

# April 2022

Mt. Hope Lutheran Church, Bloomington, MN

***Mary Magdalene found the disciples and told them, "I have seen the Lord!" Then she gave them his message. John 20:18 NLT***

The Easter Story, the Resurrection Miracle of our Lord Jesus never gets old, does it? I hope and pray that you are preparing a grand celebration to celebrate Jesus on Easter Sunday, April 17. As part of your celebration, we look forward to seeing everyone at 9:30 here at Mount Hope.

In fact, there are many opportunities during Holy Week to worship our Lord. Our Lenten series, *In View of God's Mercy* continues through Holy Week. From the publisher:

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Please join us on Palm Sunday, April 10 as we look at *God's Mercy in Palms*. On Maundy Thursday, April 14 at 6:30 pm. our View of God's mercy will be in seeing *Mercy in Bread and Wine*, and on Good Friday, April 15 also at 6:30 pm. we will be looking at *God's Mercy in the Cross*. The entire week will build to our celebration service on Easter Sunday, April 17 at 9:30 *in view of God's Mercy, Mercy in the Open Tomb*.

The message on March 27 carried the theme of living as ambassadors of Jesus. Easter Sunday is a wonderful opportunity to be an ambassador by simply inviting someone to church. I referenced the most recent Starbucks Shareholder meeting, where it was reported that Starbucks is working to position themselves **for the inevitable Great Human Reconnection that is about to unfold.**

People are desiring to "reconnect" as our country is working to return to "normal" following the pandemic. Add to this desire, people's openness to attend church on Easter and you have the perfect combination to confidently offer the invitation.

Wouldn't it be simply amazing to need to add some chairs in the sanctuary to accommodate all the people? Imagine all the voices worshiping and praising our Risen Lord Jesus! Imagine the celebration as we once again proclaim, He is Risen! He is risen indeed, Alleluia!!

Your friend,

Pastor Fran Green

# Activities and Events

## Book Club

First Friday Book Club will meet on April 1<sup>st</sup> at 1:30 pm at Renata Melby's home at 10727 Zenith Ave S, Bloomington. April's book to discuss is *A Light in the Forest* by Conrad Richter. A classic adventure story of a frontier boy raised by Indians.

## Tuesdays at Two

Conversation and coffee is now at Mt. Hope during the week-Tuesdays at 2! All our neighbors are invited; we will specifically begin with invitations to the folks at Applewood Pointe and Penelope Apartments our closest neighbors. Imagine Mount Hope to be THE Friendship Center of the Twin Cities. How will you be involved in **Tuesdays at Two?**

## Women of Hope Meeting

The next Women of Hope meeting will be on Tuesday, April 12<sup>th</sup> at 12:30 pm.

## LWML Women's Event-Prayer Walk

Get your tickets for the LWML Women's Event a Prayer Walk! This event will be held at St. Michael's Lutheran Church in Bloomington on Saturday, April 23<sup>rd</sup> from 9:30-12:30 pm. Tickets are \$10-includes lunch. Please see Jennifer Adamek (952-452-5860) for tickets. RSVP by Thursday, April 14<sup>th</sup> for lunch count. It is our hope that you will be blessed by your time with us!

## IFC Twin Cities

The IFC Twin Cities needs your help! We are desperately looking for more evening ESL teachers in Burnsville, and also child care helpers on Fridays from 10-12 pm. We are also in need of ESL books for our students. We are running out and have many new students in need of a book. Our new IFC Twin Cities office space at Mt Hope Lutheran in Bloomington is needing a few items to complete our set up. We are looking for a working computer and printer. Please contact shari@poblo.org if you would like to donate books or volunteer to teach! Thank you for supporting our mission!

## Thank You

Thank you all for your prayers for skilled medical staff and a speedy recovery during my knee replacement. I'm doing very well in my recovery and I attribute that wholly to all your prayers. Kirsten Buelow

## Thank You

Thank you to the Thrivent members who directed Thrivent Choice Dollars to Mount Hope! We received \$1864.00 in March!

## Directory Changes (Please make these changes in your Member Directory)

### Tricia Regan

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## Mount Hope Preschool and Childcare Update

Enrollment for the coming school year is filling up. We are seeing a good number of families enrolling their four-year-old children in our pre-kindergarten program. There are spaces available in our preschool program for three-year-old children. Please refer anyone looking for preschool/childcare our way.

