



Welcome to Hope

SUNDAYS

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

WEDNESDAYS

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

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:

Sunday 9/8	Blood Bus @ Hope
9:15	Worship
10:15	Blood Pressure screenings
10:30	Family Bible Hour & Inform Forum
4:00	Spanish Worship w/Communion
Monday 9/9	9:00 Quilting
	5:30 Bell Choir
	6:30 Choir
Tuesday 9/10	10:30 GriefShare
	12:00 Deadline—monthly ministry team reports due
	12:00 Staff Meeting
	6:30 GriefShare
	6:30 Elders Ministry Team Meeting
Wednesday 9/11	6:30 Living Hope Worship w/Communion
	6:30 Hope Studies
	6:30 Youth Group
	7:30 Inform Forum
Thursday 9/12	10:30 Bible Study
	6:30 Board of Directors Meeting
Saturday 9/14	5:30 Family Game Night @ Hope
Sunday 9/15	9:15 Worship w/Communion
	10:30 Family Bible Hour
	4:00 Spanish Worship w/Communion

Worship Attendance / Communion:

Wednesday, August 28, 2019:

Worship: 6:30: 25/25

Sunday, September 1, 2019:

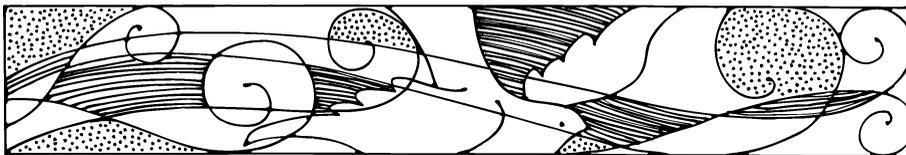
Worship: 9:15: 121/108

Spanish Worship: 4:00: 14/11

Offerings—General Fund: \$6,272.50

Stewardship Perspective:

Luke 14:33 – “So therefore, any one of you who does not renounce all that he has cannot be my disciple.” None of what we have is ours – it all belongs to God. That is the foundation of Christian stewardship. What we have been given is to be used for God’s purposes according to our callings in home, Church, and society. As we learn to give generously in these callings, we renounce our ownership of our wealth. It’s not ours; it’s His. God owns; we manage for the furtherance of His goals.



Thirteenth Sunday After Pentecost

September 8, 2019

AS WE GATHER

The book is only twenty-one verse, but the impact of today's Epistle is powerful! In his shortest New Testament letter, Paul appeals to a slave owner named Philemon on behalf of a repentant runaway named Onesimus. Within this bold appeal is the powerful display of Christ's work of redemption for all who seek the renewed favor of their master. The death and resurrection of Jesus make an appeal on our behalf before the Father. For we, like Onesimus, have run away from Him. And we, like Onesimus, are offered restoration, full and free, when we come into Jesus' presence in humble repentance and faith. Let's do that together this day! As repentant runaways, let's gather to receive the restoration our Master alone can give!

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

RINGING OF THE BELLS

OPENING SONG

"All the People Said Amen"

You are not alone / if you are lonely.

When you feel afraid, / you're not the only.

We are all the same, / in need of mercy, / to be forgiven and be free.

It's all you got to lean on, but thank God, it's all you need__.

(Chorus)

**And all the people said, "Amen." / Whoa__ And all the people said, "Amen."
Give thanks to the Lord, for His love never ends. And all the people said, "Amen."**

**If you're rich or poor, / it doesn't matter.
Weak or strong, you know love is what we're after.
We're all bro-ken, but we're all in this togeth-er.
God knows we stumble and fall,
And He so loved the world, He sent His Son to save us all. (Chorus)**

(Bridge) (Sung by Praise Team)

*Blessed are__ the poor in spirit who are torn apart.
Blessed are the persecuted / and the pure in heart.
Blessed are the people hungry / for another start,
For theirs is the kingdom, the kingdom of God__.*

(Chorus x2 plus:)

And all the people said, "Amen."

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INVOCATION, CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

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

C: Amen.

