

***Affirmation of Faith**

In life and in death we belong to God. Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel, whom alone we worship and serve. We trust in God, whom Jesus called Abba, Father. In sovereign love God created the world good and makes everyone equally in God's image male and female, of every race and people, to live as one community. But we rebel against God; we hide from our Creator. Ignoring God's commandments, we violate the image of God in others and ourselves, accept lies as truth, exploit neighbor and nature, and threaten death to the planet entrusted to our care. We deserve God's condemnation.

Yet God acts with justice and mercy to redeem creation. In everlasting love, the God of Abraham and Sarah chose a covenant people to bless all families of the earth. Hearing their cry, God delivered the children of Israel from the house of bondage. Loving us still, God makes us heirs with Christ of the covenant. Like a mother who will not forsake her nursing child, like a father who runs to welcome the prodigal home, God is faithful still.

With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Sharing of Joys & Concerns

Prayers for the People/The Lord's Prayer

Offering/Offertory: "Ancient Words" J4J

***Doxology** (Blue #592/Screen)

***Prayer of Dedication**

***Closing Hymn:** "Here I Am, Lord" (Blue #525/Screen)

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

Postlude Maggie

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Sunday, January 22, 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: Jeff Wersal

***Call to Worship**

One: God created all the races and nations of the world and willed that we live together in peace and harmony.

ALL: We were made to be one family.

One: There is strife in the human family. Injustice abounds as racism, classism, sexism, cultural imperialism and other -isms. We are a divided people.

All: We have been called to let justice roll down like waters.

One: We must work passionately to bridge the gulf between us, overcome the injustices that oppress us and restore community among us.

All: We must be determined enough to change what we can. We must have the courage to accept what we cannot change. Above all, we must be wise enough to know the difference.

***Opening Prayer**

One: God, our light and our salvation, Jesus announced the nearness of your kingdom and called his disciples to be fishers of women and men. Give us courage to follow in the way of Jesus, so that our lives may bear witness to the good news of the kingdom at hand and our vocation serve to draw people to your salvation; through your Son, Jesus Christ, in the power of the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.

***Hymn of Praise:** "He Has Made Me Glad"

(Sing the Faith #2270/Screen)

Prayer of Confession

ALL: Most holy and merciful God. We have condemned racial injustice in our pronouncements, yet we cling to the privileges derived from social inequities. All too often we are blind to our complicity in maintaining systems of oppression and deferring the hopes and dreams of the oppressed for freedom. Forgive us, we pray. Give us the courage to name our sin. Give us the strength to claim responsibility for our actions. Give us the grace to pay the price for our behavior. Through Christ, we pray. 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: "Beneath The Cross"

J4J (Jammin' For Jesus)

Children's Sermon

Response: "Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying"

(STF #2193/Screen)

Prayer for Illumination:

One: God, illumine our minds by the power of your Holy Spirit, so that as the Scriptures are read and your Word is proclaimed our eyes may see your kingdom, our ears may hear the call of Jesus, and our hearts may know the joy of your salvation.

ALL: Amen.

Responsive Reading: Psalm 27:1, 4-9

Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 9:1-4

Gospel Reading: Matthew 4:12-23

Sermon: "Repent?"

Rev. Dr. Brian Jones

New Members Installation

Lisa Bowland, Karen Hagemeyer & Jason Windingstad (By Profession of Faith)
Tom Gjerde, Dave & Kathy Terpstra (By Certificate of Transfer)

***Sermon Hymn:** "The Summons"

(Sing the Faith #2130/Screen)

Verse 1 All, Verse 2 Men only, Verse 3 All, Verse 4 Women only, Verse 5 All

HOSPITALITY SERVANTS

Coffee Servers

January 22: Conny & John Williamson

January 29: Dee & Bill Schurman, Greg Swenson

Ushers

January 22: Jody Leason, Jerry & Karen Bents, Sandy Wersal

January 29: ****Open****

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

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Lay Readers

January 22: Jeff Wersal

January 29: ****Open****

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!

Annual Meeting/Potluck today

Our annual meeting will be today immediately after worship. Your annual report is in your church mailbox and extras are available. A Potluck Dinner will follow the meeting.

2022 Year-end Giving Statement

Your year-end giving statement is in your church mailbox, if you have not requested to have it emailed to you.

Rockin' Wednesdays - January 25th

A fun youth group activity is planned for next Wednesday, January 25th, 6-8 p.m. at the Prairie Woods Environmental Learning Center. This is for all youth, for an activity of team building and rock climbing. Please meet at the Prairie Woods Environmental Learning Center at 6:00 p.m.

Minnesota Valleys Presbytery Youth Retreat

A retreat for current 6th-12th graders will be held at the First Presbyterian Church in Willmar on Friday, February 10th 7:00 p.m. to Saturday, February 11th at 1:00 p.m. The cost will be \$15/person, or \$30 maximum for families. Friends welcome! See Tyann to register for the event.

CARE Pantry Challenge

January is...toothpaste, toothbrushes, and mouthwash. 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! February is...Body Wash.

Lost & Found

Please check the Lost & Found items on the bulletin board by the office.

THIS WEEK AT HOPE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

January 22 (Sunday)	9:15 a.m. Coffee 10:00 a.m. Worship (Also Facebook Live and Radio) *New Members Installation (Lisa Bowland, Tom Gjerde, Karen Hagemeyer, Dave & Kathy Terpstra, & Jason Windingstad) 11:00 a.m. Annual Meeting followed by a Potluck Meal
January 23 (Monday)	5:45 p.m. Deacons (rescheduled from January 16 th) 6:30 p.m. Finance Committee
January 24 (Tuesday)	6:00 p.m. Tuesday's Table at Peace Lutheran Church 6:30 p.m. Christian Education & Families Committee
January 25 (Wednesday)	6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. WOW, Pre-Confirmation & TAG Prairie Woods Environmental Learning Center 7:15 p.m. Choir
January 26 (Thursday)	
January 27 (Friday)	Office Closed
January 28 (Saturday)	7:00 p.m. AA
January 29 (Sunday)	9:15 a.m. Coffee 10:00 a.m. Worship (Also Facebook Live and Radio) *New Officers Installation Deacons: Julie Ehrlich, Robert Ehrlich, Sandy Meyer & Kathy Terpstra Elders: Steve Barney, Dee Schurman & Liz Windingstad 11:00 a.m. Confirmation Class

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

****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:

Arlos Jones, Judy Heath

Family and Friends with Health Concerns:

Josh Gravley	Kaitlyn (Lisa Thorson's niece)
Kim (Friend of Sherry Bratsch)	Joanna Hanson (Helmstetter's niece)
Sandy Alderks	Jerry Harder

Grieving:

Family of Julie Evans (Joanne Ryks' Daughter), Family of Shirley Bradford (Tim's Mom)

Care Facilities:

Gary Anfinson (Bethesda-Willmar), David Carlson (Bethesda North Pointe), Jeanette Gault (GlenOaks), 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

January Deacons of the Month: Sue Block & Robin Mulder