New Hope Lutheran Newsletter

From the Pastor's Pen....



The secret of long life.

Many are interested in living long, even forever. Fitness and women's magazines offer answers to this. According to

one study, the secret to longevity boils down to one thing, and it's not genetics or money. 80 years of research offers one answer to the eternal question. According to a study conducted by an Ivy League University, the secret to a long life is relationships. People who were the most satisfied with their relationships at age 50 were the healthiest at age 80. The researchers were surprised by the results. According to them, satisfaction with a relationship at the age of 50 told more about health at the age of 80 than cholesterol values. Taking care of your body is important, but taking care of your relationships would seem to be equally important.

There are several elderly, even very elderly and vigorous women and men in our congregation. It would be good to know what they think is the secret to a long life. Sanni Särkkä turns 100 years old in April. Congratulations Sanni! When I asked Sanni the secret of a long life, for her the connection to God through Jesus has been a supporting force in life. The relationship with God, if anything, would seem to be an important source of well-being along with human relationships. In the congregation, we also

make friends who will accompany us through life.

April 2024

And then what about immortality? What is the secret of eternal life? Is that too much to ask? Everyone who has been in confirmation should know the Bible passage, (John 3:16-17): For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him. The message of Easter, the resurrection of Jesus, means that Jesus lives. But not only at God's right hand, but throughout His creation. Also in the hearts of His children. The Holy Spirit Jesus strengthens us and we believe in Him and in eternal life. In Mark 16:15-16, the Risen Christ promises us: "He said to them, "Go into all the world and preach the gospel to all creation. Whoever believes and is baptized will be saved."

How to live forever, how to be immortal, is to live your life in Christ. Christ is risen! He

is risen indeed! Pastor Johanna



Council Corner

Here is the news from the March Council Meeting.

- 1. The new council executive was chosen: Chairperson - Jimmy Krats Vice-chair - Henry Laamanen Council secretary - Jane Ansamaa
- 2. Please remember to register for the Suomi Conference.
- 3. New Hope has agreed to be at Finlandia Village's Mayfair on Saturday May 11, 2024.
- 4. Plans for Mother's Day and Father's Day services were discussed. Stay tuned for more information.

God Bless you and keep you safe.

Debbie Fräntilä Fill in Secretary, NHLC Council

Chairman's Report

We have just finished out Lenten season which ended with Easter Sunday and we look forward to spring and summer events.

This year a very special event will be the Suomi Conference. It will be held at Hannah Lake and New Hope is the hosting congregation. The deadline for registering for the conference is May 1st. Please register as soon as possible to let the planning committee know how many will attend.

Your church council has also been discussing what to do on special days like Mother's Day and Father's Day. All these events need volunteers. If you would be willing to volunteer please contact me or the church office at (705)673-2933.

The church council consists of only 9 members and we are always looking for people who want to help with activities in the church. You may not think you have any skills you can share with the church, but you will never know if you don't try. Sharing yourself and your skills can only enhance your life.

Enjoy the warmth the spring brings to us all. Share the warmth with everyone you meet!

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Jimmy Krats Chairperson

English Bible Study on Zoom continues

The English Bible study which began before Lent, will continue after a break on Thursdays, April 4, starting at 6:30 p.m. If you would like to join us, please send a message to Johanna pjp@nhlc.ca or call 705-688-6284 for a link. We study 1 Corinthians.

Upcoming events

English Worship and Sunday School April 7, 14, 21, 28 11:30pm Regent St

Finnish Worship April 7, 14, 21, 28 9:30am Voima

<u>Kahvi Time</u> April 3, 10, 17, 24 10 - 1 Regent St

<u>Kammari</u> April 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 2:00pm Impola

<u>Mission Circle</u> April 17 2:00pm Finlandia

Council Mtg April 10 6:30pm Regent St

LCW April 10 11:00am Regent St

<u>Meadowbrook</u> April 12 10:00am

Finnish Church Choir April 4, 11, 18, 25 10:30 Impola

English Bible Study April 4, 18, 25 6:30pm Zoom

Luther Bells April 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 6:30pm Regent St

Remembering

Arvo Reino Liinamaa 79 yrs

Trinity Lutheran Church is collecting for the homeless.

