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# University Lutheran Church of Hope

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## Mission:

University Lutheran Church of Hope  
is a welcoming, Christian community of faith  
centered in God's grace and  
called to demonstrate God's love for the world.

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## Calendar for the Week of February 5, 2012

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### Sunday, February 5, 2012

8:30a - Worship  
9:30a - Education Hour  
10:30a - Worship  
11:30a - Coffee Hour  
12:30p - Thursday Musical  
7:00p - SA Support Group

### Monday, February 6, 2012

10:00a - Structuralism in Six Easy Steps  
2:15p - Religion in the Roman World  
6:30p - Joy Project Meeting

### Tuesday, February 7, 2012

11:00a - Staff Meeting  
2:00p - PEASE Support  
6:00p - Personnel Committee  
6:00p - Singers in Accord Rehearsal  
6:45p - PEASE Parents  
7:00p - Executive Committee

### Wednesday, February 8, 2012

9:30a - Hope Quilters  
5:00p - Supper  
5:15p - Bell Choir  
5:30p - Compassion Care Team  
6:00p - Confirmation  
6:00p - Elementary Chimes/Bells  
6:30p - Facilities Team  
7:15p - Hope Choir

### Thursday, February 9, 2012

9:30a - Dorcas Circle  
1:30p - Gloria Circle  
6:00p - Singers in Accord Rehearsal  
6:30p - Alcoholics Anonymous  
6:30p - Well Spouse Group  
7:45p - Basketball Pick-up Game

### Friday, February 10, 2012

9:00a - PEASE Art Workshop  
12:00p - Committee on the  
Achievement Gap  
6:00p - Youth Leadership Retreat  
6:30p - Crafters' Group

### Saturday, February 11, 2012

10:00a - Parents Play Group  
5:00p - Youth Leadership Retreat>Returns  
6:30p - China Outreach Ministries

### Sunday, February 12, 2012

8:30a - Worship  
9:20a - Set-up and Prep-Fellowship Meal  
9:30a - Education Hour  
10:30a - Worship  
11:30a - Fellowship Meal  
12:00p - Annual Meeting  
3:00p - ISAIAH's "Shaping the Future  
with Hope"  
7:00p - Book Club  
7:00p - SA Support Group

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## Announcements

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### Worship and Music

We warmly welcome all—and especially those who are new—to worship today. As you read these announcements, please know you are welcome to join in all activities. Pastor Craig Shirley, Pastor Esther Dant and other leaders would love to talk with you. *If you are interested in membership, please speak with one of the pastors.*

### Leadership

**Pastor on Call:** Rev. Craig Shirley (612) 232-6070

### Prayer Ministry

Prayer concerns: We pray for our home-bound members, those recovering from illness or

surgery, members of the military, and those grieving loved ones.

We pray for the ministry and safety of St. Peter's Lutheran Church and Pastor Amson Hamman in Jos, Nigeria.

### Education

**Adult Forum: "Journeys to Birth Lands":** Four University Lutheran Church of Hope families will be sharing highlights of their travels to the birth countries of their adoptive children. Families presenting are: Kathy and Anna Carpenter (China), the Hougens (Guatemala), the Jorstad/Petersons and the Scipior/Frederiksens (South Korea).

**Next week: Music in Guyana:** Eric Sayre went to Guyana, South America, to introduce youth

to music. In six months, 503 people received musical instruction, about two-thirds under age 18. Hear more about his teaching adventure.

**Prayer partners:** Are you willing to pray for one of the children between birth and grade 8 during Lent? If so, contact Diane Shallue at [dianes@ulch.org](mailto:dianes@ulch.org) or 612-331-5988 ext. \*819.

### **6th Grade Faith Formation Service Project - Family Farm, ELCA Goods Gifts**

The Pre-Confirmation Sunday School class has discussed and chosen the 2012 service project to present to the congregation. The money that is raised this year will go towards funding a family farm. In addition to Sunday School offering money, we encourage all to contribute in any way they can. **It will cost \$715.** Checks can be made out to ULCH or to the ELCA (Evangelical Lutheran Church in America), please indicate "FAMILY FARM 6th grade project" on the memo line. Watch for indicators of how well the congregation is doing! Blessings! Alex, Mateo, Suzie, Sam, Ted, teachers Desirée, Sara, and Ann.

