

# The Voice of Hope

The newsletter of Hope Lutheran Church, San Mateo, CA  
 “Knowing and sharing the good news of Hope in Christ”

## Pastor Daniel Severson



**D**ear Friends in Christ,

In early January, we started a study of the gospel of Matthew on Sunday mornings. It meets in the education building after Café Hope for 45 minutes to an hour. One of the things I want to help accomplish in this study is to better allow the text to speak to us on its own terms. There are two particularly difficult issues to deal with when it comes to interpreting biblical texts. One is the fact that the Bible was written at a time and place very different from our own. The culture of the first century can seem very alien from the culture of 21st century America. For example, we have been shaped by a culture where “religion” is understood as something that is separate from other spheres of life. The practice of what we understand to be “religious” concerns and behavior is considered to be a private matter of each individuals choosing, and it should be kept separate from other aspects of life. In other words, society should be “secular”, which means the absence of religion.

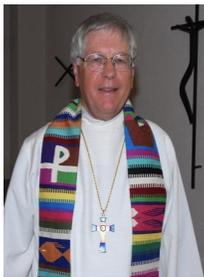
In the first century, this was not the case. There was no concept of “religion” as a separate concern from the rest of life. While there was religious diversity, nevertheless, religion shaped all of life. It was simply a given, not a private choice. Because of this, religious language and beliefs were not put in a box and pushed off to the side for a select few who desired to become religious consumers. As a result, what we call “a miracle” was not considered an unusual event that is hard to believe in. There was no concept of the “laws of nature.” God was active in the world and thus miracles happened. The only question was, “Where is God active? And which God is it?” The concern of the gospel writers was that people see God at work in Jesus Christ. Modern readers, on the other hand, understand miracles as abnormal interruptions of natural laws.

For this reason, and many more, the world of the Bible may seem very different from the world we live in. This presents problems for us when it comes to interpreting biblical texts. By the way, since I’m on this topic, I want to get a word in for the Monday afternoon class which meets in the youth room at 1:00 pm. In this class, we are going to follow Luther’s influence as the modern secular state is born after the Reformation. How did this happen, and what is Luther’s influence in church and society now? Hopefully, we will answer this question.

Back to the Bible. The other problem for readers of the Bible is that we tend to see what we want to see when reading a text. We come to the text with preconceived ideas. This is clearly illustrated in the so-called “quest for the historical Jesus.” Pretty much all of these questers came up with a Jesus created in their own image. This reveals the problem raised by these two issues. We have trouble allowing the Bible to speak for itself. The Bible was written by those who were given the authority to witness to the God of Israel, who is also the Father of Jesus Christ. Through their witness, God also speaks to us. This means that we cannot hear God’s word to us unless we give the text the authority to speak to us without the dubious help of our preconceived ideas, or the desire to hear only what we want to hear. As St. Augustine said, interpreting scripture is no easy thing. It takes an open mind and a willingness to enter into a world that will challenge our assumptions. To hear God’s word, the text needs to shape us, rather than us shaping the text. The benefits of this are “out of this world.” So, if you are interested in a journey that leads to what is really beyond this world, rather than watching “Star Trek,” or “Star Wars,” join us. For, in the Bible, what is beyond has joined us right here on terra firma. See you in class.

Pastor Dan

### Pastor Paul's Notes



With the inauguration just past, Bishop Mark Holmerud has invited congregations to join in the prayer, taken from the ELCA'S Prayer Book for the Armed Services:

"Almighty and Everlasting God, guide the president of the United States, his cabinet and counselors, and all in authority over our nation, that they may be just in purpose, wise in counsel, unwavering in duty. In the administration of their solemn responsibilities, may they uphold the honor of our nation and secure the welfare and protection of all people. Holy Trinity, you show us the splendor of diversity and the beauty of unity in your own divine life. Make us, who come from many nations with many languages, a united people who delight in our many different gifts. Give those whom we have entrusted with authority the Spirit of Wisdom, that they may be peace and justice throughout our land. God, in your mercy, hear our prayer."

