

Hope Happenings

June 2026

Our service offers a blend of traditional and contemporary worship style and music.

9:30 AM - Worship Service



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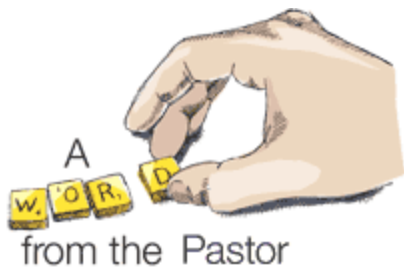
HOPE LUTHERAN CHURCH

Hope Children's Center Preschool

An ELCA Congregation

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And let us consider how to provoke one another to love and good deeds, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the (judgement) Day approaching. (Hebrews 10:24-25)

June begins vacations for a lot of people. Visits with friends, family, reunions, and a break from our daily status quo to seek re-creation fill the long days of light. All of this is good, and God commends us for such activity.

There is a reminder for our journeys. Regardless of where we go and however long we are absent from our Christian family at Hope Lutheran Church, we are to continue urging each other “to love and good deeds and not neglecting to meet together” (worship and Christian fellowship).

Some years ago, Karen and I went on a cruise to Alaska. We boarded on Sunday and to our delight worship services were scheduled just after launch. I mused to Karen, “Boy, this is great. I get to sit back and let somebody else do the presiding. I get a break.” No sooner had I said this than a steward announced that no clergy was available. All 35-40 of us from across the USA, Australia, and elsewhere groaned. Karen laughed and asked, “So what are you going to do?” I got up and introduced myself and five minutes later began a service complete with a ‘hip pocket’ sermon. Ever since that first of several ocean and river cruises, I conduct services when none are available. Every time I meet fantastic faithful Christians who do not want “to neglect meeting together” in Christ’s name for worship and fellowship.

May I suggest the same to you all. Please don’t neglect our Lord and Savior, Jesus. Worship wherever you go. And let us not forget Hope Lutheran Church in its mission in our community that continues when we are absent. Please send your offerings to God keeping that mission at Hope alive.

And if you are staying home for the season, we’ll see you in worship and mission. The people of God stand united in praise and service.

PS. Hope School needs names for the coming school year. Share the flyers with folks, friends, and strangers. Post them legally in public places. Listen for parental needs and share where the children can get both a good education and a witness to Christ with his love.

Blessing Brothers and Sisters in Christ.

Scottie Lloyd

Parishioner and Pastor

Happy Father's Day

Sunday, June 21st, 2026

Greetings fellow Hope members, I hope we all are enjoying the beautiful weather that comes with living in southern California.

There is much going on at Hope this month and all that's required is You! At this time in the church year we are reminded that Jesus sent the disciples with the gift of the Holy Spirit to guide them. That same Holy Spirit is with us as well and we are also meant to go and make disciples in any way possible. What does this look like? Well, every encounter we have with someone, every action we take, is a reflection of the Spirit working in our lives. The way we live our lives, treat other people, every action we take speaks of our faith in Jesus Christ. Ours is not a passive faith, it demands certain things of us. One of those things is to make known our belief in the promise we have in Him.

"Oh sure" you may say, "How are we supposed to do that! We're not qualified!" But we are! Just

as Jesus sent the disciples out, so he sends us out with the Holy Spirit as our Advocate to help and guide us. Being sent out can take many forms, from participating in the prayer vigil this Sunday immediately following the service, helping to sew pillowcases, donating supplies to the Hope Children's Center, helping Holly tend our landscaping. Opportunities abound!

Your sibling in Christ,
Bruce Hodkinson
Council President



PRIME TIMERS

(Hope's Senior 50+ Ministry)

THURSDAY,

JUNE 11TH, 2026

11:30 AM – 1 PM

In Fellowship Hall



Our next meeting and luncheon will take place on Thursday, June 11th from 11:30AM to 1 PM in Fellowship Hall. The meal will feature Hamburgers, Potato Salad and Dessert. The cost for the meal will be \$13.00. Our guest speaker will be long time member Marta Bills, who will share her travel experiences from the past year. Since her husband Terry retired, they have visited Southern Italy, Sicily, Sardinia, Crete, Montenegro and New Zealand. Marta is an avid hiker, so she will certainly share the highlights and challenges of tackling foreign trails. Please sign up on an easel located in the Church narthex so we have a head count for food. If you just want to come for the program, you may come at 12:30 PM.

Congratulations Pastor Perla Flores



On your ordination. We pray that you are blessed as you continue your work for God!