**Acolyte Training** for fourth graders will be held on February 12 and 26. Jan Sanden will be the instructor. They will be commissioned in worship on March 11.

**Communion Instruction** for children ages 4-7 and their parents will be held on March 4 and 11. Registration is needed so that we have enough materials. Please contact Diane Shallue to register.

**Overnight retreat for 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grades** will be held on April 27 – 28. Put the date on your calendar. See more information in the Thursday Epistle.

**Service Day Camp is coming!** August 20-24 for students in grades 3-8. Look for more details in the Thursday Epistle. Put it on the calendar!

## Youth

**High School Leadership Retreat** We are all called to do things in the world but how do we talk about this? Come learn more about callings, vocation, and what God has in store for you in your life! We will travel to Gustavus College and learn about our personalities and how they make us tick and discuss what our Lutheran tradition has to say about vocation on **February 10-11**. Please RSVP to [mattf@ulch.org](mailto:mattf@ulch.org) by February 1<sup>st</sup>. Cost is \$50 and there are scholarships available (contact Matt).

**Interfaith Day of Service:** Join youth from different faith traditions from across the Twin Cities to serve our community on February 20<sup>th</sup>. Earn service hours and learn about different faiths! Sign up on the youth bulletin board or email Matt by February 5<sup>th</sup> if you are interested.

## Relational Ministries

**Hope Play Group:** Got children or grandchildren five and under? Join us this Saturday, February 11 from 10-11 am in the

church nursery for free play, conversation, and a snack!

**Hope Senior Group Valentine Gathering, Wednesday, February 15**, beginning with a noon luncheon in Fellowship Hall. Please make reservations with your caller or by phoning Pastor Esther Dant at (651) 636-7834 or (612) 331-5988, ext. \*818 by **February 9**. The program, "**Friendship, the Spice of Life,**" will follow at 1:00 pm in Heritage Hall. Pastor Kevin Doely, a musical ventriloquist from Plymouth, Minnesota, will entertain and inspire with his blend of comedy, storytelling and music, featuring old-fashioned routines from the Edgar Bergen/Charlie McCarthy/Mortimer Snerd era. All seniors and friends of any age are cordially invited to this fast-paced program with a message and lots of laughs.

**Registration starts today** at the Welcome Center for the Women's Retreat on Saturday, March 17 and Sunday, March 18. Deadline to register is Friday, March 9 - no refunds after this date. Questions? please contact Ann Beane at [spirit.beane@gmail.com](mailto:spirit.beane@gmail.com) or Beata Rydeen at [beatarydeen@comcast.net](mailto:beatarydeen@comcast.net).

**Basketball pick up games** are held each Thursday night at 7:45 pm over at the St. Lawrence gym. Questions? Contact Scott Hvizdos at (612) 384-9698.

## Hope for the World

The Lutheran Malaria Initiative is committed to help end malaria deaths in Africa by 2015. Malaria is preventable and treatable. This initiative is increasing the use of bed nets, educating congregations on malaria symptoms, diagnosis and use of anti-malaria drugs and training health workers to protect the most vulnerable -- pregnant women and children under age 5. More information at [lutheranmalaria.org](http://lutheranmalaria.org).

**New By-Laws** have been proposed. They are available for viewing on our website. Please review the proposed changes before February 12, when our congregation will vote on them at its annual meeting.

**Nursery changes: There currently is not a paid nursery attendant.** Until a new person is hired, parents and high school youth will fill in as volunteers. Please sign up for a shift on the clipboard located in the nursery. Parents are always welcome to use the nursery under their personal supervision.

**Applications** are being accepted for the nursery position. Pay is \$10 per hour for two hours on a Sunday morning. Please contact Diane Shallue at [dianes@ulch.org](mailto:dianes@ulch.org) or 612-331-5988 ext. \*819 to apply.