

Sermon	“Speaking With Authority”	Rev. Dr. Brian Jones
Prayers for the People/The Lord’s Prayer		
*Sermon Hymn	“Take Thou Our Minds, Dear Lord”	(Blue #392/Screen)
*Affirmation of Faith/The Apostles’ Creed		
Offering/Offertory	“What A Day That Will Be”	Troy & Cathy Gehrke
*Doxology		(Blue #592/Screen)
*Prayer of Dedication		
*Closing Hymn	“Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken”	(Blue #446/Screen)
*Charge/Benediction	“Aaron’s Blessing”	
Postlude	“He Went To The Cross Loving You”	Troy & Cathy Gehrke

Notes:

Hope Presbyterian Church

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Sunday, September 27, 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, 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 "What A Debt He Paid for Me" Troy & Cathy Gehrke

Welcome

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

***Call to Worship** **Lay Reader:** Heather Carver

One: Praise the Lord who is our provider.

ALL: The Lord is our hope. Our trust is in God.

One: God brought us out of bondage and has made us free.

ALL: The Lord is our hope. Our trust is in God.

One: Glorious are the deeds of our God, and mighty are His acts.

ALL: The Lord is our hope. Our trust is in God.

***Morning Prayer**

One: Gracious God, we thank you for being ever present with us. We know that we are never alone. Your mercies have been faithful and rich. Pour out your Spirit upon us, so that we might do the work of your will. In the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

ALL: Amen.

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

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

ALL: Almighty God, we have been wandering in the wilderness of sin. We have complained in the face of your mercy. We have been selfish and conceited in the face of your sacrifice. We have not done your will. Teach us humility. Teach us gratitude. Infuse your spirit into our beings so that we might be reconciled to you. In Jesus' name we pray. 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 "On My Father's Side" Troy & Cathy Gehrke

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

Prayer for Illumination

One: O God, fill us with your Spirit and humble our hearts so that we can hear your Word.

ALL: Amen.

Responsive Reading: Psalm 78: 1-4, 12-16

¹ Give ear, O my people, to my teaching;
incline your ears to the words of my mouth.

² **I will open my mouth in a parable;
I will utter dark sayings from of old,**

³ things that we have heard and known,
that our ancestors have told us.

⁴ **We will not hide them from their children; we will tell to the coming
generation the glorious deeds of the Lord, and his might, and the
wonders that he has done.**

¹² In the sight of their ancestors he worked marvels
in the land of Egypt, in the fields of Zoan.

¹³ **He divided the sea and let them pass through it,
and made the waters stand like a heap.**

¹⁴ In the daytime he led them with a cloud,
and all night long with a fiery light.

¹⁵ **He split rocks open in the wilderness,
and gave them drink abundantly as from the deep.**

¹⁶ He made streams come out of the rock,
and caused waters to flow down like rivers.

Epistle Reading: Philippians 2: 1-13

Gospel Reading: Matthew 21: 23-32

HOSPITALITY SERVANTS

Coffee Servers

September 27th: Pam Sigafoos, Nancy Birkeland

October 4th: Tyann & Brian Jones

Ushers

September 27th: Pam Sigafoos, Lisa Thorson, Bill & Dee Schurman

October 4th: (Open)

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Lay Readers

September 27th: Heather Carver

October 4th: (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	\$ 23,741.55	\$ 21,659.65	\$ 173,277.23	\$ 174,556.01
Received				
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.

Fall Clean-up

We will be doing our fall clean-up this coming Saturday, October 3rd from 8:00 am to 12:00 pm. Many hands will make light work. Treats will be provided!

Mental Wellness Presentation

Ashley Kjos from Woodland Centers will be giving a mental wellness presentation on Sunday, October 4th right after church. A meal will also be served. Please sign-up if you are interested in attending, so we know how many to make food for. Thank you!

Adult Bible Study

Our Adult Bible study class will be starting on 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

September 27th (Sunday)	8:50 a.m.	Handbells Practice
	9:15 a.m.	Fellowship Time
	10:00 a.m.	Worship (Also on Facebook Live and Radio)
	11:00 a.m.	Belize mission trip meeting
	2:00-4:00 p.m.	Sundaes on Sunday open house
September 28th (Monday)	10:00 a.m.	Coffee & Conversation
	6:30 p.m.	Session meeting
September 29th (Tuesday)	6:00 p.m.	Tuesday's Table – Crossroads
September 30th (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 1st (Thursday)		
October 2nd (Friday)		
October 3rd (Saturday)	8 am – 12 pm	Fall Clean-up at the church/ Property meeting
	7:00 p.m.	AA
October 4th (Sunday)	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

Presbytery Contacts

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Presbytery Phone: 320.235.7910 (leave a message and the appropriate person will return your call.)

PRAYER REQUESTS

*Denotes New

Members with Health Issues:

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

Family and Friends with Health Issues:

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 Hauptert (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:

Ruth Birkeland (Bethesda Therapy Suites – Willmar, Room #506)

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.

September Deacons of the Month: Bob & Carol Sampson