P: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

C: By God's grace and peace, let us receive "the full knowledge of every good thing that is in us for the sake of Christ."

P: Father in heaven, in Your mercy You call us to turn from our sinful ways and live.

C: We confess that we have run away from Your presence. By what we do and what we fail to do, we have turned our backs on Your love. Forgive us, Father. Draw us again to the cross of Your Son that we may be restored in our relationship with You.

P: Father, hear now the silent prayers of confession that we bring before You. *(In a time of silence, we bring our sins to Jesus, our Savior.)* Brothers and sisters in Christ, we are promised redemption and restoration in the presence of our Father, who hears your prayers, and for the sake of His Son, forgives you all your sins. Therefore as a called and ordained servant of Christ, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

SONG OF PRAISE

"Jesus, Son of God"

**You came down / from heaven's throne. /
This earth You formed / was not Your home.
A love like this / the world / had never known....
A crown of thorns / to mock Your name. /
Forgiveness fell / upon Your face.
A love like this / the world / had never known...**

**You took our sin, / You bore our shame, / You rose to life,
You defeated the grave, / and a love like this— /
the world / has never known....
'Cause You took our sin, / You bore our shame,
You rose to life, You defeated the grave. /
A love like this / the world / has never known.**

(Chorus) **On the altar of our praise, let there be no higher name:
Jesus, Son of God. You laid down Your perfect life; /
You are the sacrifice, / Jesus, Son of God. You are Jesus, Son of God.**

(Bridge) **Be lifted high-er / than all You've overcome. /
Your name be loud-er / than any other song.
There is no pow-er / that can come against your love.
The cross was enough, / the cross was enough, /
the cross was enough, / the cross was enough— ... *(Chorus)***

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✠ **SERVICE OF THE WORD** ✠

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Deuteronomy 30:15-20 (p.172)

(The Lord is your life!)

¹⁵"See, I have set before you today life and good, death and evil. ¹⁶If you obey the commandments of the LORD your God that I command you today, by loving the LORD your God, by walking in his ways, and by keeping his commandments and his statutes and his rules, then you shall live and multiply, and the LORD your God will bless you in the land that you are entering to take possession of it. ¹⁷But if your heart turns away, and you will not

hear, but are drawn away to worship other gods and serve them, ¹⁸I declare to you today, that you shall surely perish. You shall not live long in the land that you are going over the Jordan to enter and possess. ¹⁹I call heaven and earth to witness against you today, that I have set before you life and death, blessing and curse. Therefore choose life, that you and your offspring may live, ²⁰loving the LORD your God, obeying his voice and holding fast to him, for he is your life and length of days, that you may dwell in the land that the LORD swore to your fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, to give them."

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE

Philemon 1-21 (p.1000)

(Paul appeals on behalf of a repentant runaway.)

¹Paul, a prisoner for Christ Jesus, and Timothy our brother, To Philemon our beloved fellow worker ²and Apphia our sister and Archippus our fellow soldier, and the church in your house: ³Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. ⁴I thank my God always when I remember you in my prayers, ⁵because I hear of your love and of the faith that you have toward the Lord Jesus and for all the saints, ⁶and I pray that the sharing of your faith may become effective for the full knowledge of every good thing that is in us for the sake of Christ. ⁷For I have derived much joy and comfort from your love, my brother, because the hearts of the saints have been refreshed through you. ⁸Accordingly, though I am bold enough in Christ to command you to do what is required, ⁹yet for love's sake I prefer to appeal to you—I, Paul, an old man and now a prisoner also for Christ Jesus— ¹⁰I appeal to you for my child, Onesimus, whose father I became in my imprisonment. ¹¹(Formerly he was useless to you, but now he is indeed useful to you and to me.) ¹²I am sending him back to you, sending my very heart. ¹³I would have been glad to keep him with me, in order that he might serve me on your behalf during my imprisonment for the gospel, ¹⁴but I preferred to do nothing without your consent in order that your goodness might not be by compulsion but of your own accord. ¹⁵For this perhaps is why he was parted from you for a while, that you might have him back forever, ¹⁶no longer as a slave but more than a slave, as a beloved brother—especially to me, but how much more to you, both in the flesh and in the Lord. ¹⁷So if you consider me your partner, receive him as you would receive me. ¹⁸If he has wronged you at all, or owes you anything, charge that to my account. ¹⁹I, Paul, write this with my own hand: I will repay it—to say nothing of your owing me even your own self. ²⁰Yes, brother, I want some benefit from you in the Lord. Refresh my heart in Christ. ²¹Confident of your obedience, I write to you, knowing that you will do even more than I say. ²²At the same time, prepare a guest room for me, for I am hoping that through your prayers I will be graciously given to you.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