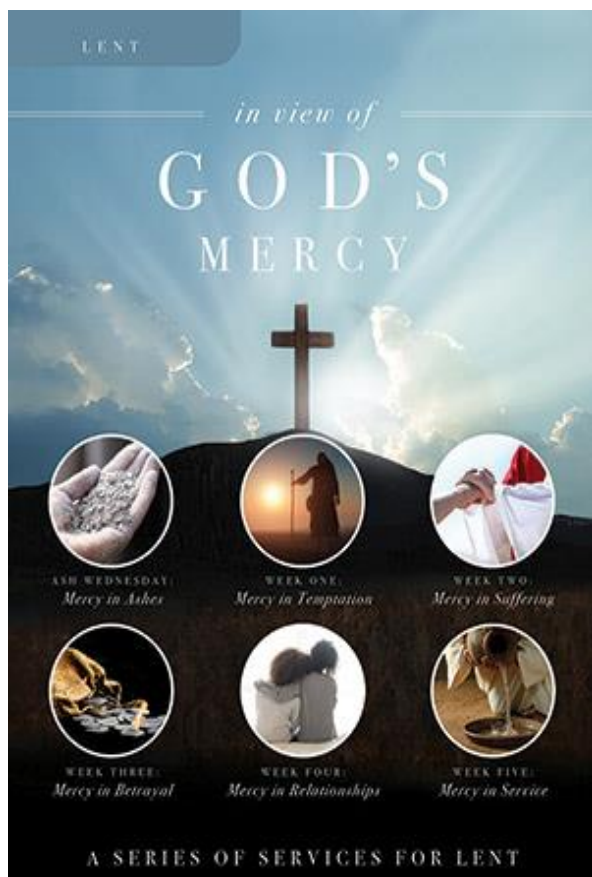
Our current students are busy learning their recitations and songs for this year's spring musical, *We Did It*. The children are also preparing handbell songs to play at the concerts. There will be three performances the morning of Saturday, April 23.

Our summer program is set. There will be two full classrooms of children this summer, which matches the available staff nicely. We will be able to provide a lot of outside time for the children in our natural outdoor play space. Soon enough, we will be busy planting tomatoes, strawberries and, of course, pumpkins again. Last year the pumpkins grew up into the chain link fencing, and the children and staff had a great time watching the vines at work.

Thank you for your support of the Center. We truly are reaching our friends and neighbors!

Kimberly Wuebke

## 2022 Lent Services In View of God's Mercy



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March 2 Ash Wednesday-Mercy in Ashes 2:00 pm & 6:30 pm

March 9 Mercy in Temptation 2:00 pm

March 16 Mercy in Suffering 2:00 pm

March 23 Mercy in Betrayal 2:00 pm

March 30 Mercy in Relationships 2:00 pm

April 6 Mercy in Service 2:00 pm

Join us, please, this Lenten Season.

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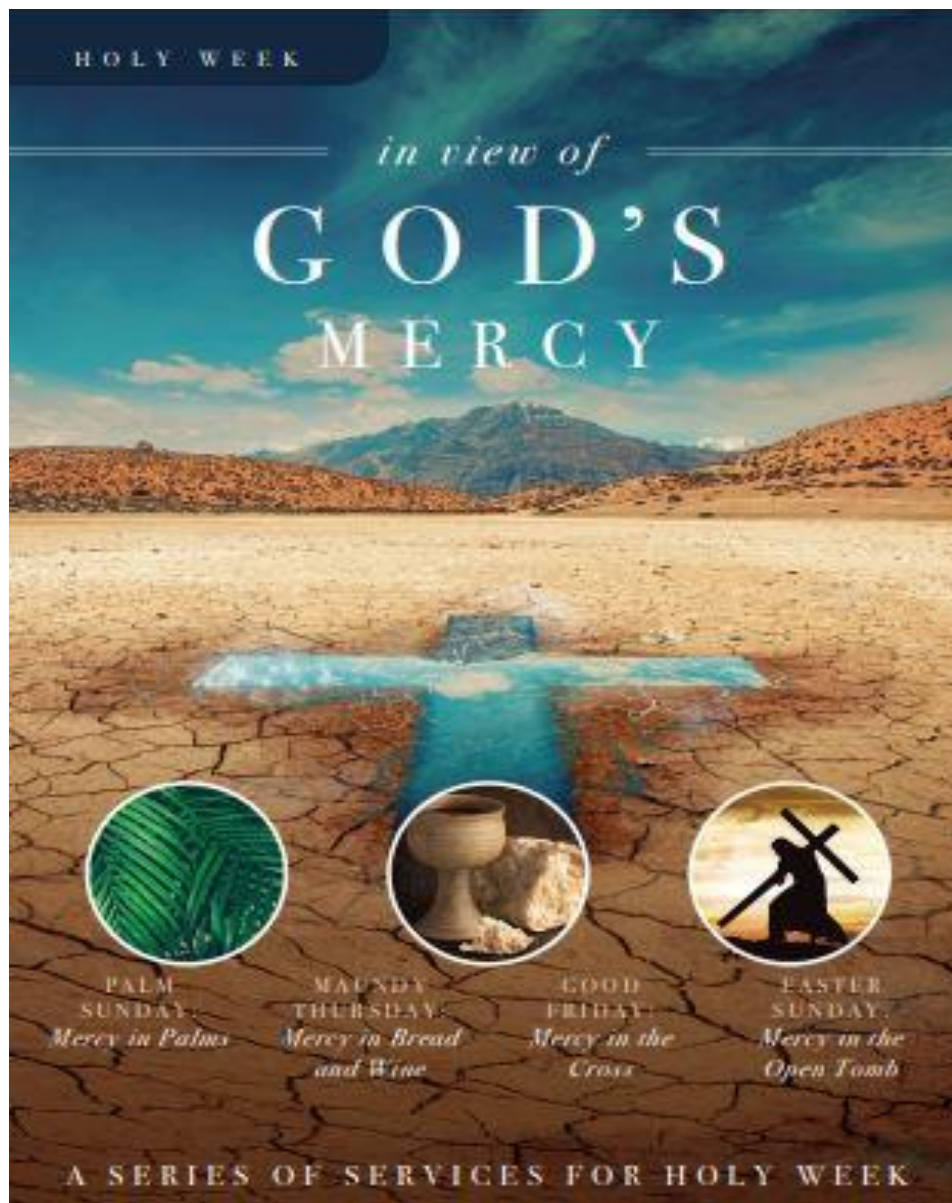
April 10 Palm Sunday-Mercy in Palms 9:30 am

