



**HOPE LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
A Stephen Ministry Congregation

LUTHERAN CHURCH MISSOURI SYNOD

# Welcome to Hope

## SUNDAYS

8:00 & 10:30AM—Worship  
9:15AM—Family Bible Hour  
4:00PM—Spanish Worship w/Communion

## WEDNESDAYS

6:30PM—Living Hope Worship  
6:30PM—Hope Studies

### OUR MISSION STATEMENT:

***“Anchored in Christ, Empowered by the Spirit, Connecting People to Jesus”***

*We are glad you are taking the time to worship our Risen Lord and Savior Jesus Christ with us this weekend! We pray God’s blessings on your worship and time spent among us at Hope Lutheran Church! We ask you to please take the time to fill in the Friendship pad (be sure to give us your name and address) and feel free to indicate any prayer concerns on the reverse side of the pad. We are a “Family-Friendly Church” and encourage the participation of children in our worship. However, we realize there are times when children can become disruptive to other worshipers, and for that reason there is a cry room located in the back of the church for your use. Children’s worship bags are available in the narthex for your use during the service (see an usher or elder). Please return the bag following the service to the “Worship Bag Tree.” We encourage you to join us for any and all activities at Hope in the week ahead!*

**IMPORTANT NOTES:** *for the sanctity of our worship and the benefit of those around you, please refrain from excessive talking in the narthex and sanctuary, and turn off all cell phones, pagers, etc. Please time entrances and exits during congregational singing to minimize distraction to our worshipping community. Following our worship, please make every effort to leave God’s House just as you found it. Please do not bring coffee, cans of soda or bottled water into the sanctuary for your use before or even during the service. Also, please be sure to remove any “used” tissues from the pews or hymnal racks. Your help in keeping God’s house neat and clean will most certainly be appreciated! Thank you!*

*Hope: Anchored in Christ*



**Please turn off or silence your cell phone and NO food or drinks in the Sanctuary.**

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*Activities This Week at Hope:*

<b>Sunday 2/5</b>	<b>Blood Mobile @ Hope</b>
8:00	Worship w/Communion
9:15	Family Bible Hour ( <i>snacks: Goetsch</i> )
10:30	Worship w/Communion
11:45	Christian Growth and Youth Ministry Team Meetings
4:00	Spanish Worship w/Communion
<b>Monday 2/6</b>	6:30 Choir
	7:30 Young Adults @ Starbucks
<b>Tuesday 2/7</b>	10:30 GriefShare
	12:00 <b>Deadline—Ministry Team Reports for Board of Directors' Meeting</b>
	5:30 Fellowship Ministry Team Meeting
	6:30 GriefShare
	6:30 Missions & Outreach Ministry Team Meeting
<b>Wednesday 2/8</b>	5:00 Confirmation
	5:15 Stephen Ministry Support Group Meeting
	5:30 Bell Choir
	6:30 Living Hope Worship
	6:30 Hope Studies
<b>Thursday 2/9</b>	10:30 Bible Study
	6:30 Board of Directors' Meeting
<b>Saturday 2/11</b>	2:00 Singles' Valentine Banquet
<b>Sunday 2/12</b>	<b>Youth Scrip Orders Due</b>
	<b>Teddy Bear Sunday</b>
8:00	Worship
9:00	Blood Pressure Screening
9:15	Family Bible Hour ( <i>snacks: open</i> )
10:30	Worship
11:30	Blood Pressure Screening
11:45	Human Care Ministry Team Meeting
4:00	Spanish Worship w/Communion
4:00	Youth Group

*Worship Attendance / Communion:*

Wednesday, January 25, 2017  
 Worship: 6:30: 29/26  
 Hope Studies: 8

Sunday, January 29, 2017:  
 Worship: 8:00: 74/71    10:30: 102/78  
 FBH: Adults: 48    Youth: 8    Children: 3  
 Spanish Worship: 4:00: 19/6

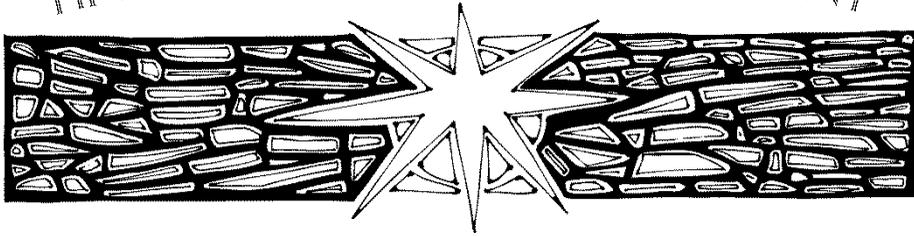
Offerings—General Fund: \$8,885.73

*Stewardship Perspective:*

**Matthew 5:17** "Do not think that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I have not come to abolish them but to fulfill them." We cannot keep the Law of God perfectly. We are sinners. For us to be saved, Jesus had to fill up the Law in our place. Now the threat of the Law is abolished—and the Law itself is upheld. For in Christ now we do desire to fulfill the Law, to live out a godly Christian life—precisely because we are so full of thanksgiving toward God for His salvation in Christ.