RESPONSE

"Ancient Words"

ABS (2) 15

**Holy words / long preserved / For our walk / in this world;
They resound with God's own heart / O let the ancient words impart.
Words of life / words of hope / Give us strength / help us cope;
In this world where'er we roam / Ancient words will guide us home.**

(Chorus) **Ancient words / ever true / Changing me and changing you;
We have come with open hearts / O let the ancient words impart.**

**Holy words / of our faith / Handed down / to this age;
Came to us thro' sacrifice / O heed the faithful words of Christ.
Ancient words / long preserved / For our walk / in this world;
They resound with God's own heart / O let the ancient words impart.**

(Chorus x2)

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HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 14:25-35 (p.874)

(We count the cost of being Jesus' disciples.)

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the fourteenth chapter.

C: *(Spoken)* **Glory to You, O Lord.**

²⁵Now great crowds accompanied him, and he turned and said to them, ²⁶"If anyone comes to me and does not hate his own father and mother and wife and children and brothers and sisters, yes, and even his own life, he cannot be my disciple. ²⁷Whoever does not bear his own cross and come after me cannot be my disciple. ²⁸For which of you, desiring to build a tower, does not first sit down and count the cost, whether he has enough to complete it? ²⁹Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it begin to mock him, ³⁰saying, 'This man began to build and was not able to finish.' ³¹Or what king, going out to encounter another king in war, will not sit down first and deliberate whether he is able with ten thousand to meet him who comes against him with twenty thousand? ³²And if not, while the other is yet a great way off, he sends a delegation and asks for terms of peace. ³³So therefore, any one of you who does not renounce all that he has cannot be my disciple. ³⁴"Salt is good, but if salt has lost its taste, how shall its saltiness be restored? ³⁵It is of no use either for the soil or for the manure pile. It is thrown away. He who has ears to hear, let him hear."

P: This is the Gospel of our Lord!

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

SONG OF THE DAY *"The Cross Has The Final Word"*

**The cross has the final word... The cross has the final word...
Sorrow may come in the darkest night, but the cross has the final word.
The cross has the final word... The cross has the final word...
Evil may put up its strongest fight, but the cross has the final word.**

(Chorus) **The cross has the final word... The cross has the final word...
The Savior has come with the morning light. The cross has the final word...
The cross has the final word... The cross has the final word...
He traded death for eternal life. The cross has the final word.**

(Bridge)
**There's nothing stronger, nothing higher, Nothing greater than the name
of Jesus. All the honor, all the power, All the glory to the name of Jesus.**

(Ending) **The cross has the final word... The cross has the final word...
The Savior has come with the morning light.
The cross has the final word.**

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SERMON

"Like a Squirrel"
Rev. Dean Pfeffer

Luke 14:25-26

HYMN OF RESPONSE *"Oh, That the Lord Would Guide My Ways"* *LSB 707*

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven, and sits at the right hand of God, the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

OFFERING PRAYER

Lord, help me to grasp that all the blessings I think I have are really Yours. Help me to grasp that all the blessings our church has do not belong to the church, but to You. Give us healthy giving hearts to use these blessings according to Your purpose. In Your name I pray. 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

