

## Sharing of Joys & Concerns

Prayers for the People/The Lord's Prayer (Screen)

Offering/Offertory: "I Love To Tell The Story" Darlene & Dave

\*Doxology (Blue #592/Screen)

\*Prayer of Dedication

\*Closing Hymn: "Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days" (Blue #81/Screen)

\*Charge/Benediction: "Aaron's Blessing" Rev. Dr. Brian Jones/Cong. echo

Postlude Maggie

## Hope Presbyterian Church

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### Sunday, February 26, 2023

9:15 a.m. Coffee in Fellowship Hall

10:00 a.m. Worship

(On Facebook Live & KGLH 96.9 FM Radio)



**As a community of Christ, Hope Presbyterian Church demonstrates the good news of God's love, grace and hope.**

- *We build relationships with one another in order that we might strengthen our ability to love God and love others.*
- *Visitors, youth and children are welcome to participate in worship, Bible Study, spiritual development opportunities, prayer, and service.*

*God is here and welcomes you! If you are a visitor and are looking for a church home, be assured you are welcome and needed at Hope Presbyterian Church. We are a people who seek to respond to God's love in Christ and we invite you to join us.*

*Please be advised that our sanctuary worship service is on Facebook Live and taped for television broadcast, aired on Channel 18 (Windstream Cable) and Channel 181 (Charter Cable) on Sundays (2:30 pm), Tuesdays (11:30 am and 8:30 pm), and Thursdays (8:00 am and 5:00 pm).*

*ATTENDANCE FOLDERS: Please fill out the attendance pad located at the inside end of your pew and pass it down your row. If you are visiting, please mark the visitor column and include your mailing address. Thank You!*

**\*(Please stand as you are able)**

**Prelude**

Maggie Harp

**Welcome**

**Lay Reader:** Kristene Foreman

**\*Call to Worship**

One: People of God, on this wilderness journey, what will you eat?

**ALL: The word of the Lord is our daily bread.**

One: People of God, in this time of temptation, how will you live?

**ALL: Our faith is in the faithfulness of God.**

One: People of God, at this kingdom crossroad, whom will you serve?

**ALL: We worship the Lord our God alone.**

**\*Opening Prayer**

One: Wild God of wilderness, as we devote these forty days to you, shape us by your Holy Spirit into the image of Christ our Lord, so that we may be ready, by your grace, to confront the power of death with the promise of eternal life.

**ALL: Amen.**

**\*Hymn of Praise:** "God, Who Stretched the Spangled Heavens" (Blue #268/Screen)

**Prayer of Confession**

**ALL: Lord God, you know the ways of good and evil. You know the things that tempt us and the things that give us life. You know our nakedness, and you know our sin. We confess that we have disobeyed your word, denying your providence and care and relying on our own cleverness. Have mercy on us, we pray: cover us with your grace, feed us with the bread of life, and re-create us in your image; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.**

**Assurance of Forgiveness**

**\*Gloria Patri**

(Blue #577/Screen)

**\*Passing of the Peace** (Please share a sign of Christ's peace with one another)

**Announcements**

**Special Music:** "Jesus Walked this Lonesome Valley"

Darlene Bratberg & Dave Helmstetter

**Children's Sermon**

**Response:** "Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying"

(STF #2193/Screen)

**Prayer for Illumination:**

One: O Lord, may the words of your mouth be our daily bread, and may the leading of your Spirit become our way; in Jesus' name.

**All: Amen.**

**Responsive Reading: Psalm 32**

**Old Testament Reading: Genesis 2:15-17, 3:1-7**

**Gospel Reading: Matthew 4:1-11**

**Sermon: "Alone Together"**

**Rev. Dr. Brian Jones**

**\*Sermon Hymn:** "Jesus, Tempted in the Desert"

(Sing the Faith #2105/Screen)

**\*Affirmation of Faith/The Apostles' Creed**

**ALL: 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 Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

## HOSPITALITY SERVANTS

### **Coffee Servers**

**February 26:** Pat & Bob Hinderks

**March 5:** Karen & Jerry Bents

### **Ushers**

**February 26:** Clara O'Connor, Jonelle Foreman, Grace & Jill Gau

**March 5:** Sue Block, Sandy Wersal, Karen Hagemeyer, Lisa Thorson

**\*\*\*Please sign up on the sheets in the Fellowship Hall (by the library) to usher, lay read or acolyte in March-Thank You!**

## WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

### **Lay Readers**

**February 26:** Kristene Foreman

**March 5:** Jonelle Foreman

### **Communion Servers March 5:**

Steve Barney, Allie Johnson, Kristine Foreman, Dee Schurman & Liz Windingstad

**Sound Operators:** Pete Bratberg, Duane Taatjes, Daryl Taatjes

**Video Operators:** Carter Taatjes, Pete Bratberg, Wally Titus, Daryl Taatjes,

Jerry Leason & Barry Sampson

**Screen Operators:** Stephanie Bents, Sherry Bratsch, Jerry Bents

**Radio Operators:** Harold Foreman, Daryl Taatjes, Duane Taatjes

## HOPE HAPPENINGS!

### **CARE Pantry Challenge**

March is...MN Food Shelf Month. Please leave your donations on the table by the church mailboxes. A huge Thank You to everyone who has donated items to the CARE Pantry at any time!