*Large Print editions of our Sunday worship folders are available from the ushers. If you are in need of one, don't hesitate to ask!*

# FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY



February 5, 2017

## **AS WE GATHER**

*"Lead, kindly light, amid the encircling gloom, lead Thou me on!" These poetic words by John Henry Newman, an English clergyman, begin a hymn that is much loved in many parts of the Christian community worldwide. The linking of the light that is Christ with the descriptive word kindly, which is related to the attribute of kindness, is appropriate to the Epiphany season. In the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus calls His hearers to be lights in the world. Letting our light shine with kindness is evidence of the fruit of the Spirit growing in, through, and among us.*

## **WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## **RINGING OF BELLS**

## **PRELUDE AND MEDITATION** "Le Ping"

*Kristina Langlois*

*The sanctuary is a place of meditation and preparation for worship. Therefore, as the prelude begins, we cease our conversations and quiet our hearts to converse silently with God.*

## **OPENING HYMN**

*"Greet the Rising Sun"*

*with Hope Ringers*   
LSB 871

## **INVOCATION, CONFESSION, AND ABSOLUTION**

P: In the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

P: The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law. Do you not know that you are God's temple and that God's Spirit dwells in you?

**C: Put on then, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience, bearing with one another and, if one has a complaint against another, forgiving each other.**

P: God's kindness toward us knows no limits. Let us go to Him, confident that He will grant us forgiveness for Jesus' sake. (*Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.*) Heavenly Father,

**C: we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have failed to show kindness, the fruit of Your Holy Spirit, in our thinking, speaking, and acting. We have not loved You completely or our neighbors as ourselves. We know that You call us to share our bread with the hungry and bring the homeless poor into our house. We have let opportunities to show kindness slip away from us, exhibiting only what was expected of us and keeping Your kindness hidden within us. Our Lord Jesus revealed His person and ministry through His words and actions. In Your great mercy, forgive, renew, and lead us so that we may be revealed as His faith-filled followers to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**

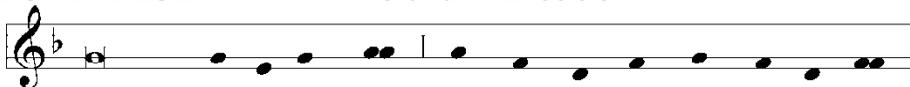
P: "Do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, whom you have from God? You are not your own, for you were bought with a price." Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

# HYMN OF PRAISE

## "Gloria in Excelsis"

LSB 154



**P:** Glory to God in the highest, and peace to His peo - ple on earth.



**C:** Lord God, heav-en-ly king, al-might-y God and Fa - ther:



We wor-ship You, we give You thanks, we praise You for Your glo-ry.



Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God:



You take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.



You are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther; re-ceive our prayer.



For You a-lone are the Ho-ly One, You a-lone are the Lord,



You a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spir-it,



in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

P: Let us pray. O Lord, keep Your family, the Church, continually in the one true faith

**C: that, relying on the hope of Your heavenly grace, we may ever be defended by Your mighty power;**

P: through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**



## OLD TESTAMENT

*Isaiah 58:3-9a (p.617)*

*(The "fast" God wants is that we care for others.)*

<sup>3</sup>Why have we fasted, and you see it not? Why have we humbled ourselves, and you take no knowledge of it? Behold, in the day of your fast you seek your own pleasure, and oppress all your workers. <sup>4</sup>Behold, you fast only to quarrel and to fight and to hit with a wicked fist. Fasting like yours this day will not make your voice to be heard on high. <sup>5</sup>Is such the fast that I choose, a day for a person to humble himself? Is it to bow down his head like a reed, and to spread sackcloth and ashes under him? Will you call this a fast, and a day acceptable to the Lord? <sup>6</sup>Is not this the fast that I choose: to loose the bonds of wickedness, to undo the straps of the yoke, to let the oppressed go free, and to break every yoke? <sup>7</sup>Is it not to share your bread with the hungry and bring the homeless poor into your house; when you see the naked, to cover him, and not to hide yourself from your own flesh? <sup>8</sup>Then shall your light break forth like the dawn, and your healing shall spring up speedily; your righteousness shall go before you; the glory of the Lord shall be your rear guard. <sup>9</sup>Then you shall call, and the Lord will answer; you shall cry, and he will say, 'Here I am.'

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

## EPISTLE

1 Corinthians 2:1-12 (p.952)

*(We proclaim Christ crucified, as the Spirit has revealed Him.)*

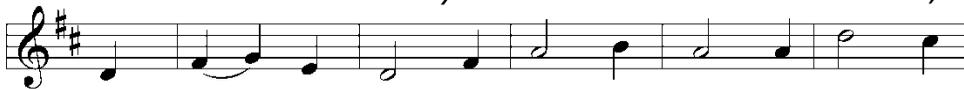
<sup>1</sup>And I, when I came to you, brothers, did not come proclaiming to you the testimony of God with lofty speech or wisdom. <sup>2</sup>For I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ and him crucified. <sup>3</sup>And I was with you in weakness and in fear and much trembling, <sup>4</sup>and my speech and my message were not in plausible words of wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power, <sup>5</sup>that your faith might not rest in the wisdom of men but in the power of God. <sup>6</sup>Yet among the mature we do impart wisdom, although it is not a wisdom of this age or of the rulers of this age, who are doomed to pass away. <sup>7</sup>But we impart a secret and hidden wisdom of God, which God decreed before the ages for our glory. <sup>8</sup>None of the rulers of this age understood this, for if they had, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory. <sup>9</sup>But, as it is written, "What no eye has seen, nor ear heard, nor the heart of man imagined, what God has prepared for those who love him"—<sup>10</sup>these things God has revealed to us through the Spirit. For the Spirit searches everything, even the depths of God. <sup>11</sup>For who knows a person's thoughts except the spirit of that person, which is in him? So also no one comprehends the thoughts of God except the Spirit of God. <sup>12</sup>Now we have received not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit who is from God, that we might understand the things freely given us by God.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