"Evan"

sett'g: Benjamin M. Culli

IMMEASURABLY MORE... MOMENT

Prayer Team, Building Hope for the Future

PRAYERS OF GOD'S PEOPLE

P: Let us pray to the Lord on behalf of His Church, our nation, the causes of peace and justice, the needs of the sick, and all people as they have need. You have granted us great privilege and mercy, O Lord, that we should be called Your people. Work in us by Your Spirit, that we may love what is good and obey Your command cheerfully. Keep us from an easy faith that costs us nothing, and preserve us that we may be the salt of the earth and light in the darkness of a world that does not know You. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: **hear our prayer.**

P: Lead us, O Lord, to make Your appeal in love and to speak to the nations the witness of that love in Christ, that the erring may be led to truth, sinners to repentance and the persecuted sustained in their trials. Bless Your Church with wise and caring pastors who will preach faithfully Your Word and administer the Means of Grace to Your people, and raise up others to serve You and Your Church in the places where You lead. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: **hear our prayer.**

P: Give Your aid, O Lord, to all elected and appointed public officials, especially Donald, our president; the Congress of these United States; Ron, our governor; the legislature of this state; and all who serve us in Your name in government. Grant peace to the nations, and prosper to the benefit of all people the cause of justice. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: Keep us, O Lord, from growing weary of doing good, and give us loving hearts to show kindness to all people. Be with those who suffer any need, especially the poor, unemployed and homeless. Grant Your mercy to them and to all the household of Your people, that we shall be steadfast of heart and kept safe in every trial. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: Bless this good land, O Lord, that it may be fruitful and provide a good harvest to supply the needs of many. Bless us with good weather, and preserve us from natural and man-made disasters, famine and pestilence, war and bloodshed. Bless all honest labor and industry, and provide employment for those without work and those without full-time employment. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: Grant to all the sick, O Lord, the riches of Your mercy to sustain them in their afflictions, deliver them according to Your will, comfort them with Your presence, and build them up in the hope of new and everlasting life. Be especially with *Ron Gugel, Dorothy Maltzahn, Glenn Miller*, and those we name in our hearts before You. Give them a cheerful countenance and a grateful heart for all Your mercies to them in their time of need. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: You know, Lord, the secrets of our hearts and what would entice us to fall away. Guard us against the love of things, and equip us by Your grace to love You with all that we are and all that we have. Accept, we pray, the tithes and offerings we bring, with the sacrifice of our praise and thanksgiving, which is our duty and delight. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: Bless us, O Lord, as we continue to move forward in our Building Hope for the Future capital campaign. Bless us with open and willing hearts that burn with the desire for ministry expansion that together we may connect people to Jesus as we join together in Your mission. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: Preserve us, O Lord, from all temptation, and grant us faith, that we may rest all our prayers and the desires of our hearts in Your merciful arms, for the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, 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.

CLOSING PRAYER

God, reignite the hearts of us all to have a passion for the Gospel. Teach our church to share the Gospel with others. Teach us to live as those who are true bearers of the good news of Jesus Christ. Remind us of our purpose. Convict us of our purpose. Empower us to live our purpose. In Jesus name. Amen.

BENEDICTION

P: The LORD bless you and keep you.
The LORD make His face shine upon 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

"Church of God, Elect and Glorious"

LSB 646

GROWING IN THE GRACE OF GIVING

What is a steward? Most people will say a steward is a manager.

That is correct, but it is only half right. A steward is indeed a manager, but he is a manager of what does not belong to him. Someone else is the owner, and the steward manages the owner's property on the owner's behalf.

We are God's stewards. Our stewardship is that God has made us managers of what belongs to Him:

“For we brought nothing into this world, and we cannot take anything out of the world” (1 Tim. 6:7)

Everything that we have and everything that we are comes from God's fatherly divine goodness and mercy. God is the owner.

This is not only because He created all things; He is also the redeemer. He has redeemed – that is, purchased – and won all things. Therefore, it all belongs to Him.

We are simply managers of everything in this world. Like Joseph in Egypt, we are put in charge of managing what belongs to God. What a privilege.