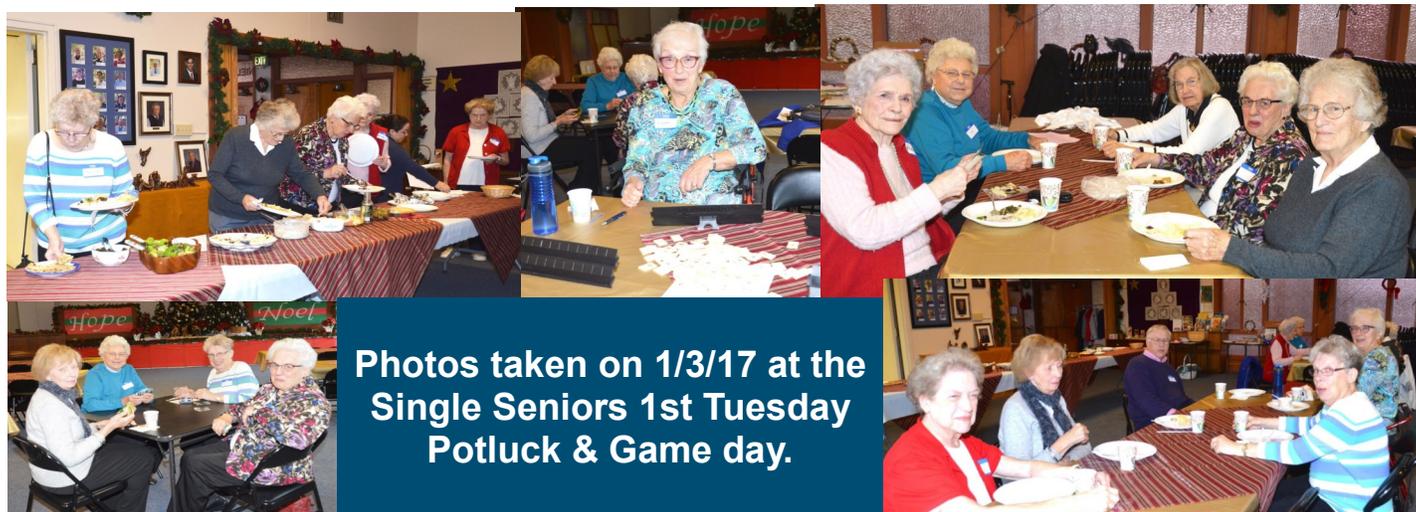
SINGLE SENIORS gathered on January 3 for a festive salad pot luck and made some plans for upcoming months.

On Tuesday, February 7, we are planning to go to San Francisco, first to the Presidio Golf Club for lunch followed by a Tour of Temple Emanuel, which is nearby. We will car pool from church at 11 am. Please note the earlier hour. It is important to know who will be going, so kindly sign-up in Nielsen Hall by January 31.

SINGLE SENIORS will have a lunch-outing on Thursday, February 14. We will go to a recommended restaurant in Redwood City, "Lovejoy's Tea Room", 901 Main St. We will car pool from church at 12:30 pm.

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You are all cordially invited by the Evangelism Committee to the Valentine's Day Dinner on Sunday, February 12. Please note that information elsewhere in the "Voice."



Photos taken on 1/3/17 at the Single Seniors 1st Tuesday Potluck & Game day.



### Celebrating birthdays in February

- Mark Dahl
- Max Prasad
- Tom Torgerson
- Herta Von Rautenkrans
- Judith Jeschke
- Jeanne Helland
- Scott McAuliffe

- Helen Widdra
- Jessica Stucke
- Gerrie Rockafellar
- Judy Neumann
- David Phillips
- Joanne Smith
- Charlotte Hess

- Lesley Johnson
- Eric Hoover
- Helina Jensen



### from our Choirs Director



**A**s we continue in our preparation for the 500th anniversary of the Reformation, we will continue looking at various aspects of the Lutheran Church and music. In an article written for the "Seeds for the parish" a resource paper for leaders of ELCA Congregations, in 2012 Ryan Hostler, minister of music at Lamb of God Lutheran Church in Haines City, Florida says "Our liturgy and hymnody is constantly reforming and adapting as we grow and expand our liturgies, hymnody and understanding of the church". Pastor Mark Bernthal, also of Lamb of God church says "God's amazing word of grace is understood and expressed in constantly new ways. There are new songs to be sung, fresh biblical insights to be shared, and new talents and tongues o employ."

