

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

Offering/Offertory	“Emmanuel”	Adult Choir
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***Doxology** (Blue #592/Screen)

***Prayer of Dedication**

***Closing Hymn** “Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus” (Blue #2/Screen)

*Charge/Benediction	“Aaron’s Blessing”
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Postlude

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Notes:

Hope Presbyterian Church

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Website: hopechurchspicer.org

Sunday, November 30, 2025

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, which is 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

Welcome

Lighting of Advent Candle Charlie & Heather Carver

One: We light this candle as a symbol of the hope we have in the promise of the Lord's coming. For the Lord will fulfill his promise to the house of Israel and the house of Judah. A righteous branch will spring up for David; and he shall execute justice and righteousness in the land.

ALL: Come, Lord Jesus, Come.

Response "Advent Song" Verse 1 (Sing the Faith #2090/Screen)

*Call to Worship

One: The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will fulfill my promise to my people.

ALL: Justice and righteousness will fill the land, and all will live in peace and safety.

*Morning Prayer

One: God of glory, we know that you are coming at an unexpected hour. Come to us now, in spirit and truth. Take us up into your presence, and make us ready for your reign of peace; through Jesus Christ our savior.

ALL: Amen.

Hymn of Praise "Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates" (Blue #8/Screen)

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

ALL: Lord, have mercy on us. We are not ready for your coming. We live in sin, as though there were no justice. We live in fear, as though there were no grace. Forgive us, Lord. Show us your mercy and steadfast love. Lead us in

your truth, and teach us your paths, for you are the God of our salvation. 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 "Call to Advent" Adult Choir

Children's Sermon

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

Prayer for Illumination

One: O God of our people and Lord of every nation, let your Word ring out from the mountains and your Spirit shine forth in the earth, so that all may hear your teaching and all may do your will; through Jesus Christ, our peace.

ALL: Amen.

Responsive Reading: Psalm 122

1 I was glad when they said to me, 'Let us go to the house of the Lord!'

2 Our feet are standing within your gates, O Jerusalem.

3 Jerusalem—built as a city that is bound firmly together.

4 To it the tribes go up, the tribes of the Lord, as was decreed for Israel, to give thanks to the name of the Lord.

5 For there the thrones for judgement were set up, the thrones of the house of David.

6 Pray for the peace of Jerusalem: 'May they prosper who love you.

7 Peace be within your walls, and security within your towers.'

8 For the sake of my relatives and friends I will say, 'Peace be within you.'

9 For the sake of the house of the Lord our God, I will seek your good.

Gospel Reading: Matthew 24: 36-44

Sermon "Good News?" Rev. Dr. Brian Jones

Prayers for the People/The Lord's Prayer

*Sermon Hymn "O Lord, How Shall I Meet You?" (Blue #11/Screen)

HOSPITALITY SERVANTS

Coffee Servers

November 30th: Jody & Jerry Leason, Joni Lamphere
December 7th: Bob & Wendy Barr

Ushers

November 30th: Joni Lamphere, Eli Twernbold, Melissa Mangen, Robin Mulder
December 7th: TAG kids

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Lay Readers

November 30th: (Open)
December 7th: Isaac Taatjes, Blake Sampson

Acolytes

Eli Twernbold
(not needed)

Sound Operators: Pete Bratberg, Duane Taatjes, Daryl Taatjes, Wally Titus
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

****Please sign up on the sheets in the Fellowship Hall (by the library)
to usher or lay read. Thank You!****

FINANCE REPORT

	Month of Oct 2025	Year to Date Monthly Avg.	Year to Date Jan – Oct 2025	Prior Year to Date Jan – Oct 2024
Income	\$20,289.98	\$21,063.10	\$210,631.10	\$223,349.34
Expenses	\$22,672.19	\$22,923.61	\$229,236.11	\$233,254.90
Net Profit (Loss)	(\$2,382.21)		(\$18,605.10)	(\$9,905.56)
Income Needed to Cover Monthly Budgeted Expenses				\$26,748.96
Per Capita Assessment for 2025				\$7,500.00
Per Capita Paid by Members Through 10/31/2025				\$4,534.00

Report prepared by Kristene King, Treasurer

HOPE’S HAPPENINGS!

