

# Bloomington Living Hope Lutheran Church

Weekend of June 2-4, 2018

**Welcome!** It is a joy to have you with us today and it is our prayer that you are strengthened and uplifted through our worship and fellowship. We especially welcome those visiting. Please pick up information about our church at the kiosk located in the entry. Also, please take time after the service to introduce yourself to our pastor. We would like to get to know you better.

## **A Prayer in Preparation for Worship**

Lord, as we gather to worship in your house, help us to focus on the message, praise you whole-heartedly, and leave ready to serve you. In every way, you have been generous with us. In turn, lead us to be generous with the gifts you have amply supplied. We are humbled by your goodness and have far more than enough to share with your church and others. In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.

## **Today's Message:** *Generous Living – A Little is Enough*

One of the few stories of Jesus' ministry that is reported by all four Gospels is the feeding of the 5,000. Something important is transmitted in this teaching of Jesus. With life in our face, we tend to rush ahead and fixate on Jesus blessing and breaking the bread. We revel in the miracle of multiplication and the wonder of how God provides.

However, in our haste, we miss a profound truth that Jesus wishes us to know. Generous living begins here; we do what we can do. The gospel story from Mark tells us the disciples ascertained how much food there was. Jesus took the food, blessed it and broke it, and gave it back to the disciples.

Under his direction, they passed it out to the hungry crowd. They did what they could do. In the hands of Jesus, a little is enough.

In His Service,  
Lyle Strehler  
Church Administrator

We are One Church  
with Three Campuses,  
Bridged Together  
with One Mission:

**to Know Christ and  
to Make Him Known!**

## **Our PASSION is to:**

- Gather Regularly** to Know Christ.
- Clarify Truth** from Error to Know Christ.
- Teach Kids** to Know Christ.
- Witness to the Unchurched** that they might Know Christ.
- Benefit People** as an expression of Knowing Christ.

## **Bloomington Lutheran Church**

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Our church is a member of the  
Wisconsin Ev. Lutheran Synod

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## **Connect with us online:**

**bllh.org**

bllhschool.org

facebook.com/bloomingtonlivinghope

## THIS WEEK

Please check the calendar on the back of this folder for all Bible classes and other events over the next five weeks.

### Sunday, June 3 – Summer Worship Schedule Begins

11:00 a.m. Sneak Preview of New Sanctuary at LH

### Monday, June 4

7:00 p.m. Board of Education Meeting at BLS

### Tuesday, June 5

4:00 p.m. OWLS Polka and Brat Fest at BLC

6:30 p.m. New Member Orientation at BLC

### Thursday, June 7

6:30 p.m. Jesus Cares Ministry at BLC

6:30 p.m. Bloomington Outreach Comm. at BLC

### Saturday, June 9

9:00 a.m. Sod Party at LH

### LOVE IN ACTION SERVERS

	Living Hope	Bloomington
<b>This Weekend</b>	Proverbs	John
<b>Next Weekend</b>	Ezekiel	Jude

### UPCOMING MESSAGES

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New Series: <i>In The Beginning...A Study on Genesis</i>	
June 10	<i>In the Beginning...was Light</i> ~ Genesis 1:1-5
June 17	<i>In the Beginning...It was Very Good</i> Genesis 1:6-25
June 24	<i>In the Beginning...God Created Family</i> Genesis 1:28-31, 2:19-25
July 1	<b>Patriotic Theme: His Holy Nation within a Nation</b> ~ 1 Peter 2:1-17
July 8	<i>In the Beginning...God's Love Gave Freedom</i> Genesis 2:4-17
July 15	<i>In the Beginning...Was Unbelief</i> Genesis 3:1-13
July 22	<i>In the Beginning...God's Love Endured Forever</i> Genesis 2:14-15

We Celebrate the Number of Worshipers in God's House last weekend.	513
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### OUR GIFTS TO THE LORD

#### Bloomington Living Hope Lutheran Church

Weekend of <b>May 27, 2018</b>	Received Amount	Budgeted Amount	over/ (under)
Plate & Envelope	\$22,340	\$29,107	(\$6,767)
Year-to-Date	\$1,196,907	\$1,505,790	(\$308,884)

### Prayer and Care Ministry

Whatever your need might be, our prayer ministry stands ready to pray. Contact Diane Walters at blhpray@yahoo.com or write your request and place it in the box at the Bloomington church. Please let us know how God answers our prayers so we can thank Him.



## ALL CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Wedding** Karen Dray and Justin Bartelds were married May 19 at Bloomington Lutheran Church. We pray that God will knit their lives together in love for Him and each other.



### Polka and Brat Fest at BLC

The OWLS will hold their annual Polka and Brat Fest on **Tuesday, June 5, 2018**, starting at 4:00 p.m. at Bloomington Lutheran Church. Everyone is invited to attend. There will be fabulous food, lemonade, coffee, and polka music. A free will offering will be taken. Please sign up on the sheet provided on the OWLS bulletin board at Bloomington Lutheran, or you can call the church office to let them know you will be attending. See you there!

