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Faith & North New Hope Newsletter

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We celebrated Pentecost, the so-called “Birthday of the Church,” on May 24th. The Holy Spirit IS with us, guiding us, walking with us, keeping us united in our purpose, drawing us to live the values that Christ has instilled in us. At least, that’s an ideal image of the church. So it’s time to assess where we are, and where we will be heading now.

I’ve been your interim pastor since Jan. 1. We held off doing any active work toward calling a “settled” pastor. Since Pastor Mike left in mid-November, whether you knew it or not, you needed time to let go of what was (13 years with the same pastor) to discover who you are now, and prepare for the pastoral leadership you need.

Your Faith-New Hope website includes a fascinating history of these two parishes, with a description of fights, conflicts, splits, disputes, and unions that have occurred since the first church was founded in the 1800s. Some may have been over theological disputes, but for the most part, it seems to have been about this new-found freedom that Norwegian Lutherans new to this country cherished – we live in a democracy where decisions are made by majority rule. I’ll admit, I got lost, keeping track of who split when over what issue, what new church was formed as a result of the splits, and what new combinations of shared pastoral leadership happened along the way.

As a two-point parish – Faith (a merger of three congregations) and North New Hope – you have shared pastoral leadership over 60 years, although I’m sure there have been a few bumps along the way. Somehow, you continue to survive – and, reviewing what’s been happening since the first “Holy Conversations” efforts, there are signs that you are more than just surviving!

I’m not sure how long ago you began “Holy Conversations” with the synod staff, but in early February I met with several leaders and Pastor Dara and Pastor Nate to discern where you are in living your call to be God’s people in this time and place. We were excited to share a growing sense of vitality in both congregations and in the parish. We were also introduced to the idea of hosting Pastor Dara’s “Purpose and Values” workshop as an appropriate starting point for the “Ministry Site Profile” (MSP). This statement from each congregation and the parish describes who you are, and the pastoral leadership that you are seeking.

Since I’ve been here, I’ve seen tangible signs of that vitality and hope for your future ministry. It still depends on an ongoing spirit of relying on the Holy Spirit to guide us. It also depends on recognizing the purpose and values that unite Faith and North New Hope, as well as this shared ministry. We have a ready-made opportunity to learn from one another as Pastor Dara leads our time together on June 17th!

ALL MEMBERS OF BOTH CHURCHES ARE INVITED TO PARTICIPATE!

You might ask, “Why bother?” Well, several colleagues shared how their efforts to lead the congregation have been hampered. I’ve experienced it too. History can come back to haunt us, especially when we aren’t aware of why we do what we do, based on our assumptions. Once we know, we can make intentional decisions for our present time and our future. Do we keep these core values? Are they still true to our identity? Have they changed over time? Who are we now? Where are we going? These are good questions to ponder. I hope to see many members – long-established members and relative newcomers to the community – when we gather with Pastor Dara on June 17th.

Pastor Joyce Heintz

SAVE THE DATE: JUNE 17th

Gathering-Potluck-Times
 Watch Bulletins, Website & FaceBook for details

FAITH LUTHERAN

Worship & Sunday School—8:45 am
 Fellowship/Coffee Hour 9:45am

NORTH NEW HOPE

Sunday School—9:30 am
 Worship: 10:30 am

Holy Communion is celebrated
 the first and third Sunday of every month.
 All are welcome.

Reverend Joyce Heintz

OFFICE HOURS: Tuesday-Friday Noon-3pm

Church email: faithnhope@wi-net.com

Church Website: www.faithandnewhope.com

Sign up for direct giving...

Faith & N New Hope church’s website has giving forms, with no fee, automatic deductions directly from your bank account.

Scan the QR code below to your church’s online giving portal. There is a fee with the QR giving.

Give one time, bi-weekly, 1st & 15th, or monthly.

Your choice - Your convenience

Automatic from your bank or scanning QR code.



Faith, Rosholt



North New Hope



June Parish Nurse Article

Hantavirus

There is a lot of publicity about this virus.

I thought I would share what is on the CDC website:

Andes virus is a type of hantavirus spread by rodents in South America and, less commonly, by other infected people. The rodents that carry Andes virus have not been found in the United States. It can cause a severe respiratory disease in people, called Hantavirus Pulmonary Syndrome (HPS). Andes virus is the only type of hantavirus that is known to spread person-to-person. This spread is usually limited to people who have close contact with a sick person. This includes direct physical contact, prolonged time spent in close or enclosed spaces, and exposure to the sick person's body fluids.