We will learn some new songs, but we will also celebrate as we faithfully sing the old songs as well. In January we sang #309 ELW "The Only Son from Heaven" which was new to Hope Congregation. In February we faithfully celebrate with an old familiar song #313 ELW "O Lord, Now Let Your Servant". We will continue to embrace new as well as familiar old tunes as we continue our preparation for this anniversary.

Shirley Fitzgerald



### From our Council President

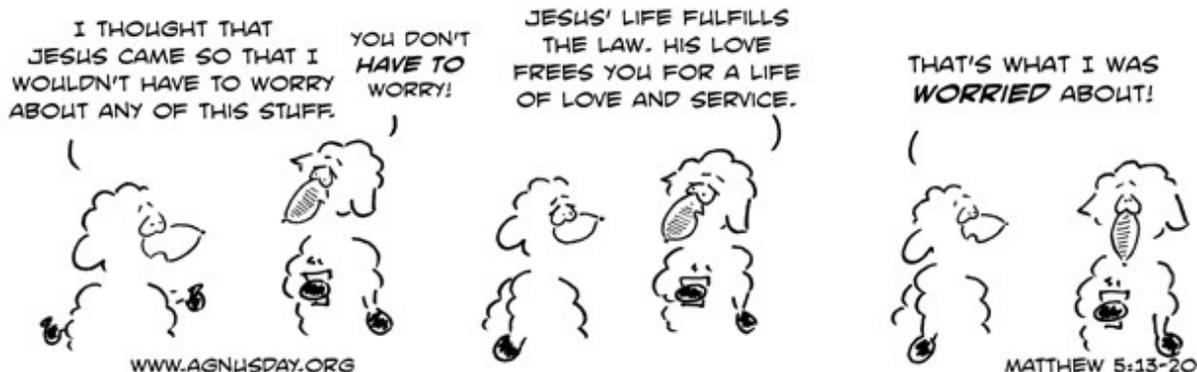


**B**rothers and Sisters at Hope, Well, Christmas has come and gone, and the New Year has begun and now is the time we look forward to what the Lord has in store for us in the coming year. Personally, I hope and pray for health and happiness for all of us in the coming year along with growth and stability for our congregation. What is it you are hoping for in 2017? If there is anything your Church Council can help with, let us know.

We are still working with and supporting our Call Committee in their effort to identify our next Pastor to call, and we continue to work with out neighboring churches to share resources and join together in activities that serve our congregations and communities, along with the ongoing regular business of our Church.

We do have a lot to do in order to make our hopes for 2017 come true and I encourage all of you to help by participating in Hope activities, attending worship services and Bible studies, hosting Café Hope or maybe bring food or staying overnight with Home & Hope. There are many ways you can be part of our wonderful family at Hope and the great things we do, please consider giving some of your time and talents in 2017 to our congregation and help make 2017 a terrific year.

Council President,  
Jack Coyne



## Stitches & Ties x x x x

### Quilters are Back!

Some quilters were active even during their 2-month 'vacation'. Verena enjoyed her time off from meetings immensely. She assembled, stitched, pressed and delivered SEVEN 60"x80" quilt fronts on 1/10/17. As predicted for that meeting, the potluck soup was a delicious, healthy luncheon main course. Six quilts were finished with ties. Countless additional quilts were in progress on the HQ Assembly Line.

In 10 months of 2017 quilters aim to complete at least the 15-year average of 132 quilts, large and small, for our neighbors in need locally and abroad. They count on their Hope family for funds, especially for batting which averages about \$8.00 per quilt.

Copies of an email from Marge Johanson, the coordinator of Northern Ca LWR Ingathering of quilts and kits, are on the Nielsen Hall bulletin board for you to read.

Hope's 9-year participation with an annual average donation of 50 quilts was appreciated.

Love isn't LOVE until we give it A-w—a---y!!

## Evangelism

### GROWING OUR FACEBOOK SITE

The Evangelism Committee requests that all of you take a look at our Facebook site and begin to contribute. This is a wonderful way to share Hope experiences, thoughts, ratings, testimonials, invitations and more! All of you can help spread good words of Hope Lutheran Church through this amazingly popular social media tool.

