

Hope's Happenings

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FRIDAY, MAY 5

CALENDAR

May 10 STEAM
Night @ 7:00 pm in
FLC; Dinner at 5:00-
6:30 pm in CH

May 11-12
Dodgeball
Tournament

May 21 Mrs. Alsin's
Retirement
Celebration at Noon

May 22 Field Day @
1:00 pm

May 25 Teacher In-
Service - No School

Kindergarten
Graduation @ 7:00
pm

May 26 Last Day of
School - Early
Dismissal

8th Grade
Graduation @ 7:00
pm in the Sanctuary

Principal's Message



May is a very busy time at Hope Lutheran and it is the last month of the school year.

Here is a list of the big events happening in May:

May 5th—Dinner and Spring Play 6 pm & 7 pm

May 6th—Track Meet hosted by Lutheran High School

May 10th—Student Council leads Chapel

May 11th & 12th—Dodgeball Tournament

May 12th—Kindergarten at the zoo and 8th at
WWI Museum

May 17th—Kindergarten & 8th grade lead Chapel

May 21st—Mrs. Alsin's Retirement Celebration at Noon;
Uganda Kids Choir Concert 6 pm

May 22nd—Field Day 1:00-3:30 pm

May 23rd—1st—3rd grade picnics

May 24th—4th grade picnic

May 25th—NO SCHOOL, Kindergarten Graduation at 7 pm

May 26th—Last Day of School, Closing Chapel,
Mrs. Alsin's cookie & punch reception,
8th Grade Graduation at 7 pm

Building lives of excellence upon the foundation of Christ.



LUNCH MENU

Monday: Mac n Cheese, Roll, Salad, California Vegetables, Celery, Fruit

Tuesday: BBQ Chicken Leg, Mashed Potatoes w/Gravy, BBQ Baked Beans, Carrots, Fruit

Wednesday: Stuff Crust Pepperoni Pizza, Broccoli, Corn, Carrots, Fruit

Thursday: Shrimp Poppers, Cheese Stick or Yogurt, California Vegetables, Coleslaw, Fruit

Friday: Breakfast Burrito or Belgium Waffle Sticks, Tri-Tater, Carrots, Fruit

*Menu may vary

Alternate Meal: Yogurt, Cheese Stick, Graham Crackers and regular lunch fruit / veggie

School News

NEW KRIS ALSIN'S RETIREMENT CELEBRATION! SAVE THE DATE ~ MAY 21ST

- Mrs. Kris Alsin will retire after this school year. Mrs. Alsin has taught at Hope for the past 24 years. We will be celebrating her ministry at Hope on Sunday, May 21st after the late church service in the Family Life Center. We will have a potluck dinner. Please bring a main or side dish; drinks and dessert will be provided by our fellowship board. Baskets for expressions of congratulations will be in the narthex & FLC. We want to make this super special for Mrs. Alsin so please share with family and friends as all are invited!



NEW WASHINGTON D.C. TRIP FUNDRAISER— Fundraising for the 7th/8th grade 2018 class trip to Washington D.C. has begun. They are selling t-shirts as a fundraising activity. The site is: https://www.bonfire.com/hope-campaign/?utm_source=facebook&utm_medium=campaign_page_share&utm_campaign=hope-campaign&utm_content=default.



NEW STEAM NIGHT DINNER— Next year's 7th & 8th grade class will provide a dinner from 5:00-6:30 pm in Concord Hall before the STEAM night activities on Wednesday, May 10th. A free will offering will be taken and the proceeds will go to the 7th/8th grade 2018 class trip to Washington D.C. The menu is baked potato bar, loaded hot dog (or plain), chips, drinks and ice cream with toppings.

NEW PTL TEACHER DONATION FORMS— PTL is sending home an optional teacher donation form today in the Friday folders. If you would like to make a donation please use the form and envelope provided and return to the school office by Friday, May 19th .

NEW HAVE EXTRA UTENSILS AT YOUR HOUSE? The kitchen is missing some silverware. Please check your drawers and see if your child may have brought a spoon or fork home sometime during the school year. If you find any wayward silverware, please bring it to the kitchen. Thanks!

NEW 4TH QUARTER CHAPEL— The 4th quarter chapel offering will help the Uganda Kids Choir . The children in the Ugandan Kids Choir bring a message of hope—sharing the power of God's love through traditional music and dance. As they tour the US, they delight audiences with their high energy performances and infectious joy. Each choir is made up of 10 sponsored children who come from the poorest parts of Uganda. The choir will be visiting Hope on May 21st and their concert will be at 6:00 pm. So far the dayschool and preschool have contributed \$244.21.

NEW FIELD DAY— will be on Monday, May 22nd starting at 1:00 pm. Parents are invited to come and watch the fun. The students may wear non-uniform shirts and short/pants for the day. Students may not wear "short" shorts, tank tops, spaghetti straps, shirts without sleeves or with inappropriate words or pictures on them.



