



# Hainesville Voices of Hope



## From Pastor Trent

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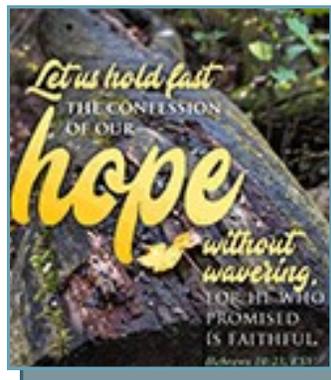
***Hainesville Lutheran is a fellowship of Christians, empowered by the Gospel, who share their faith through witness, service and hospitality.***

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

When I was kid, my parents, along with my sister and I, would pack up the car to take a road trip to visit my grandparents for our regular once a month visit. While I couldn't wait to see them after being apart, my parents grew tired of me constantly asking, "Are we there yet?" It didn't hurt that one set of grandparents lived on a farm and another set of grandparents lived in a house with a big yard to run and play with all the kids in their neighborhood. It was always an adventure! The feeling was unmistakable. It's the same feeling that I have when driving up for Worship at Hainesville on Sunday mornings – I just can't wait to get there!

As I am writing this, we are in the sixth hour of the *Safer at Home* travel restrictions that have been implemented for the next 30 days due to the Corona-

virus pandemic. It's hard right now - really hard! We are hardwired for human connection. We are social beings. We want this to be over – now! Practicing social distancing and remaining in isolation isn't fun. Neither is contracting and spreading the Coronavirus.



Right now, there is so much coming at us every hour of the day with the news cycle. Things change by the minute. We are left wondering what to believe. In all of this there is truth that cuts through the fake news. That truth is that God is with us. We are not alone in this. A few weeks ago in Worship, we heard from John's Gos-

pel: "Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him." (John 3:17) Jesus became incarnate to walk alongside us in our humanity and to reveal to us the abundance of God's love for us.

Through God's love and the work of the Holy Spirit, we have all been entrusted with various gifts that are to be used to serve others. All gifts are important in the body of Christ – I cannot overemphasize that enough. In our current circumstances, however, let us appreciate and lift up the gifts that scientists, researchers, and doctors have received. Let us heed their wisdom. Let us follow their instructions. Let us do our part to share God's love by not sharing the Coronavirus.

I know it's hard. I feel you. I get it. When it comes to ending isolation and getting back to being together in person again, I

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have that same urge to keep asking the question I did as a kid, "Are we there yet?" I know we are grieving our loss of gathering for Worship, study, fellowship and service, so perhaps we could pray a simple prayer together that happens to be the chorus the hymn, *Healer of Our Every Ill* (ELW 612):

"Healer of our every ill, light of each tomorrow.  
give us peace beyond our fear, and hope beyond  
our sorrow."

During this time we must stay connected. While we may not be physically present with one another, we are bound together as the communion of saints through Jesus Christ. As we are living *Safer at Home* and *Being the Church at Home*, let us remember: God is ALWAYS with us.

Peace and Love, Pastor Trent



We may be isolated and  
safer at home, but  
..."nor anything in all  
creation, will be able to  
separate us from the  
love of God that is in  
Christ Jesus our Lord."  
— Roman 8:39

## What Have You Been Up To?

### Hope From Our Friends

*Here's where we get a chance to share with each other what this time at home has allowed us to catch up on, or things we've found that made us chuckle, or made us smile and helped us keep hope alive.*

- Jan Shusta enjoyed watching the Sunday morning worship video. She is well and at home with her cat. An on occasion she getting together with Dan or Linda. She says God bless you and yours.
- Vicki Hannemann filled her truck with about 50 paperback books and went around to the Little Free Libraries in Door and Kewaunee and filled their shelves. She asked if there were people who had children's books if they would mind sharing these as well. Lots of kiddos at home now with no access to the library. Be safe and take care! You're all in my prayers, Vicki says.
- **PLEASE SEND YOUR THOUGHTS— STORIES— HINTS TO PAULA AT [officehlc12@gmail.com](mailto:officehlc12@gmail.com)**

### **Reflection Questions**

*(from St. Matthew's Episcopal Day School in San Mateo, California)*

1. What has been the best part of sheltering in place with your family?
2. What has been the hardest? What can you do to make it easier?
3. What is your hope for the world when the threat of coronavirus passes? What can you do as a family to help that hope come true?

