

Welcome!

Whether you are exploring faith for the first time, or have had a connection with God for a long while, we are glad you are here. It is our hope that you will encounter God in worship today and that encounter will extend into your week. Feel free to stay current with us on Facebook, Twitter and email.

Today's Worship Second Sunday After Epiphany

Welcome

Songs: Blessed Assurance ELW 638; I Come to the Cross

Call to Worship

Songs: Knowing You; The Heart of Worship

Scripture Reading: John 2:13-25

Children's Message

Message *Who?*

Pastor Lance Ferguson

Song: Above All

Affirmation of Faith

Offering

Confession

Communion

Song: How Deep the Father's Love For Us

Prayers & Lord's Prayer

Ministry Opportunities

Blessing

Song: There is Joy in the Lord

Dismissal

Next Sunday:

John 3:1-21

This week: January 16, 2022

Welcome to Spirit of Hope Lutheran Church! We are a member of over 250 churches in the Nebraska Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA).

Happening at Spirit of Hope

Jan 16 - Meals on Wheels
at 10:30 am

Jan 16 - Everyday Spirituality
at 7:00 pm

Jan 17 - Piecemakers Quilting
at 6:30 pm

Jan 23 - Spirit of Hope Annual Meeting
at 10:00 am

Jan 23 - Confirmation Class
at 6:30 pm

Faith Formation

Faith Formation continues at 10:00 am. Kindergarten through Fifth grade will meet in the Faith Formation room. Sixth grade and up will meet in the conference room across the commons.

Annual Meeting

The Spirit of Hope annual meeting will be held Sunday, January 23 at 10:00 am. Both in person and Zoom attendance is available for members wanting to take part.

Kicks for Kids Nebraska

K4KN has been approved as the official charity for the 2022 Lincoln Mayor's Run! This is an incredible opportunity to share this mission and bolster the fundraising for the fledgling non-profit.

Summer Camp at Carol Joy Holling

If you are interested in joining other SoH

families at Carol Joy Holling this summer for camp, consider the week of **July 6-8** as several families have already registered for that short week. Scholarships are still available to cover half the cost of camp registration.

Ministry Opportunities

If you are interested in participating in one of the many teams here let a council member know. There are opportunities to sing, read, greet, feed, teach, and in technology. Reach out to a council member today.

Spirit of Hope App

We have rolled out the Spirit of Hope app and a newly designed web page. The livestream, giving page, ability to have a conversation, the ability to share a prayer request, and the calendar is there. All in one place.

To find the app, please go to the Apple App Store, Google Play, or Amazon and search for 'Spirit of Hope'

Padlet

The easiest way to get to our Padlet Prayer Request is the link in our Spirit of Hope app for your smart device! Once you launch the Spirit of Hope app you will find the link near the middle labeled: "Padlet Prayer Request". You may also point your smart device camera at this QR code and follow the link.



Faith Talk Starters

A few questions and ideas to consider throughout the week...

Why does John move so quickly from Jesus turning water into wine to Jesus having a fit in the temple?

Why does John put this story near the beginning of Jesus' ministry?

Has your faith ever been upended?

What is Jesus' approach to violence?

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Please pray for our Spirit of Hope family and

We hope that all feel welcome in our worship service. When we come to the celebration of Holy Communion, all are welcome. We believe that Christ is truly present in the earthly elements of bread and wine, and that in this meal, Christ has invited all people to share in his love and gift of salvation.

We welcome you if you can sing like Andrea Bocelli or like our pastor who can't carry a note in a bucket. You're welcome here if you're "just browsing," just woke up or just got out of jail. We don't care if you're more Catholic than the Pope, or haven't been in church since little Joey's baptism.

We extend a special welcome to those who are over 60 but not grown up yet, and to teenagers who are growing up too fast. We welcome soccer moms, NASCAR dads, starving artists, tree-huggers, latte-sippers, vegetarians, junk-food eaters. We welcome those who are in recovery or still addicted. We welcome you if you're having problems or you're down in the dumps or if you don't like "organized religion," we've been there too.

If you blew all your offering money at the horse track, you're welcome here. We offer a special welcome to those who think the earth is flat, work too hard, don't work, can't spell, or because grandma is in town and wanted to go to church.

We welcome those who are inked, pierced or both. We offer a special welcome to those who could use a prayer right now, had religion shoved down your throat as a kid or got lost in traffic and wound up here by mistake. We welcome tourists, seekers and doubters, bleeding hearts ... and you!

Prayer Requests

friends. To submit a prayer request, please e-mail us at prayer@spiritofhopelincn.org. These requests are kept confidential.

In the Military: *Stephen Austria; Peyton Lange (grandson of Chuck & Marcia Carlson); and Ross Witters (son of Nancy Witters)*

Campus Ministry: *Pr. Adam White*

Prison Ministry: *Pr. Rob Corum*

Council Member Available Today:
Frank Ferraro

Altar Flowers in honor of Carsen's birthday by the Nagel Family.



“May the **God of hope** fill you with all joy and peace as you **trust** in him...”

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