

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

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Sharing of Joys & Concerns

Prayers for the People

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

Offering/Offertory: "Ancient Words" (10:00 am) Adult Choir

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

***Prayer of Dedication**

***Closing Hymn:** "My Life Is in You, Lord" (Sing the Faith #2032/Screen)

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

Postlude Maggie Harp

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Sunday, July 16, 2023

8:30 a.m. Worship (Hopewood Chapel)

9:15 a.m. Coffee in Fellowship Hall

10:00 a.m. Worship (Sanctuary)

(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: 8:30 am Susan Johnson** **10:00 am Kathy Taatjes**

***Call to Worship**

One: God's creation delights and astonishes.

ALL: Let the people pause and wonder!

One: God, the Creator, has made it all.

ALL: Let all creation shout and sing! Alleluia!

***Opening Prayer**

One: Author of Life, Living Word, Holy Breath, we have stumbled through the week and groped our way back to this place. Illumine the steps before us and write your word on our hearts, for we carry the name of Jesus and would walk in the light of His love.

ALL: Amen.

***Hymn of Praise:** "Shine, Jesus, Shine" (Sing the Faith #2173/Screen)

Prayer of Confession

ALL: Patient and persistent God, we come, polished and presentable, to this comfortable room as if we knew what to expect, as if this were a safe and predictable place, as if we could simply observe. Holy One, forgive our tepid expectations. In the mystery of your love, overshadow us. Plant the seeds of your gospel in each of our hearts until we bloom and spill with your passion to serve in a world that is wasting. Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness

***Gloria Patri**

(Blue #577/Screen)

Glory be to the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen.

***Passing of the Peace** (Please share a sign of Christ's peace with one another)

Announcements

Special Music: 8:30 am Hymn Sing

10:00 am "What Does the Lord Require of Me"

Adult Choir

Children's Sermon

Response: "Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying"

Lord, listen to your children praying, Lord, send your Spirit in this place; Lord, listen to your children praying, send us love, send us power, send us grace. (Repeat)

Prayer for Illumination:

One: God of life, by the power of your Spirit come to us now. Plow our hearts with your living Word until we who are broken become fertile with your love, for we long to bear fruit in a world that is wasting. We pray in the name of Jesus, whose charge we bear.

All: Amen.

Responsive Reading: Psalm 119:105-112

Epistle Reading: Romans 8:1-11

Gospel Reading: Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23

Sermon: "We Can't Know, And It's OK."

Rev. Dr. Brian Jones

***Sermon Hymn:** "Thy Word" (Verses 1 & 2)

CCLI Song #14301

Chorus:

Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet, And a light unto my path

Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet, And a light unto my path

Vs 1 When I feel afraid, And I think I've lost my way, Still You're there right beside me
Nothing will I fear, As long as You are near, Please be near me to the end

Vs 2 I will not forget, Your love for me and yet, My heart forever is wandering
Jesus be my guide, And hold me to Your side, I will love You to the end

HOSPITALITY SERVANTS

Coffee Servers

July 16: Jackie Wahl & Gaylord Lind

July 23: Melissa & Lyle Mangen

Ushers

July 16: 8:30 am Bob & Wendy Barr

10:00 am Wally & Amanda Titus Family

July 23: 8:30 am Open

10:00 am Open

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

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Lay Readers

July 16: 8:30 am Susan Johnson 10:00 am Kathy Taatjes

July 23: 8:30 am Open 10:00 am 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

COMMUNITY EVENTS

August 13th 3:30 pm-7:00 pm Nordland's Third Annual Barbecue Blues Bash

Please join us for Nordland's Barbecue Bash! Music by Ava Hanson & West Addison Blues Band. Bring a lawn chair and a free will donation. Nordland Lutheran Church, 18510 180th Ave. NE, rural Paynesville.

HOPE HAPPENINGS!

CARE Pantry Challenge

We will be collecting school supplies for "Stuff the Bus" for the month of July. Place your donations on the table by the mailboxes. Thanks!

Last Family Fun Festival- Wednesday, August 9th

You are invited to our last Family Fun Festival at the Youth Center 6:00 -8:00 p.m. on August 9th! The overall theme is Adventure Island and the featured Bible story for August 9th will be "The Lost Parables". Please RSVP by calling the church (796-2650) or emailing chred.hopepc@outlook.com. The events are free, which includes supper, music and lots of fun!

Next Saturday, July 22nd WaterDays Parade in New London

We need riders on our float and people to walk! If you have any questions, or be willing to participate in any way, please contact Stephanie at 320-220-1504. If you would be available to decorate, please be at Steph's place at 9:00 am that morning. Riders should be there at 9:45 am. (106 5th Ave. SE, New London)

Blessing Box

Please contribute any non-perishable food items, Bibles or Children's Bible story books in the Blessing Box by the "Christian Education Entrance" sign. If the box is full, please place your items in the tote under the mailboxes in the Fellowship Hall.

FINANCE REPORT

	June	Year to Date 06/30/2023	Year to Date Monthly Average
Income	\$18,724.06	\$121,100.24	\$20,183.37
Expenses	\$21,724.33	\$148,455.01	\$24,742.50
Net (Loss)	(\$3,000.27)	(\$27,354.77)	
Income Needed to Cover Monthly Budgeted Expenses \$24,895.98			
Per Capita Assessment for 2023 \$8,494.08			
Per Capita Paid by Members Through 6/30/2023 \$2,756.18			

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

THIS WEEK AT HOPE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

July 16 (Sunday)	8:30 a.m. Hopewood Chapel Worship 9:15 a.m. Coffee & Fellowship 10:00 a.m. Worship (Also Facebook Live and Radio)
July 17 (Monday)	Karen Out of Office 5:45 p.m. **No Deacon's Meeting** 6:30 p.m. Technology Meeting
July 18 (Tuesday)	12:00 p.m. CARE Pantry Devotion, Lunch & Distribution 6:30 p.m. Tuesday's Table at Faith Church, Spicer
July 19 (Wednesday)	
July 20 (Thursday)	
July 21 (Friday)	Office Closed
July 22 (Saturday)	7:00 p.m. AA
July 23 (Sunday)	8:30 a.m. Hopewood Chapel Worship 9:15 a.m. Coffee & Fellowship 10:00 a.m. Worship (Also Facebook Live and Radio) 2:00 p.m. GlenOaks Worship **Note change in time** 5:05 p.m. Stingers Game

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

Members with Health Concerns:

Larry Bratsch, Greg Mulder, Conny Williamson, Darlene Thompson, Bob Sietsema, Bob Hinderks, Dick Lindahl

Family and Friends with Health Concerns:

Jenna (Joni Lamphere's daughter)
Johnie Lee Larson (Virginia McKean's great grandson)
Pastor Jeff DeYoe

Grieving:

Family of Jill Ellingson Hegstrom (Julie Ehrlich's cousin), Family of Ed Johnston, Family of Ronald Thompson (Liz Windingstad's Dad), Family of Jerry Hunter (Friend of Pastor Brian & Tyann), Family of Ken West, Family of Audrey Dean

Care Facilities:

Kathy Jansen (Bethesda North Pointe), David Carlson (Bethesda North Pointe), Jeanette Gault (GlenOaks), Betty Harder (Bethesda North Pointe), Arlos Jones (GlenOaks Apts.), Bob Sietsema (GlenOaks), 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 those living in Ukraine & Russia

July Deacons of the Month: Kathy Terpstra & Eileen Helmstetter