## RESPONSE

*"When I Survey the Wondrous Cross" LSB 426; vs. 1 & 2*



1 When I sur - vey the won - drous cross On which the  
2 For - bid it, Lord, that I should boast Save in the



Prince of Glo - ry died, My rich - est gain I  
death of Christ, my God; All the vain things that



count but loss And pour con - tempt on all my pride.  
charm me most, I sac - ri - fice them to His blood.

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## HOLY GOSPEL

*Matthew 5:13-20 (p.810)*

*(You are salt and light in the world.)*

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the fifth chapter.

C: *(Sung)* **Glorify to You, O Lord.**

<sup>13</sup>You are the salt of the earth, but if salt has lost its taste, how shall its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything except to be thrown out and trampled under people's feet. <sup>14</sup>You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden. <sup>15</sup>Nor do people light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a stand, and it gives light to all in the house. <sup>16</sup>In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven. <sup>17</sup>Do not think that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I have not come to abolish them but to fulfill them. <sup>18</sup>For truly, I say to you, until heaven and earth pass away, not an iota, not a dot, will pass from the Law until all is accomplished. <sup>19</sup>Therefore whoever relaxes one of the least of these commandments and teaches others to do the same will be called least in the kingdom of heaven, but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. <sup>20</sup>For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: *(Sung)* **Praise to You, O Christ!**

## 10:30 SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM

Jules David Kinkead  
Joslin Alexis Kinkead



## 10:30 SPECIAL MUSIC

*"Baptized in Water"*  
*Ellen Whitehurst, soloist*

**HYMN OF THE DAY** *"I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light"*

*LSB 411*

## SERMON

*"Being Salt & Light"*  
*Rev. Shea Pennington*

*Matthew 5:13-20*

## **NICENE CREED**

**I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible.**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.**

**And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

## **CELEBRATION OF FRIENDSHIP**

*As the offerings are received, please sign the register in the pews, whether you are a member of Hope Lutheran or a visitor. The person at the end of the pew should start and then pass it along. Thank you for making worship with us a priority this Lord's Day.*

## **GIVING OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS**

*Our tithes are our regular, top priority, proportionate, grateful gifts to the Lord for the work of the gospel. Our offerings are our special gifts for special causes over and above our tithes.*

## **VOLUNTARY**

*"Houston"*

*sett'g: Mark Bender*

## **PRAYERS OF GOD'S PEOPLE**

**P:** Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs. Lord God, heavenly Father, we come before You as sinners who have transgressed Your commands, often seeking our own pleasures while overlooking the needs of our neighbors. In Your mercy, we ask that You would forgive our sins and incline our hearts to fear You

and our minds to delight in Your commandments. Guide us continually to love You above all things and to love our neighbors as ourselves. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C: hear our prayer.**

P: Merciful Father, the apostles were not sent to proclaim the wisdom of men, but Your wisdom, the Gospel of Jesus Christ and Him crucified. Grant pastors to proclaim that same truth among us today. Lead them by Your Spirit to be faithful undershepherds of Your flock. Guard them from the temptations of the evil one, that they may be pure in life, in faith and in doctrine. Protect them especially during times of persecution, that Your sheep may always hear Your Word and cling to the hope that it brings, rather than to any rival comforts the world may offer. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C: hear our prayer.**

P: Almighty God, we ask that You would grant health and wisdom to all who are in authority over us, especially the president and Congress of the United States and all our governors and judges. Direct them to actions that are in accord with Your will, that we may be governed in peace and with justice. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C: hear our prayer.**

P: Loving Father, we ask that You would look with favor upon all who are in sickness, pain or trouble especially this week we pray for *Joyce Brewer, Tena Matthews, Rose Thomas, Millie Wetz, and Tom Whitehurst*. Give them patience and comfort in their affliction and, if it pleases You, restore them to health or give them grace to accept this tribulation with courage and hope. Lord, in Your mercy,

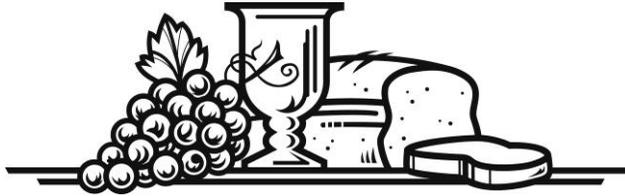
**C: hear our prayer.**

P: O God, Your Son calls those who hear and believe His Word to be the light of the world. By Your Word and Sacraments, hold us fast in the true faith, that our light may shine before others and that our good works would lead them to proclaim Your glory. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C: hear our prayer.**

P: Into Your hands, dear Father, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever who taught us to pray:

**C:** Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.



**+ HOLY COMMUNION +**

### **PREFACE**

**P:** The Lord be with you.

**C:** **And also with you.**

**P:** Lift up your hearts.

**C:** **We lift them to the Lord.**

**P:** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C:** **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

**P:** It is truly good, right...praising you and singing:

### **SANCTUS**

*LSB 208*

**☐** Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth a - dored;  
Heav'n and earth with full ac-claim shout the glo-ry of Your name.  
Sing ho - san-na in the high-est, sing ho-san - na to the Lord;  
Tru - ly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

## WORDS OF INSTITUTION

*We listen again to the very words spoken by Jesus Christ in the upper room, "take and eat, this is my body... take and drink, this is my blood". We prepare to receive what Jesus has promised to share with us, His very presence. As we eat this bread and drink this wine, Christ nourishes us, forgives us and strengthens us with His presence.*

**P:** The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C:** **And also with you.**

## AGNUS DEI

LSB 963

Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the  
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, You  
take a-way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.  
Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the world;  
grant us Your peace, grant us Your peace.

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*(The congregation may be seated.)*

## COMMUNION STATEMENT

*If you desire to receive the Sacrament of Holy Communion, please remember that the Sacrament of Holy Communion is available to those who: <sup>1</sup>Are baptized AND instructed in the Christian faith; <sup>2</sup>Examine themselves in a manner appropriate to adult maturity and recognize their own need for forgiveness; <sup>3</sup>Believe that the Crucified and Risen Lord is truly present in, with and under the bread and wine; <sup>4</sup>Believe that in this sacrament God gives us forgiveness of sins and strengthening of faith; <sup>5</sup>Accept their place of responsibility in the whole church on earth. If this is your sincere belief, then joyfully share this sacrament with us. If this is not your belief, please remain seated for a time*

*of prayer on the many blessings God has given you. If you have any questions, please see a pastor or an elder. Please remember the words of St. Paul, "For anyone who eats and drinks without recognizing the body of the Lord eats and drinks judgment on himself." (1 Cor. 11:29) For those with dietary restrictions, a light-colored grape juice is also served in the center of the tray, and gluten-free wafers are available upon request.*

*Note: During distribution, one of our pastors will be in the back of the church for a time of individual prayer with anyone desiring.*

**DISTRIBUTION HYMNS**

*"Jesus Sat with His Disciples" LSB 932*

*"O Lord, We Praise Thee" LSB 617*

**POST COMMUNION CANTICLE**

*"Lord, Bid Your Servant Go in Peace" LSB 937*



1 Lord, bid Your ser - vant go in peace,  
 2 This is the Sav - ior of the world,  
 3 With saints of old, with saints to come,



Your word is now ful - filled. These eyes have seen sal -  
 The Gen - tiles' prom - ised light, God's glo - ry dwell - ing  
 To You we lift our voice; To Fa - ther, Son, and



va - tion's dawn, This child so long fore - told.  
 in our midst, The joy of Is - ra - el.  
 Spir - it blest Be hon - or, love, and praise.

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**BENEDICTION**

**P:** The Lord bless you and keep you.  
 The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.  
 The Lord look upon you with favor and † give you peace.

**C:** **Amen.**

**P:** We are now entering the mission field!

**C:** **'Here am I! Send me!'**

**CLOSING HYMN***"Thy Strong Word"**LSB 578; vs. 1, 2, 5 & 6*

1 Thy strong word did cleave the dark - ness; At Thy  
 2 Lo, on those who dwelt in dark - ness, Dark as



speak - ing it was done. For cre - at - ed  
 night and deep as death, Broke the light of



light we thank Thee, While Thine or - dered sea - sons run.  
 Thy sal - va - tion, Breathed Thine own life - breath - ing breath.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise to  
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise to



Thee who light dost send! Al - le - lu - ia,  
 Thee who light dost send! Al - le - lu - ia,



al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia with - out end!  
 al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia with - out end!

**5 Give us lips to sing Thy glory, Tongues Thy mercy to proclaim,  
 Throats that shout the hope that fills us, Mouths to speak Thy holy name.  
 Alleluia, alleluia! May the light which Thou dost send  
 Fill our songs with alleluias, Alleluias without end!**

**6 God the Father, light-creator, To Thee laud and honor be.  
 To Thee, Light of Light begotten, Praise be sung eternally.  
 Holy Spirit, light-revealer, Glory, glory be to Thee.  
 Mortals, angels, now and ever Praise the holy Trinity!**

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**POSTLUDE***"Ebenezer"**sett'g: Richard W. Gleseke*