<https://www.facebook.com/Hope-Lutheran-Church-San-Mateo-822580384545081/>

Thanks,  
Margo



## HLCW Circles

**Lydia Circle** is open to women of all ages and stages; Evening or weekend meetings; Our schedule is flexible. Location: Hope Youth Room  
Contact: Heidi Waters

**Mary Circle**  
3rd Tuesday of the month 10:00 am  
Location Varies  
Contact: Martha Welch

**Sarah Circle**  
3rd Tuesday of the month 10:00 am  
Location Varies  
Contact: Lois Nieman

## Preschool Corner



The children at Hope are singing this song:

*Love, love, love, that's what it's all about.  
God loves us we love each other,  
Mother, Father, Sister, Brother,  
everybody sing and shout,  
that's what it's all about.  
It's about love, love, love.*

A reminder to tell those we care about that we love and appreciate them each and every day. Such a small word that can mean so much. Wishing you hear this many times over.

Blessing,  
Jeanne



# Photos of Hope's Advent Event on 12/4



## Social Concerns

### HOME & HOPE Linen Closets Need You!!! And THANKS!!!

It's a brand New Year and time to replenish our guests' bedding. Our cupboards need new or gently-used twin fitted/flat sheets, and warm, washable twin/full blankets, darker colors. We will purchase a few new pillows with H&H monetary donations. Just like home, sometimes our laundry wanders and we don't get everything back for the next hosting. Having a full cupboard enables us to meet the needs of a full house, as well as move along some old tired bedding, also just like at home :)

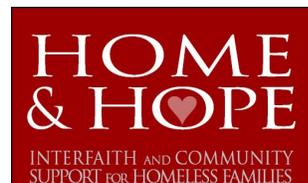
Please leave donations on the Narthex cabinet.

Many thanks and Happy New Year!

By the way, this begins our seventeenth Year

...serving families through Home and Hope, originally the Interfaith Hospitality Network in 2000. Where has the time gone? Let's all take a moment to reflect on the parents, kids, and volunteers who have slept in our Sunday School rooms, shared a meal in the Ed building, thrown hoops in the parking lot, held a young child for a tired Mom, and celebrated as a family exited for independent housing. As you look around the Sanctuary or Nielsen Hall, you will surely see the face of an H&H volunteer. In fact wherever you look around Hope there is a current/former Home and Hope volunteer. Let's work hard to keep our long-standing commitment alive in this New Year, our 17th Anniversary!!

**Next hosting week is March 5-11, 2017.**



## Congratulations to Jean Dehner

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## Former San Carlos principal named '16 Citizen of the Year

January 04, 2017, 05:00 AM By Anna Schuessler Daily Journal



For Jean Dehner, working collaboratively with others is integral to her approach to making a difference in the San Carlos community. In the last 15 years since she retired from her post as principal for Arundel Elementary School, Dehner, 78, has maintained a full schedule, deepening her relationships with those working with youth in San Carlos and the surrounding area. In doing so, she has deepened her impact on the community. “Most of the things I’m involved in, I’m not the only one,” she said. “I don’t do this work by myself. I work with other people to make things better in the city we live in.” Last month, the San Carlos Chamber of Commerce recognized her penchant for working with others, naming Dehner the 2016 Citizen of the Year. “It was a total surprise,” she said. In the 39 years since Dehner and her husband moved into their San Carlos home, she has seen several fellow residents receive the same honor. When she first arrived to the area, she started work as a teacher and school counselor for the San Carlos Elementary School District. Dehner had been working as a school counselor in Pennsylvania for 10 years prior to their move to California. Initially, she chose the teaching profession because she had been raised by parents who are educators, and she saw teaching as the field with the most opportunities for women. “There were not a lot of career choices for women,” she said. “Teaching was one of the fields wide open for women.” Dehner would ultimately invest more than 30 years in San Carlos schools, serving as a dean, assistant principal and principal toward the latter part of her career. She would soon find that what started as a logical career decision would become her life’s passion. “Doing things with kids keeps my enthusiasm up,” she said. “I get incredible satisfaction out of doing things that benefit kids.” Improving opportunities for San Carlos youth has defined the many activities that fill Dehner’s calendar. She has been able to leverage her many years of teaching and administrative experience to move a range of education projects forward. From working with school district officials, the city of San Carlos and SamTrans to devise a bus service system serving San Carlos schools to coordinating a public speaking contest for high school students, Dehner thrives on the energy she receives from students and the community engaged around them. This past