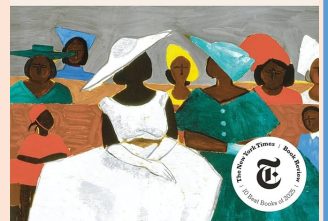
Come join us on
Tuesdays
from
6:30pm-8pm



Our June book club selection is: ***“Mother Emanuel: Two Centuries of Race, Resistance and Forgiveness in One Charleston Church”*** by Kevin Sack. The book will be read over 2 months. The first discussion will be on Monday, **June 15th at 4:45pm-6pm** at the home of Erica Kreske. If you're interested in participating, please get in touch with Marta at tbills4@verizon.net.

"A masterpiece... expansive, inspiring, and hugely important."
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KEVIN SACK



HOPE'S MENS GROUP: Our next meeting will be on **Saturday, June 6th, 2026** at **8:00 AM** in the Fellowship Hall and on Zoom. We will continue the study of "The Freedom of a Christian" available for download on the interweb at ELCA500.org. Martin Luther wrote the treatise "The Freedom of a Christian" in 1520 as a letter to Pope Leo X, that the study is based on. The actual treatise is available in the Study Guide itself as well. We will go on to Section 11 "The Freedom of a Christian" on pages 39 & 40 of the study guide. Please prepare for the information in Section 11.

If you have any question regarding Hope's Mens Group, please contact Philip Hansen at: philip717@verizon.net

Upcoming Memorials

Gary Anderson—Saturday, June 13th at 10:30 AM

Pam Danek—Saturday, June 27th at 11 AM



JOY CIRCLE

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 17TH, 1:00 PM

Our next meeting will be held on Wednesday, June 17th, 2026 at 1:00 PM at the home of Patsy LeGro. The Bible study leader will be Sally Glahn.



MARTHA CIRCLE

THURSDAY, JUNE 18TH, 10:00 AM

The meeting will be held on Thursday, June 18th, 2026 at 10:00 AM—Noon at the home of Ella Loschky. The Bible study leader will be Karen Lloyd.

Project Pillowcase



Our next project date is set for **Saturday, September 5th, 9AM-1PM**. It will be **Project Pillowcase XI: It's Raining Cats and Dogs!** All who wish to help, whether or not you sew, are welcome! We need folks to pin, sew, turn, iron and parade the finished cases. Please mark your calendars now and plan to join us as we sew up some very fun donated fabrics featuring furry friends! Materials and instructions will be provided. Contact Barbara Meinke (951) 312-0458 (talk or text) or email at tb.meinke5@verizon.net.

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**SERVING
OUR
COMMUNITY
SINCE
1996!**

Thank You to our Servants in Service

"For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ." - 1 Corinthians 12:12

It takes ALL of us to be Christ's body here at Hope. While it is impossible to thank everyone individually for all their acts of discipleship, each month we try to highlight a few folks who have been "especially supportive."

- ◆ Thanks to the following for volunteering as Communion Assistant for Worship in the month of May: Kathleen Kovich, Carrol Kent, Karen Hansen.
- ◆ Thanks to the following for volunteering as Reader for Worship in the month of May: Barbara Meinke, Lin Hodkinson, Ken Wertz, Bruce Hodkinson and Sandy Sanders.
- ◆ Thanks to Lou Long, Heather Haworth and Brian Glahn for volunteering as Music Leader in the month of May.

*If you know of someone quietly serving Hope...
Please let the church office know so they can be recognized here.*

Hope Hysterical History

Nineteen ninety-two was a very good year. A few like-minded people came up with a very good fellowship opportunity for seniors. It is called Prime Timers. The luncheon is once a month. There are strict rules: sign up on the poster so that enough places are set, AND there will be enough food! In addition, there is an age requirement . . . often waived Just sign up; no questions asked.

Sally Glahn, Tony Chavez, Donna Hedges, and Jan West are in charge of poster (on which to sign your name), decorations, program, and food. Attendees are in charge of signing up. (Was that already mentioned?) Attendees also will bring cash to pay for the meal and entertainment. The current \$13 fee is subject to change due to tariffs.

Thursday, June 11, is the last Prime Timers lunch before a summer break. We certainly hope you will attend.

P.S. Be sure to sign up on the poster.



Hope Women's Ministry invites you to dedicate an engraved brick to honor your friends & family, to remember loved ones and pets, or to glorify God. Celebrate occasions such as birthdays, wedding or baptismal anniversaries, confirmation, graduation or other special events.

