

The Lord's Prayer (Sung)

Communion of the People (Bread is gluten-free)

Litany of Gratitude and Celebration (see insert)

Offering/Offertory: "In His Time"
(Women Birthday Offering/Deacon's Offering)

Adult Choir

***Doxology**

(Blue #592/Screen)

***Prayer of Dedication**

***Closing Hymn:** "Beneath the Cross of Jesus"

(Blue #92/Screen)

***Charge/Benediction:** "Aaron's Blessing"

Rev. Dr. Brian Jones/Cong. echo

Postlude

Maggie

Hope Presbyterian Church

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Sunday, March 5, 2023

9:15 a.m. Coffee in Fellowship Hall
10:00 a.m. Worship - Communion
(On Facebook Live & KGLH 96.9 FM Radio)

Celebrate the Gifts of Women Sunday



- 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: Jonelle Foreman

***Call to Worship**

One: As God set Abram and Sarai on a journey, God calls us to follow in trust.

ALL: God is able to make us more than we have been and blesses us on the way.

One: As Jesus invited Nicodemus to be born again, Christ invites us to become a new creation.

ALL: Christ calls us out of darkness into his marvelous light, and we are saved through him.

***Opening Prayer**

One: God our helper, our shade, our protector, you are able to give life to the dead, to call into being things that do not exist. We trust in your power to make all things new; to keep us in sunlight and moonlight, along rocky paths and pathways unknown; until all our going and coming brings us at last to your kingdom, promised in Christ, in whose name we pray.

ALL: Amen.

***Hymn of Praise:** "Lord, I Lift Your Name on High" (Sing the Faith #2088/Screen)

Prayer of Confession

ALL: Gracious God, we come before you in need of forgiveness and grace. You call us to trust in you completely, but we do not. We are timid and fearful as we follow your lead. We justify our actions and words, though we know they are not what you require. We struggle to understand the new life Christ offers, preferring old habits to risky change. Forgive us, we pray. Help us to be born again into the life of Christ, trusting that you have included us by grace in the family of faith. In Christ's name, we pray. Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness

***Gloria Patri**

(Blue #577/Screen)

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

Announcements

Special Music: "What Wondrous Love is This"

Adult Choir

Children's Sermon

Response: "Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying"

(STF #2193/Screen)

Prayer for Illumination:

One: God of signs and wonders, we come to your word again and again, seeking understanding and the new life it offers. By the power of your Holy Spirit, illumine our hearts and minds so that we may believe this testimony and have eternal life. In the name of Jesus Christ, our teacher and Savior, we pray.

All: Amen.

Responsive Reading: Psalm 121

Epistle Reading: Romans 4:1-5, 13-17

Gospel Reading: John 3:1-17

Sermon: "Blessed"

Rev. Dr. Brian Jones

Pastoral Prayer

***Hymn of Preparation:** "Let Us Break Bread Together"

(Blue #513/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: It is truly right...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: You are holy, O God of majesty,...Great is the mystery of faith:

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

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

HOSPITALITY SERVANTS

Coffee Servers

March 5: Jill & Grace Gau

March 12: Melissa & Lyle Mangen

Ushers

March 5: Sue Block, Sandy Wersal, Karen Hagemeyer, Lisa Thorson

March 12: Karen Hagemeyer, (need 3 more)

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

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Lay Readers

March 5: Jonelle Foreman

March 12: Sue Block

Communion Servers March 5:

Steve Barney, Allie Johnson, Kristine Foreman, Dee Schurman & Liz Windingstad

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

FINANCE REPORT

	January	Year to Date 01/31/2023	Year to Date Monthly
Average Income	\$21,795.41	\$21,795.41	\$21,795.41
Expenses	\$25,581.25	\$25,581.25	\$25,581.25
Net Profit (Loss)	(\$3,726.44)	(\$3,726.44)	
Income Needed to Cover Monthly Budgeted Expenses			\$24,895.98
Per Capita Assessment for 2023			\$8,494.08
Per Capita Paid by Members Through 1/31/2023			\$738.00

HOPE HAPPENINGS!

CARE Pantry Challenge

March is...MN Food Share Month for The Link. Please leave your food donations on the table by the church mailboxes. Cash donations are much appreciated also as each dollar donated can stretch ten times! Please place your cash donation in the offering plates, clearly marked for The Link. Any extra help is extremely appreciated.