fall, she hosted a reflection event for participants and supporters of Tech Trek, a one-week summer STEM camp for middle school girls, where Dehner serves as a volunteer and “dorm mom.” She was blown away by parent accounts of their daughters’ excitement when they picked them up from camp. “That’s why I get so psyched about it,” she said. “These girls have these experiences, and when they walk out, they’re transformed.” Though her work with countless community organizations provides her a wealth of San Carlos knowledge, Dehner never seems to stop learning. She and her husband completed the San Carlos Citizens Academy this past fall to learn more about how their city operates. Dehner also steeped herself in the history of San Carlos as a docent and board member of the Museum of San Carlos History. As she looks into the new year, she said she hopes to build an interactive museum display with rotary telephones and typewriters to give children a window into the innovative technologies of many years ago. She is also looking forward to skiing with her two grandsons and granddaughter, who she hopes will take after her enthusiasm for the sport. “I spend a lot of time with my grandchildren and youth,” she said. “That’s where I get my satisfaction.” And it doesn’t look like Dehner is stopping anytime soon. She is already in the midst of helping to coordinate San Carlos Chickens’ Ball, the PTA’s major fundraising event slated for 2018. And she still answers the call to be a substitute teacher, even after 15 years of retirement. “I even like substitute teaching,” she said. “Every time I walk out saying, ‘alright that was fun.’” Dehner will be recognized at the San Carlos Chamber of Commerce’s Recognition Dinner Friday, Feb. 3, at Domenico Winery at 1697 Industrial Road. Tickets will be available this week. Visit [sancarloschamber.org/citizen-of-the-year/](http://sancarloschamber.org/citizen-of-the-year/) for more information.

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- See more at: <http://www.smdailyjournal.com/articles/news/2017-01-04/former-san-carlos-principal-named-16-citizen-of-the-year/1776425173772.html#sthash.Di0Kmv0c.dpuf>



## Spark Time Sunday School in February

Children from Kindergarten thru Grade 6

dismissed to Sunday School during Sending Hymn and

join parents in Café Hope after approximately 30 minutes of study and activity.

Date	Theme	Scripture
February 5	Salt and Light	Matthew 5:13-20
February 12	Jesus Teaches about Anger	Matthew 5:21-37
February 19	Love Your Enemies	Matthew 5:38-48
February 26	The Transfiguration	Matthew 17:1-13

## Ministry Assistants

Date	Assisting Ministers	Communion Assistants	Readers	Spark Leaders
2/5	Don Hermansen	Skip Dahl Carole Setzer	Marilyn Johnson	Judy Jeschke
2/12	Sandi Kane	Tom & Deb Stucke	Marlys Jungroth	Deb Stucke Rachael Stucke
2/19	Bill Kannenberg	Bob & Ruth Lillo	Skip Dahl	Monika Hastings
2/26	Mary Phillips	Sandi Kane Don Hermansen	Heidi Waters	Jessica Stucke Emma Worthge



December 7, 2016

Dear Friends of Hope Evangelical Lutheran Church,

Thank you for your generous contribution to the 'Fill-A-Box; Feed-A-Family' holiday program at CALL Primrose. We are so very apprecia-

tive of your support which allows us to continue our mission to assist those in need in our community.

Gratefully,  
Terri Boesch  
Executive Director, CALL Primrose

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January 1, 2017

Dear Hope Lutheran Church,

Happy New Year! We wanted to thank you so very much for your donation to us and the ministry here in Los Angeles. We feel so encouraged and blessed by your generosity to us. Thank you! We hope you all had a wonderful season celebrating the birth of Jesus!

Thank you so much again -  
Joseph & Michelle Butlig,

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January 5, 2017

Dear Dan and Church members,

"Shelter is the best thing that CORA has given me, because I now live in peace." - CORA client

I wish you could see the hope in their eyes. Your generosity has made a difference. Plain and simple. Your recent donation on 12/30/16 to CORA provides a safe harbor, a shoulder to cry on, a safety plan and legal representation for those who are abused by and afraid of their intimate partner—all for free. Thousands of San Mateo County residents and their children will not only get the confidential safety and support they need: they'll find wings to fly and a future worth embracing.