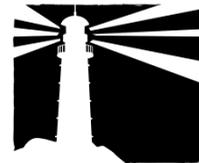
# A SUPER BOWL ORDER OF SERVICE

1. Prior to the Opening Hymn, the pastor will toss a coin. The winner may elect to be the preacher or liturgist, the loser may elect to defend the pulpit or lectern.
2. The Opening Hymn: "A Multitude Comes from the East and the West"
3. The rules:
  - a. Any acolyte found to be in illegal motion will be assessed a 5 yard penalty or the loss of one candle.
  - b. Offering plates may only move laterally, only the Peace may be passed.
  - c. A sermon in excess of 15 minutes will be regarded as "delay of service" and the preacher may lose possession of the pulpit.
  - d. Gate receipts may be gathered at the half time show.
  - e. Unconfirmed communicants will be assessed an appropriate blessing.
  - f. The pastor may be awarded 3 points for correctly announcing the Super Bowl Sunday alternate title; "The Conversion of St. Paul"
4. The Lessons:
  - a. Exodus 14:22—The Israelites make a quarterback sneak across the Red Sea
  - b. Ephesians 6: 14-17—Dressing players with the proper equipment
  - c. Matthew 28—The sending forth of the eleven
5. Hymn of the Day: "Pass it On"
6. Sermon: "God's Game Plan: A Play by Play for You"
7. Half time Entertainment: Our organist will play "Through the Goal Post of Life"
  8. The Distribution: If the pastor is trapped behind the altar rail, the laity score a safety and the remainder of the service is will be played out on the chancel steps.
  9. The 2 Minute Warning: Will be played by the chimes.
  10. Benediction and Closing Cheers: These will be followed by a carry in dish tailgate dinner to be held in the church parking lot.



## Connecting Points

**TODAY:** we continue in what is commonly known as the “Sundays after Epiphany.” **This season** can vary in length **from four to seven Sundays** depending on when Ash Wednesday falls. The emphasis of the season is based on the word “*epiphany, which means to reveal or make known.*” We will see through our readings how the Word of God and the Word is made known to the people. The color of the season is *GREEN*~ the color of life and growth a reminder to us that we are to be continually growing in the grace and love of our Lord as we **LIVE.BOLDLY** for Him!



**TO BE BAPTIZED:** at our **10:30 worship service this morning** are *Jules David Kinkead* and *Joslin Alexis Kinkead*. We rejoice as they profess their faith and are welcomed into the family of God through the water and Word. Also to be baptized **tomorrow afternoon**, is *Liara Ophelia Michal*, infant daughter of *Joshua & Elise Michal*. We welcome *Jules, Joslin, and Liara* into God's family! “*I have called you by name, you are mine.*” *Isaiah 43*



**IT'S IN THERE:** For those of you who receive our monthly newsletter, “*Hope's Anchor,*” via email, you should have received your February issue **last week**. Be sure to forward your newsletter on to family and friends that they may come and see what God is doing among us! For those who receive a printed copy, your February issue is in your mailbox **today**—just waiting for you to take it home so that you can read, mark and learn just what God is doing here at Hope.



**BEGINNING TODAY:** is your first opportunity to sign up to work at our booth at the 2017 Strawberry Festival! Our booth requires 2-3 people per shift, and there are 3 shifts per day. That means we need to fill a total of 99 slots over the 11 days of the festival. PLEASE, help us fill those slots! See *Patrick Griffin (813-376-0258)* for more details.



**THANK YOU:** to all who lovingly gave towards **last week's** love offering to support the *Hope Center in Ferguson, Missouri*. Though your Spirit motivated giving, we have sent a check in the amount of \$920 to *Rev. Micah Glenn* to support his ongoing ministry as they bring the message of hope in Jesus to the Ferguson community.





**Hope's Young Adults:** gather on **Monday evenings 7:30PM** @ Starbucks in Plant City. So, if you're a Young Adult (age 19-39) and like fun & fellowship or just coffee then join us Monday nights at Starbucks.



**DON'T MISS OUT:** Our winter quarter of Hope Studies and Living Hope **is in progress**, and we want you to be a part of this special time together ...there is still room for you to join us **each Wednesday at 6:30PM**. *Living Hope Worship* takes place in the Sanctuary, and *Hope Studies*, led by John Koren, meets in the Conference Room.

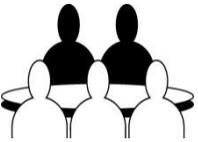
**FEBRUARY MINISTRY TEAM MEETINGS:** Team members, please note your team's meeting:



Christian Growth—**TODAY—February 5 @ 11:45 AM**, Fellowship Hall  
 Youth—**TODAY—February 5 @ 11:45AM**, Fellowship Hall  
 Fellowship—**Tuesday, February 7 @ 5:30PM**, Fellowship Hall  
 Missions & Outreach— **Tuesday, February 7 @ 6:30PM**, Fellowship Hall  
 Board of Directors—**Thursday, February 9 @ 6:30PM**, Conference Rm  
 Human Care—**Sunday, February 12 @ 11:45AM**, Fellowship Hall

*Ministry Team Leaders:* Please remember to email your meeting notes to *Jessica (hopepcsecretary@gmail.com)* **by TUESDAY, February 7<sup>th</sup> (NOON)** for our BOD meeting.

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS:** Your new book, *Autopsy of a Dead Church*, for our meeting study



& discussion time is in your mailbox. Please be sure to read chapter 1 for our meeting **this Thursday**. ALSO, *TEAM LEADERS*—be sure to email your meeting notes to *Jessica* **by NOON TUESDAY (2/7)** so that we can send your meeting packet out to all in a timely fashion. Thanks in advance for your assistance!



**HELP NEEDED:** Hope members *Tom & Rose Thomas* are moving. They have everything packed and ready to go, but they will need help loading the moving truck (3213 *Duchess Court, Plant City*) on **Saturday, February 11<sup>th</sup> at 9:00AM**. If you can help, please contact *Ernie Reaume (770-530-4326)*.



