



# 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:*

<b>Sunday 1/26</b>		<b>Youth @ Rock the Universe, Orlando (24-26)</b>
	9:15	Worship
	10:30	Family Bible Hour
	4:00	Spanish Worship w/Communion
<b>Monday 1/27</b>	9:00	Quilting
	5:30	Bell Choir
	6:30	Choir
<b>Tuesday 1/28</b>	10:30	GriefShare
	6:30	GriefShare
<b>Wednesday 1/29</b>	6:30	Living Hope Worship w/Communion
	6:30	Hope Studies & Youth Group
<b>Thursday 1/30</b>	10:30	Bible Study
<b>Saturday 2/1</b>	8:00	Trustees workday
<b>Sunday 2/2</b>		<b>Cuban Sandwich Fundraiser—pick up your sandwiches!</b>
	8:00 & 10:30	Worship w/Communion--**NEW worship times**
	9:15	Family Bible Hour
	4:00	Spanish Worship w/Communion

*Worship Attendance / Communion:*

**Wednesday, January 15, 2020:**

**Worship: 6:30:** 31/30

**Hope Studies:** 6

**Sunday, January 19, 2020:**

**Worship: 9:15:** 150/143

**Spanish Worship: 4:00:** 13/12

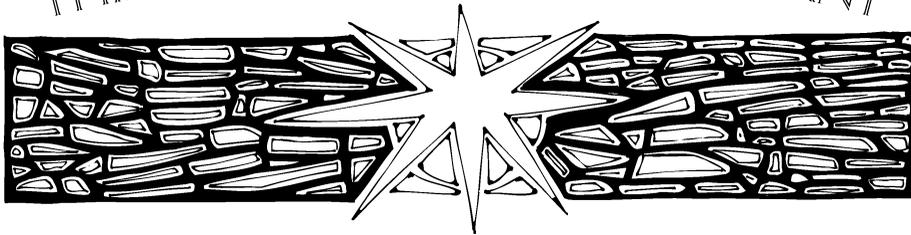
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*Stewardship Perspective:*

**Matt. 4:20** – “Immediately they left their nets and followed him.” Discipleship cost Peter and Andrew everything they had. They left their trade, their hometown and their families, and they followed Jesus. God has called us to the same discipleship and the same devotion, though the exact details of how that is lived out will vary. The important thing is that we know that all we have is the Lord’s to be used for His purpose, and we are His disciples, ready to follow where He leads.

*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!*

THIRD SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY



January 26, 2020

## **AS WE GATHER**

*From His very first years on this earth, Jesus was marked for sacrifice and service. Isaiah says of the Lord's anointed that He was "a man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief" (Isaiah 53:3). As we reflect on the ministry of Jesus, we can find the theme of sorrows and sacrifice throughout His earthly life. And we can thank Him for carrying our sorrows and bearing our griefs. Scripture shares that those whom He chose to follow Him, including His twelve disciples, also shared in His suffering. We honor their sacrifice as well in this Epiphany season.*

## **WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## **RINGING OF THE BELLS**

## **PRELUDE AND MEDITATION** "Imagine More"

*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 SONG**

"Here I Am to Worship"

ABS (3) 3

**Light of the world, You stepped down into darkness,**

**Opened my eyes let me see**

**Beauty that made this heart adore You, Hope of a life spent with You.**

*(Chorus)*

**So here I am to worship; Here I am to bow down;  
Here I am to say that You're my God.**

**You're altogether lovely, Altogether worthy, Altogether wonderful to me.**

**King of all days, O so highly exalted, Glorious in heaven above,  
Humbly You came to the earth You created,  
All for love's sake became poor. *(Chorus)***

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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:** Your throne, O God, is forever and ever.