8TH GRADE GRADUATION DVD SALE— Spring can be such a blur for 8th graders (and their parents)! With school projects, Fine Arts Night, track meets, confirmation, graduation—and the list goes on. Would you like to take one thing off your plate? Enjoy graduation without having to mess with recording it! Let next year's 8th grade class record graduation for you! For a small payment of \$20 we will provide you with a DVD of the special event. All proceeds benefit next year's 8th grade class trip. Order forms are coming home today in the Friday folders. **Please make checks payable to Hope Lutheran School 8th Grade.* **Please return the order form with payment by Monday, May 22.**



KINDERGARTEN GRADUATION DVD SALE— Can you believe they are graduating from Kindergarten already? It seems like they were just babies, but look how they have grown! Time flies so fast! Each milestone is precious. Would you like to enjoy graduation without having to mess with recording? Next year's 8th grade class parents know just how you feel and are offering a special service. Let us record graduation for you! For a small payment of \$20 we will provide you with a DVD of the special event. All proceeds benefit the 8th grade class trip. Order forms are coming home today in the Friday folders. **Please make checks payable to Hope Lutheran School 8th Grade.* **Please return the order form with payment by Monday, May 22.**

Student Council News

Student Council will be hosting a **"Dodgeball Tournament"** on May 11th-12th. Additional sign up forms are available in the school office.

PTL and Auction News

You should have received a silent auction donation request flier in last week's Friday folder. Any donations can be dropped off in the school office. If you have any questions please contact Nicole Cameron, Danya Johnson or Suzee Dittberner.

Follow our Facebook page Parents Auction for Hope School so you can see what donations we have received and important updates!

Choir and Band News

NEW DRESS FOR STEAM NIGHT— on Wednesday, May 10th at 7:00 pm the "A" and "B" bands, K-3rd grade and 4th-8th grade choirs will be performing in the Family Life Center. The 4th-8th grade choir and all band members will wear black pants or skirts and white shirts or blouses. The girls will also wear a splash of red and the boys will wear red ties. The Kindergarten-3rd grade students are to wear black or dark navy pants or skirts and white shirts or blouses. The girls should wear a splash of red and the boys will wear a red tie, if they have one. Please wear black dress shoes if possible. The used uniform store does have some shoes, pants, and ties available for \$2.00 a piece. The 4th-8th grade students should meet in the Music Room at 6:40 pm and the Kindergarten-3rd grade students should meet in their classrooms at 6:45 pm. This is a mandatory performance.

NEW BAND INSTRUCTIONS FOR STEAM NIGHT— Band students should arrive at 6:30 pm. Please assemble your instrument and then report to the Music Room to warm-up with the choir. Attire is white on top, black on the bottom with a touch of red, just like at Gathering.

FACTS PROGRAM REGISTRATION— If you will be using the FACTS program for monthly tuition withdrawals for the FIRST time next school year, you will need to go online at <https://online.factsmgt.com> to register.

AFTER SCHOOL CARE WORKERS NEEDED— The Extended School Care program is looking for help for After School Care for the upcoming 2017-2018 school year. The hours are 3:30-5:00 pm Monday through Friday. If you are interested or have any questions, contact Jon-Eric Taylor at taylor@hopelutheran.org.



looking for
part time job?

Part-Time Middle School Teacher

We welcome Mrs. Levada Johns as our part-time middle school teacher for the 2017-2018 school year. Mrs. Johns has a Masters in Elementary Education from the University of Phoenix and a BA in Speech Communication/Television and Broadcasting/Journalism with a minor in Spanish from Tennessee State University. She has a teaching license from Georgia and Tennessee in Middle Grades Language Arts and Social Sciences. She is currently working toward obtaining her Kansas teaching license.

Mrs. Johns has been teaching our Kindergarten-4th grade PE this year and has been our dedicated substitute teacher.

She comes highly recommended from different schools around the country and the world. She has taught in South Korea, TN, KY, TX, and GA. She is also a head volleyball coach for a local traveling team. Her daughter Leilah is currently in first grade.

Enrollment Information & Updates

PRESCHOOL ENROLLMENT FOR 2017-2018— Hope Lutheran Preschool is now enrolling for all 1/2 day classes, all day Pre-Kindergarten, and all day and 1/2 day Junior Kindergarten. If you have questions regarding next year's enrollment or are interested in a tour, please contact Kathy Pluff at kpluff@hopelutheran.org or contact the school office at 631-6940.

"NEW STUDENT" 2017-2018 ENROLLMENT— Hope Lutheran School is accepting applications for **new student** enrollment for the 2017-2018 school year. Applications for enrollment are available in the school office and at www.hopelutheran.org. A non-refundable application fee of \$150 per child is required when the application is submitted. If you know of someone who would be interested in learning more about Hope Lutheran School, please have them contact the school office at 631-6940 or school.office@hopelutheran.org to arrange a tour and informational meeting or better yet, invite them to the Open House!