**FASHION SHOW:** at *Christ Lutheran Church Fellowship Hall (2715 Lakeland Hills Blvd.)* on **Saturday, February 11<sup>th</sup> at 1:00PM**. Sponsored by *Christ's Mary-Martha Guild*. Proceeds to go to local charities. For tickets, please contact *Pat Swope at 863-210-5025*.

**TEDDY BEAR SUNDAY:** is a wonderful way for us to celebrate the message of love that is



ours in Christ with those in need, right before Valentines Day! Please bring a nice, NEW (small-mid size) cuddly teddy bear with you to church on **February 12<sup>th</sup>**. This year we will donate our bears to the *Plant City Police, Hillsborough County Sheriffs Office, and LIVE! (the LCMS student Ministry at UCF)*.

**CALLING ALL YOUTH!** We are kicking off Youth Group on **Sunday, February 12, at 4:00 PM** right here at *Hope*! If you're in middle school or high school, come out and join us for tons of fun and fellowship and even bring your friends! The more the merrier. There will be games, activities, devotions, prayer...and even pizza. You don't want to miss this!



**FLOWER CHART:** for **2017** is posted on the bulletin board in the Narthex. Please remember, there is a limit of 2 bouquets **per week**. The cost per bouquet is \$15.00 each. Please PRINT your name on the date(s) you desire to place flowers in recognition of a birthday, anniversary, thanks to God or in memory of a loved one. There are a number of Sundays with openings...please be sure to sign up now before it's too late!



**A REMINDER FROM OUR ELDERS:** regarding **Sunday morning** announcements before worship: <sup>1</sup>There is a limit to 5 announcements to be made on a Sunday morning; <sup>2</sup>Your announcement should be no more than 60 seconds in length; <sup>3</sup>You MUST be seated on the FRONT pew if you are to make an announcement (you can then return to your family); <sup>4</sup>You MUST use the handheld microphone so that EVERYONE in the church hears what you have to share and; <sup>5</sup>All announcements MUST be made at BOTH morning worships—what's good for one service to hear, is good for the other. ...And remember, all requests to make a Sunday announcement MUST be made to the *Church Office* by **NOON** on **Wednesday**. Thanks in advance for your assistance!



**NO**   
**SMOKING**

### *Important Reminder*

Our *ENTIRE Hope* campus has been designated a "no smoking" facility. Your help in keeping this policy will go a long way! Thanks for your help and the stewardship of the body God has entrusted to you!

You were born  
**FOR SUCH A TIME AS THIS!!!**

Our lives seem to be continuously changing and wondering what the Lord has planned for us—next! Following the examples from Scripture, we will look into the lives of others as they faced the same challenges of purposeful events. Our teacher and leader will be Dr. David Jeremiah during this series of guidance and directions the Lord has given us based on the story of two cousins who work together in God's plan.

Join us on **Thursdays at 10:30AM**  
in the Stephen Ministry classroom.

**All welcome! Bring a friend! See you then...**

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**Tuesdays**

**at 10:30AM and 6:30PM**

**in Stephen Ministry Room**

For more information, contact *Lyn Senkarik*



# Ladies Craft Night

*Come enjoy a very special evening for all ladies of Hope!*

A night of inspiration and creativity—plus a “make-and-take” for each participant. **RSVP is a MUST** since class size will be limited to 25. Join us on **Thursday, February 16<sup>th</sup> at 6:30PM** and meet *Phyllis Shively*, an independent demonstrator; scrapbooking and card-making ideas of the newest, latest, greatest, and of course, prettiest will be displayed. No cost involved (donations accepted) **RSVP by February 11<sup>th</sup> is essential:** *Christine (863-738-0285) or Lyn Senkarik (863-670-4866)*

*Come relax, enjoy and be inspired!*

## EXPERIENCE DIFFERENT CULTURES, CHANGE LIVES—EVEN YOURS

You'll be greeted with warm smiles and be invited to broaden your cultural experiences. You'll learn what it feels like to build hope by building a home.

### **Join us for a Thrivent Builds Worldwide trip**

See firsthand how the opportunity to own a simple, decent home can change a family's life. Join me, Thrivent Financial members, and other like-hearted volunteers as we put our generosity into action.

### **Thrivent Builds Worldwide Trip**

**Where:** Ahuachapán, El Salvador

**Date:** July 15 – July 23, 2017

**Cost for members:** \$820

**Cost for nonmembers:** \$1,120.

**Location description:** El Salvador is located in Central America, Tropical Climate.

As a Thrivent member, you'll receive a discount on trip expenses. And a generous donation will be made to the Habitat host program on your behalf.

### **Make a call. Make a difference.**

For program information, visit [ThriventBuilds.com/worldwide](http://ThriventBuilds.com/worldwide).

For trip details, contact Brian Heipp at (863) 284-1100 or [brian.heipp@thrivent.com](mailto:brian.heipp@thrivent.com).

