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Hope Family Bulletin



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VISION STATEMENT

Through a foundation of faith in Jesus Christ, Hope Lutheran School will be a place that nurtures strong relationships within a community and demonstrates a love for learning with high academic expectations.

Upcoming Events

- ✓ Nov. 17 ~ End of the first trimester
- ✓ **Nov. 19** ~ Pastor Pay's installation, 4:00
- ✓ Nov. 20-24 ~ Thanksgiving Break
- ✓ Dec. 1 ~ Parentteacher conferences, no school - extended care closed
- ✓ Dec. 8 ~ Childcare fundraiser
- ✓ **Dec. 14** ~ Christmas program, 7:00
- ✓ Dec. 18- Jan. 1 ~ Christmas break



PASTOR PAY COMING TO HOPE LUTHERAN

CHURCH ~ We are looking forward to the arrival of our new pastor and his family who will arrive in mid-November. Pastor Pay's



installation service will be Sunday, November 19th, at 4:00. All school families are invited to attend. *Students in grades K- 6 will be singing at the installation*. <u>Let's welcome Pastor Pay with lots of children here to sing!</u> Children may sit with their families until they are called forward to sing.

You are invited to stay for the meal that will be served after the installation service.

PARENTS' NIGHT OUT (CHILDCARE) FUNDRAISER ~ Our Booster Club is sponsoring a 3-hour childcare fundraiser on December 8th. Enjoy a date night or do some Christmas shopping while your children enjoy pizza, games and a movie. The cost is \$15 for one child (age 5 and older) and \$5 for each additional sibling. See the attached flyer for details.

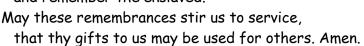
PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCES ~ are scheduled for Friday, December 1st. Your involvement in your child's education is vitally important to the success we seek for our students. Teachers will be sending information by email so that you can schedule your conference time.

SCHOOL PICTURES ~ Orders were sent home this week. If you did not place an order for pictures, it is still possible to purchase them online at <u>interstate.com/order</u>. Use the order code, 19026KA. If you purchased pictures, but now want more, visit the website for a variety of portrait options.

We have not scheduled a date for retakes. If there are requests for retakes, a date will be arranged. Please notify the office if that is something in which you would be interested. Your original portrait order must be returned to school.

A Thanksgiving Prayer

O, Heavenly Father:
We thank thee for food
and remember the hungry.
We thank thee for health
and remember the sick.
We thank thee for friends
and remember the friendless.
We thank thee for freedom
and remember the enslaved.



~ Abigail van Buren "Dear Abby"



WEDNESDAY MORNING CHAPEL ~ Please join us for Wednesday Morning Praise at 7:50 followed by chapel at 8:10. In an effort to help our children understand that a personal offering is our response to God's blessings in our life, we use their weekly chapel offerings to help mission and other charitable organizations meet their goals. An offering collection jar will be located by the chapel doors during Chapel on Wednesday and next to the lockers in the main hallway on all other days.

Offerings collected before our Christmas break will go to the Snake River Animal Shelter. (See *Coins for Critters* below.)

COINS FOR CRITTERS ~ The Snake River Animal Shelter is asking for donations of your spare change to help homeless critters in need this holiday season. Donations will help pay for immunizations, wellness exams and food at the shelter. A coin collection jar is located on the table near the school doors. The collection runs through our last day of school prior to Christmas break.

In addition - we are collecting clean, gently used towels to donate to the shelter. A collection box will be located in the school hallway near the red doors and in chapel on Wednesday mornings.

IDAHO EDUCATION TAX CREDIT ~ Take advantage of the Idaho Education Tax Credit! Donations to Hope Lutheran School qualify for a tax credit of 50% of your donation. This is a reduction in the actual tax you owe! If you itemize your taxes, a donation to Hope Lutheran allows income tax deductions on both your state and federal returns, and qualifies for the Idaho education credit. In addition, Hope will be offering a "matching funds" incentive, meaning you can lower even further, or eliminate all together, the out-of-pocket cost of your donation. Matching funds availability is limited, so be sure to inquire for more information and take advantage of this opportunity today.

HOLIDAY SHOPPING ~ If you are giving gift cards this Christmas, please consider ordering them from Hope Lutheran's Scrip program – same gift cards, same price, but by using Scrip, a percentage of the gift card purchase will benefit our school. We have a variety of cards available in the office. For a wider selection, see the order form on the table outside the office, or shop online by going to www.shopwithscrip.com. Our enrollment number is: BF329B4D18433. Questions? Stop by the office – we'd be happy to help.

EASY WAYS TO RAISE MONEY FOR OUR SCHOOL ~ Hope benefits by your participation in the following programs:

- **★ Box Top\$ for Education –** Found on most General Mills products.
- ★ Smith's Food and Drug— Link your Smith's Rewards Card at smithscomminityrewards.com. If you do not have a Smith's card, they are available at Smith's customer service desk.
- ★ Fred Meyer Link your Fred Meyer Rewards Card to Hope Lutheran School at www.fredmeyer.com/communityrewards. You can search for us by name, or by our non-profit number 81850
- ★ Scrip ~ Purchase Scrip gift cards and a percentage of your purchase supports our school. Scrip orders are placed on the first and third Monday of each month. Orders need to be received in the office (or ordered online) by 11:00 Monday mornings. Scrip cards are usually received in a week.

Worship Opportunities:

You are invited to attend Hope Lutheran Church Bible Class/Sunday School at 8:45 a.m. Worship at 10:00 a.m.