With spring here, they are now collecting ball caps and bottled water, and food items are always welcome. These items can be brought to Trinity Lutheran Church the 2nd Wednesday of every month or every Sunday there is a box in the Narthex at Regent St.

Readings for March

<u>April 7, 2024</u>	2 nd Sunday of Easter
First Reading	Acts 4:32 - 35
Psalm	Psalm 133
Second Reading	1 John 1:1 – 2:2
Gospel	John 20:19 – 31
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<u> April 14, 2024</u>

First Reading Psalm Second Reading Gospel <u>3rd Sunday of Easter</u> Acts 3:12 – 19 Psalm 4 1 John 3:1 – 7 Luke 24: 36b – 48

April 21, 20244th Sunday of EasterFirst ReadingActs 4:5 - 12

Psalm Second Reading Gospel Acts 4:5 – 12 Psalm 23 1 John 3:17 – 24 John 10:11 – 18

April 28, 2024

First Reading Psalm Second Reading Gospel <u>5th Sunday of Easter</u> Acts 8:26 – 40 Psalm 22 1 John 4:7 – 21 John 15:1 – 8



Financial Reports		
2024		
Febru	ary	
Envelopes	\$7,409.00	
Interest	\$0.82	
Memorial	\$475.00	
Chaplaincy at		
Finlandia	\$727.50	
Other	\$813.30	
Total Income	\$9,425.62	
Expenses	\$16,390.35	
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Bank Act		
Memorial	\$26,679.73	
Current	\$32,879.05	
Building Fund	\$1,628.30	
Food Bank	\$220.00	
Choir	\$700.34	
Mission Circle	\$1,069.67	
	\$63,177.09	
Investm	nents	
ELFEC Current	\$289,600.00	
ELFEC Memorial	\$217,218.02	
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PAR

PAR (Pre-Authorized Remittance) is a great way to contribute each month, to support your church.

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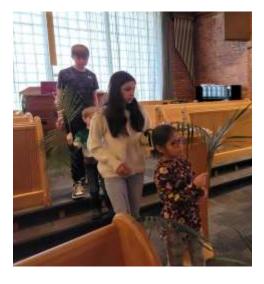
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New Hope Lutheran Newsletter is created and translated by volunteers each month in both English and Finnish. The Newsletter accepts articles and pictures having to do with our church, its members or items of interest. Please send submissions to **office@nhlc.ca** and please keep all articles to under 250 words. We cannot guarantee to use all submissions, but will try our best! Deadline for submissions is the 15th of each month in order to have time to translate. If you have questions, please feel free to contact Paula Reynolds through the church's office.



New Hope's Council 2024 Back row: Jimmy Krats, Paula Reynolds, Henry Laamanen, Allan Luolaja, Pastor Johanna Front row: Aila Mäki, Maria Laamanen, Debbie Fräntilä, Jane Ansamaa Missing: Anneli McRae

Ash Wednesday and Palm Sunday





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April / Huhtikuu 2024 Pastor Johanna Porkola Phone: 705-688-6284 * Pastor Porkolan vapaa päivät

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Suomi Conference May 31 - June 2, 2024 Sudbury, Ontario

Don't forget to register! Send your registration forms by May 1, 2024 to New Hope Lutheran Church 189 Regent St. Sudbury, Ontario P3C 4C4 Or email to Email: office@nhlc.ca

SUOMI CONFERENCE PROGRAM 2024

Friday May 31, 2024

- 3:00 Registration begins
- 3:30 Board meeting
- 5:00 Supper
- 5:30 Choir practise
- 6:00 Evening gathering
- 7:30 Taize-prayer
- 8:00 Sauna
- 8:00 Evening Snack

Satuday June 1, 2024

- 8:00 Breakfast
- 9:00 Morning prayer
- 9:30 Greetings from congregations
- 11:00 Bible studies Finnish and English
- 12:00 Lunch
- 12:30 Choir practise
- 1:00 Listening Prayer by Jukka Jämsén
- 3:00 Annual meeting
- 4:00 Workshops
- 5:00 Supper 6:00 Concert
- 7:00 Sauna 8:00 Evening Snack