Christmas Open House at the Jones’

You are invited to Pastor Brian & Tyann’s Christmas Open House next Sunday,
December 7th from 3 – 5pm. Address: 306 Miller Street, Spicer Hope you can come!

Adult Bible Study

We will be taking the month of December off. Starting January 4th, we will be starting
a new Bible Study called *Making Sense of Scripture* by David J. Lose. If you would
like to participate in this Bible study, please sign up in the Fellowship Hall, so we can
purchase enough materials for everyone.

Christmas Photo Corners Now Available

Haven’t taken your Christmas card photo yet? You are in luck! We have 2 areas set
up for you to choose from to take a family Christmas photo.

CARE Pantry Challenge

December’s product of the month is.... Toilet paper. Please leave your donations
in the box by the mailboxes or on the table in front of the mailboxes. Thank you for
your continued support of the CARE Pantry!

2025 Per Capita If you have not paid your Per Capita for this year yet, now is the
time! It is \$46 per member.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer

The Barn Theatre is putting on “Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer”. See the poster
by the offices for show times.

Scandinavian Christmas Brunch

Saturday, December 6th at 9:30 am at the New London Evangelical Covenant Church
RSVP by Monday, December 1st to 320-354- 2446 or email office@nlcovchurch.org

Christmas Concert featuring our very own Maggie Harp!

Enjoy some music from the Porch Players on Sunday, Dec. 7th at 2:00 pm at Grace
Lutheran Church in Belgrade. All are welcome!

Sounds of the Season

Come listen to the Willmar Area Symphonic Orchestra perform “Sounds of the
Season” on Sunday, December 14th at 3:00 pm at the WEAC – Willmar. Cost: \$15

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

THIS WEEK AT HOPE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

November 30th (Sunday)	9:15 a.m.	Fellowship Time
	10:00 a.m.	Worship (Also on Facebook Live and Radio)
	11:15 a.m.	Christmas Program Lunch & Practice No Bible Study
December 1st (Monday)	10:00 a.m.	Coffee & Conversation
December 2nd (Tuesday)	8:30 a.m.	Staff Meeting
	11 am – 2 pm	CARE Pantry product distribution
	12:00 p.m.	CARE Pantry lunch
	6:00 p.m.	Tuesday’s Table – Our Lady of the Lakes
	6:30 p.m.	Presbytery Meeting via Zoom
December 3rd (Wednesday)	10:00 a.m.	Coffee & Conversation
	5:30 p.m.	Family Meal
	6:00 p.m.	Worship service
	6:20 p.m.	Christmas Program Practice
	7:15 p.m.	Choir Practice
December 4th (Thursday)		
December 5th (Friday)		
December 6th (Saturday)	7:00 p.m.	AA
December 7th (Sunday)	9:15 a.m.	Fellowship Time
	10:00 a.m.	Worship – Christmas Program (Also on Facebook Live and Radio)
		No Bible Study
	3 – 5 p.m.	Christmas Open House at Pastor Brian & Tyann’s house

October – November – December Devotionals – “These Days” devotionals are available on the information table by the mailboxes in the Fellowship Hall.

PRAYER REQUESTS

***Denotes New**

Members with Health Issues:
Don Knopps, Bob Sampson, Harold Foreman, Hilda Grosklags, Ruth Birkeland

Family and Friends with Health Issues:
Renaë Illies (Eldy Williams’ daughter)
Stephanie (Ed & Cat Anderson’s daughter)

Grieving:
Family of Sue Anderson (NLS teacher), Family of Gertrude (Rev. Mark Kopaka’s mom), Family of baby Eshenbom (Friends of Brian & Tyann), Family of Rev. Bill Yueill, Family of Marian Cramer (Rev. Leanne Thompson’s mom), Family of Dorothy Jones, Family of Carrie Lowden (Brooke’s friend)

Care Facilities:
Donald Shaw (Bethesda – Willmar, Room #445)
Barb Morris (Copperleaf - Willmar)
Jeanette Gault (Glen Oaks - New London)
Arlos Jones (Glen Oaks Assisted Living – New London)
Betty Harder (Bethesda North Pointe - New London)
David Carlson (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.

December Deacons of the Month: Gaylord Lind & Jackie Wahl