

THE WEEK AHEAD

Sun Aug 23	8:30 am	Worship
	9:45 am	Bible Study
	10:45 am	Worship
	2:30 pm	LDA—Spanish Church
MON Aug 24	CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED	
TUE Aug 25	9:00 am	Hope Seeds Packing
	7:00 pm	LDA— Spanish Church
WED Aug 26		
THU Aug 27	7:00 pm	LDA—Spanish Church
	7:00 pm	N/A Recovery Group
FRI Aug 28	6:30 pm	AA Meeting
SAT Aug 29		
Sun Aug 30	8:30 am	Worship / Baptism
	9:45 am	Meeting / Bible Study
	10:45 am	Worship
	2:30 pm	LDA—Spanish Church

Romans 12:2

Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind.

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www.hopelutheranfl.org

Our Staff

Pastor: Rev. James M. Krach
Music Ministry: Dorothy J. Feldman
Ministry Support: Aaron Schiavone
Office Admin: Alicia Schiavone
Cindy Stewart



Altar Flowers

FROM Evie Stieler on her 91st birthday (Aug 29)

Blessings & Blooms for 2026

Our 2026 Flower Chart is full—thank you for the overwhelming support! If you have sponsored an arrangement, please remember to take it home with you following the 10:45 service. Otherwise, please call the office to make other arrangements.

Special shout-out to **Scarlett's Flowers**, a local small business that provides us with the beautiful flowers that adorn our altar each week— at a very reasonable price. If you're looking for flowers for a special occasion—or just because—please consider supporting this local business and give Scarlett's Flowers a call!

FINAL WEEK!!!

"Turning Points"

The ladies of our LWML group sincerely thank our Hope family for faithfully supporting this local ministry throughout the summer months. Your generosity has been a wonderful blessing to those less fortunate in our community. And, there is still time to participate! **August 30 is the final day of this collection**, so please bring any remaining donations to the church by that date. Thank you for your generosity, and continued support of our LWML and this vital local ministry. The LWML will be announcing their next **Love Project** in the coming weeks, so stay tuned!

Words of hope

August 23, 2026

Making Disciples
by Sharing God's
Compassionate Love



ROMANS 12:2
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Loving Father, too often my mind is deflected from Jesus onto the things of the world, especially when times are difficult, but I want to keep my mind on Christ, knowing that this is Your best will for me. I pray that I become increasingly aware of the Spirit's promptings in my life, so that day by day, my heart and mind may become saturated with the lovely Lord Jesus. May His nature be reflected through my actions and attitude and may my life be transformed daily, by the renewing of my mind. Help me to prove in my life what Your will for me is, and may I do only those things that are good, and acceptable and perfect in Your sight - for Your praise and glory, and for the benefit of others. This I ask in the name of Jesus, AMEN.

Source: <https://prayer.knowing-jesus.com/Romans/12/2>

**MARK
your
CALENDARS!**

BRIEF MEETING

Congregational Information
Sunday, Aug. 30 @ 9:45
in the fellowship hall
Bible Study WILL follow

ATTENDANCE Aug 16, 2026	
WORSHIP	56 / 37
BIBLE STUDY	35

Let's worship
Together

Faithful Stewards ✝ God's Gifts

August 23 – Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Romans 12:1 – “I appeal to you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship.”

That’s the order: God’s mercies, then our sacrifice. Since God’s mercies are all-encompassing, so is our sacrifice: a total sacrifice, our total selves placed over into God’s service according to how He has called each of us individually to serve in home, church and society.

faith and
finances

July 2026 / Month End Financials

Contribution Income	\$58,721
Facility Usage	\$6,080
Total Income	\$64,801
Expenses	\$53,601
Net income	\$11,200

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PRAYER AND CARE MINISTRY

Please help us keep our prayer list current and meaningful. Names on the **Health/Healing and Cancer lists** remain for three weeks; please resubmit if continued prayer is needed. We will continue to pray weekly for those serving in the military. If you have a prayer need, **we want to know and pray with you**. Thank you for being a caring church family that faithfully prays for one another.

HEALING/GENERAL:

Jared
Ann Wood Rebecca Ganley
Ray Winter Polly Pearce
Lisa & Family Sylvia Norris
Cynthia Rigsby
Walter & Barbara Mitchell

PRAYER OF THANKS:

CANCER:

Jessi Holland Nancy Hooker
Marisa Scarbrough Luella Franke
Sally Cario Becca
Thaissa
Suzanne Spanoudakis

MILITARY:

Sean Keene Hannah Balsbaugh
Tyler Zielinski Rusty Howe
Brandon Soto-Fernandez

REMINDER:

"God hears the prayers we cannot find the words to say." - Oswald Chambers

Sometimes, the most powerful prayers are the ones we cannot find the words to speak. When your heart is too heavy or your mind is too overwhelmed, silent prayers are completely heard and understood.

Being a Servant of Christ

	8:30	10:45
GREETERS	Jeff & D’Lisa Richards	Pat & Steve Boop
READERS	Don Raymond	Anne Wood
USHERS	David Dockery Ken Phelps Joyce Labrenz Bob Bellittera Paul Maechtle	Steve Boop
ELDERS	Dan McCallum	Doug Wilson

LOOKING AHEAD: THE “BER” MONTHS

We'll soon be entering the “ber” months—September, October, November, and December! These months officially begin a countdown to the coziest and most festive time of the year—even here in Florida! So start looking for that favorite sweater!! :) As the seasons change, we look forward to autumn traditions, cooler weather (we'll see!), and preparations for the holiday season. Several church events are already in the early planning stages:

- **Pumpkins & Praise — October 17th** —Ms. Alicia is planning a fun and festive event especially for children.
- **Reformation Day, Oktoberfest & Pastor Appreciation — October 25th**— Plan to join us as we celebrate Reformation Day, enjoy some Oktoberfest fun, and show our appreciation for our pastor.
- **Quilts of Valor—honor our veterans—November 21st**
- **Christmas Wreaths & Poinsettias:** Once again, we will be offering Christmas wreaths and poinsettias for purchase. These fresh beautiful wreaths are trucked in from Wisconsin and locally grown Poinsettias will adorn our altar for Christmas Eve and Christmas Day.
- **Christmas Giving Tree:** Our annual Christmas Giving Tree will return, providing an opportunity for our congregation to share the joy and love of Christ with others during the Christmas season.

Stay tuned for more information. If you're interested in being a part of the planning for

The greatest joy that
I know in this life is

serving
the Lord.

Come Join Our
BIBLE
STUDY

Led by Pastor Jim from **9:45–10:30 am**. Join us, as we grow together in God's Word, share insights, and strengthen our faith. Whether you're a regular attendee or joining us for the first time, **everyone is welcome!**