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# FAMILY BIBLE HOUR @ 9:15AM

## ADULTS

A MAN NAMED LUTHER: This is the second installment of a three part study series designed to honor the life and times of the German Reformer, his unparalleled contributions to the Christian church and the 500th anniversary of the Reformation in 2017. *Leader: Pastor Pfeffer*

WATCH THE LAMB, WALK IN VICTORY: The darkness-shattering light spoken into existence by God in Genesis explodes into glorious, unfiltered radiance in REVELATION. Here, God's story, revealed in His Word, draws to a stunning consummation. REVELATION unveils God's perfect justice and glorious design for those Jesus redeems from every tribe, language, people and nation. God's children find HOPE, PEACE AND REST in the unfailing purposes of God. Join us for a verse-by-verse study of REVELATION. *Leader: Gloria Warner*

## YOUNG ADULTS

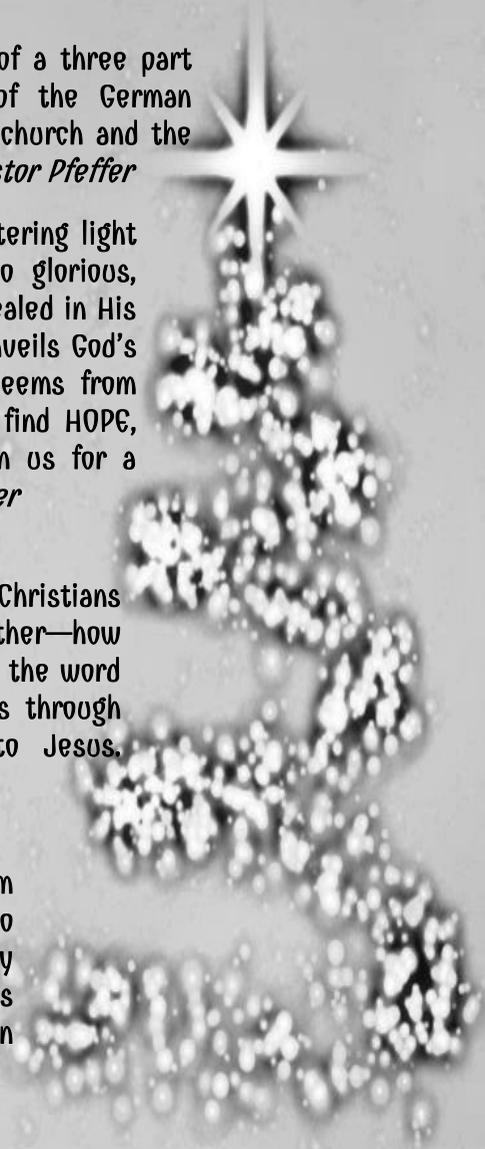
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*Leader: Pastor Shea*

## PRE-SCHOOL—GRADE 8

GROWING IN CHRIST: The fall quarter begins with an overview of the New Testament beginning with the birth of John the Baptist through the calling of Jesus' first disciples. *Leaders: Yolanda Hejpp, Tracy MacDonald, Liz Pfeffer, Ellen Whitehurst*





# Winter Worship Schedule

## SUNDAYS

8:00 & 10:30AM—Worship

9:15AM—Family Bible Hour

4:00PM—Spanish Worship w/Communion

## WEDNESDAYS

6:30PM—Living Hope Worship

6:30PM—Hope Studies



# YOUTH DATES

Feb 14—Youth Group @ Hope (4-6:30pm)

Feb. 18-20—H.S. Y.G. @ Daytona Beach

Mar. 17—Roller Skating @ Skateland, Brandon (7-9pm)

Mar. 25—Feeding the Hungry (3:30-5:30pm)

Apr. 28-29—Lock-in @ Hope

*Grades 6 through 12—friends are always welcome!*

*Contact Pastor Shea for more info: [hopepcpastorshea@gmail.com](mailto:hopepcpastorshea@gmail.com)*

# Wednesdays @ 6:30pm

## **Living Hope Worship**

**Our Wednesday evening worship resumes this winter as we celebrate the goodness and mercy of our God in an alternative worship format and style. Holy Communion is celebrated each Wednesday. Join us for a relaxed, celebrative worship alternative!**

## **Hope Studies**

**GOD'S WORD FOR TODAY: JAMES: James shares with us how faith works. We will discuss the proper relationship between faith and works; what it means to be free to serve God with fruits of faith; and practical ways of putting your faith into action through Christ-like loving and living.**

***Leader: John Koren***



can be heard EVERY Sunday morning at 7:30 on 540AM

## **Topics for this month:**

**February 12: "Here's to Life!"**

Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Dr. Gregory Seltz

Even as the world becomes a meaner, angrier place, God calls us to share His life with others. (Deuteronomy 30:15-20)

**February 19: "Love Your Enemies--Jesus Does!"**

Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Dr. Gregory Seltz

God calls us to love and forgive our enemies the way He loves and forgives us. (Matthew 5:38-48)

# Salt and Light

Fill in the letters on the lines below to find something Jesus said.

