

***Hymn of Preparation** “Lord, We Have Come at Your Own Invitation”
(Blue #516/Screen)

Sacrament of Communion: The Great Thanksgiving

One: The Lord be with you.

ALL: And also with you.

One: Lift up your hearts.

ALL: We lift them to the Lord.

One: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

ALL: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

One: who forever sing to the glory of your name:

ALL: Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might; Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

One: ...Great is the mystery of faith:

ALL: Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

One: ...all glory and honor are yours, almighty God, now and forever.

The Lord's Prayer (Sung)

Communion of the People

Servers: Larry Bratsch, Brooke Appleby, Kathy Terpstra, Howard Jones, and Alisa Taatjes
(Wrapped Gluten-Free Wafers available on trays, Cups are grape juice, not wine)

Offering/Deacon's Offering/Offertory	"Press On"	Adult Choir
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An offering for the Deacons is taken on Communion days, to assist the Deacons in their work in serving others and bringing the love of Jesus to the church and the community. Please use the Deacon envelopes provided on the table in the Narthex.

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

*Prayer of Dedication

***Closing Hymn** “Eternal God, Whose Power Upholds” vs 1-4 (Blue #412/Screen)

***Charge/Benediction** “Aaron’s Blessing”

Postlude

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Notes:

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Sunday, October 4, 2026

9:15 a.m. Coffee & Fellowship

10:00 a.m. Worship in Sanctuary

(On Facebook Live & KGLH Radio 96.9)



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 (2:15 pm), Tuesdays (11:30 am and 3:00 pm), and Thursdays (8:00 am and 5:00 pm).

*(Please stand as you are able)

Prelude Maggie Harp

Welcome

*Opening Song "You Are My Hiding Place" (STF #2055/Screen)

*Call to Worship Lay Reader: Sue Block

One: The heavens declare the glory of God!

ALL: The skies proclaim God's handiwork.

One: The day pronounces God's glory without a sound, the night expounds God's knowledge without a word, and yet their voice goes out through all the earth.

ALL: Let us join our voices with the voice of creation in declaring God's glory!

*Morning Prayer

One: Creator God, the heavens radiate your glory! May we emerge from night's waiting with such joy that we too radiate your glory throughout this day. In the name of the Son of righteousness who has risen with healing in his wings.

ALL: Amen.

Hymn of Praise "Of the Father's Love Begotten" (Blue #309/Screen)

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

ALL: Rescuing God, you brought us out of the land of captivity, out of the house of slavery. Forgive us when we willingly return to slavery, making calling Godly, things that are not, crafting idols from the excess of consumption. Forgive us when we consider ourselves so grand that we do not rest and enjoy your presence, defining ourselves by our ability rather than your love. Forgive us when we esteem ourselves so little that we dare not rest and sit with

ourselves, exposed, without the cloak of productivity. Forgive us when we deem our species so central that we do not rest and halt consumption, decimating Earth, denying her Sabbath and integrity. Forgive us through Christ, who redeems us from the brokenness of slavery so that we might enjoy your presence, creation, and community. Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness

*Gloria Patri (Screen)

*Passing of the Peace (Let us share Christ's peace by greeting each other)

Announcements/Prayer Concerns/Joys

Special Music "Be Thou My Vision" Adult Choir

Children's Sermon

Response: "Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying" (STF #2193/Screen)

Prayer for Illumination

One: God who speaks, your law is perfect, reviving the soul; your commandment is clear, enlightening the eyes. May your Spirit illumine this Word so that our eyes may be opened and our souls revived. In Jesus' name we pray.

ALL: Amen.

Responsive Reading: Psalm 19: 1-6

¹ The heavens are telling the glory of God;
and the firmament proclaims his handiwork.

² **Day to day pours forth speech, and night to night declares knowledge.**

³ There is no speech, nor are there words; their voice is not heard;

⁴ **yet their voice goes out through all the earth, and their words to the end of the world. In the heavens he has set a tent for the sun,**

⁵ which comes out like a bridegroom from his wedding canopy,
and like a strong man runs its course with joy.

⁶ **Its rising is from the end of the heavens, and its circuit to the end of them; and nothing is hidden from its heat.**

Gospel Reading: Matthew 21: 33-46

Sermon "Forgetting" Rev. Dr. Brian Jones

Pastoral Prayer

HOSPITALITY SERVANTS

Coffee Servers

October 4th: Tyann & Brian Jones, Dawn Oie
October 11th: Joni & Jeff Lamphere, Eli Twernbold

Ushers

October 4th: Tim Block, Anakin Haglund, Mike Carlson, Lisa Bowland
October 11th: (Open)

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Lay Readers

October 4th: Sue Block
October 11th: (Open)

****Please sign up in the Fellowship Hall to usher or lay read. Thanks!****

Sound Operators: Pete Bratberg, Duane Taatjes, Daryl Taatjes, Wally Titus, & Isaac Taatjes
Video Operators: Carter Taatjes, Pete Bratberg, Wally Titus, Daryl Taatjes, & Barry Sampson
Screen Operators: Stephanie Bents, Sherry Bratsch, Isaac Taatjes
Radio Operators: Harold Foreman, Daryl Taatjes

Mission & Ministry Financial Snapshot

	Month of August 2026	Year to Date Monthly Avg.	Year to Date August 2026	Prior Year to Date August 2025
Operating Support Received	\$ 23,741.55	\$ 21,659.65	\$ 173,277.23	\$ 174,556.01
Operating Activity	\$ 29,378.89	\$ 25,324.37	\$ 202,594.94	\$ 184,537.90
Operating Variance	(\$ 5,637.34)		(\$ 29,317.71)	(\$ 9,981.89)
Support Needed to Meet the Mission Plan				\$ 27,674.40
Per Capita Commitment for 2026				\$ 7,144.00
Per Capita Support Received Through 8/31/2026				\$ 3,139.00

2026 Per Capita is \$47 per member.
Report prepared by Kristene King, Treasurer

HOPE’S HAPPENINGS!

