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## Custom Designed *A Life Worthy of the Call*

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***YOU are custom designed and custom called for a custom designed life!*** God does not only call pastors and professional church staff. Rather, God calls everyone. More importantly, God is **CALLING YOU**. God's unique vision for you will shape all aspects of life—from work, church, and community to family and friends.

***Perhaps you are in transition?*** College-age, newly married, 40+ and restless, retirement is upon you, a life-changing event, or the economic crisis is a concern to you.

***Give your self a gift!*** Energetic and fun, this **seminar will provide** valuable scriptural insight, practical wisdom, and more importantly time for understanding your unique individuality, recognizing God's guiding hand, and even grappling with two of life's more practical yet significant questions: ***Who am I? & What am I to do?***

The presenters are Pastor Wendy Berthelsen and Steve Harr. Pastor Wendy A.W. Berthelsen is pastor of ministry in daily life. Previously she was a biomedical engineer, receiving three US Patents. Steve Harr is a business attorney and founding partner of Munsch Hardt Kopf & Harr, P.C. The presenters have nearly thirty years of combined experience teaching about God's unique call.

Together with their spouses, they are co-founders of ***Call Inc.*** ([www.callinc.org](http://www.callinc.org)), a non-profit Christian teaching mission dedicated to helping individuals discover God's unique call by providing seminars and resources to assist in custom designing a life, family, church, or organization around God's call. **Cost: \$25 (\$10 if you already own a reflection guide)**

**RSVP** by calling Pastor Wendy (972-291-7902) or Kathy Harr (972-780-9253). You may also pre-register by mailing the registration fee with your name, phone number and email to: ***Call inc.***, 5321 Joe Wilson Road, Midlothian, TX 76065

Our Mission Statement: To discover and respond to our call

**TO KNOW JESUS TO FOLLOW JESUS TO SERVE JESUS**  
in unique ministries.

# FREE Taste of Hope BBQ & Vacation Bible School

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June 14 - 18, 2009  
Sunday - Thursday

**Sunday, June 14:**

5:00 pm—BBQ, games,  
& music on front lawn

Adults and children welcome!

6:20 - 8:30 pm—VBS

**Monday - Thursday:**

6:00 pm—Light meal for  
children

6:20 - 8:30 pm—VBS

All FREE!

**Our VBS Theme is “Studio Go:  
Go Win with Jesus”**

For children pre-school  
through 5th grade! Bring a  
friend - win a prize!



**Adults: “The Wise Economy of your Life”**

6:30 - 8:30, Sunday - Thursday

How is the economy of your life? Trapped, frustrated, restless—do these characterize you? Freedom and versatility—sounds appealing but too good to be true? Come and learn scriptural principles and practical ideas for a wise economy of life.

Cost: \$10 (for booklet, materials, & snacks) or \$5 if you have a Wise Economy booklet.

**For more information:**

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# Looking

## Changes at Hope

The semi-annual meeting had no surprises. All the nominated candidates were elected: Bryan Pender and Carrie Hamilton were elected to fill Hazel Linder's and Ron Trygstad's positions after serving two terms. Barbara York was officially elected after serving by appointment to fill a Council vacancy. Thank you Hazel and Ron. Gene Janke was re-elected after agreeing to serve a second term. Candy Moltz was elected for the President-elect position.

The Nominating Committee positions were filled by Steve Harr, Carol Newman, Margaret Bengtson, and Janice Wessa. Candy Moltz and Pastor Joel will serve according to the Constitution's provision.

The Audit Committee gave high praise to Bob Kuhn (our financial secretary) and Kathy Still (our treasurer). All was accurate and we thanked Kathy for her superb and accurate work.

Pastor Wendy's new job description and title, Pastor of Ministry in Daily Life was approved. (See the April and May Heralds) Her present job description ends on June 30th. At the meeting, a debt of gratitude was expressed to Wendy for her work. Her administrative abilities and leadership gifts have been fruitful here at Hope. Matt Cleaver will assume some of her responsibilities. Wendy will continue to preach quarterly, teach the scriptures, do Call seminars, and be an advisor as needed. She will continue a Word and Sacrament presence at Hope by administering communion at the Wednesday night service, as well as serve on Sundays when she is preaching.