## Upcoming Birthdays & Anniversaries



### Birthdays

March 28th	Reese Sund
March 29th	Barbara Dunlap
March 30th	Jessica Zeitler
April 1st	Jeff Heindl
April 1st	April Mascorro
April 2nd	Jim Hanstad
April 3rd	MarJean Gutschow
April 3rd	Peggy Odegaard
April 3rd	Pam Peterson
April 8th	Tom Angermeier

April 10th	Bonnie Kohn
April 11th	Eric Schmitz
April 13th	Kristor Larson
April 14th	Tiffany Schultz
April 15th	Elaine Roalkvan

### Anniversaries

March 31st	Jean & Bill Hovick
April 16th	Vicki & Rick Hannemann
April 19th	Bob & Leslie Petersen
April 19th	Pastor Trent & Jessica Zeitler



## Prayers for Our Church Family

Rusty (Allen), Riley (A), Lindsay (A), Sandy (Anderson), Trudy (Berkhahn), Nancy (Bontempo), Shirley (Brandt), Karen & Del (Brewer), Dennis (Buckingham), Danielle (Davis), Barbara (Foster), Mike (Grainger), Ruth (Grainger), Joanne (Huhta), Cindy & Terry (Kinney), Ellie (Krull), Harold (Larsen), Judy (Larson), Judy (LaVine), Natalie (Markham), Francine (Meyer), Ken (Overland), Jodi (P), Michelle (Raasch), Mary Lee (Riddle), Matthew (Rocque), Alice (Rocque-Angermeir), Alberta (Streckert), Eric (Thorson), Dorothy (Twiton), Kari (Uetz), Aubrey (W), Laddie (Watson), and Jeanine.

## Free App for Luther's Small Catechism

I am pleased to share with you that Augsburg Fortress has put the Small Catechism on a free app that is available on both the Apple App store and Google Play. The link below includes links to both options. (Look for the green arrow.)

I ask that you make a regular habit of opening up the Catechism and spending just a few minutes to look at a Commandment or two, or a part of the Creed or Lord's Prayer as they give us strength to face the challenges of this life.

<https://www.augsburgfortress.org/store/product/22879/Luther-Small-Catechism-App>

## Christ in Our Home

With the outbreaks of coronavirus disease in North America and around the world many people may be without a physical copy of Christ in Our Home. To assist with devotional life during this time, we are offering a limited-time complementary email subscription. Sign up and we will deliver the daily devotional to your email at 4am Central Time for the remainder of March and April 2020.

<https://bit.ly/3dkybNR>

## Prepare for Holy Week by Reading the Passion from the four Gospels

March 29	Matthew 26:47-27:28
March 30	Matthew 27:29-66
March 31	Mark 14:1-72
April 1	Mark 15:1-47
April 2	Luke 22:1-38
April 3	Luke 22:39-71
April 4	Luke 23:1-56
April 5	John 18:1-27
April 6	John 18:28-38
April 7	John 18:39-19:16
April 8	John 19:17-42

*Add a coffee cup and a Bible as you spend time reading Scripture*

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Our plan at the moment is to send out a HAINESVILLE VOICES OF HOPE on a weekly basis. Each of you are an important part of this process. Please email me with your responses to the questions we ask, or send us pictures, or clips or links to things you have found beneficial to you during this time we have to spend apart. Thanks -paulaE



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*If you actually have an email address, would you please share it with the church office? We do not share these emails with anyone else. If you'd prefer to keep your email from being published in the church records we can do that as well. It will make it easier for you to be a part of our "interactive" newsletter process.*

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*Thank you for your consideration.*

## FACEBOOK FINDS

### DAILY QUARANTINE QUESTIONS:

1. What am I GRATEFUL for today?
2. Who am I CHECKING IN ON or CONNECTING WITH today?
3. What expectations of "normal" am I LETTING GO OF today?
4. How am I GETTING OUTSIDE today?
5. How am I MOVING MY BODY today?
6. What BEAUTY am I either creating, cultivating, or inviting in today?

**DR. OZ CORONAVIRUS PREP 10 HIDDEN PLACES YOU MAY FORGET TO CLEAN!**

- REFRIGERATOR HANDLE
- VACUUM HANDLE
- CLEANING SPRAY BOTTLE
- FLOOR BASEBOARD  
▪ ESPECIALLY IMPORTANT IF YOU HAVE YOUNG KIDS
- MICROWAVE TOUCHPAD
- LIGHT SWITCHES
- TOILET FLUSHER  
▪ YOU PROBABLY ALREADY CLEAN THE FAUCETS AND THE TOILET SEAT BUT THIS GETS FORGOTTEN
- DOOR KNOBS
- DRESSER HANDLES
- CAR  
▪ THIS INCLUDES YOUR STEERING WHEEL, DOOR HANDLE, RADIO, GEAR SHIFT, AND KEYS

**BONUS ITEM THE MAIL BOX**