Signs and symptoms

Timing: 4-42 days

Early symptoms of HPS due to Andes virus can include:

- Fatigue
- Fever
- Muscle aches, especially in the large muscle groups like the thighs, hips, back, and sometimes shoulders
- About half of all patients with HPS also experience:
 - Headaches
 - Dizziness
 - Chills
- Abdominal problems, like nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, and abdominal pain
- Typically, people are only infectious while they have symptoms.

How it spreads

Through contact with infected rodents or their urine, saliva, or feces
By touching an object or surface with the virus on it, then touching your mouth, nose or eyes

Through close contact with a person who is sick with Andes virus

Avoid areas infested with rodents while visiting countries in South America.

Avoid spread between people by:

- Washing hands frequently
- Avoiding kissing and sexual contact with someone who may have Andes virus
- Avoid sharing drinks, cigarettes, hookah, and vapes with someone who may have Andes virus

Avoid sharing eating utensils or eating food from the same plate or bowl as someone who may have Andes virus
Maintaining distance from someone who may have Andes virus

Treatment

If you may have had contact with a person with Andes virus and are experiencing symptoms, contact a medical professional immediately. There is no specific antiviral treatment or vaccine for Andes virus currently available. Symptoms may develop rapidly. Early medical care is critical with care centered on managing symptoms.

Have a Blessed summer,
Your Parish Nurse

Source: <https://www.cdc.gov/hantavirus/about/andesvirus.html>



6/2-Michael Bassett

6/4-Lisa O'Neil

6/5-Kinley Niemuth

6/6-Jon Niemuth

6/7-David Kolden

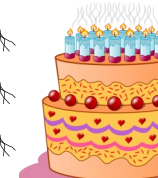
6/10-Robin Farrell

6/17-Koren Kurszewski

6/20-Ole Larson

6/22-Stormy Poeschel

6/29-Karen Ellsworth



Flag Day, 6/14/2026

Juneteenth, 6/19/2026

Father's Day, 6/21/2026

1st Day of Summer, 6/21/2026

Bible Quiz



King David wanted to build a glorious temple for worshipping God and for housing the ark of the covenant. God, however, did not permit him to build it. Instead, God chose Solomon, David's son, to head up the building program. Why wasn't David allowed the honor of building the temple?
A. David was getting too old to supervise such an undertaking.
B. David had been a warrior and had shed blood.
C. David had stopped taking God seriously.
D. David's attention was required elsewhere

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 Office Closed	2 Faithful Knotters Meeting at 8:30 am	3	4	5	6
7 FAITH Worship 8:45am Coffee & Conversations following worship N New Hope Worship 10:30am	8 Office Closed	9 Faithful Knotters meet at 8:30 am	10	11 ADRC Senior Meal site @ Nelson-Kaminski Legion Hall, Rosholt. Age 60 or older. Suggested donation \$5	12	16
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N NEW HOPE SUNDAY SCHOOL



Sunday School on Summer break, resuming in the fall. Preschool - 6th grade at 9:30am before worship services.

Noisy Offerings last Sunday of the month

Our last Sunday of classes was May 10th. We just finished our fleece blankets. We had 47 blankets, 54 braided cat toys and 20 dog mats. We will be delivering them to the emergency departments in Plover and Stevens Point.

The students made some Mother's Day crafts to take home to give to their Moms' and Grandmas'.

Five New Hope children took 1st Communion. There was a potluck dinner following worship and we also helped Pastor Joyce celebrate her birthday.

Sunday School students made Pastor Joyce birthday cards.

We have had a busy year starting with our school kits in September to our Christmas program and putting together items for area food pantries and assisted living.

We started this year with valentines for our shut-ins and birthday greetings to Berniece K on her 104th birthday! On Palm Sunday the students sang, there was an Easter egg hunt, and there were baskets available for people to donate.

Proceeds went to our project, ELCA Good Gifts.

Thank you to our teachers and helpers: Marge Krogwold, Kim Fuller, Emily Wogsland and Lenore Peterson.

