use ANY recipe, not just the one previously used. Feel free to bake your own favorite recipe or pick up a loaf at the store. Please provide the bread by 9:00am on Sunday. If you are baking the bread using the recipe provided, you may freeze the bread, single loaf per Ziploc bag, and please put the date on it that you baked the bread. It will keep up to six weeks in the freezer.

We'd enjoy having you on our committee - please prayerfully consider joining us. Thanks so much!

Lenae Badger, Sue Bose, Kathy Sutkowski, Sandy Swanson

	Happy Birthday		Happy Anniversary
July 12	Jen McCready	July 10	Steve & Victoria Warneck
July 15	Marcia Mitchell		
July 19	Gerda Hall		
July 21	Christopher Sullivan		
July 22	Ron Lundin		
	Emma Neat		
July 25	Marina Johnson		
	Marilyn Pearson		
July 27	Kim Boyd		
July 28	Bill Hayes		
	George Watt		

	Happy Birthday		
August 01	Sean Sullivan	August 22	Mitchell Neat
August 03	Jacqui Lyons		Victoria Warneck
August 04	Jared Hudson-Bryant	August 24	Millie Hill
	Timothy Warneck	August 25	Mark Buntrock
August 08	Nancy Toughill		Laura Maass
		August 28	Taylor Lyons
		August 30	Erin Boyd

If you would like to have your birthday or anniversary added to the calendar, contact Barb in the office.

Prayer list

"I pray also that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened in order that you may know the hope to which he has called you, the riches of his glorious inheritance in the saints." Ephesians 1:18

Antle, Michelle (friend of Lenae)	Lundin, Kurt
Armstrong, Sophie (Bergman's granddaughter)	Maas family (Lenae's relatives)
Babb family (Lenae's friends)	Maas, Laura (Lenae's stepdaughter)
Badger, Tim	MacKennon, Linnie (friend of Lundins)
Breune, Janna (friend of Lenae)	McCullough, Lynne (relative of Emily Badger-McCullough)
Bryson, Caitlin (friend of Chris Hayes)	McGee, Randy (Lenae's friend)
Carlson, Joanne (Linda Lundin's sister)	McGivney, Marlene
Clifford, Kathy (friend of Kim Boyd)	McGivney, Paul (Dana's brother)
Dallamora, Joe (Jen M's father)	Meslo, Lisa (Hayes' sister-in-law)
Dauber, Lynda (friend of Parsekians)	Michaels, Marcia (friend of Victoria Warneck)
Davis, Elise (neighbor of the Hayes)	Mitchell, Marcia
Derderian, Craig (nephew of Parsekian's)	Murray, Maggie (friend of Mary Jane)
Derderian, Glenn and Sue (nephew of Parsekian's nephew and his wife)	Murray, Peg (friend of Millie Hill)
Derderian, Gloria (sister-in-law of Parsekian's)	Myers, Chuck (friend of Lundins)
Ericson, Mabel	Neat, Kathy
Ericson, Pochinart (daughter-in-law of Mabel)	Niendorf, Kris
Errichiello, David (Carla's brother)	Nucifore, Linda Nilsson (sister of Karen Nilsson)
Eubanks, Chuck and Pam (Lenae's brother-in-law and his sister)	Nucifore, Alan (brother-in-law of Karen Nilsson)
Fields, Leisel (friend of Jen McCready)	O'Donnell, Kathleen (friend of Rita LaPlante)
Gall, Ally (Lenae's student)	*Olsson, Todd (Doris' grandson)
Gall Family (friends of Lenae)	Oman, Linda
Galotti, Debbie (friend of Rita LaPlante)	Paresky, David (friend of Parsekians)
Gensheimer, Katy (friend of Lenae)	Parsekian, Pattty (MaryJane's daughter-in-law)
Gentile family (Lenae's friends)	Phillips, Ed (friend of Lundins)
Gifford, Bill (friend of Chris Hayes)	Pryor, Mark (friend of Leah McGaughey)
Gitungano, Alex (friend of HoP)	Rawlins, Betty (friend of Myrtle Hickman)
Glynn, Mary (friend of Sue Bose)	Rawlins, Patty (friend of Myrtle Hickman)
Goldenberg family (Lenae's friends)	Reel family (Lenae's friends)
Graham, Ellis (granddaughter of Rob Lacy)	Renzuli, Barbara (friend of Joan Philipon)
Grankewicz family (Lenae's friends)	Richardson, David (Victoria's uncle)
Hall, Rae & Gerda	Rodrigues, Mary Ellen (friend of Lenae)
Hansen, Mark (friend of Jacqui Lyons)	Rush, Jean (friend of Ursula Hackemer)
Hayes family and friends	Rydin, Jan
Hickman, Myrtle	Santacroce, Linda (friend of Sue Bose)
Higginbottom, Sophia (friend of Rita LaPlante)	Scott-Rawlins, Cherese (friend of Myrtle Hickman)
Hilston, Paula (Pastor Hilston's wife)	Severson, Karen (friend of Ann Moegle)
Hutchinson, Rick (friend of Lundins)	Silva, Jeffrey (grandson of Dorothy Flett)
Ikoribitangaza, Leo (friend of HoP)	Smith, Don (friend of Lancasters)
Isles, Andrea (sister of Katie Linscott)	Stewart family (friends of Lenae)
Jensen, Dee (friend of Lenae's)	Temperly, Joanne
Just, Christian (brother of Ginny & Naomi)	Thielman, Isaiah and family (friends of Dorothy Flett)
Just, Ginny (former member)	Toomey, Skip (brother-in-law of Hayes)
Just, Naomi	Walsh, Dennis (friend of Chris Hayes)
Kalla, Judy (friend of Bill & Chris Hayes)	Watt, George & Lynda
Lacy, Rob	Weaver, Ryley (friend of Bill & Chris Hayes)
LaRocca, Debi & family (friends of Warnecks)	Wisner, Jo Beth (Lenae's mother)
Leary, Erin (Millie's granddaughter)	
Leary, Kris (daughter of Millie Hill)	*serving in the military

