

# Bloomington Living Hope Lutheran Church

Weekend of June 9-11, 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**

O Lord – our Maker, Redeemer, and Comforter – we are assembled in your presence to hear your holy Word. We pray that you would open our hearts by your Holy Spirit, that through the preaching of your Word we may repent of our sins, believe in Jesus, and grow day by day in grace and holiness. Amen.

## **New Series: *In the Beginning...A Study on Genesis***

There is a well-known song with lines that go, "Let's start at the very beginning, a very fine place to start!"

In the book of Genesis, God's goodness is seen right from the start. Genesis is a Greek word that means 'origin.' This important book of the Bible is much more than ancient history, it traces God's magnificent plan for the world and his saving activity.

In this series, as we review the first three chapters of Genesis, God's love for the world and family shines brightest of all. From the very first words of the Bible, the triune God reveals himself as a God of perfect and personal love.

Though wrecked by sin, our world today is a beautiful expression of God's kindness. As we daily enjoy the wonders of God's creation, this book assures us that we can live confidently knowing that *from the beginning* – God created us, God loved us, and God saved us.

In His Service,  
Rev. Brian A. Krueger

In the beginning was the Word,  
and the Word was with God,  
and the Word was God. John 1:1

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  
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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 the many Bible classes and other events  
over the next five weeks.

### Thursday, June 14

6:30 p.m. Jesus Cares Ministry at BLC  
6:30 p.m. VBS All Volunteers Training at LH

### Saturday, June 16

10:00 a.m. Welcome Bag Delivery at LH

### LOVE IN ACTION SERVERS

	Living Hope	Bloomington
<b>This Weekend</b>	Ezekiel	Jude
<b>Next Weekend</b>	Ezra	Hebrews

### UPCOMING MESSAGES

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</b> <i>His Holy Nation within a Nation</i> 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.	639
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### OUR GIFTS TO THE LORD

#### Bloomington Living Hope Lutheran Church

Weekend of <b>June 3, 2018</b>	Received Amount	Budgeted Amount	over/ (under)
Plate & Envelope	\$23,024	\$30,072	(\$8,048)
Year-to-Date	\$1,218,931	\$1,535,862	(\$316,931)

### 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

**Baptism** Noah Richard, son of Andrew and Lauren Mathisen, was baptized on Saturday during the evening service at Bloomington Lutheran Church. We welcome Noah into God's family.

### Thank You

Dear friends of Bloomington Living Hope, I am overwhelmed with gratitude by your heartfelt warm wishes, cards, and gifts from my retirement service and reception. I would like to especially thank the school children and the Praise Band for the beautiful music to make the day so special. I will treasure these memories in my heart as I move onto the next chapter of my life. Blessings, Bonnie Menges

### Be in the Choir – Opening Service in New Sanctuary

We are in the midst of planning for the opening worship service in the new sanctuary at Living Hope. An exact date has not yet been determined. However, we would like to gather members to sing in a choir during the opening service. Please contact Rachel Zahn at rachelz1983@gmail.com if you are interested in joining the choir. The song is uplifting, and nothing too difficult to grasp in a few practices. You do not need to be at every practice to join this choir. Plan to **practice for about 20 minutes each time we meet:**  
 Sunday, June 24 – after the 10:00 a.m. service at LH  
 Sunday, July 8 – after the 10:00 a.m. service at LH  
 Sunday, July 22 – after the 9:30 a.m. service at BLC  
 Sunday, July 29 – after the 10:00 a.m. service at LH

### Build More, Do More, Serve More Information

Last Sunday, presentations were given that included information about transitioning into the Build the Dream campaign. At the meeting, a Build More, Do More, Serve More Campaign Summary printout was made available. The summary is still available in the in the church entry for you to review.

### 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 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Thursdays of each month from 6:30–7:30 p.m. **The next class is June 14.** See you there!

### Help Deliver Welcome Bags in the Shakopee Area

Please join the Outreach Committee on **Saturday, June 16** for the monthly delivery of welcome bags to the new neighbors around Living Hope. Meet at Living Hope at 10:00 a.m. We will divvy up the list and then drive to the homes. It would be typical for each driver to deliver about 8-10 welcome bags. If you have questions or wish to volunteer, please contact the Bloomington church office at 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, and 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.**



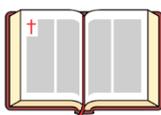
## Women of Hope Morning Bible Study at LH



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@blh.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@blh.org if you are planning to attend.

## Donate to BLH School through Rebate Program

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 blhSCRIP@myblh.org. More details are posted in the church entry and at blhschool.org/SCRIP.