A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z



# *In Our Thoughts and Prayers*

**SHUT-INS:**

Corrine Albano  
Joyce Brewer  
Sue Crouse  
Melva Dennison

Bonnie Genrich  
Tom & Nancy Köhr  
Dorothy Maltzahn  
Rick Nilles

Peg Stone  
Richard Van Matre

**LEADERS:**

Pastor Dean & Liz Pfeffer  
Pastor Shea Pennington  
Hope Staff

Hope's Ministries  
LCMS Synod & District  
Our Nation  
Our Armed Forces

## *Family and Friends of Hope*

**NEW REQUESTS:**

Dave Conzelmann family	family of Patrick, Jessica & Keaira Griffin—mourning his death
Drexa Jo Gross	aunt of Jessica Griffin—hospitalized; health problems
Beverly Mane	health concerns
David Miller	friend of Pastor & Liz Pfeffer—acute leukemia; CHF; kidney failure
DeAnne Reiter	sister-in-law of Kathy Drapp—breast cancer; double mastectomy (2/7)

**CURRENT REQUESTS:**

Joyce Brewer	recovering; hip replacement
Inge Clissold and family	mourning death of Wally
Bobby Dines	brother-in-law of Sue Griffin—diagnosed w/Lewy Body dementia
Tena Matthews	hospitalized; health concerns
	friend of Jesilynn Pfeffer—hospitalized
Greta Slagle	health concerns
Rose Thomas	diagnosed w/stage 3 lung cancer
Buford & Stephanie Watson	friends of Christine Mansell—back/neck/spine issues
Millie Wetz	recovering at home; hip replacement
those who serve & protect	

**BATTLING CANCER:**

Jennifer Barkley	Dee	Idele Green	Victor Miranda	Sherrie
Tom Battling	Austin Dobbs	Lynnie Green	Larry Morrell	Al Simmons
Laura Blake	Ginnie Donaldson	JoAnne Hayashi	Jim Moore	Judy Strait
CanDee Brandon	Donna	Lori Heneka	Joy Neely	Chuck Sullivan
John Brom	Casey Doyle	Jeanette Herndon	Thomas Onderdonk	Rose Thomas
Laura Brom	Jace Driggers	Maggi Hutto	Sharyl Pallard	Mr. Wells
Bob Broshelle	Kori Dunke	Dale Jarvis	John Rademacher	Tom
Ken Buschbacher	Marcus Elam	Dot LaBar	Alan Rauner	Millie Wetz
Chantal	Ellen	Delores Lopresto	Andrea Reichard	Laura Winkel
Carol Chapman	Joy Fritzke	Lucille Luedke	Sara	Candy Wolfe
Christie	Gail	Pat Mailloux	Abbey Sedlacek	Rick Ward
				Heather Whitehurst

## *Serving in the Military* (R—Reserves)

Zachary Allen	Trevor Dahlke	Ira Kinkead	Donnie Pittman
Alex Almaguer	Triston Dahlke	Joshua Kinkead—R	Derek Quackenbush
Joseph Apthorp	Lorrie Daniell—R	Brad Landis	Justin Rappa
Zachary Bennett	Stephen Daniell—R	Bobby Martin	Ryan Sonnenberg
Matt Bracken	Joshua Gross	Aaron Morley	Caleb Strand
Matthew Clissold	Erika Grosskopf	Stephen Olliff—R	Mike Szostkiewicz—R
Rachael Clissold			



*"Think of us in this way as servants of Christ and stewards of God's mysteries."*

1Corinthians 4:1

**SERVING THE LORD THIS SUNDAY (2/5/2017) ARE:**

Bell Ringer 8:00/Jerry Cockwell; 10:30/Jalyn Aigner  
Greeters 8:00/Bill & Janet Von Deylen; 10:30/Judy Adkins & Barbara Wagner  
Acolyte 10:30/Keaira Griffin  
Lector 8:00/Mary Lou Nash; 10:30/Sheila Goethe  
Elder on Duty 8:00/Brian Heipp; 10:30/Mike McMinn; 4:00/Todd Warner  
Communion Assistant 8:00/Brian Heipp; 10:30/Mike McMinn  
Flowers Pfeffer family  
Offerings Dale & Jonie Wenzel  
Ushers Team 3  
8:00/Lonnie Bertsch,\* Diane Bertsch, Tom Reagin;  
10:30/ Stuart Howell,\* Judy Adkins, Andy Anderson, Jack Moberg

*Altar flowers are given to the glory of God by  
the Attalla and Pfeffer families in honor of Liz's birthday*

**SERVING OUR LORD THIS WEDNESDAY (2/8/2017) ARE:**

Lector 6:30/Tena Matthews  
Elder on Duty/Communion Assistant 6:30/Lonnie Bertsch

**SERVING OUR LORD NEXT SUNDAY (2/12/2017) ARE:**

Bell Ringer 8:00/Jerry Cockwell; 10:30/Kaylee Greatens  
Greeters 8:00/Harold & Tami Hastings; 10:30/Julie Gates  
Lector 8:00/Carl Bergner; 10:30/Alex Drapp  
Elder on Duty 8:00/Brian Heipp; 10:30/Todd Warner; 4:00/Mike McMinn  
Flowers Howell family  
Offerings Alison Reaume & Cathie Warner  
Ushers Team 1  
8:00/Wayne Warner,\* Ian Matthews, David Niver, Jeff Reaume;  
10:30/ Todd Warner,\* Mack Goethe, Wendell Lattz, Jim Szostkiewicz

**SERVING OUR LORD THIS MONTH OF FEBRUARY:**

Altar Guild Liz Pfeffer  
Nurse/HMT Member Sally Kimbrell