

Living Hope's Mission

To invite people into, and nurture them in, a life-changing relationship with Jesus Christ, so they can serve God's mission in the world.

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Sunday Worship is at:
Traditional Worship 9:00 am
Contemporary Worship 10:30 am
Nursery Available

Take up, don't give up!!

Every year as we journey through the disciplines of Lent, we hear people talking about something they have 'given up.' A familiar Lenten question is "What did you give up for Lent?" I have a better suggestion. This year, instead of giving up a creature comfort that is important in your life: e.g chocolate, watching TV, going to Mickey D's, etc, etc., why don't you 'take up' a new volunteer project at your church for the next 40 days?

If you have ALWAYS sung in the choir, if you have ALWAYS taught church Sunday school, if you have ALWAYS ushered—perhaps you can take on a totally new project for Lent. We always need worship assistants at Living Hope (people who can help with communion distribution, set up and clean up the altar for service, pass out bulletins, provide treats for fellowship, make the coffee, clean up after fellowship, help count the offering, usher, greet visitors at the door). Or you can take up a social ministry concern, or a small group study opportunity, or come to the men's ministry, or help with Promiseland. Hey, maybe you could even sing at 9 am or 10:30!!!!

By the same token, if you have NEVER helped with Sunday

school, never ushered, never been involved, this is a wonderful opportunity (and short term – so it will relieve your commitment anxieties) to become a vibrant part of your congregation's life. Take up a ministry opportunity. Get involved in a group. Women's bible study, men's breakfast, scrap booking, altar guild, coffee fellowship hour.

There are so many ways to get involved in congregational life. I've seen a church sign that reads 'WHAT'S MISSING FROM OUR CHCH.' U R. Get it?

In a congregation the size of Living Hope everybody matters. You matter at worship, you matter as children of God, you matter to one another. When one part of the body rejoices, all the parts rejoice. When one part suffers, all the parts suffer. Ash Wednesday is February 6. We'll have a 7 pm service with the imposition of ashes. It is a great time to reflect on the journey Jesus made to Calvary and your chance to respond to his call, "TAKE UP your cross (the cross of discipleship) and follow me."

God's blessings on you in this journey toward Easter,

Pastor Kathy Flores



Living Hope News

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Worship Times
9:00
Traditional

10:30
Contemporary

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Call Process Update

During January, the call team interviewed three candidates for Living Hope's pastor. The team is in the process of setting up visits to worship with the finalists for the position. We hope to be able to recommend a candidate to the leadership team during February or early March. It is an exciting time. Please keep the call team, the call process, and the candidates in your prayers.

Growing Hope

In the bulletin each Sunday, our church office includes the giving information as well as our weekly shortfall amount. This is such a critical time for Living Hope! A large thank you is always given for our families. We are a small group of believers who strive to make our church a living testament to God's word. Please be faithful with your giving, it makes all the difference!

Annual Meeting

The annual meeting on January 27 began promptly at noon and concluded at 12:45 p.m. The annual meeting was well attended and atmosphere very positive.

The congregation approved by an overwhelming majority the new leadership team and nominating committee members:

Leadership Team:

Hans Bell (three-year term)
Pat Haaksma (three-year term)

Nominating Committee:

Marcia Hainzinger
Lenae Kirchner

Kevin Rowland was also appointed to the leadership team to fill a vacancy. Kevin will complete the final two years on the three year term.

The 2008 budget was approved by a majority vote: 41 yes and 1 no.

2008 Leadership Team:

Rob Pieczynski
Ed Olson
Joan Fischmann
Kevin Rowland
Hans Bell
Pat Haaksma

Prayers Requested:

Rob Jarigese, Carson Shepard, Bob Dartsch, Stephen Kelly, Steve Stevens, Carl Harvey, Bob Nossem, Josh Manning, Henny Maenner, Lois, Andrew Flores, and Rich Murdock.

First Communion

Child/Parent Workshop Sunday,

March 2 and 9 New Dates For all 3rd graders, and any other children desiring First Communion. The workshop will run from 12:30 pm-3:00 pm and consist of making family banners, learning about the Passover and the Last Supper, and making Communion bread for Palm Sunday. First Communion will be held at both services.

Frankfort Business Expo Saturday, February 16, 2008

We need lots of volunteers to man the booth at various times throughout the day. Please use the sign up in the narthex.

New Member Class

Will be offered on Sunday, February 24 from 1:00 pm-3:30 pm or those desiring to learn more about Living Hope, Lutheranism, discipleship and the joy of belonging to the Body of Christ. Please use the sign up in the narthex.

Women's Bible Study

February 7 and 21 9:30 AM The group will be meet every other Thursday morning.

Men of the Church

Men's Breakfast 1st Saturday of the month 8:30 am Lumes-Frankfort Come join the men of the church for fun and fellowship.

Scrapbooking

will continue to meet on the 1st Friday of the month at 7 pm. Remember to bring a snack to share.

Giving Hope

Will meet again at 9:45 am on February 24.

Help Wanted:

Greeters, Ushers, Lesson readers, Communion assistants, Refreshments, and Bread delivery.

Campbell Soup Labels

Don't forget to bring in your Campbell Soup Labels.

Aluminum Cans!

Separate your aluminum cans from your regular recycling and drop them off at church. The church gets money for something that would otherwise be in a landfill!

Puppet Ministry

We need your involvement Please use the sign up in the narthex or call the church office or see Chris Olson. We are looking for many volunteers. Attending the festival. Interested in participating in the start up of the ministry. Interested in participating in puppet ministry includes rehearsals/performances (age 13+)

CHAOS

February 13 and 27 after Lenten Worship

Lenten and Easter Schedule

Ash Wednesday Service February 6 7:00 pm

Traditional service with the imposition of ashes and Holy Communion.

Lent Soup Supper and Worship Soup Supper 6:00 pm Worship 6:30 pm

Wednesdays
February 13, 20, 27
March 5, 12, 19

Palm Sunday, March 16 (first communions) 9:00 am and 10:30 am

Maundy Thursday, March 20 TBA

Good Friday, March 21 TBA

Easter Sunday, March 23 9:00 am and 10:30 am

Youth Sunday

February 10 at the 10:30 am worship service

Confirmation Class

February 17 12:30 pm to 3:30 pm

Youth Quake Update

During the last weekend in January Ed Olson an I had the privilege of spending time with some of our wonderful Jr. High Students at the *Quake* in St. Charles, IL. Over 700 Jr. High students from the Midwest attended this event. The band, *Jacob's Road*, was a talented, fun band that everyone loved. They led four inspirational Worship Celebrations. The young people took treks or breakout sessions such as *Prayer Hints, Trust Issues, Dodge the Wrench, Acting Out, and Bible Basketball*. All of the Living Hope crew participated in the Variety Show performing jokes and songs. The keynote speaker, Wes, was very enjoyable, funny and down to earth. The kids could relate to the things he talked about. The house band, *Captive Free* continued the singing and celebration with some fun favorites.

Thanks to Ed for his great and invaluable help, to Jason Olson for being a great Jr. Guide and to everyone who attended. You're awesome.

February Birthdays

Debbie Murphy	3
Liana Glim	5
Rachel Glim	9
Valerie Cheshire	10
Dawn Schultz	11
Jason Olson	12
Chuck Conklin	13
Dave Towler	14
Matt Healy	17
Melissa Rice	17
Maddie Waleski	18
Rhonda Murff	19
Robin Waleski	19
Emily Cheshire	20
Jennifer Nebor	20
Dave Geekie	21
Alexis Schmidt	23
Jacob Bice	24
Philip Duckworth	25
Karen Glim	25