Sunday June 2, 2024

- 8:00 Breakfast
- 9:00 Choir practise 10:00 Bilingual Worship and
- Sunday School 12:00 Lunch





Rev. Jukka Jämsén

Suomi Conference 2024 will take place at beautiful Hannah Lake Bible Centre 2469 Southview Drive Sudbury, Ontario

SUOMI CONFERENCE, MAY 31 – JUNE 2, 2024 NEW HOPE LUTHERAN CHURCH

held at Hannah Lake Bible Centre 2469 Southview Drive, Sudbury, Ontario REGISTRATION FORM / ILMOITTAUTUMISKAAVAKE

Please send your	completed form to	o us by <u>May 1, 2024</u>	

NAME:		
ADDRESS:		
TELEPHONE:EMAIL:		
CHURCH:		
Advance \$139.00 meal package to be paid by May 1: Advance child meal package \$70 to be paid by May 1: Includes Friday supper and snack, Saturday breakfast, lun Sunday breakfast and lunch.	No of children:	

There is no separate registration fee to attend. Total: \$_______ If you wish to purchase individual meals, please see back of this page.

Etukäteen tilattu \$139.00 ruokapaketti maksettava 1.5. mennessä.

Etukäteen tilattu \$70.00 lapsen ruokapaketti maksettava 1.5. mennessä

Paketti sisältää perjantain illallisen ja iltapala, lauantain aamiaisen, lounaan, illallisen ja iltapala, sunnuntain aamiaisen ja lounaan. Ei ole erillistä ilmoittautumismaksua.

Jos haluat ostaa yksittäisiä aterioita, katso tämän sivun takaosa.

Please note any food allergies. Ilmoita jos on ruoka-allergioita. _

Please send your registration form and cheque to NEW HOPE LUTHERAN CHURCH as soon as possible so that we can finalize details of the conference and determine the number of people attending. Registration forms can also be sent by e-mail and payments can be made by e-transfer to <u>office@nhlc.ca</u>

Ole hyvä ja lähetä ilmoittautumislomakkeesi ja vahvista asia mahdollisimman pian NEW HOPE LUTHERAN CHURCH:lle, jotta voimme viimeistellä konferenssin yksityiskohdat ja selvittää osallistujamäärän. Ilmoittautumislomakkeet voi lähettää myös sähköpostitse ja maksun voi suorittaa e-transfer:n kautta osoitteeseen <u>office@nhlc.ca</u>

Mail to: New Hope Lutheran Church	Telephone: (705) 673-2933
189 Regent St	E-mail: office@nhlc.ca
Sudbury, ON P3C 4C4	

Would you like to receive the "Combined Choir" music by email?	YES	NO
Haluatko saada "Yhteiskuoron" nuotit sähköpostissa?	KYLLÄ	EI

Suomi Conference Registration continued ...

If you would like to purchase separate meals, please select the meal on the list below.

Jos haluat ostaa erilliset ateriat, valitse ateria alla olevasta listasta.

All meals are to be paid in advance by May 1, 2024 to New Hope Lutheran Church.

Single meal prices:

Kakki ateriat on maksettava etukäteen 1.5.2024 mennessä New Hope Lutheran Church:lle.

Yksittäiset ateriahinnat

Friday		Perjantai
Supper	\$20.00	Illallinen \$20.00
Snack	\$10.00	Iltapala \$10.00
Saturday		Lauantai
Breakfast	\$12.00	Aamiainen \$12.00
Coffee	free will offering	Kahvi vapaaehtoinen
Lunch	\$15.00	Lounas \$15.00
Supper	\$35.00	Illallinen \$35.00
Snack	\$10.00	Iltapala \$10.00
Sunday		Sunnuntai
Breakfast	\$12.00	Aamiainen \$12.00
Lunch	\$25.00	Lounas \$25.00
Total	\$	Yhteensä

Children's meals are half adult price

Lasten ateriat ovat puolet aikuisten hinnasta

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