**C:** **The heavens declare His righteousness, for God Himself is judge!**

**P:** Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving, and perform your vows to the Most High,

**C:** **and call upon Me in the day of trouble; I will deliver you, and you shall glorify Me.**

**P:** Let us now make confession of our sins to our gracious heavenly Father.

**C:** **Eternal God, we confess that by nature we are sinful people. We have transgressed Your Law in many ways, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not always been good friends, faithful neighbors, or caring family members. Our motives and thoughts have not always been pure. We deserve Your punishment now and for eternity. O God, in Your mercy forgive our sin and restore us to a full and joyful relationship with You through the merits of Jesus, our Lord. Direct our days by Your Holy Spirit, that we joyfully follow Your will and gladly obey Your commandments as Your redeemed people.**

**P:** In the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit. Now may the God of peace Himself sanctify you completely, and may your whole spirit, soul, and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. He who calls you is faithful; He will surely do it. Be at peace.

**C:** **Thanks be to God. Amen.**

## SONG OF PRAISE

*"Imagine More"*

**<sup>1</sup>Sing glory to our King, abundance He doth bring,  
Hope now hear His voice, IMAGINE MORE,—rejoice!  
He's blessed us in the past, gives more than all we ask,  
Immeasurably great, His power for our sake.**

*(Chorus)*

**How great is our God, sing with me. How great is our God, all will see.  
How great, how great is our God.**

**<sup>2</sup>Our God can do all things; we fly on eagle wings.  
Move's mountains when we ask, and now our latest task.  
For boldness strong and great, we pray for Jesus' sake,  
To move us to respond, with love and gifts beyond. *(Chorus)***

**<sup>3</sup>Imagine more—then ask! He'll give to do this task, His mission to  
proclaim, glorify His name. We'll sacrificially give, so many souls may live,  
Eternally with Him, forever and amen.**

*(Interlude)*

**Then sings my soul, my Savior God to Thee, How great Thou art,  
how great Thou art Then sings my soul, my Savior God to Thee,  
How great Thou art, how great Thou art. *(x2)***

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## PRAYER OF THE DAY

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

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

**P:** Let us pray. Gracious God, You sent Your Son, the Word made flesh, to call us to Yourself.

**C:** **In response to His call, those He summoned as His disciples followed Him.**

**P:** By the working of the Holy Spirit, help us to hear His call,

**C:** **to believe in Him, and to follow where He leads, through the same Jesus Christ,**

**P:** Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit,

**C:** **one God, now and forever. Amen.**



## OLD TESTAMENT READING

*Isaiah 9:1-4 (p.573)*

*(A great light is seen by those in darkness.)*

<sup>1</sup>But there will be no gloom for her who was in anguish. In the former time he brought into contempt the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, but in the latter time he has made glorious the way of the sea, the land beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the nations. <sup>2</sup>The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who dwelt in a land of deep darkness, on them has light shined. <sup>3</sup>You have multiplied the nation; you have increased its joy; they rejoice before you as with joy at the harvest, as they are glad when they divide the spoil. <sup>4</sup>For the yoke of his burden, and the staff for his shoulder, the rod of his oppressor, you have broken as on the day of Midian.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

## EPISTLE

*1 Corinthians 1:10-18 (p.952)*

*(Paul makes an appeal for unity.)*

<sup>10</sup>I appeal to you, brothers, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you agree, and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be united in the same mind and the same judgment. <sup>11</sup>For it has been reported to me by Chloe's people that there is quarreling among you, my brothers. <sup>12</sup>What I mean is that each one of you says, "I follow Paul," or "I follow Apollos," or "I follow Cephas," or "I follow Christ." <sup>13</sup>Is Christ divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul? <sup>14</sup>I thank God that I baptized none of you except Crispus and Gaius, <sup>15</sup>so that no one may say that you were baptized in my name. <sup>16</sup>(I did baptize also the household of Stephanas. Beyond that, I do not know whether I baptized anyone else.) <sup>17</sup>For Christ did not send me to baptize but to preach the gospel, and not with words of eloquent wisdom, lest the cross of Christ be emptied of its power. <sup>18</sup>For the word of the cross is folly to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