## 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.

## 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@blh.org or call the Bloomington church office at 952-888-2475.

## Adult Information Class/Membership Class

This six week class is for those who have questions about the church, wish to review the main teachings of the Bible, or have indicated an interest in membership. **The first class is Tuesday, July 10** from 6:30-7:30 p.m. at Living Hope. If you have questions, call the church office at 952-888-2475 or contact Pastor Pudell.

## FOR OUR YOUTH

### Volunteer at VBS – We Need You!

Sign up at blh.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@myblh.org. Jr. High Empower is taking a break over the summer.

## A FEW DONATIONS AND VOLUNTEERS STILL NEEDED FOR VBS

Thank you for the donations that have come in so far!

Please bring outstanding donations to Living Hope or BLC by June 13!

The afternoon program at BLC still needs some items donated. The requests are posted in the church entry. Please remove a posting, fill the request, and return the items with the tag attached **by June 13**.



A sampling of the items still needed:

- Cupcake Liners
- Chex Mix
- Pretzel Sticks
- Plastic Straws
- Cans of Spinach
- Craisins



### VOLUNTEER AT LIVING HOPE

During the VBS mornings, a few more adult volunteers are needed to help with **snacks** or help with the **2 and 3 year old program**.

We would love to see some grandparents volunteering!

VBS is June 18-21.



# VBS TRAINING

## ALL VOLUNTEERS NEED TO ATTEND!

**Thursday, June 14**

**6:30-8:00 PM**

**Living Hope**

If you are not able to attend, please email Gretchen at [gretchenstark@hotmail.com](mailto:gretchenstark@hotmail.com).

## JOIN US FOR VBS!



## Just days away!



**June 18-21, 2018**

**9:00AM-12:00PM Living Hope**

**Children Age 2 – 3<sup>rd</sup> grade**

**Afternoon Program at BLC until 4:00PM**

## Register your child!

Be considerate of the VBS organizers! Go to [bllh.org/vbs](http://bllh.org/vbs).

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

Volunteers register at [bllh.org/vbs](http://bllh.org/vbs).

Email questions to [bhc@bllh.org](mailto:bhc@bllh.org).

# GARAGE SALE



July 18 • 8 AM–7 PM

July 19 • 8 AM–5 PM

July 20 • 8 AM–1 PM

Living Hope Lutheran  
Church and School

**Please donate  
clean, gently used, or new items!**

Helpful donations are items such as toys, books, tools, clothes, accessories, baby items, shoes, linens, furniture in good condition, and more. ♦ 

## Donation Drop-off Days

- Sunday, June 24 Before and after worship\*\*
- Monday, June 25 10 AM -7 PM at LH \*
- Tuesday, June 26 10 AM -7 PM at LH
- Thursday, June 28 3-7 PM at LH
- Sunday, July 1 Before and after worship\*\*
- Sunday, July 8 Before and after worship\*\*
- Monday, July 9 10 AM -2 PM at LH
- Tuesday, July 10 3-7 PM at LH 

\*We would love volunteers to help unload vehicles, price, sort, and hang items.

\*\*A volunteer may not be at BLC and Living Hope to collect items. Feel free to leave items labeled for the garage sale. Do not leave oversized items at BLC.

♦ We are unable to accept computers, TV's that are not digital, damaged or broken items, cribs, or expired car seats. 

*Please contact Rachel at [blc@bllh.org](mailto:blc@bllh.org) if you need more info about donations or volunteering.*

## Volunteers Needed

### Work Days

Feel free to come and volunteer during the times listed below.

- Wednesday, June 27 10 AM-3 PM
- Monday, July 2 10 AM-2 PM
- Tuesday, July 3 10 AM-2 PM
- Monday, July 9 10 AM-2 PM
- Tuesday, July 10 6-9:30 PM
- Wednesday, July 11\* 10 AM-2 PM
- Thursday, July 12 6-9:30 PM
- Monday, July 16\* 9 AM-3 PM
- Tuesday, July 17\* 6-9:30 PM
- Tuesday, July 17\* 10 AM-5 PM

\*Childcare is provided. If you plan to volunteer on a day that childcare is provided, please notify Rachel at [rglocke1@hotmail.com](mailto:rglocke1@hotmail.com) so there will be enough childcare providers scheduled. 

## INSTRUCTIONS FOR CHANGES TO AUTOMATIC WITHDRAWAL

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

1. Go to [www.bllh.org](http://www.bllh.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.bllh.org](http://www.bllh.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