

THE WEEK AHEAD

Sun May 17	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 May 18	CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED	
TUE May 19	9:00 am	Hope Seeds—FH
	5:30 pm	Book Club—Office
	7:00 pm	Iglesias Lienzos De Amor
WED May 20	6:15 pm	Corn Hole Games—FH
THU May 21	5:30 pm	Supper Club
	7:00 pm	Iglesias Lienzos De Amor
	7:00 pm	N/A Recovery Group
FRI May 22	6:30 pm	AA Recovery—FH
SAT May 23	3:00 pm	Hempfling / Russel Wedding / Reception
Sun May 24	8:30 am	Traditional Worship
	9:45 am	Bible Study
	10:45 am	Contemporary Worship
	2:30 pm	Iglesias Lienzos De Amor

PENTECOST
Sunday, May 24th
Wear red to church!

Love Offering
Thank you, Hope Family and Friends, for your generous donations to help Amber Bonett & Family (HLC member, Tim Kramer's daughter). Amber and her family lost their home and all of their possessions following a house fire. Thankfully, all family members are safe and will soon begin the process of rebuilding their home. Your love, prayers, and support are deeply appreciated during this difficult time.

Altar Flowers
FROM Paul Russel in loving memory of Ruthann



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.

Supper Club
FOOD & FRIENDS
Our next supper club will gather at MyMamma Italian Restaurant (3105 N Tamiami Trl, Sarasota) on Thursday, May 21st at 5:30 pm. All are welcome to join the group, RSVP to Paula Raymond no later than May 19th. (317-626-6604)

WiFi
password: Hope4you
www.hopelutheranfl.org

VISIT OUR WEBSITE

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

Words of hope
**Making Disciples
 by Sharing God's
 Compassionate Love**
 May 17th, 2026



Welcome
get ready to worship

*Teach me to do thy will:
 FOR THOU ART my God*
 Psalm 143:10

Morning Prayer
 I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have kept me this night from all harm and danger; and I pray that You would keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings and life may please You. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.

SUNDAY Brunch
Ark Encounter Sharing – with Brunch
 Sunday, May 24 at 9:45 AM
 Join us for a special time of fellowship as members share reflections and photos from the recent Ark Encounter trip. We're planning a light brunch for all to enjoy and **everyone is welcome**. If you're able, please bring a brunch dish to share (optional). **Please sign up in the narthex and note what dish you plan to bring.**

ATTENDANCE May 10, 2026	
WORSHIP	57 /60
BIBLE STUDY	40

Let's worship
Together

Faithful Stewards + God's Gifts

May 17 – Seventh Sunday of Easter

1 Peter 4:10 – “As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God’s varied grace.” God’s grace is His undeserved mercy toward us. What do we have that is not a gift flowing from God’s grace? He means for us to use all these gifts in service of our neighbor. The chief way we serve one another is by supporting the church’s work: bringing more of God’s grace to more of God’s people. That’s what it means to be a steward!

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:

Ray Carmona
Amber Bonett & Family

CANCER:

Luella Franke Sally Cario
Barry Tager Thaissa

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”)

PRAYER WORKS

prayer
changes
EVERYTHING

Being a Servant of Christ

	8:30	10:45
GREETERS	David Dockery Judy Baehman	Steve & Pat Boop
READERS	Jennifer Krach	Paul Russel
USHERS	David Dockery Joyce Labrenz Bob Bellittera Ken Phelps Paul Maechtle	Steve Boop
ELDERS	Dan McCallum Jeff Richards Bob Bellittera	Doug Wilson Steve Wentling Wayne Tyrrell

Plan to join us **Wednesday, May 20th** in the fellowship hall —sign-in starts 6:15, play begins at 6:30. Everyone is welcome. **Guaranteed fun and laughs!!**

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.

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

It's hard to hear God's voice when you've already decided what you want Him to say.

Our VBS volunteers will be gathering today, **Sunday, May 17th at 2:00 PM** in Preschool Building #2 (located in the northeast corner of back parking lot). This meeting will be a great opportunity to learn more about the various ways you can get involved, ask questions, and connect with others who are excited to serve. Whether you have helped before or are new to VBS, we would love for you to join us and discover how you can share your time and talents with our team!