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

*Matthew 4:12-25 (p.809)*

*(Jesus calls four of His disciples in Galilee.)*

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

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

<sup>12</sup>Now when he heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew into Galilee. <sup>13</sup>And leaving Nazareth he went and lived in Capernaum by the sea, in the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali, <sup>14</sup>so that what was spoken by the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled: <sup>15</sup>"The land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, the way of the sea, beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles— <sup>16</sup>the people dwelling in darkness have seen a great light, and for those dwelling in the region and shadow of death, on them a light has dawned." <sup>17</sup>From that time Jesus began to preach, saying, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand." <sup>18</sup>While walking by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon (who is called Peter) and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea, for they were fishermen. <sup>19</sup>And he said to them, "Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men." <sup>20</sup>Immediately they left their nets and followed him. <sup>21</sup>And going on from there he saw two other brothers, James the son of Zebedee and John his brother, in the boat with Zebedee their father, mending their nets, and he called them. <sup>22</sup>Immediately they left the boat and their father and followed him. <sup>23</sup>And he went throughout all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the gospel of the kingdom and healing every disease and every affliction among the people. <sup>24</sup>So his fame spread throughout all Syria, and they brought him all the sick, those afflicted with various diseases and pains, those oppressed by demons, those having seizures, and paralytics,

and he healed them. <sup>25</sup>And great crowds followed him from Galilee and the Decapolis, and from Jerusalem and Judea, and from beyond the Jordan.

**P:** This is the Gospel of our Lord!

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

**SONG OF THE DAY**

*"Is He Worthy?"*

**Do you feel the world is broken? We do.**

**Do you feel the shadows deepen? We do.**

**But do you know that all the dark won't stop  
the light from getting through? We do.**

**Do you wish that you could see it all made new? We do. *(music)***

**Is all creation groaning? It is. Is a new creation coming? It is.**

**Is the glory of the Lord to be the light within our midst? It is.**

**Is it good that we remind ourselves of this? It is. *(music)***

*(Chorus)*

**Is anyone worthy? Is anyone whole?**

**Is anyone able to break the seal and open the scroll?**

**The Lion of Judah ... who conquered the grave,**

**He is David's Root and the Lamb who died to ransom the slave.**

**Is He worthy, is He worthy of all blessing and honor and glo-ry?**

**Is He worthy of this? He is. *(music)***

**Does the Father truly love us? He does.**

**Does the Spirit move among us? He does.**

**And does Jesus, our Messiah, hold forever those He loves? He does.**

**Does our God intend to dwell again with us? He does. *(music)***

*(Ending)*

**Is anyone worthy? Is anyone whole?**

**Is anyone able to break the seal and open the scroll?**

**The Lion of Judah ... who conquered the grave,**

**He is David's Root and the Lamb who died to ransom the slave.**

**From ev'ry people and tribe, ev'ry nation and tongue,**

**He has made us a kingdom and priests to God to reign with the Son.**

**Is He worthy, is He worthy, of all blessing and honor and glo-ry?**

**Is He worthy, is He worthy? Is He worthy of this? ... He is. *(music)***

**Is He worthy? Is He worthy? He is ... He is.**

## SERMON

"Focus on the Fish"

Matthew 4:19 & 1 Cor. 1:10

Rev. Dean Pfeffer

## SONG OF RESPONSE

"Take My Life"

ABS (3) 70

**Take my life and let— it be...consecrated Lord to Thee;  
Take my moments and my— days...Let them flow in ceaseless praise.  
Take my hands and let them move...At the impulse of Thy love;  
Take my feet and let them— be...Swift and beautiful for Thee.**

*(Chorus)* **Here am I...all of me...Take my life...it's all for Thee.**

**Take my will and make it— Thine...It shall be no longer mine;  
Take my heart, it is Thine— own...It shall be Thy royal throne.  
Take my love, my Lord, I pour...At Your feet its treasure store;  
Take myself and I will— be...Ever, only, all for Thee. *(Chorus 2x)***

**Take my life and let— it be...consecrated Lord to Thee;  
Take my life and let— it be...consecrated Lord to Thee.**

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## 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**

*"Is He Worthy?"*

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

**P:** In the light of Christ and with an increase in joy, let us pray to the Lord on behalf of His Church and all people according to their needs. That the light of Christ may continue to shine among us through the joyful preaching of the Gospel, and that His light may shine where the darkness of unbelief still holds people captive to sin and its death, let us pray to the Lord:

**C: Lord, have mercy.**

**P:** That the Church of Christ may enjoy unity of doctrine and a spirit of harmony in the work that God has given her to do, and that the Lord may prosper this work by supplying her people with faithful pastors and church workers, let us pray to the Lord:

**C: Lord, have mercy.**

**P:** That this congregation may be strengthened by the preaching of the Gospel and the faithful administration of the Holy Sacraments, and that God may bless those who hear and confirm them in His holy faith and fear all their days, let us pray to the Lord:

**C: Lord, have mercy.**

**P:** That every Christian may learn God's Word and teach the faith to family and children, and that each may be bold in telling the Good News of Jesus Christ to all those within their acquaintance and care, let us pray to the Lord:

**C: Lord, have mercy.**

**P:** That the nations may enjoy peace; that we may know the gift of good and faithful leaders in our land; and that justice may be served in every place, for the good of every people and for the protection of the unborn and the weak, let us pray to the Lord:

**C: Lord, have mercy.**

P: That the Lord may give healing, comfort and peace to the sick in their afflictions, to the troubled in mind, to the grieving in their loss, and to the dying especially *Kathy Bravis, Betty Christiansen, Ernie Edelman, Tom Ellison, Willa McMinn, and Tristan Mercier*. And that they may know the comfort of His presence and be sustained in every trial, let us pray to the Lord:

**C: Lord, have mercy.**

P: That we may offer the Lord the sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving with our lips and lives, along with the tithes and offerings of our hands, in gratitude for all His saving work and blessings as daily He gives us immeasurably more than we can ask or imagine, let us pray to the Lord:

**C: Lord, have mercy.**

P: Everlasting Father, You are the source of all life, and every good gift comes from You. Help us to honor Your gift of life, from conception to its natural end. Help us to guard those most in danger and to resist the forces that would cheapen life or rob it of the dignity You have placed upon it by giving Your only Son to redeem us, lost and condemned sinners. Hear us, we pray, on behalf of Him who gave His life for us, 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 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 *"Savior, Bring Us to Your Light"* (tune: LSB 397)

**Savior, bring us to Your light From the deep and darkened night.  
Shine in us Your love and joy, All despair and gloom destroy.  
Let our dimmer lights yet guide Others to Your glorious side.**

**All who stood the earthly test Find a never-ending rest.  
Kept within the Father's care, Hope-filled glimmers gladly share.  
Jesus, set our hearts aflame With the brightness of Your name!**

**Fleeting shadows will be gone With the Savior's coming dawn.  
All that Satan's fog concealed— In the beam of truth revealed.  
Hasten, then; prepare the way For the advent of the Day!**

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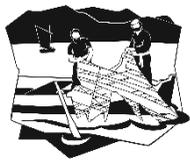
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*"Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others." — 1 Peter 4:10*

The Florida-Georgia District is hosting the Lay Leadership Summit at Prince of Peace in Orlando to help volunteers, church members and leaders know how to use their gifts to serve others and build up the church. Mark your calendars for February 28-29, 2020. Registration for this free event is open.

## Connecting Points

**TODAY:** we continue in the “Sundays after Epiphany” which will lead us to the holy season of Lent. Epiphany means to reveal or make known and we will see in our readings this season how our Lord is revealed to others in His ministry. The question for us then becomes, how are WE making Jesus known to those around us? This season ends with **Transfiguration Sunday on February 26<sup>th</sup>**. The color of the season is *GREEN*~ a reminder to us that we are always to be growing in the Word, grace and love of our Lord.



**IT'S IN THERE:** Now you can stop guessing what's happening here and Hope and simply take your **February** calendar & servant schedule out of your mailbox and bring it home and see all the great things God is doing through us here at Hope! And by the way, don't forget to **INVITE** someone to join us here at Hope.



**SIGN UP TODAY:** to work in our peanut booth at the 2020 Strawberry Festival (**February 27—March 8**)! Our booth requires 2-3 people per shift, and there are 3 shifts per day. That means we need to fill a total of 88 slots over the 11 days of the festival. PLEASE, help us fill those slots! Sign up in the Narthex. See *Patrick Griffin (813-376-0258)* for more details.