Dee & Palmer Norling’s 25th Anniversary Celebration

You are invited to join Dee & Palmer in celebrating their 25th Wedding Anniversary on Sunday, October 11th from 2:00 – 4:00 pm here, in the Fellowship Hall.

Leftover Food For Sale

We have hot dogs, brats, chips, and ice cream leftover from our recent activities that we are selling. \$10 for a pack of 24 Sam’s Club hot dogs; \$15 for a pack of 18 Johnsonville brats; \$7 for a gallon of Kemp’s ice cream; and \$0.50 per individual bag of Lays original potato chips. If you are interested in purchasing any of these items, please see Steph. Thank you!

Mental Wellness Presentation

Just a reminder.... We have Ashley Kjos from Woodland Centers giving a mental wellness presentation TODAY right after church in the Fireside Room.

Adult Bible Study

Our Adult Bible study class will be starting next Sunday, October 11th after church. We will be studying “Tame your Thoughts” by Max Lucado. Please sign up on the table in front of the mailboxes in the Fellowship Hall if you wish to join us.

Fall Harvest Festival

Mark your calendars now – Saturday, October 10th will be our Fall Harvest Festival. You can bring your items in now and put them in the fireside room. Items we are looking for include: bake sale, crafts, garden produce, plants, seasonal décor, home décor, books, puzzles, CDs, games, and DVDs. Also see the sign-up sheet in the Fellowship Hall for items needed for the kitchen for lunch and to sign-up to work.

October – November – December “These Days” Devotionals

The devotionals are available on the information table by the mailboxes in the Fellowship Hall.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Fall Festivals & Bazaars

It is that time of year for Fall Festivals, Craft sales & Bazaars! Make sure to check out the Community Events board by Steph’s office for the many events happening.

Mental Health Presentation

There will be a mental health presentation at the NL-S Performing Arts Center on Monday, October 5th at 6:30 pm. Guest speakers include Samantha Ariza and Kaysha. Childcare will be provided. This presentation is sponsored by the Duck Cup Memorial. See the poster on the Community Events board for more information.

*Make sure to check out the bulletin board by the offices for more Community events!

THIS WEEK AT HOPE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

October 4th (Sunday) <i>World Communion Sunday</i>	8:50 a.m.	Handbells Practice
	9:15 a.m.	Fellowship Time
	10:00 a.m.	Worship w/ communion (Also on Facebook Live and Radio)
	11:15 a.m.	Mental Wellness Presentation for Adults
October 5th (Monday)	8:30 a.m.	Staff Meeting
	10:00 a.m.	Coffee & Conversation
	6:30 p.m.	Technology meeting
October 6th (Tuesday)	11 am – 2 pm	CARE Pantry item distribution
	12:00 p.m.	CARE Pantry lunch
	6:00 p.m.	Tuesday’s Table – Our Lady of the Lakes
	6:30 p.m.	HPW meeting – devotions: Jonelle Foreman
October 7th (Wednesday)	5:30 p.m.	Family Meal
	6:00 p.m.	Worship
	6:20 p.m.	WOW
	6:30 p.m.	TAG
	7:15 p.m.	Choir practice
October 8th (Thursday)	7:00 p.m.	Circle II – host: Velda Jones
October 9th (Friday)		
October 10th (Saturday)	8 a.m.–1 p.m.	Fall Harvest Festival
	7:00 p.m.	AA
October 11th (Sunday)	9:15 a.m.	Fellowship Time
	10:00 a.m.	Worship – handbells play (Also on Facebook Live and Radio)
	11:15 a.m.	Bible Study
	2 – 4 p.m.	Dee & Palmer Norling’s 25 th Anniv. Party

Presbytery Contacts

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PRAYER REQUESTS

*Denotes New

Members with Health Issues:

Robert Pinske, Sandy Wersal, Roger Steele, Kathy Taatjes, Velda Jones, Sharon Jones, Arlos Jones, Ruth Birkeland, Nancy Birkeland

Family and Friends with Health Issues:

Laurie Newton (lake neighbors of Jeff & Joni Lamphere)
Marie (sister of Amelie Dulas) Chet Wilberg (Kylie Taatjes’ husband)

Grieving:

Family of Andy Swanson, Family of Howard Patrick, Family of Jack Tatge, Family of Chuck Haupert (friend of Jo Holm), Family of Marge Nelson (friend of Jo Holm), Family of Dick Lindahl, Family of Mona (Beecroft) Tait, Family of David Sampsal (Conny Williamson’s brother), Family of Bill Titus

Care Facilities:

Roger Steele (Cura Therapy Suites – Willmar, Room #101)
Donald Shaw (Bethesda – Willmar, Room #445)
Arlos Jones (Glen Oaks Assisted Living – New London)
Hilda Grosklags (Glen Oaks apartments – New London)
Betty Harder (Bethesda North Pointe – New London)
David Carlson (Bethesda North Pointe – New London)
Dan Quale (Bethesda North Pointe – New London)
Mary Lou Swart (Bethesda North Pointe – New London)

Other Concerns:

For those dealing with mental health issues and who struggle with addiction
For those deeply wounded by domestic violence
For those grieving the death and injury of a loved one due to violence and war
For those affected by natural disasters, illnesses

****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.

October Deacons of the Month: Karen Bents & Lisa Thorson