

THE WEEK AHEAD

Sun Jul 5	9:30 am 2:30 pm	Blended Worship Church Picnic LDA—Spanish Church
MON Jul 6		CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED
TUE Jul 7	9:00 am 7:00 pm	Hope Seeds—FH LDA—Spanish Church
WED Jul 8		
THU Jul 9	7:00 pm 7:00 pm	LDA—Spanish Church N/A Recovery Group
FRI Jul 10	6:30 pm	AA Recovery—FH
SAT Jul 11	7:00 am 9:30 am	Our Daily Bread Prep Our Daily Bread Serve
Sun Jul 12	9:30 am 2:30 pm	Blended Worship Bible Study LDA—Spanish Church

May your week ahead be filled with His joy, favor and grace!

WiFi
password: Hope4you

VISIT OUR WEBSITE

www.hopelutheranfl.org

Our Staff

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



Altar Flowers
 FROM Bill Deterding
 in loving memory of parents



SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE
School starts Monday, August 10th

Many families throughout the Bradenton area are struggling to purchase all of the school supplies needed for the upcoming school year. Pastor Craig, (our retired pastor), along with his wife, Eunice, is leading a school supply drive to help ensure local students have the tools they need. Ping McLaughlin is coordinating the **Thrivent Action Team** for this project. We invite you to support this effort by donating any of the following:

- composition books
- spiral notebooks
- card stock
- dry erase markers
- 24 count crayons
- scotch tape
- glue bottles / sticks
- scissors
- loose leaf paper
- folders with pockets
- markers
- colored pencils
- pencils / pens
- Kleenex tissue
- disinfecting wipes

(Look for a large donation box "SCHOOL SUPPLIES" in narthex for easy drop off.)

If you prefer to make a donation and let us do the shopping for you, just make your contribution using a yellow pew envelope. Please note 'school supplies' on the check and envelope. Thank you for helping us make a difference in the lives of area children and their families.

Words of hope
 July 5, 2026

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



Blessed is the nation
 whose God is the LORD,
 the people whom he has
 chosen as his heritage!
 Psalm 33:12, ESV

*Celebrating freedom —
 in Christ and in our nation.*

Heavenly Father,
 We come before You with grateful hearts as we celebrate Independence Day. Thank You for the unique liberties we enjoy in our nation, and we honor those who sacrificed to protect them. Lord, we lift up our country and ask for Your powerful hand of healing. Where there is division, bring understanding; where there is brokenness, bring restoration. Grant our leaders wisdom, integrity, and a commitment to justice. Help us never take our freedom for granted, reminding us that true, permanent freedom is found in Jesus Christ. Pour out Your Holy Spirit upon our congregation. Soften our hearts to love our neighbors, bridge divides, and serve the vulnerable. Protect our nation, bind us together in peace, and keep our church united as a beacon of Your unconditional love. In Jesus' name, Amen.

Patriotic INDOOR PICNIC
FOOD, FUN & FAITH CELEBRATION
 TODAY, following our 9:30 am worship service.
 Everyone is welcome to join us!



ATTENDANCE June 28, 2026	
WORSHIP	58/ 42
BIBLE STUDY	40

Let's worship
Together

Faithful Stewards † God's Gifts

July 5 – Sixth Sunday after Pentecost
Matthew 11:28 – “Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.” Jesus has come to do the work so that we might have rest from burdens and labors we are not capable of bearing. He frees us from sin, death and the demands of the Law. In that peace and rest of Jesus we find a new purpose — His light yoke is not a burden to bear, but a joy!

God Bless America



Faith and finances

May 2026 Month End Financials	
Contribution Income	\$27,731
Facility Usage	\$6,005
Total Income	\$33,736
Expenses	\$42,748
Net income	(\$9,012)

STEWARDSHIP

Managing God's Gifts To Us

PRAYER AND CARE MINISTRY

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

HEALING/GENERAL:

Dottie Feldman Polly Pearce
Peggy Carolyn Howard
Debbie Johnson
Walter & Barbara Mitchell

PRAYER OF THANKS:

CANCER:

Jane Mouzavires (Surgery July 7th)
Nancy Hooker
Marisa Scarbrough Luella Franke
Sally Cario Thaissa
Suzanne Spanoudakis

MILITARY:

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

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

	9:30
GREETERS	Open
READER	D' Lisa Richards
USHERS	David Dockery, Ken Phelps Joyce Labrenz. Bob Bellittera Paul Maechtle
ELDERS	Jeff Richards, Wayne Tyrrell Dan McCallum

Mite Box Sunday— Today, July 5th

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.

We are saved by faith
alone, but the faith that
saves is never alone.

**CHURCH IS NOT
SOMETHING YOU GO TO,
IT'S A FAMILY
YOU BELONG TO.**



Pastor Curt Adams will be leading us in worship on **July 12 and July 19**. On both Sundays, we will have **one combined worship service at 9:30 am**— followed by Bible study. Our regular worship schedule of **8:30 am and 10:45 am services** will resume on **July 26**.

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