Sermons Are

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

**GRIEF SHARE:** meets **Tuesdays at 10:30AM & 6:30PM!** If you have experienced the loss of a loved one at any time, we invite you to join us. Our Lord wants to heal you from your broken heart and make you “whole” again. GriefShare offers some advice, some suggestions, and much to help you see how the Lord is working in your life. Bring a friend, a neighbor, or a relative if you wish—all are welcome! We suggest that you take GriefShare more than once to receive the most amount of benefit you can. We'll have the coffee ready...and the Light is always on!



**JUST IN CASE:** you were absent for our congregational meeting **last Sunday**, our congregation voiced its approval to *move forward and accept* the proposals from our architect and contractor for the building of our new sanctuary. Please keep *Building Hope for the Future* in your prayers as we move forward to better minister both locally AND globally!



**OOPS... DID YOU FORGET:** that our *Living Hope, Hope Studies, and Youth Group* began this past Wednesday at 6:30PM. Don't worry, there is room for you to always join in—take the time and opportunity **this winter** to join us. You'll be glad you did!



**PLEASE NOTE:** that effective **NEXT SUNDAY, February 2<sup>nd</sup>**, our Sunday morning worship schedule will be as follows: Worship at **8:00 & 10:30**; Family Bible Hour at **9:15**. Our Spanish service will continue to meet at 4:00PM, and *Living Hope, Hope Studies, and Youth Group* will continue as scheduled **each Wednesday at 6:30PM** (ending for the quarter on **February 19<sup>th</sup>**).



**COMING NEXT SUNDAY:** Once again, our Spanish Ministry are selling Cuban sandwiches for **Super Bowl Sunday**. Order forms are in your bulletins **today**, and all orders **MUST** be received **TODAY**. Sandwiches will be available **following worship and Family Bible Hour NEXT SUNDAY**.



**TEDDY BEAR SUNDAY:** will take place on **Sunday, February 16<sup>th</sup>**. This annual event sponsored by our *Human Care Ministry Team* shares your donated bears with local agencies. **This year**, our bears will be donated to the *Plant City Police Department* to share with children in need within our community. Please be sure to bring **NEW** (with tags ON) small-mid size cuddly Teddy Bears to church with you on **FEBRUARY 16<sup>th</sup>** ...and be prepared to share some joy and comfort!



**UPCOMING FLOWER OPENINGS:** The following Sundays are available for either one or two families to place flowers to adorn our Lord's altar: **2/16, 3/22, 4/5 & 4/12**. Be sure to sign up on the flower chart in the Narthex.



**ONLINE GIVING:** We are now set up for online giving for *Building Hope for the Future*. To do so, simply go to our website ([hopeplantcity.com](http://hopeplantcity.com)) click on the link for online giving. The opportunity for your weekly tithes and offerings will be **coming soon**. Simply watch your bulletins and e-blasts.



*Hope's Fellowship and Mission & Outreach Teams* invite you to **Step Back in Time** and relive the 50's, 60's & 70's!

**Please join us on February 8, 2020**

Lunch begins at **12:30pm** but please **arrive early** for fellowship, live music, and photo opportunities. Bring your high school yearbooks, photos, and memorabilia to share with others. Please check your mailbox for a RSVP form and place the completed form in the basket in the Narthex or in the mailbox of *Cathie Warner* or *Carol Walkenhorst* by **February 2<sup>nd</sup>**.

**TUESDAYS at 10:30AM & 6:30PM**

Hope's Stephen Ministry Classroom—All are welcome!  
Contact Lyn Senkarik at 863-670-4866 for more info.

# GRIEF SHARE<sup>®</sup>



Help and encouragement after the death of  
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# Family Bible Hour, Sundays at 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*

## YOUNG ADULTS

**ROOTED:** Are you in your 20's or 30's? Our "Rooted" class will cover topics, struggles, doubts, and questions that you may be experiencing in your own life or that you see others experiencing. Together we will become rooted in Christ for the answers (Colossians 2:6-7). Join us in the Stephen Ministry classroom.