### Giving Back to God

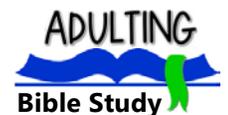
As we near the end of our church's fiscal year, it is a good time to take notice of the blessings we have received and to consider how we should manage these gifts from God. Carefully considering how you make gifts can assure the recipient and yourself the greatest benefits from them. Gifts of cash and appreciated asset gifts are just two ways that not only help the church's mission but also benefits you in tax deductions. For more information on the many wonderful ways to make wise gifts to help with the Lord's work, please contact Lyle Strehler at lstrehler@blh.org or 952-888-2475. Please pick up an Endowment/Planned Giving brochure found in the information kiosk.

### New Member Orientation Class

This class is the final step in becoming a member of Bloomington Living Hope Lutheran Church. Our next class is **Tuesday, June 5** at 6:30 p.m. at Bloomington Lutheran Church. If you have completed your membership paperwork and have not received an invitation to this class, please contact the Bloomington church office at blc@blh.org or 952-888-2475.

### Adulting

We are gathering 18-29 year olds for a six session Bible study over the summer. We want to help you to get connected to God and to other young adults. Bring your Bible, bring a friend, reconnect with friends from church or make new ones. We will meet two Thursdays a month at Living Hope from 7:00-8:30 p.m.



**Mark your calendar for  
June 7, 12 (Tuesday), July 5, 19, August 2, 16.**

This is a series that you can jump in on in the middle or for whichever sessions you can make. Email joel.hansen@myblh.org if you are interested, or call or text Joel at (715) 321-2631. **To see a trailer for the study we are doing, head to blh.org/adulting.**



### VBS Volunteer Training

All volunteers need to attend this mandatory training on Thursday, June 14 from 6:30-8:00 p.m. at

Living Hope. If you are not able to attend, please email the church office at [blc@bllh.org](mailto:blc@bllh.org).

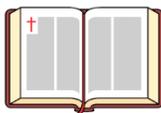
### Women of Hope Morning Bible Study at LH



This is a great opportunity to stay in the Word throughout the summer. Plus, there will not be any homework! The study, *Understanding Spiritual Gifts* by Kay Arthur, David and BJ Lawson,

explains what spiritual gifts are, where they come from, who has them, how they are received, and how they work within the church. **Mark your calendar for June 13, 27, July 11, 25, and August 8, 22 from 9:30-11:00 a.m.** at Living Hope. Each participant will need to purchase a study guide online (approximately \$8) or email the church office at [blc@bllh.org](mailto:blc@bllh.org) for assistance. Also, please contact Tracy if you will need childcare.

### Women's Wednesday Evening Bible Study at LH



Carve out some time and join us for six Wednesday nights this summer! We will review the book of Philippians using the study, *What Matters Most* by Karen

Ehman. This study looks at Paul's ever-relevant letter to the Philippians, which can inspire us to deepen our relationship with Jesus, turn our worries into worship, and develop gospel-centered tools for navigating relationships and thriving in Christian love. See how Paul's letter teaches us that there can be joy and contentment in the midst of disappointments, trials, and hardships by prioritizing what matters most – Christ. **Join us June 13, 27, July 11, 25, and August 8, 22 from 7:00-8:30 p.m.** at Living Hope. Please email [blc@bllh.org](mailto:blc@bllh.org) if you are planning to attend.

### Jesus Cares Ministry at BLC

This special ministry reaches out to people with intellectual and developmental disabilities by having Bible classes and fellowship on the second Thursday of June, July, and August from 6:30–7:30 p.m. **The next class is June 14** at Bloomington Lutheran Church. Our time together includes Bible stories, crafts, prayer requests, and music. See you there! (September-May meets on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Thursdays of each month)

### Banner and Altar Cloth Volunteer Needed at BLC

Each season during the church year, the altar cloths and banners need to be switched out. If you would be interested in helping make those changes happen, please email [blc@bllh.org](mailto:blc@bllh.org) or call the Bloomington church office at 952-888-2475.

## FOR OUR YOUTH

### Volunteer at VBS – We Need You!

Sign up at [bllh.org/vbs](http://bllh.org/vbs) for a morning or afternoon, one day, two days, or all four! We can plan around your schedule!

Contact a friend and sign-up together!

Students who are going into 5<sup>th</sup>–12<sup>th</sup> grades are asked to help out at VBS June 18-21.



**A training class that includes the Jr. Crew and Crew leaders is set for Thursday, June 14 from 6:30-8:00 p.m. at Living Hope.**

### Sr. High Vertical Encounters (Grades 9-12)

Our High School Ministry's Bible Study is moving back to Living Hope for the summer.

