

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** "I Will Call Upon The Lord" (STF #2002/Screen)

***Call to Worship**

Lay Reader: Jeff Wersal

One: Let us offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God, through Jesus Christ our risen Lord.

ALL: Alleluia! Thanks be to God!

***Morning Prayer**

One: Almighty God, in Christ you have shown us the way, revealed to us your truth, and offered to us everlasting life. Keep our eyes upon him, so that we may see your path more clearly, know your truth more fully, and receive your life more abundantly; through Christ who dwells with you and the Holy Spirit in eternal glory.

ALL: Amen.

Hymn of Praise "From All That Dwell Below the Skies" (Blue #229/Screen)

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

ALL: Almighty God, your word offers freedom from sin, but we confess that we have not obeyed your word. We have harbored malice toward our enemies; we have been deceitful in our relationships; we have been insincere in our commitments; through gossip, we have slandered our friends. Forgive us our sins, and lead us to genuine repentance. Help your children long for your pure, spiritual milk, so that we may grow into the joy of salvation through Jesus Christ. 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

"Child of God"

Adult Choir

Featuring Brooklyn Johnson & Eli Twernbold

Children's Sermon

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

Prayer for Illumination

One: Lord, as we listen to your holy Word, open our hearts to the power of your Spirit, call us out of darkness, and lead us into your marvelous light.

ALL: Amen.

Responsive Reading: Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16

- 1 In you, O Lord, I seek refuge;
do not let me ever be put to shame;
in your righteousness deliver me.
- 2 **Incline your ear to me;
rescue me speedily.
Be a rock of refuge for me,
a strong fortress to save me.**
- 3 You are indeed my rock and my fortress;
for your name's sake lead me and guide me,
- 4 **take me out of the net that is hidden for me,
for you are my refuge.**
- 5 Into your hand I commit my spirit;
you have redeemed me, O Lord, faithful God.
- 15 **My times are in your hand;
deliver me from the hand of my enemies and persecutors.**
- 16 Let your face shine upon your servant;
save me in your steadfast love.

Gospel Reading: John 14: 1-14

Sermon "The Way, The Truth, The Life" Rev. Dr. Brian Jones

Pastoral Prayer

***Hymn of Preparation** "To God Be the Glory" (Blue #485/Screen)

HOSPITALITY SERVANTS

Coffee Servers

May 3rd: Pam Sigafoos & Nancy Birkeland

May 10th: Skyler & Kristene King

Ushers

May 3rd: Barry & Sarah Sampson Family

May 10th: Brooke, Savannah & George Appleby

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Lay Readers

May 3rd: Jeff Wersal

May 10th: Kathy Taatjes

Acolytes

(open)

Savannah & George Appleby

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

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

FINANCE REPORT

	Month of March 2026	Year to Date Monthly Avg.	Year to Date March 2026	Prior Year to Date March 2025
Income	\$23,731.27	\$20,615.20	\$61,845.59	\$65,426.89
Expenses	\$26,356.83	\$24,673.22	\$74,019.66	\$72,057.00
Net Profit (Loss)	(\$2,625.56)		(\$12,174.07)	(\$6,630.11)
Income Needed to Cover Monthly Budgeted Expenses				\$27,674.40
Per Capita Assessment for 2026				\$7,144.00
Per Capita Paid by Members Through 3/31/2026				\$2,468.00

2026 Per Capita is \$47 per member.

Report prepared by Kristene King, Treasurer

Special offering envelopes are now located on the table in the Narthex rather than in the pews. See an usher if you need help finding them.

HOPE'S HAPPENINGS!

CARE Pantry Challenge: May's products of the month are for the birthday kits!

These items include: a disposable 9x13 pan with cover, cake mix, frosting, plates, napkins, tablecloth, balloons, candles, a can of pop (any flavor), and a medium size birthday bag. Please leave your donations on the table by the mailboxes or in the CARE Pantry box by the mailboxes. Thank you for your continued support!

Blessing Box is open!

Now that the weather is starting to warm up, the Blessing Box is open again for those in the community needing help feeding their families. We are looking for non-expired, non-perishable food that we can put in there. Please put your donations in the tote by the mailboxes marked "Blessing Box Items". Thank you!

Graduation Parties

Isaac Taatjes – Sunday, May 24th from 4-7pm at 10460 North Shore Drive – Spicer
Blake Sampson – Saturday, May 30th from 12-3pm at the River of Hope Youth Center
Grace Gau – Saturday, May 30th from 2-5pm at 4801 Hwy 9 NE – New London

COMMUNITY EVENTS

OWL Camp at Faith Lutheran Church

Calling all Older Wiser Learners! OWL Camp is returning this year – May 4th through May 6th from 8:15 – 11:30 am. Please see the poster on the bulletin board by the offices for more information and how to register.

Young Artist Concert

The Willmar Area Symphonic Orchestra is having a Young Artist Concert on Sunday, May 10th at 3:00 pm at the WEAC in Willmar. Cost: \$15 per adult, tickets available at the door.

Mental Health & Substance Use Seminar

The Atwater Area Help for Seniors group invites you to attend a seminar on 5 critical mental health and substance use issues affecting the aging population. It will be presented by Dy. Ashly Kjos, psychologist at Woodland Centers, on Wednesday, May 13th at 10:00 am at the Atwater Community Center. All are welcome!

New Wine performance of "Children of Eden"

You are invited to see a performance put on by the New Wine musical group entitled "Children of Eden". The performance is Saturday, June 6th at 6:30 pm at Peace Lutheran Church in New London. Tickets are a free-will donation. Come cheer on Jerry & Karen Bents' grandkids, Ashlyn & Jeremiah, in this performance!

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

THIS WEEK AT HOPE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

May 3 rd (Sunday)	9:15 a.m. 10:00 a.m.	Fellowship Time Worship (Also on Facebook Live and Radio) – With Communion
May 4 th (Monday)	8:30 a.m. 10:00 a.m.	Staff meeting Coffee & Conversation
May 5 th (Tuesday)	11 am – 2 pm 12:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m.	CARE Pantry Item Distribution CARE Pantry Lunch Tuesday's Table – Peace Lutheran
May 6 th (Wednesday)	5:30 p.m. 6:00 p.m. 7:15 p.m.	Congregational Grill out/Potluck Fun Activities for All Ages! Choir Practice
May 7 th (Thursday)	7:00 p.m.	Circle II – Leader: Jonelle Foreman
May 8 th (Friday)		
May 9 th (Saturday)	8 am – 12 pm 7:00 p.m.	Spring Clean-up AA
May 10 th (Sunday) Mother's Day	9:00 a.m. 9:15 a.m. 10:00 a.m.	Belize Mission Trip meeting Fellowship Time Worship (Also on Facebook Live and Radio)

April – May – June “These Days” Devotionals

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

PRAYER REQUESTS

***Denotes New**

Members with Health Issues:

Ardis Just, Dick Lindahl, Velda Jones, Wayne Thompson, Ceila Evenson, Arlos Jones, Elroy Jones

Family and Friends with Health Issues:

Scott & Alana (Friends of Brian & Tyann)
Bev Gunther (Dick Lindahl's sister)

Grieving:

Family of Sandy (Madsen) Roisum
Family of Dan (Kyle Salvatora's uncle)

Care Facilities:

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.

May Deacons of the Month: Sherry Bratsch & Jason Windingstad