



Altar Flowers
FROM Gene Wilson on
Sue's birthday (5/28)

Words of hope

**Making Disciples
by Sharing God's
Compassionate Love**



May 31st, 2026

Blessings & Blooms for 2026

Our 2026 Flower Chart is now completely full—thank you all for your wonderful support! If you have sponsored an arrangement, please remember to take it home with you following the 10:45 service. If that's not possible, feel free to call the office at (941-755-3256) to arrange a pickup on Tuesday.



*His mercies are
new every morning*

LAMENTATIONS 3:22-23

Have a
Blessed
week

CHRISTIANS OF THE HOLY LAND

During both services today, a Christian family from Bethlehem will briefly share about the lives and challenges facing Christians in the Holy Land.

For generations, Christian families in Bethlehem have depended on tourism and olive wood carving for their livelihood. However, ongoing conflict, economic hardship, the COVID-19 pandemic, and the recent war in Gaza have caused tourism to decline dramatically, making it difficult for many Christian families to remain in their homeland.

Today, Christians make up less than 1% of the population in the Holy Land, and many families are emigrating in search of stability and work.

Please support our Christian brothers and sisters from Bethlehem by learning their story and considering the purchase of their handcrafted items. All proceeds directly benefit Christian families in Bethlehem.

Following each service, handmade olive wood religious articles from Bethlehem will be available for purchase in the church narthex, including Nativity sets, crosses, ornaments, angels, candle holders, and other meaningful gifts.

Let us continue to pray for peace in the land where our Savior walked and proclaimed the Good News. Thank you for your prayers and support.

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THE WEEK AHEAD

Sun May 31	8:30 am	Traditional Worship
	9:45 am	Bible Study
	10:45 am	Contemporary Worship
	2:00 pm	VBS Volunteer Meeting
	2:30 pm	Iglesias Lienzos De Amor
MON Jun 1	CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED	
TUE Jun 2	9:00 am	Hope Seeds—FH
	7:00 pm	Iglesias Lienzos De Amor
WED Jun 3		
THU Jun 4	7:00 pm	Iglesias Lienzos De Amor
	7:00 pm	N/A Recovery Group
FRI Jun 5	6:30 pm	AA Recovery—FH
SAT Jun 6		
Sun Jun 7	8:30 am	Traditional Worship
	9:45 am	Bible Study
	10:45 am	Contemporary Worship
	2:30 pm	Iglesias Lienzos De Amor

WiFi

password: Hope4you

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Our Staff

Pastor: Rev. James M. Krach
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Aaron Schiavone
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Office Admin: Cindy Stewart



ATTENDANCE**May 24, 2026**

WORSHIP 45 / 45

BRUNCH / 45

**Let's worship
Together****Faithful Stewards + God's Gifts**

Stewardship is more than just an individual thing. There is a corporate nature to our steward life. We see this in our worship services together. There, stewards of all ages and economic strata are joined in the singular task of praise. This stewardship of praise flows from the altar to us, out into the world and then back to the altar! God's strong arm leads us in this stewardship 24/7. This makes stewardship, in all times and places, a matter of worship. We praise our Redeemer who has entrusted us with this great stewardship of the Gospel which forgives our sins, grants us new life and salvation. And this treasure we freely share for God's glory and the benefit of our neighbor!

*faith and
finances***April 2026
Month End Financials**

Contribution Income	\$38,303
Facility Usage	\$6,285
Total Income	\$44,588
Expenses	\$53,575
Net income	(\$8,987)

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GIVING**
easy. fast. effective.

LCEF—Lutheran Church Extension Fund can make your weekly/monthly donations to Hope easy and safe. To learn more call or email the church office, 941-755-3256 / office@hopelutheranfl.org

PRAYER AND CARE MINISTRY

To help keep our prayer list current and most important meaningful. Help us and follow these guidelines. Names on the **general health/healing and cancer lists** will stay for **three weeks**. If someone needs to remain on longer, just resend the request and we'll gladly continue praying. We'll continue to pray weekly for those serving in the **military**, so please help us keep that list up to date. **And please remember—if you need prayer for any reason, we want to hear from you. Whether it's surgery, family needs, or a difficult time occurring in your life at this time— we want to know and we're here to pray with you. Thanks for being a church family that cares for and prays for one another.**

HEALING/GENERAL:

Carl Stieler Theresa
Judy George
(Recovering from shoulder surgery)

CANCER:

Luella Franke Sally Cario
Barry Tager Thaissa
Suzanne Spanoudakis

MILITARY:

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

Please notify the church office
with updates to this list.
(E-mail, phone call, or "Connect Card")

REMINDER

Our LWML group has chosen "Turning Points" as their summer "Love Project." A list of the most-needed items for Turning Points is available in the narthex. Thank you for your support!

Being a Servant of Christ

	8:30	10:45
GREETERS	Sylvia Borland Judy Baehman	Steve & Pat Boop
READERS	D'Lisa Richards	Lis Hempfling
USHERS	Ken Phelps Jeff & D'Lisa Richards Paul Maechtle Bob Bellittera	Steve Boop
ELDERS	Bob Bellittera	Wayne Tyrrell

REMINDER: Mite Box Sunday— June 7

The term mite box refers to a box that is used to save coins for charitable purposes. The Mite box giving promotes the spirit of contributing based on the intent to help others and not on the monetary amount. The term mite, according to the dictionary, is defined as a very small contribution or amount of money, such as a widow's mite. "A meaningful way to reflect on the power of small acts of faith".

Please drop your change in the large mite box on the table in the narthex.

The greatest joy that
I know in this life is
servicing
the Lord.

**VBS SUMMER 2026**

June 22-26th
9AM—Noon
Text 262-496-5537
or call the church
office 941-755-3256 to
learn more and how
you can help.

GOD HAS A REASON

for allowing things to happen.

We may never understand

His wisdom,

but we simply have to

TRUST HIS WILL.