On behalf of our board, staff and, of course, the brave individuals from all walks of life who will turn to us for help this year, thank you. Thank you for your support and for your investment in our work.

With gratitude,  
Melissa Lukin  
Executive Director, CORA

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January 9, 2017

Dear Hope Lutheran Church,

Thank you for your generous donation to The Rwanda School Project. We are excited that our school recently earned the highest score in our district on a national test. Because of gifts such as yours, the school will continue to thrive and grow providing high level learning for Rwandan children for years to come.

As we work together on The Rwanda School Project, your support is deeply appreciated. We can change the world by offering quality education for a better tomorrow.

Sincerely,  
Kathleen Ziegler  
Financial Secretary, The Rwanda School Project

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January 10, 2017

Dear Hope Evangelical Lutheran Church,

Thank you for your support of Home & Hope! Your gift on 12/28/16 & 12/30/16 was received on 1/10/17. Your willingness to help displaced families in our community weather the crises in their lives makes all the difference for our families.

Thanks to you, Megan Wright and her children celebrated the holidays in a safe and loving home of their own, instead of living in their car or on friends' couches. This happy result is due to your support of the work that we do at Home & Hope.

With your support we have provided 50 families this year with a place to live, learn, and feel safe. Your donation will help to provide a safe haven for homeless families to regain long-term self-sufficiency, and raise community consciousness on the issue of homelessness by actively engaging volunteers. More than 22,000 people are living as homeless families in California, and about half of California's children are living in or near poverty, often risk of homelessness.

Home & Hope provided essential services to families in crisis, meals, a safe place to sleep, case management, and a path to long-term self-sufficiency. We would like to give you a tour so you can meet some of the staff. We enjoy showing off our comfy day center. Gina Cooper, our Program Manager, is always available to set up a visit for you or to answer any questions you may have. Don't hesitate to call her at 650-652-1103, or email

her at [gina.cooper@homeandhope.net](mailto:gina.cooper@homeandhope.net).

We would love to keep you in the loop with our emails and newsletter. You can sign up for those at our site, [www.homeandhope.net](http://www.homeandhope.net).

Truthfully, we could not do this without you. We, and those we serve, sincerely appreciate your generosity.

Sincerely,  
Meg Clark  
Executive Director, Home & Hope

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January 16, 2017

Dear LWR Supporters at Hope Lutheran:

Since the Fall 2016 Ingathering, I've been reflecting on how God has been blessing Lutheran World Relief with your congregation's support since the Ingathering started 9 years ago in this area. Your church has been one of the consistently supportive churches of the Ingathering, and for that, I am deeply grateful. Your commitment to LWR has served as a great role model for other churches as I field their questions and share with them about the process of the Ingathering. You understand the importance of what you do; you "Get it!"

You are among a special active group of churches that have been involved regularly over the past 9 years, with participation at 7, 8, or all 9 Ingatherings:

Berkeley: Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran  
Corte Madera: Marin Lutheran  
Davis: Lutheran Church of the Incarnation  
Lafayette: Our Savior's Lutheran  
Los Banos: St. John's Lutheran  
Morgan Hill: Advent Lutheran  
Napa: Napa Valley Lutheran  
Novato: All Saints Lutheran  
Paso Robles: Trinity Lutheran  
Redding: St. James Lutheran  
Reno NV: Holy Cross Lutheran  
Rohnert Park: Cross and Crown Lutheran  
San Jose: First Immanuel Lutheran  
San Jose: Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran

**San Mateo: Hope Lutheran**

Templeton: Bethel Lutheran  
Vallejo: St. Paul's Lutheran  
Yuba City: First Lutheran

Wow! What a blessing you are, regularly providing quilts and kits to those in need throughout the world. Thank you!!!

