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May 2019

<p>May 5</p> 	<p>9:30 a.m. Worship with Communion Sunday School - 19A Youth Bible Study—19D 10:30 Bible Study - L 10:30 Fellowship Time - C</p>
<p>May 12 Newsletter Deadline</p> 	<p>9:30 a.m. Worship Sunday School - 19A Youth Bible Study—19D 10:30 Bible Study - L 10:30 Choir, Sound, Video Reception - C</p>
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Vacation Bible School: "Mega Sports Camp!"

June 10th-14th, 5:30-8:00 PM

At Northwest Hills Church, 9334 Fort Street
 (Held jointly with Lord of Love Church)

Family meals 5:30-6:00 PM

Choose your sport!!

Basketball * Soccer * Cheer * Spirit (arts/crafts)

Call 402-572-8392 or 402-493-2946 to register



**** All welcome to help make VBS Decorations May 16th at 6 PM!**



Church Office Closed Memorial Day: Monday, May 27th.



Deadline for articles/information for the monthly newsletter is usually the second Sunday for the next month's newsletter. Thank you in advance for your contributions!

THANK YOU

Thank you to my Northwest Hills Church family and friends for my 98th Birthday cards, phone calls and prayers! I have the cards inside my front door where I can see them and feel the "love" every time I pass them to get to my kitchen.

Thank you again!

In God's love,
— Margaret Reece



A HUGE THANK YOU to everyone who donated to the Sarah Circle Undie Sunday Drive during the months of March (March Madness) and April (continued on due to the community needs from flooding).

Many in our community will benefit from your kind generosity!

MANY THANKS to those who purchased spring bedding plants! Your love of all things "spring and green" help make this event a success!



CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING

The Church Council meeting will be held on Thursday, May 9, at 7:00 p.m. in Room 128.

COFFEE DONATIONS

Hi! I am the Coffee Donation Box. I am very hungry. The next time we share snacks in the Commons, could you feed me too? It helps defray the cost of drinks and condiments and makes me very happy. Thank you so much!

MEN'S MINISTRY

All men of the church are invited for breakfast on Saturday, May 4th at the Village Inn on North 90th Street. (Psssssst.....that is also Pastor Alex's Birthday!!)

WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION

The Women's Association meeting will be held Thursday, May 2nd at 12 noon in the Fellowship Hall.



The Canasta Club will meet on Thursday, May 16th at Romeo's at 90th & Blondo. Please arrive before 10:00 AM to start playing. We will order lunch from the menu at Noon. The Women's Association will pay for your lunch (using your \$1.00 each month). We will be starting a new year of fun! If you are interested in playing as a sub or full time, please call Judy Intlekofer at 402-292-1060.

CIRCLES

Hannah Circle: There will be a meeting Tuesday, May 21st at 1:15 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. Devotions by Molly McCoy and refreshments by Alice Larson. Contact Lois Gapen at (402) 572-6792 with any questions. Our mission project for March was canned vegetables for the Food Pantry at Hope Lutheran Church. We had 121 canned vegetables and 61 miscellaneous food items to send. Our project for April was canned fruit, all sizes of cans. Keep your Family Fare receipts coming.

Ruth Circle has changed their meeting day of the week to Monday (3rd Monday of the month). The May meeting will be on the 20th at 6:30 PM in the Fellowship Hall. Hostess will be Debbie Shafer. Any questions, please call Ginger Morelock, 402-312-5126.

Sarah Circle will meet on Tuesday, May 14th, at 7:00 p.m. in room 119. Please call Terri Burrigat at (402) 659-6913 if you have questions.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!



Bernie
Hurt

Edwin & Beth
Perley



“Resurrection Witness: Acts of the Apostles” Easter 2019 Sermon Series

On Easter Sunday, we celebrated the resurrection of the Lord Jesus Christ! The resurrection is the most glorious event in the history of the world and is the foundation of our Christian faith. But the story doesn't end when Jesus was raised from the dead. Join us on Sundays as we learn how the disciples' lives were changed by Jesus' resurrection and how they changed the lives of others.

- May 5 – Acts 9:1-20: “Turn in the Road”
- May 12 – Acts 9:32-43: “The Living Power of the Resurrection”
- May 19 – Acts 11:1-18: “Eating with the Enemy”
- May 26 – Acts 16:16-34: “Shaken to the Foundations”
- June 2 – Acts 17:22-34: “Tomb of the Unknown God”



What Happens When There is Bad Weather?