Thank you parents for bringing your children to Sunday school and for helping us throughout the year.

Enjoy your summer.

FAITH SUNDAY SCHOOL



Sunday School held during worship in the Fireside room. Please call or text Joshua Panter with questions. 715-340-8058



Sign up sheet on Faith bulletin board by north entrance.

Make coffee, serve desserts/treats, and clean up.

Sign up with family and/or friends.

JUNE FAITH COFFEE HOUR SIGN UP

6/7/2026 FAITH COUNCIL

6/14/2026 OPEN

6/21/2026 OPEN

6/28/2026 LORI, PHYLLIS, PATRICIA, JUDY



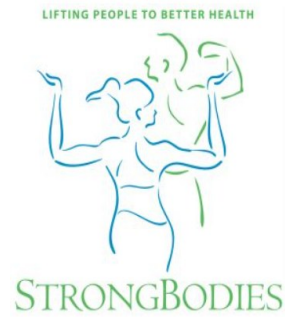
Faith

Faith Coffee & Conversations 1st Sunday of the month, following worship, during coffee hour.

North New Hope

North New Hope Coffee & Conversations 2nd Sunday the month, before worship, 10am.

STRONG BODIES



GoodWise and the Aging & Disability Resource Center (ADRC) teamed up to offer Strong Bodies in Rosholt every Tuesday & Thursday from 10am to 11am at:

Rosholt Legion Hall
290 E Grand Ave
Rosholt, WI 54473

The suggested donation for this program is:

\$2 per class for drop-ins.
\$18 for 10 classes.
\$46 per quarter

Interested in joining or have questions?

Call 715-346-1401 or toll free 866-920-2525

OR

Stop in at Lincoln Center to register in person:

1519 Water Street
Stevens Point, WI 54481

To learn mor about Strong Bodies visit:

<https://tinyurl.com/StrongBodiesWI>

Health Benefits of Regular Strength Training:

- Increases muscle mass & strength
- Increases balance & agility
- Increases social connectedness
- Increases bone density
- Reduces pain medicine use
- Reduces risk for chronic illnesses
- Increases overall feeling of health & wellness

FAITH WELCA NEWS

MEETING 6/14/2026 AFTER WORSHIP

Faith WELCA will have a meeting after worship on Sunday 6/14 during coffee hour.

Please plan to attend,
several items to discuss.

Faith WELCA Booklets-2025/2026

There are still a number of booklets on the table by the bulletin board. *Please* take your booklet to save WELCA the cost of mailing.

Or take a friend's to them!

United Way Community Diaper & Hygiene Drive

Faith WELCA will again be a donation site for United Ways's Diaper Drive collecting until Father's Day June 21st.

Needs are:

In-Kind donations
Diaper sizes 4-7 & Pull-ups Sizes 2T-5T
Wipes, Diaper Cream, and
Shelf-Stable Formula.

Monetary Donations can be mailed to:

United Way of Portage County
2801 Hoover Rd. Unit 2
Stevens Point, WI 54481
Or online;

UnitedWayPoCo.org/Donate

Rosholt Food Pantry

Rosholt Food Pantry now has freezers/ refrigerators & can accept donations of fresh or frozen meats & dairy. There is a tub in the kitchen fridge to store donations.

Please no expired products.

FAITH WORSHIP HELPERS

SIGN-UP SHEETS

Please sign up...we need your help!

Sign up to help by the week.
1 Leader (Council member)
and 3-4 helpers needed.

***Sign-up Sheets on bulletin board
by north entrance.***



It's Time!!

Registration is now open for VBS!

**Register now for Rainforest Falls VBS at
Our Savior's Lutheran, Iola, WI June 14-18**



Scan the QR Code to go to the Registration Link, or
<https://www.myvbs.org/rainforest-falls-vbs-at-our-savior-s-iola>



PRAYER LIST REQUESTS:

Anyone can ask and will be added to our prayer list. We identify if members or friends on the prayer list. Please ask people (they need to agree) before you add them to the prayer list. The prayer list is public, in the bulletin and on the website. Only first names are listed.

Sometimes we forget to remove names from the prayer list. Unless otherwise specified, people will be on the prayer list 4 times in the bulletin. If the person needs to be on for longer, i.e. surgery, treatments, shut-in, terminal, hospice, or any other reason just let the office know. They can and will remain on the prayer list as long as needed.