Think about that for a minute. The all-knowing, all-powerful, all-wise God has asked us to manage his possessions on His behalf here on earth.

And by doing this, He invites us to take part in the allocation of His good gifts. He wants us to give our input and advise Him in where His gifts are to be used. What a privilege indeed.

But what a responsibility!

“Everyone to whom much was given, of him much will be required” (Luke 12:48b).

We are not the owners. And while He puts us as managers, we are still to do with His property what He wants done with it. That means we need to know what He desires and wills for His property.

How do we know this? How can we know the will and mind of God?

We find the will of God in the Bible. There God tells us what His will is for all of His gifts. He tells us how we are to spend our time and use our talents and treasures. He instructs us in the use of our minds, bodies, and souls.

There is nothing we have that doesn't belong to Him.

“Or 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. So glorify God in your body” (1 Cor. 6:19–20).

God informs us of the big picture, the overarching policy, of how we as His stewards – managers and custodians – are to manage His property.

And that is stewardship. It is simply doing what God wants us to do with what He has given us.

As St. Paul said, “Do not present your members to sin as instruments for unrighteousness, but present yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life, and your members to God as instruments for righteousness” (Rom. 6:13).

So, let's dive into God's Word, and listen to what He desires from His stewards.

Connecting Points

TODAY: the church continues what is known as “the long green season or more appropriately, the “*Sundays after Pentecost.*” This part of the church year will extend **until the end of November.** The emphasis of the season is for us to take what we have seen and heard in Scripture and translate it to our everyday lives as we join Jesus on His mission. The color of the season is *GREEN*~ the color of growth and life to remind us that we are to be daily growing in our faith and life with our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.



BLOOD PRESSURE DAY: That's right, **TODAY** is the **2nd Sunday of the month** and that means that the nurses of our *Health Ministry Team* will be in the **LIBRARY** to take your blood pressures! Now that Dorian is history, your blood pressure should be lower! Come see us and find out!



NEXT INFORM FORUMS: for our Building Hope for the Future capital campaign will take place in *Fellowship Hall* **THIS MORNING during (10:30AM) Family Bible Hour and September 11th immediately following (7:30PM) our Living Hope worship.** We would love to see everyone there in order to continue to update you on our progress and to continue to answer any questions you might have.

NEW FAMILY BIBLE HOUR CLASSES: for children, youth, and adults will begin **THIS Morning.** Please see the class descriptions in **today's** bulletin!



September 2019

WHAT'S THE BUZZ?: Well, if you really want to know (as you should) what all is happening here at Hope, simply take **YOUR SEPTEMBER** calendar and servant schedule out of **YOUR mailbox this morning.** It is there that you will see all that God is doing among us in the coming month.



BE SURE TO INVITE: family and friends to our worship **each Sunday at 9:15AM** and **Wednesdays at 6:30PM.** What a great way for you to share what God is doing among us as we join together as God's family for worship.



MISS A SUNDAY?: You can listen to the messages from our **Sunday morning worship** by simply going to our website (hopeplantcity.com) and going to the **DOWNLOADS** tab—there you will our Sunday morning messages. Sermons are posted on **Monday mornings.**

DON'T MISS YOUR OPPORTUNITY: to be Joy:Fully Lutheran. Please join us **TOMORROW** at **6:30pm** in the *Music room* for choir rehearsal. All are welcome. Please feel free to speak with *Ellen Whitehurst (kezngacie@tampabay.rr.com)* or *Christine Mansell* if you have any questions.



BOARD OF DIRECTORS: Please remember that ALL ministry team reports for our meeting **Thursday (Sept 12th)** are due to *Jessica (hopepcsecretary@gmail.com)* by **NOON, Tuesday, September 10th** to be included in your packet. Your "promptness" is **GREATLY APPRECIATED!**



ELDERS: Just a reminder of our meeting on **Tuesday at 6:30PM** in the *Conference Room*. Please be sure to read chapter 5 of "Welcoming Church."