### **Thank You!**

Thank you so much for making my 80<sup>th</sup> birthday celebration a very special day for me! Thanks too, for all the cards! It was truly appreciated! - Clara O'Connor

### **Earthquake Disaster Assistance Contribution**

If you would like to contribute to relief efforts for the people suffering in Syria and Turkey following the devastating earthquakes, you may do so through the Presbyterian Disaster Relief. You can do this online, or you can mail a check to:

Presbyterian Church (USA)

PO Box 643700

Pittsburgh, PA 15264-3700

\*\*Please include in the memo line – DR999999-ST Earthquake

### **Soup & Bread Suppers**

Please sign up on the list in the Fellowship Hall to donate soup for the Wednesday night Soup & Bread suppers which will start this Wednesday, March 1<sup>st</sup> at 5:45 pm. We need a total of 8 crockpots. We have bread, milk and crackers already. Thanks!! (Group 1 will be in charge of the kitchen duties.)

### **Adult Bible Study**

Starting today, after worship, we will begin a 5 session video study by Max Lucado, entitled "He Chose the Nails." Leaders are Greg Mulder, Dave Helmstetter and Tyann Jones. One or two volunteers are still needed to teach one session. See Tyann to sign up to lead!

### **\*\*Volunteers needed to knit prayer shawls!**

The Deacons are looking for people who would like to knit prayer shawls! Our dedicated knitter, Darlene Thompson, is retiring from her services, so we need someone to continue this important job. Please connect with Deb Steele and you can also visit with Darlene to receive instructions on making them, etc.

## THIS WEEK AT HOPE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

February 26 (Sunday)	9:15 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	Coffee & Fellowship Worship (Also Facebook Live and Radio) Confirmation Class Adult Bible Study (Fireside Room)
February 27 (Monday)		
February 28 (Tuesday)	6:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m.	Tuesday's Table at Peace Lutheran Church Christian Education & Families Committee
March 1 (Wednesday)	5:45 p.m. 6:15 p.m. 6:15 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Soup & Bread Supper WOW, Pre-Confirmation, TAG Lenten Worship Service Choir
March 2 (Thursday)		
March 3 (Friday)		Office Closed
March 4 (Saturday)	7:00 p.m.	AA
March 5 (Sunday)	9:15 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	Coffee & Fellowship Worship (Also Facebook Live and Radio) Communion – "Gifts of Women" Sunday Confirmation Class Adult Bible Study (Fireside Room)

**Contact Information for Rev. Dr. Brian Jones:** For any pastoral emergencies in the evenings or weekends when the office is not open, please contact Pastor Brian on his cell phone (605-204-0625) or email him at [brianwjones1980@hotmail.com](mailto:brianwjones1980@hotmail.com)

**\*\*Please Note\*\*** If you have a prayer request, please fill out the prayer request card from the ushers and return it to them, which will be given to Pastor Brian.  
Thank You!



### PRAYER REQUESTS

**\*Indicates new**

#### **Members with Health Concerns:**

Dick Lindahl, Sandy Ardoff, Judy Heath

#### **Family and Friends with Health Concerns:**

Kim (Friend of Sherry Bratsch)                      Joanna Hanson (Helmstetter's niece)  
Sandy Alderks    Paul Lamphere (Jeff's son)

#### **Grieving:**

Family of Ashley Beard (Celia Evenson's granddaughter), Family of Ralph Jansen,  
Family of Jerry Harder, Family of Julie Evans (Joanne Ryks' Daughter)

#### **Care Facilities:**

Gary Anfinson (Bethesda-Willmar), David Carlson (Bethesda North Pointe), Jeanette Gault (GlenOaks), Betty Harder (Bethesda North Pointe), Bob Sietsema (Bethesda North Pointe), Barb Morris (Copperleaf- Willmar), Mary Lou Swart (PCU's at GlenOaks)

#### **Other Concerns:**

For those dealing with mental health issues and who struggle with addiction  
For those deeply wounded by domestic violence, violence in schools, mass shootings  
For those grieving the death and injury of a loved one due to violence and war  
For those affected by natural disasters, COVID-19 pandemic  
For those serving in the military in Ukraine and elsewhere

**February Deacons of the Month: Bob & Julie Ehrlich**

**March Deacons of the Month: Joni Lamphere & Greg Swenson**