April 14 Maundy Thursday-Mercy in Bread and Wine 6:30 pm

April 15 Good Friday-Mercy in the Cross 6:30 pm

April 17 Easter-Mercy in the Open Tomb 9:30 am

Join us, please, for Holy Week.



# PRAYER WALK

LWML

Women's  
Event

**Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer. Romans 12:12**

Join us as we travel to three stations on our indoor prayer walk!

We'll visit the:

Hope Station: Is there a difference between being Happy and being Joyful?

Affliction Station: Can Good come from Affliction? Speaker Shari Schluze  
International Friendship Center-POBLO MN

Service Station: Serving Him at IAFR Jonathan House-Speaker SJ Holsteen  
Create notes of encouragement.

**Saturday, April 23<sup>rd</sup>**  
**Come at 9:30 for**  
**Registration & Coffee**  
**Begins @ 9:45-12:30**

**St. Michael's Lutheran**  
**Church**  
**9201 Normandale Blvd**  
**Bloomington**

**\$10 a Ticket, Includes Lunch**

Deadline: Thursday, April 14<sup>th</sup>

Get Your Ticket From:

Jennifer Adamek

Cell Phone 952-451-5860

## Gifts from the Heart

Bring donations for the New Freedom  
Store & Halfway House in St. Paul.

\$25 Target Gift Cards

Bring a Welcome Home Kit: 24x36 laundry bag,  
set of twin sheets and pillowcase, wash cloth,  
bath towel, and pillow.

## Mites

Bring donations for Mission Grants  
collected in Mite Boxes.

## Offerings

Offering collected for LWML District.

## Mount Hope Celebrations in April 2022

### Birthdays

13 Averi Lang  
16 Tricia Mack  
19 Renata Melby  
19 Linda Quittschreiber  
20 Chris Nazy  
20 Kim Kunkel  
21 Ramona Duncan  
22 Tim Wuebke  
23 Randy Lingen  
24 Andrew Nazy  
29 Nathan Moss

### Baptismal Birthdays

1 Caleb Mack  
8 Eunice Marose  
15 Darlene Buelow  
16 Maria Killam  
25 Rev John Stern

### Anniversary

11 Greg and Janice Elbert  
14 Kevin and Emily Lang

## 2022 Altar Flowers

Would you like to make a dedication or in memorial of someone special by signing up for Altar Flowers? Altar flower arrangements are placed in front of church to beautify the sanctuary every Sunday.

The 2022 Altar Flower Sign Up Calendar is up on the bulletin board in the information hallway. Please sign up for a date and place your \$30 check, payable to the Women of Hope, in Karen Mack's mailbox in the information hallway. Karen Mack phone number is 952-831-7428 for any questions you may have.

April 3 Steve and Kathy Sundseth  
April 10 Palm Branches  
April 17 Jerry and Harriet Buelow  
April 24 Karen Mueller

# April 2022

Where Guests become Friends and Friends become Family

## Mount Hope Lutheran Church

### Preschool and Childcare

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 10:00am IFC 1:30pm Book Club	2
3 9:30am Worship 10:45 Education hour	4 10:00am IFC 5:00pm IFC	5 2:00pm Tues@2 8:00pm AA	6 10:00am IFC 2:00pm Lent Worship	7	8 10:00am IFC	9
0 Palm Sunday 9:30am Worship 10:45 Education hour	11	12 12:30 Women of Hope Board Meeting 2:00pm Tues@2 8:00pm AA	13	14 Maundy Thurs. 6:30pm Maundy Thursday Worship	15 Good Friday 6:30pm Good Friday Worship	16
17 Easter 9:30am Worship 10:45 Education hour	18	19 2:00pm Tues@2 8:00pm AA	20 10:00am IFC	21 6:30pm Governing Board Meeting	22 10:00am IFC	23 9:00-12:00 Preschool Spring Concerts 9:30-12:30 LWML Women's Event St. Michael's
24 9:30am Worship 10:45 Education hour	25 10:00am IFC 5:00pm IFC Life Line Screening Event	26 2:00pm Tues@2 8:00pm AA	27 10:00am IFC	28	29 10:00am IFC	30

### **Sunday Worship Schedule**

9:30 am In-Person Worship

10:30 am Adult Bible Study

Services Online at

[www.mthopelutheran.org/sermons](http://www.mthopelutheran.org/sermons)

**Phone:** 952-888-5059

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**Website:** [www.mthopelutheran.org](http://www.mthopelutheran.org)

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