Thank you Pastor Wendy for all you have done at Hope over these last few years! Because of you, many individual members at Hope are much better equipped to fulfill their calling both at Hope and in the family, community, and world. In addition, Hope Lutheran better understands the significance of our call-driven approach to ministry—custom designing around the calls of people (God's church). God bless you as you extend this important ministry beyond the walls of Hope Lutheran Church through *Call Inc.*

In Christ,  
Pastor Joel

# Ahead

Give Your Kids  
The Best Gift They Can Get ...  
Parents With A Great Marriage!

Your whole family deserves the love Mom and Dad discovered on a Lutheran Marriage Encounter Weekend! Marriage Encounter is a 44 hour event in which Husbands & Wives can get away from jobs, kids, chores and phones – and focus only on each other. If you'd like greater depth, growth, enrichment and a little extra romance in your relationship, you'll like the difference a Marriage Encounter Weekend can make!

Go on a Weekend and all your kids will get is a whole lot of extra Love!

The next Lutheran Marriage Encounter  
Weekend is:

**June 26-28, 2009**

7 p.m. Friday till 5 p.m. Sunday  
(Applications after 30 days before the Weekend are accepted as space is available)

<http://www.LME-dfw.org>

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To apply contact: [Chris](mailto:Chris@lme-dfw.org) & Roger Williams (972-530-1218), [Application@lme-dfw.org](mailto:Application@lme-dfw.org).



## Air Mattresses Needed

The youth group are looking for air mattresses for our youth mission trip to Arkansas at the end of this month. We will be sleeping on the floor of Peace Lutheran Church in Rogers, AR and would like to be able to provide everyone with an air mattress. If you have any (that still hold air!), please notify Matt Cleaver as soon as possible.



## Attention Youth Auction Winners

If you placed the winning bid for one of our youth at this spring's youth auction, congratulations! Some of you have already had the youth come over to your house to do their work. If you still have not yet received services from your youth, let's try and get it done as soon as possible. Please keep in mind the following:

- If you forgot who you bid on, please contact Matt Cleaver for a list.
- Please try and contact your youth directly to set up a time for them to work for you. Almost everyone's home phone is in our church directory. This will keep one person from trying to coordinate all the groups.
- If you are having trouble contacting or scheduling your youth, notify Matt Cleaver and he will try and get them to contact you.
- After services are rendered, please give a check directly to Matt Cleaver made out to "Hope Lutheran Church" so he can keep records of service. If you forgot how much you owe, Matt can tell you.

Thank you for supporting our youth!

## Help Feed the Children of Cedar Hill

Cedar Hill School District has received a grant to provide hot breakfasts and lunches to local children throughout the summer. In order to make this happen, they need volunteers to staff the lunch rooms. Hope Lutheran Church has committed to volunteering every Tuesday at lunch at High Pointe Elementary. We will leave the church promptly at 11 AM and return at 1 PM.



**Thank you to everyone who donated items or time for our youth garage sale. We made almost \$800!**

## Briarwood Summer Camping

Information on Bible camping at Briarwood this summer for all ages can be found on the table in the Narthex (lobby) or on their website.



# June 2009

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
31 Youth-led Worship Missions Sunday School Mission Trip Meeting	1	2	3	4	5	6
		Matt in Minnesota for seminary class				
			Spirituality Seminar			
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
Missions Sunday School		Summer Feeding Program				Work Day at Johnson's
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
Missions Sunday School Youth Praise Team Practice		Summer Feeding Program				
		Vacation Bible School				
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
		Mission Trip to Arkansas				
No Youth Sunday School		Summer Feeding Program				
28	29	30	1	2	3	4
Sunday School: Mission Trip Sharing Youth Praise Team Practice		Summer Feeding Program	Devo Night			