It is also switching to Wednesdays.

June 6 & 20

July 11 & 18

August 1 & 15

Wednesdays at Living Hope

We will be meeting from 6:30-8:00 p.m.

If you have questions regarding youth events, please email [joel.hansen@mybllh.org](mailto:joel.hansen@mybllh.org). Jr. High Empower is taking a break over the summer.

### Donate to BLH School by Purchasing Gift Cards



Using the Scrip program, you can generate charitable rebates through common purchases from your favorite stores, restaurants, and service providers.

### You can INSTANTLY use SCRIP from your phone

or tablet once you open an account by emailing [bllhSCRIP@mybllh.org](mailto:bllhSCRIP@mybllh.org). More details are posted in the church entry and at [bllhschool.org/SCRIP](http://bllhschool.org/SCRIP).

**Think about how your everyday purchases can support our school and then open an account.**

Once your account is set up, you can easily participate!

### Spring Cleaning? Donate Items to Church!

If you are purging while cleaning this spring and find yarn and other crafting items you would like to donate, please give them to our **Joyful Hands crafting group**. They make prayer shawls, mittens, hats, greeting cards, and more items that are donated to help others. Leave your donations in the church office labeled for Joyful Hands. Also, save your new or gently used treasures for the **annual Church Garage Sale!** Drop off dates will be after VBS in June. Proceeds from the garage sale go to support school projects and mission programs.

### St. Croix Lutheran Academy Hosts Golf Classic

St. Croix Lutheran Academy is hosting their annual Golf Classic on Monday, June 11 at Troy Burne Golf Course in Hudson, WI. Register at [stcroixlutheran.org/golfclassic](http://stcroixlutheran.org/golfclassic).

# SNEAK PREVIEW OF NEW SANCTUARY AT LIVING HOPE

Everyone is Welcome!

**Sunday, June 3 at Living Hope**

**Following the 10:00 AM Service**

*Come  
Join Us*

This is a chance to get a first-hand preview of what our new sanctuary will look like!

Langer Construction will make areas available where our members can safely view the building's progress. Additionally on June 3, at both LH and BLC, come and hear an update as we celebrate the conclusion of Build More, Do More, Serve More (BMDMSM) and transition to Build The Dream (BTD).



For those who are completing their commitments to BMDMSM and have made a commitment to Build the Dream, please see the info on the other side of this handout for instructions to transition your online giving.

## ADDITIONAL DONATIONS NEEDED FOR VBS

**Donate supplies to ensure Vacation Bible School is a success!**



Specific items that are needed have been posted in the church entry.

Please remove a posting, fill the request, and return the items with the tag attached.



Types of Items Needed (Specific amounts on posted tags):

- Sidewalk Chalk
- Cupcake Liners
- Crepe Paper
- Bottles of Water
- Fish Crackers
- Paper Cups
- Playdough
- Juice Boxes
- Toothpicks
- Popsicle Sticks
- Pretzel Sticks
- Plastic Straws
- Re-sealable Sandwich Bags
- Empty Coffee Cans with Lids
- Prizes for Bingo
- Napkins

*And  
Many More!*

## SOD PARTY!

**Saturday, June 9 • 9:00AM • Living Hope**

The project will only take an hour if a bunch of people show up.

If you have a knife that can be used for cutting sod, please bring it along. See you there!

Everyone is welcome if you can remember the green side goes up!



JOIN US FOR VBS!



Fun & Adventure are coming this Summer!



June 18-21, 2018

9:00 AM-12:00 PM

Living Hope

Children Age 2 – 3<sup>rd</sup> grade

Register your child or sign-up to volunteer at [www.blh.org/vbs](http://www.blh.org/vbs).

Afternoon Program at BLC until 4:00 PM

Older children and adults can join the fun and volunteer for the week!



If you have questions, please contact the Bloomington church office at [blc@blh.org](mailto:blc@blh.org).



### Donations still needed!

Find the VBS postings in the church entry and take a request tag.

### Volunteers Needed at BLC

- An adult to welcome children each morning and ride shuttle bus to Living Hope and back to Bloomington Lutheran at noon
- Lunch servers and helpers

## INSTRUCTIONS FOR CHANGES TO AUTOMATIC WITHDRAWAL

### Cancel your Automatic Withdrawal from Build More Do More Serve More (BMDMSM)

1. Go to [www.blh.org](http://www.blh.org)
2. Click on **Give Back** on the banner
3. Click on **Donate Online** and log in to your account
4. In "My Scheduled Transactions" select Delete for your BMDMSM transaction

### Start your Automatic Withdrawal for Build the Dream (BTD)

1. Go to [www.blh.org](http://www.blh.org)
2. Click on **Give Back** on the banner
3. Click on **Donate Online** and log in to your account
4. Select Add Transaction
5. Fill in Donation Amount, Donation Frequency, Donation Start Date, and Donation End Date