Since you are one of LWR's best supporters in Northern California, I want you to know about some of the wins and struggles that I've experienced throughout the 9 years as Key Leader of the Northern California Ingathering. Follow along, as I'm going to ask for your help. I am sure that you have some incredible ideas that you'd like to share with me about the Ingathering. I would love to hear from you! Here's an idea that I recently received,

that I want to share with you:

I had an opportunity to talk with Kathy Lickiss from Our Savior's Lutheran in Lafayette when she came to the Morgan Hill Ingathering in October. Kathy had a suggestion that I'm really excited to share with you. Kathy asked that since you and your congregation are the backbone of the success of the Ingathering, what would it look like if your congregation encouraged another congregation to become involved? I see this as a great idea! This could be as simple as inviting a local Lutheran congregation to attend your quilting/kit making sessions to share with them what you do and why you do it. You could consider making a "quilt assembly package" or one of the other kits for them to take and assemble. You could visit a local church outreach group/craft group/quilting group to share with them about LWR. If you have a church that you're thinking about connecting with, please contact me. I can research their involvement with previous Ingatherings and can assist you, if you'd like, with contacting the church.

Along with Kathy's suggestion, I'm sure that you, as an active supporter of the Ingathering, have ideas, suggestions, and even possibly constructive criticism. I want to hear from you!

One other request that I have actually comes from Mt. Cross Lutheran Camp. The summer camp program at Mt. Cross has consistently assembled many school kits for LWR. They assembled kits at their 2016 summer camp, but I believe that due to staffing changes, they did not participate in the 2016 Ingathering. They recently contacted me as the kits assembled in summer 2016 are still there, in a storage area, and they need to move them out. Do you have room to hold them for Mt. Cross until the October 2017 Ingathering? Please let me know if you can, and I can get you in touch with my contact at Mt. Cross.

Please understand that our Ingathering is not in danger of closing! In fact, Melanie Gibbons and LWR have always been impressed with the collection of quilts/kits/financial resources that are collected in Northern California!

I am looking forward to your response: your ideas, suggestions, and constructive criticism! Please e-mail me. May God continue to bless you in the work you do for our Lord. "Whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did it for Me."

God's peace to you,  
Marge Johanson,

# Upcoming Events

## Jesus Loves Me Valentines Dinner

Hope Lutheran Church  
Sunday, February 12, 5:00 pm  
Nielsen Hall

Hosted by your Evangelism Committee

Delicious Food

Mouth watering Desserts

Awesome Games

Fun for the whole family and friends

### COMING SOON: A NEW BOOK CLUB CENTERED ON CHRISTIAN SPIRITUALITY

Everyone is invited to join us for an organizational meeting on Thursday, February 2nd at 1:30 pm in the library. David Phillips and Pastor Dan will lead the group as we dive into spiritual classics that have helped shape the lives of Christian readers, and some non-Christian readers for that matter, in more recent times. It should also be noted that we would be happy to move the meetings to Saturdays, once a month, if those interested in participating would prefer. If you have any questions, please contact Pastor Dan.

### ASH WEDNESDAY AND LENTEN SOUP SUPPERS:

Everyone is invited to join us for our annual Ash Wednesday Service on Wednesday, March 1st at 7:00 pm. The service includes both the imposition of ashes and Holy Communion. For the five weeks of Lent following Ash Wednesday, we will have weekly soup suppers and Lenten Services together with the congregation of St. Andrews. We will meet at Hope on Wednesday, March 8, 22, and April 5. We will meet at St. Andrews on Wednesday, March 15, and 29. Please join us for great soup, meaningful worship, and fellowship with our brothers and sisters from St. Andrews.

## ~ February 2017 ~

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>29</b> 10am Worship 11am Café Hope 11:45 am Adult Bible Study	<b>30</b> 9:30am Aerobics  1pm Theological Study  7:30pm AA*	<b>31</b>	<b>1</b> 9:30am Aerobics  3:45pm Preschool Board Meeting  6:45pm Bells 7:45pm Choir	<b>2</b>  1:30pm Christian Book Club	<b>3</b> 9:30am Aerobics  8pm AA*	<b>4</b> 7:30am Men's Breakfast
<b>5</b> 10am Worship 11am Café Hope 11:45 am Adult Bible Study 5pm Confirmation Class @Hope	<b>6</b> 9:30am Aerobics  1pm Theological Study  7:30pm AA*	<b>7</b> 12pm Staff Meeting  12:30pm Single Seniors  7pm Evangelism Committee Mtg.	<b>8</b> 9:30am Aerobics  6:45pm Bells 7:45pm Choir	<b>9</b>  7pm Council Meeting	<b>10</b> 9:30am Aerobics  8pm AA*	<b>11</b>
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