GONE FOR THE WEEKEND?: No worries...Don't forget Hope's **Wednesday evening** Living Hope worship at **6:30!** This is a great opportunity for you to worship if you missed joining your brothers and sisters at Hope on a Sunday morning! Holy Communion is celebrated each Wednesday. *(This worship opportunity is not a repeat of our Sunday worship.)*



HOPE STUDIES: returns **THIS Wednesday, September 4th at 6:30PM** in the *Conference Room*. Our leader, *John Koren* has another exciting Bible study planned for us!

WHAT IS PRAYER?: Our *Thursday Morning Bible Study* group continues their study on PRAYER. All are invited and welcome! Please join us **Thursdays at 10:30AM**. For more information or to receive a study guide, see our leader, *Sandy Howell*.



BOARD OF DIRECTORS: Just a reminder of our meeting on **Thursday at 6:30PM** in the *Conference Room*. Please be sure to read chapter 5 of "Welcoming Church."

FLOWER OPENINGS: There are openings on the flower chart (located in the *Narthex*) for the following dates: **November 17th, December 8th & 29th**. Please, remember there is a limit to 2 bouquets per week and the cost is \$17.50 per bouquet. Just place your name on the date you would like to place flowers.



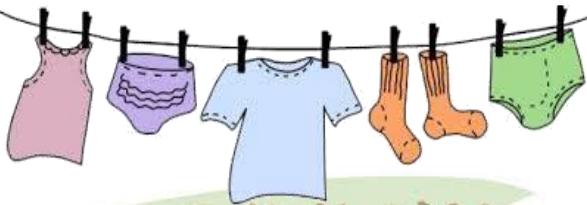
A FRIENDLY REMINDER: All announcements for our **Sunday** bulletins are due to *Jessica (hopepcsecretary@gmail.com)* by **NOON, TUESDAYS**. In order to prepare bulletins in a timely manner, this deadline is required. Thanks in advance for your assistance and cooperation.



TUESDAYS
10:30AM & 6:30PM

Hope's Stephen Ministry Classroom
All are welcome!

GRIEF SHARE



UNDIE
SUNDAY

Please bring **NEW socks and underwear** for children in kindergarten through grade 5 to be distributed at two Plant City achievement schools.

Collection basket in the Narthex
through Sept. 22

Sponsored by Hope's Missions &
Outreach Ministry Team



Family - Food - Fun!!!

September 14 @ 5:30PM
Fellowship Hall & Courtyard

Join us! ...and you are welcome to bring games that you & your family enjoy playing!
Pizza, salad, dessert & drinks will be provided.

