



COMMUNITY OF HOPE

MISSION:

To demonstrate the abiding Word of God through faith and good works and expressing the love of Jesus Christ by providing daily necessities as well as hope for the future to those in need.



July 2025

Happy 4th of July!

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brings renewal, growth and the height of summer's radiance. It's a time of reflection, personal empowerment, and embracing joy and contentment. It is also mid-way through the year which gives us a chance to look back on our progress and to re-ignite our spiritual well-being. Perhaps, for some, it will be a time to pause and consider where we stand with God, as we enter the second half of the year.

In the Bible, the months of June and July were times of harvesting wheat and barley. It was a season for rewarding hard work and celebrating God's gifts.

While July is warm and fruitful in the world of nature (think plants, flowers, vegetables) the Bible reminds us to not become spiritually lazy. We are called to stay alert, grow in faith and prepare our hearts. Galatians 6:9 tells us - "Let us not grow weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up."

Speaking of not giving up, we would like to thank all of our fellow Christians and friends for your support in prayer and through your financial donations that help support our mission. Please know that we do not take any of you for granted! We are grateful for each one of you!

We also extend a heartfelt **Thanks** to our community churches and the wonderful volunteers that help make each of our weekly free community meals such a success. It is extremely heart-warming to know that we are able to provide a warm meal to those in need!

Our special thanks also, to Patti Svaleson, who recently resigned as our Vice President. Patti provided so many valuable tools and insight to our organization and her leadership will be greatly missed.

Enjoy the 4th of July and Be Safe!

There is nothing too great and nothing too small that cannot be given to the Lord, and there is no area in our life or the lives of others, about which we cannot come boldly to the throne of grace. There is no anxiety so disturbing that cannot be guarded by the perfect peace of God and no pain so deep that cannot be healed by His tender touch.

Philippians 4: 6-7

"Don't worry about anything; instead, pray about everything. Tell God what you need, and thank him for all he has done. Then you will experience God's peace, which exceeds anything we can understand. His peace will guard your hearts and minds as you live in Christ Jesus.



Have You Prayed Today?

COMMUNITY OF HOPE – 1ST ANNUAL CAR SHOW FUNDRAISER



Hello Everyone,

I am excited to share the details of our 1st Annual Community of Hope Car Show. It will be on Saturday, August 9th from 1:00 to 6:00 at the Esko Athletic Field on Canosia Road. We will be a part of the Esko Fun Days.

There is a parade and other events as well. We will be having the Car Show, (entries \$10.00) a BBQ, Raffle Ticket sales and a Basket Raffle. We are accepting donations of prizes or monetary donations to help with purchases we may need to get.

If you are interested in volunteering to help with this awesome fundraiser, please reach out to me! I look forward to seeing you all there to support Community of Hope.

Blessings,
Sue Butkiewicz
Fundraising Lead Coordinator
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VOLUNTEER



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:

With Patti's resignation, it leaves a void in the delivery of some of our Free Meal flyers. If you have some time and don't mind a little driving around Cloquet, we could use someone (or 2!) individuals to help bring these flyers to a couple of facilities. If you are able or interested, please reach out to our number: 218-600-6520. And thanks for your help!



DINNER SCHEDULE - JULY

- July 6** **St. Paul's Lutheran Church**
Beef and Broccoli, salad, fruit
dessert
- July 13** **Our Savior's Lutheran Church**
Chicken Caesar Wraps, Chips
salad, fruit, dessert
- July 20** **Our Redeemer Church**
Sloppy Joes, salad,
fruit, dessert
- July 27** **Veteran's Park**
Pulled Ham Sandwiches, chips,
fruit, dessert

Volunteers are always welcome!

If you are able to help out on Sundays please reach out to Charity @ 218-409-2606 or Kathy @ 218-262-6270. You can also contact the office number @ 218-600-6520.



Happy 4th of July from the Donations Team!

We are still in need of summer-type items: bug spray and sunscreen, and automotive fluids, like oil and windshield wash. We still have several furniture items that we need to find a good home. If you know of someone that could use tables, a couple of small desks, lamps, bookshelves and kitchen items, blankets and some small appliances, please let me know. If a new home is not found, they will be given to a local organization by the end of July. <mailto:donations@communityofhope216.org>

We would also like to send out a gracious thank you to the VBS program at Our Redeemer Lutheran Church in Cloquet. Their students collected items of need and also a financial offering that will go a long way towards helping people that need it the most. Thank you very much Our Redeemer VBS!!!

The office is currently un-staffed for the summer.
Please call 218-600-6520 if you need assistance.

WE ARE OFF FOR THE MONTH OF JULY
NEXT BOARD MEETING – AUGUST 25 @ 6:30PM @ COMMUNITY OF HOPE OFFICE.



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