Even though we are FINALLY through with winter, unfortunately here in Nebraska that doesn't mean an end to **bad weather**. With our lovely spring weather also can come severe weather and storms. Prayerfully we stand believing for blessing and protection from the storms, but occasionally public buildings and parts of town can be negatively impacted by tornadoes, flooding, or high velocity, straight-line winds that render public buildings and byways out of commission.

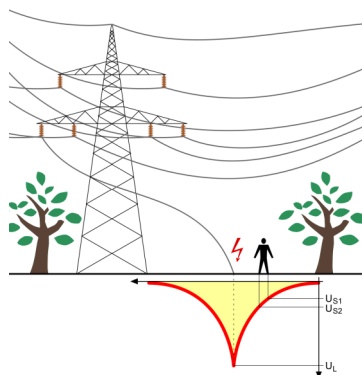
If inclement weather or some other factor (e.g. no electric power) were to require cancelling church services, the Moderator, Vice Moderator, and Pastor will communicate and come to a decision.

When a decision to cancel services is made, the announcement will be disseminated as widely as possible. The following information channels will be used:

KETV ABC Channel 7
WOWT NBC Channel 6
KMTV CBS Channel 3

Church's Facebook Account

Bulk email





Prayer chain requests can be called to Lois Gapen at (402) 572-6792 or the church office at (402) 572-8392.

Thank you for your kind responses regarding updating our prayer list. We were pleased to hear several that were much improved. Please continue to let us know of any changes so that we can update our list and assure that the prayers going out weekly are the most current and urgent needs expressed. Thank you in advance. The list is below:

Prayer Requests: Dirk Huston (Janet Delehoy's nephew), Karen Vrtiska (friend of Janet Delehoy), Nancy Norton (friend of Carol Scott), Bob Gardner (Janet Delehoy's daughter's, friend), Michael Guilliams (Bev Ambrosius' nephew), Sandy Christopherson, Pearl Christopherson, Ivan Vrtiska, Al Cummings (Janet Delehoy's brother), Sharon Marchese (Kathleen Hammond's sister), SuEllyn Negus, Carol Scott, Lynn Hammond, Ed Lippincott, Drew Botsakos, Jim Taylor, Kathleen Hammond, Marla Wilson (Sue Miller's sister-in-law's sister), Mary LaHood, Dianne Hasch (Dianna Cupps' friend), Al Hagemeyer (Jean Barker's brother), Kathy Caito, Barb Karstens, Connie Klaumann

On-Going Cancer Treatment: Ena Nolan, Mike Lambert, Mary Larson, Patricia Gename (Mary Hinman's daughter), Sharon Kirby (Janet Delehoy's sister-in-law), Dick McCoy, Gail Schroeder, Pam Dutton, Dave Merriam, Anita Sohm, Sue Day, Robert Baker, Sharon Cook (cousin of Carol Scott), Evelyn Walton, Sharon McNutt (Ruth Negus' friend's sister), Betty Benskin, Ingrid Kerfoot (friend of Sherry Mitchell), Edie Skrobo, Kathy Stow (friend of Bev Ambrosius), Carl Burnham



FAMILY FARE RECEIPTS



Every time you shop at your local Family Fare store, save your receipts. Bring your complete receipt to church and place in the box in the Commons. We will collect them and send them on to Project Hope. When Project Hope has collected and submitted \$150,000 in receipts, Family Fare will

send Project Hope \$1,000! This is a Share Omaha Project.

EVENING BIBLE STUDY



On Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m. in the Library, Pastor Alex is leading an evening Bible study. The theme of this Bible study revolves around books of the Bible that tend to be "neglected" and not often studied. We will be studying the history of Israel, from Abraham to Jesus' birth. Please join us for a time filled with study, prayer and fellowship!

SUZY'S CORNER:

Be still and know that I am God. I know have written about this before, but it seems it is so pertinent in today's society where everything thing moves at a record pace. There are many obligations each one of us has: working, work obligations, getting and picking up kids or grandkids to and from school, sporting events, dance lessons, other classes, doctor's appointments and the list can go on and on. And I am no exception. I always seem to have plenty to do. But when I don't take time to be still, my life just goes on...without much meaning. It's as if I'm going through the motions and not enjoying much of anything. It's not until I just stop...stop doing all the things that supposedly need to get done that I realize many things I feel I have to do really don't need to get done. After a really busy period of time (like Easter) I feel a let down because there is not as much that has to get done. It is during this time that I take time to be still. This is like a magic time...I start to enjoy the little things in life and regain my focus on what is really important. And guess what? It's not how many things I can get done in a day!! Its being still, taking the time to enjoy what God puts in front of me each day. So take the time to be still. It is well worth it.