The cost of the brick is \$50, and order forms can be picked up in the church narthex. This is a wonderful way to leave a lasting mark for the future of Hope and the larger Temecula community as a whole. Payment needs to be made out to "Hope Women's Ministry" with a memo stating "Prayer Garden Brick." Blessings upon you all.





June Birthdays

01 - Mona Dirkes
02 - Israel Martinez
 Marissa Bills
06 - Lana Riesenber
14 - Taylor Baggest
15 - Kevin Pregovisk
16 - Pete Loschky
17 - Cat Velasco-Dong
 Amanda Jones
 Angelina Jones
19 - Bill Frommling

20 - Richard Moffet
21 - Andrew Roberts III
 Linda McLagan
23 - Mary Peterson
 Katie Prystash
26 - Stacy Goetting
 Avery Lopez
28 - Cailyn-Heidi Orrell
29 - Sharon Curtis-Hursh
 Robin Wesley
30 - Tim Miller



June Baptism Birthday

01 - Gary Check
 Donna Wulff-Davis
 Dave Edwards
 Terry Bills
04 - Anthony Gallup
09 - Ruth Landosky
13 - Celia Lamke
16 - Owen Doty
19 - Mary Ann Mericle

20 - Suzanne Holm
21 - Andrew Roberts III



At Hope Lutheran, we also like to celebrate baptismal anniversaries. If your baptismal anniversary is not listed, please call the church office to add!



03 - Roger & Rosalie Hayward (65)
07 - Gary & Geri Westad (59)
14 - Larry & Amy Gabrielson (40)
15 - John & Cindy Hanson (30)
17 - Richard & Bernice Moffet (59)
 Bryan & Mona Dirkes (26)
22 - Tracy & Barbara Meinke (41)
27 - Mack & Maria Jones (34)
28 - Will Brown & Anna Koelln (23)



June 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 Counters 9am-10am	2 Choir Practice 6:30pm-8:00pm	3 Adult Bible Study 10:00am-11:00am HCC Graduation 10:00am-12:30pm Bradley Practice 5:30pm-9:30pm	4 HCC Drive-In 10am-2pm AA Meeting 7:00pm-8:00pm	5 HCC Drive-In 10am-2pm Love Church 7:00pm-10:00pm	6 Hope's Mens Group 8:00am-9:00am
7 Worship 9:30am-10:30am Love Church Worship 1:00pm-6:00pm	8 Counters 9am-10am	9 Choir Practice 6:30pm-8:00pm	10 Adult Bible Study 10:00am-11:00am Bradley Practice 5:30pm-9:30pm	11 Prime Timers 11:30am-1:00pm Bunco 5:00pm-7:00pm AA Meeting 7:00pm-8:00pm	12 Love Church 7:00pm-10:00pm	13 Gary Anderson Memorial 10:30am-12:30pm
14 Worship 9:30am-10:30am Love Church Worship 1:00pm-6:00pm	15 Counters 9am-10am Hope Book Club 4:45pm-6:00pm	16 Choir Practice 6:30pm-8:00pm	17 Adult Bible Study 10:00am-11:00am Joy Circle 1:00pm-2:00pm	18 Martha Circle 10:00am-12:00pm AA Meeting 7:00pm-8:00pm	19 Love Church 7:00pm-10:00pm	20 Love Church 8:00am-12:00pm
21 Worship 9:30am-10:30am Love Church Worship 1:00pm-6:00pm	22 Counters 9am-10am	23 Choir Practice 6:30pm-8:00pm	24 Adult Bible Study 10:00am-11:00am	25 AA Meeting 7:00pm-8:00pm	26 Love Church 7:00pm-10:00pm	27 Pam Danek Memorial 11:00am-1:00pm
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Have a question? Idea to share? Concern?

The Church Council would like to hear from you. Contact the Church Office to get their contact info.

Thank you to all supporting

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with your time, talents and financial support!

1. To give a ONE-TIME or RECURRING gift online: go to www.hopetemecula.org and choose "GIVE" in the menu bar OR scroll down and click "ONLINE GIVING." The button will take you to a secure page with easy, step by step instructions. Update your giving preferences any time.
2. TEXT "hopetemecula" to 73256 and follow the prompts for a one-time gift.
3. Mail a check to Hope Lutheran Church, 29043 Vallejo Ave., Temecula, CA 92592

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Our Mission: Anchored in Christ...to Build and Grow Faith

Our Purpose: To share Jesus' love by reaching out and welcoming all

Our Vision: We will: *TRUST GOD* in the midst of what makes us anxious
CHOOSE FAITH instead of fear and
SERVE MISSION instead of our own comfort