*Leader: Becky Hartmann*



# WEDNESDAYS AT HOPE, 6:30PM

## LIVING HOPE WORSHIP

Our Wednesday evening worship continues 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—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*



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## SUNDAYS

8:00 & 10:30AM—Worship

9:15AM—Family Bible Hour

4:00PM—Spanish Worship



## WEDNESDAYS

6:30PM—Living Hope Worship

6:30PM—Hope Studies

6:30PM—Youth Group

## YOUTH DATES

January 24-26—Rock the Universe, Orlando

January 29—Youth Group, 6:30pm

February 5—Youth Group, 6:30pm

February 12—Youth Group, 6:30pm

February 19—Youth Worship, 6:30pm

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

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

# *In Our Thoughts and Prayers*

**SHUT-INS:**

Jim Baldwin	Sue Crouse	Liz Miller
Diane Bates	Bonnie Genrich	Mark Stefanos
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**LEADERS:**

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

## *Family and Friends of Hope*

**NEW REQUESTS:**

Valerie Bosque	friend of Tracie Adkins—health concerns
Betty Christiansen	recovering from pneumonia
Tom Ellison	recovering from surgery
Steve Furst & Kimball family	friend of Hope—mourning death of Tammy, Hope's "Peanut Lady"
Jack Goetsch	anticipating surgery (2/20)
Willa McMinn	surgery
Jerry & Annette Shaffer	grandparents of Tessa Adkins—health concerns

**CURRENT REQUESTS:**

Deborah Bertrand	recovering from surgery
Donna DeClaire	sister of Dora Mueller—anticipating knee replacement surgery (1/14)
Ernie Edelman	healing
Flamm family	mourning death of Bill's brother Monroe
Tim Gates	husband of Julie Gates—recovering from stroke
	aunt of Jeff & Theresa Justice—possible cancer
	friend of Jeff & Theresa Justice—anticipating test results
Faye Mueller	sister of Billy Mueller—anticipating surgery; facial cancer & eye removal (1/8)
Bruce Rodwell	friend of Pastor Dean & Liz Pfeffer—hospitalized; surgery complications
Betty Snaper	sister of Mack Goethe—cancer
Myrna VanSwol	sister of Wendell Lattz—cancer; recovering from surgery

**BATTLING CANCER:**

Austin Dobbs	Barry Himmel	Jennifer McCourt	Betty Snaper
Tom Battling	Ginnie Donaldson	Dale Jarvis	Judy Strait
Laura Blake	Jace Driggers	Gordon Long	Jeannie Lee Taylor
Bob Broshelle	Kori Dunke	Lucille Luedke	Myrna VanSwol
Mary Clapp	Marcus Elam	Jean Marie Mactye	Rick Ward
Alice Correia	Tim Griffie	Pat Mailloux	Mr. Wells
D	Jerry Gross	Mari	Millie Wetz
Debbie	JoAnne Hayashi	Pat Mason	Heather Whitehurst

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

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

*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 (1/26/2020) ARE:**

Bell Ringer	9:15/Micah Blocker
Lector	9:15/Cindy Petersen
Elder on Duty	9:15/Wayne Warner
Flowers	Howell family
Offerings	Alison Reaume & Cathie Warner
Ushers	Team 1

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

*Altar flowers are given to the glory of God by  
Stuart & Sandy Howell in honor of Ryan's birthday*

**SERVING OUR LORD THIS WEDNESDAY (1/29/2020) ARE:**

Lector	6:30/Tena Matthews
Elder on Duty	6:30/Mike McMinn
Communion Assistant	6:30/Mike McMinn

**SERVING OUR LORD NEXT SUNDAY (2/2/2020) ARE:**

Bell Ringer	10:30/Grace Kelly
Acolyte	10:30/Abby Kelly
Lector	8:00/John Koren; 10:30/Nora Trivunovich
Elder on Duty	8:00/Wayne Warner; 10:30/Jim Drapp
Communion Assistant	8:00/Wayne Warner; 10:30/Jim Drapp
Flowers	Howell & Pfeffer families
Offerings	Dale & Jonie Wenzel
Ushers	Team 2

8:00/Tom Whitehurst,\* Carl Bergner, Harold Hastings;  
10:30/Nick Trivunovich,\* Alex Drapp, Jim Drapp, Ken Hartmann

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

Altar Guild	Cindy Petersen
Nurse	Joyce Van Matre (813-689-9415)