Hosted by Hope's
Fellowship Ministry Team



Fall Worship



SUNDAYS

9:15AM—WORSHIP

10:30AM—FAMILY BIBLE HOUR

4:00PM—SPANISH WORSHIP

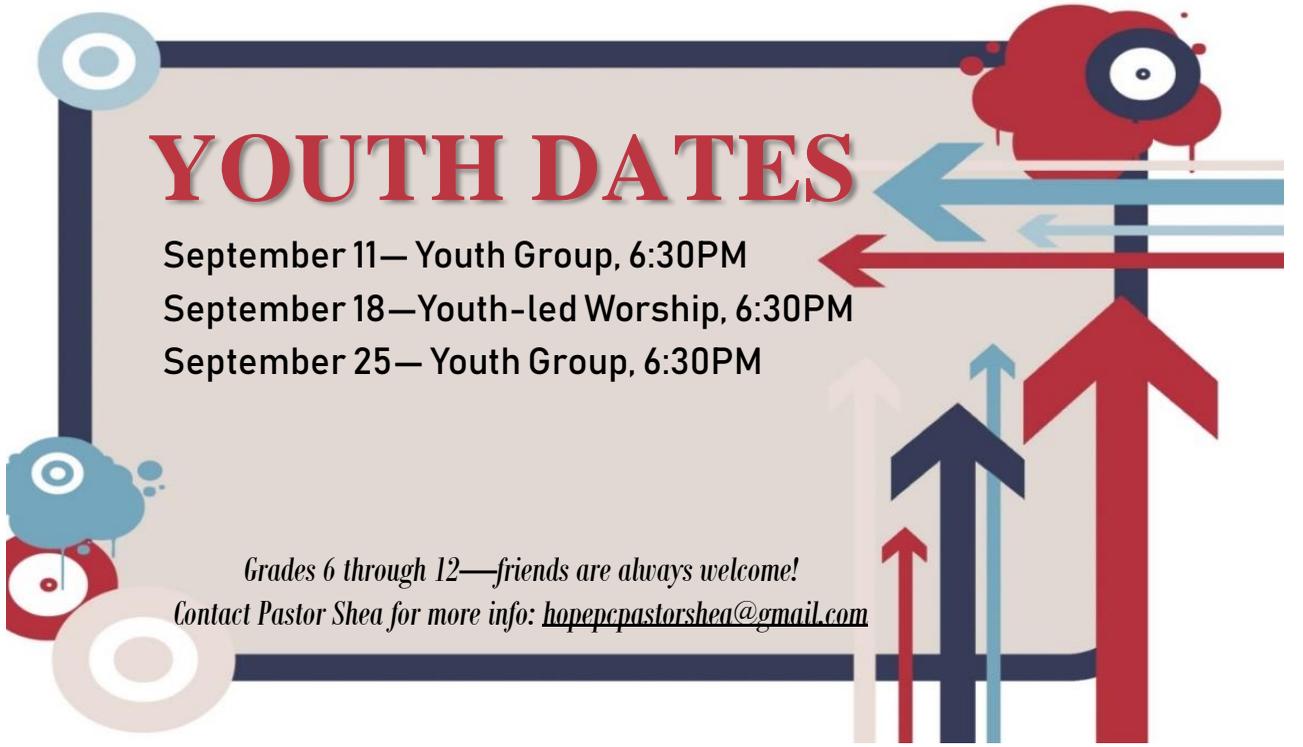
WEDNESDAYS

6:30PM—LIVING HOPE WORSHIP

6:30PM—HOPE STUDIES

6:30PM—YOUTH GROUP

YOUTH DATES



September 11— Youth Group, 6:30PM

September 18—Youth-led Worship, 6:30PM

September 25— Youth Group, 6:30PM

Grades 6 through 12—friends are always welcome!

Contact Pastor Shea for more info: hopepcpastorshea@gmail.com

Family Bible Hour, 10:30AM

PRESCHOOL—GRADE 5, MIDDLE & HIGH SCHOOL

ENDURING FAITH: As students progress through the program, they learn all about their Savior, Jesus Christ, what their Savior means for them, how to defend their faith, and how to teach the faith to others. Lessons spiral to help students go deeper each time they re-encounter a Bible passage. Age-appropriate activities build skills to strengthen Bible learning. All of our youth and children classes will be working through this curriculum.

Preschool—Grade 5 Leaders: Yolanda Heipp, Tracy MacDonald, Liz Pfeffer, Ellen Whitehurst; Middle & High School Leader: Pastor Shea

ADULTS

ENDURING FAITH: We too will be working through ENDURING FAITH! This will allow entire families to be studying the same lessons and open the door for further discussion, study and prayer in your home. What a great opportunity this will be for us all to grow in Christ together! *Leader: Pastor Pfeffer*



WEDNESDAYS AT HOPE, 6:30PM

LIVING HOPE WORSHIP

Our Wednesday evening worship continues this fall 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—THE GOSPEL OF MARK

The Gospel of Mark was the last Gospel written. Mark's purpose was to show the readers of this Gospel that Jesus Christ was the man who is the Son of God, sent by the Father to take our place and secure our salvation. Mark was Peter's assistant and traveled at times with Paul. His Gospel is a book of action that rapidly proceeds from one incident to another. Please join us on Wednesday evenings at 6:30pm in the conference room for study, conversation, and inspiration. *Leader: John Koren*