THE UGANDAN KIDS CHOIR
IS COMING TO
Hope Lutheran Church and School

Sunday, May 21st at 6 pm



The children in the Ugandan Kids Choir are known for their musical talents and their joyful performances. They sing traditional African songs, play authentic African instruments, and dance in their colorful African attire.

The Choir is a ministry of Childcare Worldwide, which has been devoted to empowering children in the developing world since 1981. Childcare Worldwide serves children in nine developing countries by taking care of their physical, spiritual, and educational needs.

By coming to this event, you will enjoy traditional African song and dance, as well as help support children in need all around the world. Be sure to bring your family and friends!

For more information about our organization or to view our tour schedule please visit our website www.childcareworldwide.org/choir



Community & Church News

NEW HELP REQUESTED FOR OLD SHAWNEE DAYS FLOAT— Old Shawnee Days is just around the corner! Every year, Hope Lutheran has a float in the parade. We need YOUR help to spread the word about Hope on June 3rd! We need volunteers to help assemble the float, walk/ride with the float (it can be the whole family!), and people to donate candy! Get specifics or sign up here: <https://goo.gl/1O5wsX>. Contact Miss LeAnn at miller@hopelutheran.org if you have questions.

GUATEMALA EYEGLASS COLLECTION— We will be collecting used eyeglasses through May. There is a box labeled **Guatemala Eyeglass Mission Trip in the church narthex and in the school lobby**. Please place eyeglasses in the containers. Thank you for your support for the Guatemala Mission trip this summer.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL AT HOPE— **VBS 2017 is a victory celebration!** In *Mighty Fortress* VBS, your children learn that in Jesus, the victory is won! They'll look into the Bible, God's Holy Word, and explore five Bible accounts about God, our Mighty Fortress, and the victory Jesus has won for us.

Come along with us as we sing fun songs, do crazy crafts, eat yummy snacks, play awesome games, and *more*. Plus, you'll learn that in Jesus, the victory is won! Can't wait to see you there! **Register now for Mighty Fortress Vacation Bible School!** For information, call [913-931-6940](tel:913-931-6940), email vbs@hopelutheran.org, or go online at www.hopelutheran.org/vbs.

Devotion Thoughts—School Board



What Were They or I Thinking? (WWTT? WWIT?)

Have you ever said or done one or more of these?

- ◆ Why would Adam and Eve want to make clothes of leaves and hide? (WWTT?)
- ◆ What possessed Jonah to take a different ship? (WWTT?)
- ◆ Why would Martha worry over a meal when the Lord is in the family room? (WWTT?)
- ◆ God doesn't answer my prayers. (WWIT?)
- ◆ I don't have any homework. (WWIT?)
- ◆ I will clean my room tomorrow. (WWIT?)
- ◆ I want to go to school all year. (WWIT?)
- ◆ I don't need Jesus in my life I can save myself. (WWIT?)

but God shows his love for us while we were still sinners.

Weekly News

TRASH BAGS FOR SALE— The 8th grade class is selling trash bags as an ongoing fundraiser for their Washington, D.C. trip in April. There are three sizes available (tall kitchen, medium and large). The kitchen bags are white; the medium bags come in your choice of yellow, orange or pink; and the large bags are available in black. These are very sturdy bags and are available for **\$11.00 (price change)** a roll in the school

SAVE MONEY ON GROCERIES— HyVee & Price Chopper coupon books are being sold by the 8th grade class to fund their class trip. The books cost \$5.00 each and can be purchased by stopping by the school office. Each book sold raises \$4.00 for the trip so it is a significant part of the fundraising campaign. Each book contains a \$5.00 coupon off of a purchase of \$50.00 or more and many miscellaneous in-store coupons. Thank you for your support!

MOMS IN PRAYER - The Moms In Prayer group meets on Thursdays after drop off in the Memorial Lounge. Please join us as we pray scripture over the students and pray for the school.

Policy Reminders

Kansas Law 72-1113 states that if a child is unexcused from school for 3 consecutive days, 5 days in a semester or 7 days in a year then they are considered truant. All cases of truancy are required by Kansas Law to be reported to the appropriate authorities.

2.3.6 After a student has received 5 unexcused tardies, they will be marked with 1 day absent. Five unexcused tardies = 1 day absent.

2.3.7 The failure of a student to attend at least 85% of all days per quarter may result in a failing grade and/or retention in the student's current grade at year's end. Excessive absences, whether excused or unexcused, prevent the student from receiving beneficial instruction from the teacher. (20 days absent will result in retention or summer school.) Exceptions may be made for a prolonged physician diagnosed illness with completion of academic requirements at home.

Sports Calendar

TRACK MEET May 6th - Lutheran High

"Choose Hope" Incentive Program

This program is a new referral incentive for existing families K-8. A tuition credit of \$500 will be credited* to any family whose referral has resulted in a new student enrolling. The new student's application must be submitted with the referring family's name marked in the appropriate area. *The bonus will be given when the new student has been enrolled at Hope for one full year of K-8.