In His Service,

Suzy

FROM PASTOR ALEX WOLF

Grace and peace to you in the name of the risen Lord Jesus Christ!

A lot happens in the month of May. We celebrate our mothers and the women that are like our mothers, we celebrate the culture and people of Mexico, and we remember and honor those who have died while serving in our nation's military. May is an extremely important month to me because I was born in the month of May. May is also the month that is closely associated with graduations. Graduations are great opportunities to celebrate.

I had a chemistry and physics teacher in high school who called tests and exams "Celebrations of Knowledge." He wanted us to celebrate what we had learned while taking our tests. We students who were in his classes didn't appreciate that label, especially those students who forgot to study for the test. I remember our teacher also calling our graduation the "Best Celebration of Knowledge." I liked this thought better than the exams. Graduations are truly triumphant as you take the knowledge and wisdom you've acquired and share it with the world.

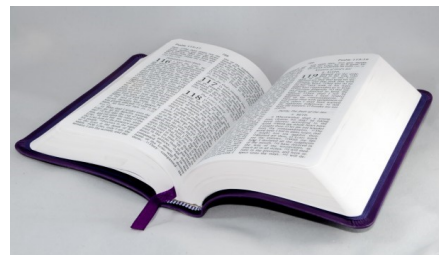
Humanity has been in pursuit of wisdom and understanding ever since the beginning. Men and women have searched across the world to gain knowledge. In the Book of Proverbs, Lady Wisdom cries out, "Take my instruction instead of silver, and knowledge rather than choice gold, for wisdom is better than jewels, and all that you may desire cannot compare with her" (Proverbs 8:10-11). Wisdom and knowledge are so valuable that nothing compares with them. Without wisdom, one may have the riches of this world but not understand one's life.

Throughout the book of Proverbs, Lady Wisdom makes clear that true wisdom and knowledge come from God, the Maker of heaven and earth. In Proverbs 8:22-31, the personified Wisdom says that God created everything in wisdom. God used wisdom to shape the mountains and bring forth the hills; to uphold the skies and establish the waters; to mark the foundations of the world. It is this wisdom we are called to seek. Those who seek this wisdom find God (Prov. 1:7).

This May, let us celebrate the wisdom and knowledge that God has given each of us. Let us rejoice in knowing God and his ways. But may our learning and search for wisdom never cease. May we continue to study and seek the wisdom and knowledge to better understand who God is and what God asks of us here at Northwest Hills Church.

In Christ's love,

Pastor Alex



WEDNESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY

Join us on Wednesdays at 10 AM as Pastor Alex leads a Bible study on the Old Testament Book of Ruth. Please join us for a lively time filled with study, prayer and fellowship!

Homestead Exemption

Once again the VAS (Volunteers Assisting Seniors) will be starting their Homestead Exemptions Events at various locations throughout the Omaha Area. It is rewarding for the VAS to be able to help clients receive property tax relief that can be used for other essentials of life.

Northwest Hills Church will be on the schedule for Tuesday, May 28th from 10 AM to 12 noon.

You MUST CALL AND MAKE AN APPOINTMENT with the V.A.S. Office at 402-444-6617. Do NOT call the church office for an appointment. There are other locations on Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays running from March through June, all from 10 AM to 12 noon. You can call and make an appointment for any of the locations that may be closer or more convenient. Any questions about this exemption or to make an appointment, and what to bring, call the VAS at 402-444-6617.

MOMENTS FROM THE HOPPIN' EASTER ADVENTURE, Saturday, April 20th:



Crafts were very popular!



What a beautiful day for a Hoppin'Easter Adventure! The families started coming early!



So many activities to choose from! And snacks too!



New this year: face painting! Hatching chicks, bunnies, eggs and tulips!



SINGLES & FRIENDS!

May Outing!

Movie, then Dinner Saturday, May 18th, 4:30 PM
Boyd & Charlie's BBQ

Set your calendar for Saturday, May 18th! Catch a movie early in the afternoon, then join friends for dinner at Boyd & Charlie's at 1418 S. 60th Street at 4:30 PM for some great BBQ. It's your chance to try this place! We'll need a head count early that week. All are welcome, please join us! Reservations are under "Ginger." Any questions, please call Ginger at 402-312-5126.