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- May 31 ~ Sunday, 8 & 10:30 AM—Youth-led worship.
- May 31-June 14 ~ Sundays, 9:15 AM—Missions Sunday School. We will have Sunday school on the theme of missions. Mandatory for Mission Trip participants.
- May 31 ~ Sunday, noon—Mission Trip Meeting. A brief mandatory meeting for all mission trip participants & parents. We will go over details and give your final balance.
- June 3 ~ Wednesday, 6-8 PM—Spirituality Seminar. Meet at the church.
  - ◊ 6 PM—Pizza & Games
  - ◊ 7-8 PM—Video & Discussion
- 9-30 ~ Tuesdays, 11 AM-1PM—Summer Feeding Program. Every Tuesday we will volunteer at High Pointe Elementary as part of CHISD's summer feeding program. We will leave the church promptly at 11 AM and return at 1 PM. Anyone age 18 or older must have a background check badge with CHISD. See Matt for details.
- 13 ~ Saturday, 10 AM-5PM—Work Day at the Johnson's. The Johnsons bought the whole youth group for a day's worth of work. Get to their house at 10 AM (pack some snacks if you will get hungry). We'll eat hot dogs around 2 PM, do a little swimming, and finish up any projects. Contact Matt or Zach if you need a ride or directions.
- 14 ~ Sunday, 12-2 PM—Youth Praise Team Practice. Lunch Served.
- 14-18 ~ Sunday-Thursday—VBS. Youth are encouraged to serve during VBS. See Matt for details and flyers for times.
- 21-27 ~ Sunday-Saturday—Mission Trip. We will meet at the church Sunday at 8:30 AM and return Saturday at 2:00 PM.
- 28 ~ Sunday, 9:15 AM—Mission Trip Sharing. The mission trip participants will share from their mission trip experiences during the Sunday school hour.
- 28 ~ Sunday, 12-2 PM—Youth Praise Team Practice. Lunch Served.

## *Homebound Residents*

Janet Dinwiddie  
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George & Jackie Milyo  
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Our homebound members enjoy visits, calls and cards. Please take a few minutes out for those who can no longer get out and about.

**In the hospital** ~ None in May.

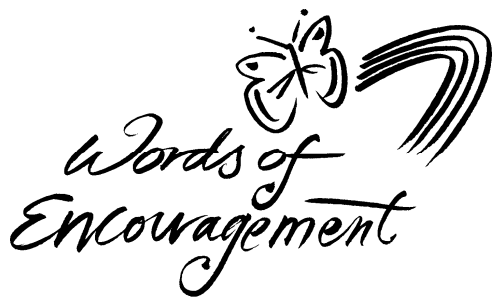
**These members appreciate your prayers and words of encouragement due to health challenges.**

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Watch The Bulletin  
For More Information  
About June's Let's Eat Out.

Game  
Night  
Is  
June 20  
(Join us for  
Potluck Supper  
and Cards.  
6:00 pm



## Growing Your Faith: *Call to Know, Follow & Serve Jesus*

**Adult, Youth & Kids Sunday School: 9:15 AM**

### **\* Adult Sunday School**

**May 31 and continuing in June: *Missions Class*** Youth and Adults taught by Erin O'Connor (One of Hope's new members and a missionary with New Mission Systems International and Pioneer Bible Translators). Preparation for being a missionary in all of life and the participating in the worldwide missionary endeavor

**July 5: Youth Pancake Breakfast**

**Beginning July 12 and continuing into August: *The Gift of the Blessing*** Taught by Candy Moltz

**Panera Women's Book Study** will recess for the summer and resume on the first Sunday after Labor Day in September.

**Timothy Project Bible Study** will recess for the summer and resume in early September.

**\*Daily Devotionals and Study Resources** are available on the table in the lobby. **Take one!**

***Christ in our Home:*** Available quarterly, this devotional has daily Scripture readings, thoughts and prayers.

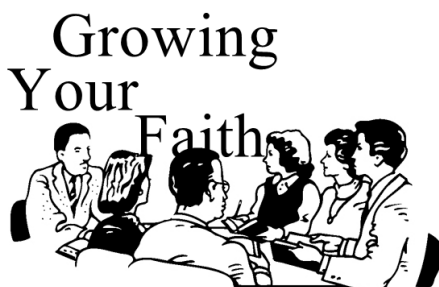
***The Wise Economy of Your Life*** Balancing Time and Money ... This resource outlines scriptural principles for creating freedom and versatility as you "spend" your time and money.

### **\*Other Spiritual Growth Opportunities**





**Timothy Project Bible Study - Wednesdays, 7:15-8:30 PM** (Taught by Pastor Wendy Berthelsen. Learn to hear God personally speak to you through His word. Learn to study the Bible in an in-depth faithful manner. Begin to read the entire Bible. No prior Bible knowledge needed. The Timothy Project will take a break for the summer. They will resume in September.