If you are in need of pastoral care, such as a home or hospital visit, please contact the Church office at:
715-677-4631 or
email: faithnhope@wi-net.com
to arrange a visit.

North New Hope Lutheran Church

Council Meeting Minutes

May 17th, 2026

Attendance: Patti Gburk, Krys Ferg, Pastor Joyce and Tammie Ellingson

Approval of April 12th, meeting minutes: Minutes to be approved at our next council meeting. No quorum.

Pastor Report: Pastor had a suggestion for the council to discuss. Communion

Sundays: The first Communion Sunday each month to hold it at the altar and the Second communion Sunday to have it continuous.

Pastor's contract: she is fine with continuing her 6- month contract after June. The group also discussed having the offering plates in the back of the church, unless it was a special event. This will be discussed at our meeting next month.

Financial Report: Krys shared the financial report

New Business:

Tractor Sunday: We are in the process of planning for our big event. Tractor Sunday planning will be reviewed at the end of the Joint Council meeting for those interested. No Tractor committee meeting on June 3rd.

MSP completion: We have a start on this. (Introduction and Financials). We will complete more after Pastor Dara's workshop June 17th. Also, we will set NNH Council meeting dates at the June 8th meeting. Due to busy Sunday schedules will consider Wednesday evening meeting.

Old Business:

Next North New Hope Council Meeting: June 8th at 5:30pm.

Next Joint Council Meeting: June 8th at 6:00pm at North New Hope

May 24th: Patti

May 31st: Tammie

June 7th : Jim



EMAIL ADDRESS and CELL PHONE REQUEST!

The Joint Parish is missing quite a few email addresses and/or cell phone numbers. The Joint Parish will make up a group email and/or a group text for times when we need to notify both congregations.

(i.e. worship canceled for weather)

When we get to the stage where we are interviewing pastors, there might come a time when we will have to call members in for a vote. Obviously the quickest, easiest method will be email and/or texting.

BUT!!!

We need your email addresses and/or cell phone numbers to create the groups.

PLEASE:

email the church

faithnhope@wi-net.com

with both your email address and cell phone number



FROM FAITH'S TREASURER:

Starting in 2026, Faith members will be getting contribution statements every 6 months instead of quarterly. This will not only save on postage but also time. If you should need contribution statements quarterly, request it, and Kacie will gladly oblige. Thank you for your understanding .

HELP FOR JOINT PARISH OFFICE

Need helpers for monthly newsletter, bulletins, and annual meeting reports.

Bulletins are folded every Thursday afternoon. Only need help when it is a special bulletin (i.e. Drive Your Tractor to Church Sunday) or multiple bulletins in the week (i.e. Christmas week, Easter week, or funerals)

Monthly Newsletters are mailed usually between the 21st & 24th of the month to be delivered by the 1st of each month.

Annual Meeting reports are due the 3rd Sunday of January for Faith and the 4th Sunday of January for North New Hope.

Please contact the office if you could help.



DRIVE YOUR TRACTOR TO CHURCH DAY

AUGUST 9th, 2026

Drive your Tractor to Church will be here soon.

Please sign up to be a volunteer, to work
and/or donate a basket(s) or pie(s) or dessert(s).

N New Hope Sunday School will again be manning a Produce Stand

Sign-up sheets will be at both churches for setup, serving, clean up, & pies (etc)

SATURDAY:	1-3pm	Pie Cutting and packing in plastic containers
<u>8/8/2026</u>		Baskets brought, numbered, and organized
SUNDAY:	7-8:30am	Set up tables, chairs, tents, and altar.
<u>8/9/2026</u>	8-9am	Tractor Registration & Pictures
		Basket & Auction Registration:
	12-1pm	Serving Lunch and Pies/Desserts
	1-2:30pm	Event Take Down & Kitchen Clean up



THANKS IN ADVANCE FOR SIGNING UP!

SIGN UP SHEETS WILL SOON BE AT BOTH CHURCHS!

BASKET AUCTION:

Please fill out, clip, and attach to your basket/donation.

THEME: _____

LIST ITEMS IN BASKET

APPROXIMATE VALUE:

\$ _____

DONATED BY:

NAME: _____