CRAFT NIGHT! Craft night will be held in Room 128 at Northwest Hills Church at 6:00 PM on Tuesday, May 14, 2019. Are you looking for a fun evening out of the house? We always welcome new crafters, so please come and share the fun in designing new and creative craft items. Should have any questions, please feel free to call Sherry Mitchell at 402-498-3597.



Sunday School (Children Ages 4-11)

Sunday School is held for elementary-age children. Kids exit with Suzy after the Children's Moment. Children are encouraged to join us as we take a trip back in time to the days when the Ten Commandments were given to Moses. Each week we look at a different commandment and how it pertains to kids today.

Sunday School Offering: The Sunday School classes take an offering each Sunday. The kids will decide what annual mission they want their offering to go to.

Northwest Hills Preschool



Sprout, Bloom, Grow

The preschool year is quickly coming to a close. On May 17th we will have our graduation! We have 14 kids going on to Kindergarten this year. May 17th is also our last day of regular preschool until September. We have openings in our 3, 4/5 year old classes. Registration is \$35 and cost is \$125/mo. for 3 days a week (3 year olds) and \$175/mo. For 5 days a week (4/5 year olds).

Matt McGovern, an Eagle Scout from Troop 383 (that meets here at the church), has completed our outdoor classroom. Take a peek...it will get good use this summer as we are having Wednesday morning playdates beginning June 5-August 7. Hours are from 9:00 AM—12:00 noon. We currently have 10 current preschool children interested in this new endeavor. If you are interested, check with Suzy on availability.



A HUGE thank you to everyone who pitched in for the Hoppin' Easter Adventure — from the people who donated candy, the ladies who separated and stuffed eggs to the youth who hid the

eggs and the people who helped out with the activities. It was great to see everyone work together to make it a great event!! God blessed us with a perfect day and we had many people from the community and preschool participate in the activities and the egg hunt. Thank you all again!



Mark your calendar for June 10-14; light dinner from 5:30-6:00 PM then VBS from 6-8 PM. We are excited to partner with Love of Love Church! We will host the VBS here

at Northwest Hills. This is a great outreach to the community. Want to help out? Contact Suzy!



EPIC YOUTH is now expanded to include 6th graders! Welcome!

GRADUATE INFORMATION: If you or an immediate family member is graduating with your High School Diploma, Bachelors, Masters or Doctorate this spring or summer, we will be honoring you on Sunday, May 19. Please contact Suzy (402) 572-8392, suzy@northwesthills.com) with your graduation information including name, school future plans and interests/hobbies by May 5th.

Sunday Morning Youth Bible Study is held on Sunday mornings during the school year and is for all 6th through 12th graders who want to participate in a study designed for teens. Youth will leave the sanctuary after the Children's Moment and go to the Youth Room downstairs. Come enjoy time together learning God's word and desire for your life. Youth Bible Study will not be held the first Sunday of each month so Youth may attend church with their family and take Communion (if confirmed).

MORE MOMENTS FROM THE HOPPIN' EASTER ADVENTURE, Saturday, April 20th:



A great outreach to the community! Everyone who came was blessed by all that Northwest Hills Church offered at this year's Hoppin' Easter Adventure!

MAY

Kids K-5th Grade Happenings



May 5th	Sunday School: 9th Commandment: Don't Tell Lies	9:45 a.m.
May 12th	Sunday School: 10th Commandment: Don't covet other peoples things	9:45 a.m.
May 19th	Sunday School: "The Top Ten"	9:45 a.m.
May 26th	No Sunday School	9:45 a.m.
Coming in June:	Mark your calendars for VBS: June 10-14. Our theme this year is Mega Sports Camp!! 5:30-8:00 PM. Dinner will be served.	

EPIC Youth

6th~12th Grade

May 5th	No Youth Bible Study (Join your families for	9:30 a.m.
May 12th	Bible Study—19D	9:45 a.m.
May 16th	VBS Decorating and Pizza	6:00 PM
May 19th	Graduates/Teachers Recognized in Service.	9:30 a.m.
May 19th	Mini golf at Putting Plus, 9216 Maple: watch FB for cost	6:30-8:00 p.m.
May 26th	No Bible Study.	9:30 a.m.

Summer's just around the corner so mark your calendars!!!