**Women's Faith Circle** - meets the second Tuesday of the month, 7:30 pm at the church. Come for fellowship, devotions, and Bible study led by Carolee Juergens. All women of the church are welcome.

**Small (Spiritual Formation) Groups** Develop faith relationships. Talk about faith and real life. To explore an interest in becoming a part of a group, see Pastors Joel/Wendy.



# June 2009 Calendar

	1	2	3	4	5 Tea and Notes 1:00 pm	6
	Matt in Minnesota for Seminary Class					
7	8	9 Faith Circle 7:30 pm	10	11	12 Tea and Notes 1:00 pm	13
	Custom Designed Call Event 6:15-9:00 pm					
14  Flag Day Taste of Hope	15	16	17	18 	19 Tea and Notes 1:00 pm	20 CH Quilting Guild 10 am-4 pm  Game Night 6:00 pm
	VBS & Balancing Time & Money 6:15 — 8:30 pm					
21 	22	23	24	25	26 Tea and Notes 1:00 pm	27
	Pastors out of the office for Continuing Ed					
	Youth Mission Trip to Arkansas					
28	29	30 Council Meeting 7:00 pm	July 1		3	4 
	Pastors on Vacation					

## Sunday Schedule:

8:00 & 10:30 am Worship  
9:15 am Sunday School

## Wednesday Schedule: (for June)

6:00 pm Jr/Sr High Pizza & Games (ends 6/3/09)  
6:30 pm Wednesday Evening Service (continues all summer)  
7:00 pm Spirituality Seminar





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# June 2009 Notes of Interest

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## Summer Worship Schedule

### Wednesday Evening Summer Worship

*Come Away and Rest*

**Beginning May 27, 6:30—7:15 PM**

Silent worship will be the format for the Wednesday evening worship through the summer. Come for silence, spiritual rest, and meditation. Listen for our Lord's personal and practical voice to you. Tips and guidance for listening will be provided. Holy Communion will be given at around 7 PM.

### The Wise Economy of Your Life

*Balancing Time and Money*

**June 14-18, 6:30—8:30 PM** *(In conjunction with  
Vacation Bible School)*

How is the economy of your life? Trapped, frustrated, restless—do these characterize you? Freedom and versatility—sounds appealing but too good to be true? All of these may be clues that you are not living in the fullness of how God has custom designed and called you. You are called to be a wise economist. Come and learn scriptural principles and practical ideas for a wise economy of life. This class will combine teaching, self-reflection, and conversation.

The cost for the class will be \$10 (\$5 if you already

### Northwood University “Finals” Project: *THANKS to and from the College Moms*

On May 17, the College Moms served dessert to the Northwood University college students prior to their finals. They also gave out bottled water, apples and goodie bags. Some items were donated by members of the congregation! Thanks! Kathy Harr coordinated the effort. In addition to the college moms, Steve Harr and Matthew Cleaver assisted in the effort. The students appreciated the gifts of encouragement!



### Appreciation

**Building Repair:** Leroy Linder, Clay York

**Eaves Restoration:** Al Armistead and his company's workers

**Women's Ministries Leadership Team:** Candy Moltz, Melanie Jones, Valerie Peterson, Carolyn Gibbons

**Garage Sale Adult Assistance:** Dwight Bengtson, Vicki Tokle, Steve Hawkins, Jill Heyerdahl

**Synod Assembly Delegates:** Kristine and Scott Clark



# Hope Women's News

## June Birthdays

Heidi Nichols	6/02
Clay Cox	6/03
Norman Emmons	6/03
Matthew Kuhn	6/03
Michele Lidle	6/03
Melissa Walker	6/03
Virginia Trousdale	6/05
Zelda Gates	6/06
Travis Harr	6/06
Lynn Metzger	6/06
Mary Petrichenko	6/10
Catherine McLeod	6/12
Joanna Snow	6/12
Kim Standerfer	6/12
Drew Slayton	6/13
Mason Walker	6/13
Amara Berthelsen	6/15
Carolyn Gibbons	6/16
Paul Koska	6/16
Charles Barnett	6/18
Justin Wooley	6/19
Pat Foster	6/24
Bengtson, Reilly	6/25
Lynn Foster	6/25
Diane Pleasants	6/25
Ana Berthelsen	6/26
Kaylie Cox	6/28
Sam Drane	6/28