In Our Thoughts and Prayers

SHUT-INS:

Diane Bates	Jim Baldwin
Bonnie Genrich	Mark Stefanos
Dorothy Maltzahn	Liz Miller
	Tom Thomas

LEADERS:

Rev. Dean & Liz Pfeffer	Hope's Ministries
Rev. Shea & Holly Pennington	Our Armed Forces
LCMS Synod & District	Our Nation
Hope Staff	Our 1 st Responders

Family and Friends of Hope

NEW REQUESTS:

Dolly Doan health & memory concerns

CURRENT REQUESTS:

Allan H.	friend of Barbara Ahlers—brain cancer
Christ Lutheran Church, Lakeland	entering pastoral vacancy
Inge Clissold	hospitalized; recovering from fall
John Hulse	friend (lil' brother) of Julie Gates—heart attack; recovering from surgery
Kevin Kroening	son of Vivian Stahl—hospitalized; blood clot & minor stroke; anticipating surgery
Dorothy Maltzahn	rehab @ Hawthorn Village
Glenn Miller	recovering; hip replacement surgery (8/23)
Becky Schlicher	mother-in-law of Clara (Ahlers)—recovering from mastectomy; more cancer

BATTLING CANCER:

Tom Battling	Austin Dobbs	Jerry Gross	Pat Mailloux	Abbey Sedlacek
Laura Blake	Ginnie Donaldson	JoAnne Hayashi	Mari	Judy Strait
Bob Broshelle	Casey Doyle	Barry Himmel	Pat Mason	Jeannie Lee Taylor
Alice Correia	Jace Driggers	Dale Jarvis	Jennifer McCourt	Rick Ward
D	Kori Dunke	Gordon Long	David Paul Niver	Mr. Wells
	Marcus Elam	Lucille Luedke	Mary Ann Pitre	Millie Wetz
	Tim Griffie	Jean Marie Mactye	Mary Scott	Heather Whitehurst

Serving in the Military (R—Reserves)

Zachary Allen	Lorrie Daniell—R	Bobby Martin	Justin Rappa
Alex Almaguer	Stephanie Enloe—R	Aaron Morley	Ryan Sonnenberg
Jacob Bertsch	Joshua Gross	Stephen Olliff—R	Caleb Strand
Matt Bracken	Brandon Hastings	Donnie Pittman	Mike Szostkiewicz—R
Stephen Daniell—R	Brad Landis	Derek Quackenbush	

Due to space limitation, prayer requests can only be listed for four weeks.



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

1Corinthians 4:1

SERVING OUR LORD THIS SUNDAY (9/8/2019) ARE:

Bell Ringer	9:15/Jackson Venrick
Lector	9:15/Cindy Kemp
Elder on Duty	9:15/Nick Trivunovich
Flowers	Pennington family
Offerings	Alan & Sue Griffin
Ushers	Team 1

8:00/Wayne Warner,* David Booher, David Niver, Jeff Reaume

*Altar flowers are given to the glory of God by
Pastor Shea & Holly Pennington in honor of Pastor Shea's birthday*

SERVING OUR LORD THIS WEDNESDAY (9/11/2019) ARE:

Lector	6:30/Tena Matthews
Elder on Duty	6:30/Todd Warner
Communion Assistant	6:30/Todd Warner

SERVING OUR LORD NEXT SUNDAY (9/15/2019) ARE:

Bell Ringer	9:15/Abby Aigner
Acolyte	9:15/Nathan Gall
Lector	9:15/Sheila Goethe
Elder on Duty	9:15/Todd Warner
Communion Assistant	9:15/Todd Warner
Flowers	Flamm family
Offerings	Wendell & Pam Lattz
Ushers	Team 2

8:00/Tom Whitehurst,* Carl Bergner, Harold Hastings

SERVING OUR LORD THIS MONTH OF SEPTEMBER:

Altar Guild	Tracy MacDonald
Nurse	April Walkenhorst (813-951-8239)