June 10-14	Help with Vacation Bible School 5:30-8:00 PM
June 1, 22	Car Washes! 9 AM—2 PM
July 7-13	Shannondale Mission Trip

Sun

Mon


Tue

Wed

Thu

Fri

Sat

<p>MAY</p>			<p>1 10:00 Bible Study - L 6:30 Choir - 128 7:00 Bible Study—L</p>	<p>2 12 noon Women's Association Mtg—FH</p>	<p>3 10:00 Artists - L</p>	<p>4 9:00 Men's Ministry - Village Inn on N. 90th **Pastor Alex's Birthday!</p>
<p>5 9:30 Worship - S Sunday School - 19A 10:30 Fellowship - C 10:30 Bible Study - L 10:45 CE Mtg - 119 1-4:15 Violin Recital S,C</p>	<p>6</p>	<p>7 7:00 Scouts - FH</p>	<p>8 10:00 Bible Study - L 11:00 Preschool Picnic with Parents 6:30 Choir - 128 7:00 Bible Study—L</p>	<p>9 7:00 Council Mtg—128</p>	<p>10 10:00 Artists - L</p>	<p>11 Darwin Barker—FH All day; Callers Assoc. Training</p>
<p>12 NEWSLETTER DEADLINE 9:30 Worship - S Sunday School - 19A Youth Bible Study - 19D 10:30 Choir, Sound, Video Reception - C 10:30 Bible Study - L</p>	<p>13</p>	<p>14 6:00 Crafters—128 7:00 Sarah Circle—119 7:00 Scouts - FH</p>	<p>15 10:00 Bible Study - L 6:30 Choir - 128 7:00 Bible Study—L</p>	<p>16 10:00 Romeo's Canasta Card Party 6:00 VBS Decorations</p>	<p>17 10:00 Artists - L 11:00 Preschool graduation—S Reception—FH 7:30 Auto Club—FH</p>	<p>18 10:30 Darwyn Delehoy Memorial Svs—S/FH 4:30 movies & dinner Singles & Friends Boyd & Charlies</p>
<p>19 9:30 Worship - S Sunday School - 19A Youth Bible Study - 19D 10:30 Graduate/Teacher Reception - C 10:30 Bible Study - L 6:30 Youth Mini Golf</p>	<p>20 6:30 Ruth Circle—FH</p>	<p>21 1:15 Hannah Circle-FH 7:00 Scouts - FH</p>	<p>22 10:00 Bible Study - L 7:00 Bible Study—L</p>	<p>23</p>	<p>24</p>	<p>25</p>
<p>26 9:30 Worship - S 10:30 Fellowship - C 10:30 Bible Study - L 1:00 Baptism Wedding PM: Skrobo</p>	<p>27 Memorial Day Office Closed </p>	<p>28 10-12 Homestead Help Site—C/S 7:00 Scouts—FH</p>	<p>29 10:00 Bible Study - L 7:00 Bible Study—L</p>	<p>30</p>	<p>31 2-7 PM Sandra Hill—FH Memorial Coffee: Ruth Hill</p>	<p>S: Sanctuary C: Commons L: Library FH: Fellowship Hall</p>

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MAY BIRTHDAYS



1	Kathy Coppler	8	Janet Davis	19	Mike McKimney
1	Chloe Henkel	8	Susan Ryan	20	Grant Barker
1	Annie Kuti	9	Melissa Frank	20	Logan Baudendistel
2	Betty Benskin	10	Ashton Christensen	21	Michael Ervin
2	Darby Carlin	11	Rosemary Morton	21	Amy Hindley
3	Kathleen Hammond	11	Tanner White	21	Dallin Nastasi
4	Pastor Alex Wolf	13	Hank Kessler	21	Peggy Truckenbrod
5	Katelynn Beberniss	13	Shirley Spencer	22	Sheri Swift
6	Michael Davis	14	Virginia Wiese	23	Terri Burreight
6	Cheryl Hatch	16	Dezie Miller	25	Tiffanie Bergamine
6	William Owens	16	Savannah Miller	26	Harriet Hindley
7	John Anderson	16	Linda Stricker	26	Heather Jacobsen
7	Kelsie Henkel	17	Carl Burnham	26	Richard Stricker
7	Duane Salonen	18	Nikki Heim	26	Jan Hannasch
7	Carol Scott	18	Conner McKimney	27	Sondra Putzstuck
7	Clemensene Zuckweiler	19	Anabelle Bergamine	28	Lucas Hunter
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ANNIVERSARIES

12	Michael & Janet Davis	20	Terry & Paula Markuson
15	Al & Sue Penner	22	Bob & Brenda Taylor
17	Brad & Christina Beal	25	Bill & Cheryl Hatch
18	Donald & Peggy Truckenbrod	25	Jack & Carolyn Williams
19	Robert and Sharon Dolezal	26	Jim & Coleen Vincent