## June Anniversaries

Clay & Becky Cox	6/01
Gene & Rose Janke	6/01
Tim & Kim Pfohl	6/04
Marv & Fran Christensen	6/17
Jack & Virginia Trousdale	6/18
Clyde & Carol Newman	6/20
Ed & Kathy Longstreet	6/21
Clint & Claudia Skocpol	6/21
Dick & Joanna Snow	6/23
Mark & Karen Driscoll	6/23
Bob & Janice Wessa	6/27
Mike & Janet Savins	6/28
Charles & Lila Barnett	6/29
John & Bonnie Navarro	6/29

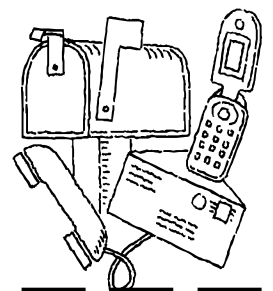


Faith Circle  
 Join Us  
 on  
 Tuesday,  
 June 9  
 At 7:30 pm.

### **DO WE HAVE YOUR CORRECT INFORMATION!**

It is imperative that we keep the communications open between you and the church. Our way of informing you of what is happening in the church is through our bulletins, newsletters, and the internet. In order to keep our records current, we need to know if you have moved, changed your post office box, new telephone number or email address. Please keep us informed. Give all changes to the

secretary to update.  
Thanks

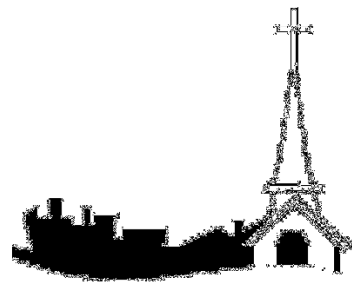


## Call to Serve: Service Needs

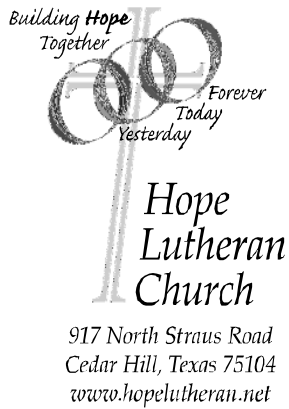
*Contact Pastor Wendy or Matthew Cleaver to explore an interest!*

All of these tasks can be adapted according to the amount of time you would like to give and other desires you might have.

- ***Taste of Hope Equipment, Donations and Volunteers Needed:*** Music and a free barbeque will be served on our front lawn to launch Vacation Bible School on June 14. Sign-up to donate or assist on the Narthex (lobby) bulletin board. Contact Janie Marjonen
- ***Vacation Bible School***– (June 14-18) Many volunteers are needed for small or larger roles—some of them behind the scenes and some working with the children. Contact Deb Burlison
- ***Sunday Morning Worship Team:*** Ushers, readers, communion assistants, coffee, greeters, nursery assistants, prayer leaders, anointing with oil. Orientation or training provided. Contact Kathy Longstreet
- ***Adopt a Room:*** You may adopt the *kitchen, attic, nursery, or one of the Sunday School rooms*, keeping it clean and neat on an ongoing basis.
- ***Adopt a Small Section of Gutters:*** Periodically clean a small section
- ***Assemble Music 15 Binders*** —for blended worship
- ***Funeral Coordinator***– We have one person and could use a couple of others.
- ***Church Directory***– John Johnson has offered to assemble and print a pictorial directory. This will not be possible unless a few others assist with coordination.
- ***Altar Guild***– Contact Hazel Linder if you would like to prepare the Lord’s Supper and the altar for one month out of the year.
- ***Day Intercessors***– Pray for our church on assigned day each week.
- ***Food Pantry Liason***– Communicate the needs (financial and volunteers).
- ***Set-up Christmas Tree***– Next year!
- ***Adopt the Playground***– Weed control and other basic upkeep
- ***Church Scrapbook***–Assemble the church’s history
- ***Be a substitute for our regular mowers.*** We have regular mowers for all four sections of the yard. Someone maintains the equipment and provides the gas.
- ***Do you have a new idea for something that you personally would like to make happen?***



COMMUNITY  
AND FAITH



**Return Service Requested**

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**For more information**

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