Earthquake Disaster Assistance Contribution

If you would like to contribute to relief efforts for the people suffering in Syria and Turkey following the devastating earthquakes, you may do so through the Presbyterian Disaster Relief. You can do this online, or you can mail a check to: Presbyterian Church (USA) PO Box 64370 Pittsburgh, PA 15264-3700

**Please include in the memo line – DR999999-ST Earthquake

HPW Craft Night – Tuesday at 6:30 p.m.

Please come on Tuesday evening at 6:30 p.m. to continue making wine glass coasters to sell at the Fall Harvest Festival in October.

Soup & Bread Supper – Wednesday at 5:45 p.m.

Please sign up on the list in the Fellowship Hall to donate soup for the Wednesday night Soup & Bread supper. We need a total of 8 crockpots. Thanks!!

(Group 2 will oversee the kitchen duties this week)

Birthday Offering

Since 1922, Presbyterian women have facilitated a long succession of new, often innovative mission projects through the annual Birthday Offering. Women are encouraged to give as they have been blessed, generously and as lead by the Holy Spirit. Yellow birthday offering envelopes are in the pews.

Thank You!

Thank you all for your love and support during Jerry's illness and passing! Thank you for the prayers, visits, calls and food and also to the kitchen group that served lunch at the funeral ~~~ Love, Betty and family

(Betty Harder has now moved to Bethesda North Pointe, New London - Room 310)

****Volunteers needed to knit prayer shawls!**

The Deacons are looking for people who would like to knit prayer shawls! Our dedicated knitter, Darlene Thompson, is retiring from her services, so we need someone to continue this important job. Please connect with Deb Steele and you can also visit with Darlene to receive instructions on making them, etc.

THIS WEEK AT HOPE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

March 5 (Sunday)	9:15 a.m. Coffee & Fellowship 10:00 a.m. Worship (Also Facebook Live and Radio) Communion – “Celebrate the Gifts of Women” Sunday 11:00 a.m. Confirmation Class 11:00 a.m. Adult Bible Study (Fireside Room)
March 6 (Monday)	8:30 a.m. Staff Meeting 6:30 p.m. Session
March 7 (Tuesday)	12:00 p.m. CARE Pantry 6:00 p.m. Tuesday’s Table at Our Lady of the Lakes Church 6:30 p.m. Craft Night
March 8 (Wednesday)	5:45 p.m. Soup & Bread Supper (Group 2 in kitchen) 6:15 p.m. WOW, Pre-Confirmation, TAG 6:15 p.m. Lenten Worship Service 7:00 p.m. Choir
March 9 (Thursday)	
March 10 (Friday)	Office Closed
March 11 (Saturday)	8:00 – 10:00 a.m. Christian Education & Families Committee Retreat at the ROHYC 7:00 p.m. AA
March 12 (Sunday)	9:15 a.m. Coffee & Fellowship 10:00 a.m. Worship (Also Facebook Live and Radio) 11:00 a.m. Confirmation Class 11:00 a.m. Adult Bible Study (Fireside Room)

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

****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

***Indicates new**

Members with Health Concerns:

Bob Sampson, Bob Hinderks, Dick Lindahl, Sandy Ardoff, Judy Heath

Family and Friends with Health Concerns:

Kim (Friend of Sherry Bratsch) Joanna Hanson (Helmstetter’s niece)
Sandy Aalderks Ross Antonson (Deb Steele’s brother)

Grieving:

Family of Ashley Beard (Celia Evenson’s granddaughter), Family of Ralph Jansen,
Family of Jerry Harder, Family of Julie Evans (Joanne Ryks’ Daughter)

Care Facilities:

Gary Anfinson (Bethesda-Willmar), David Carlson (Bethesda North Pointe), Jeanette Gault (GlenOaks), Betty Harder (Bethesda North Pointe), Bob Sietsema (Bethesda North Pointe), 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 elsewhere

March Deacons of the Month: Joni Lamphere & Greg Swenson

Litany of Gratitude and Celebration

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One: For women of all ages who serve God and neighbor in committees and on boards, as members, elders and deacons, as mid-council leaders and beyond. For young women, tweens and teens who serve in manifold ways and for the advisors who mentor, listen and hold space for their growth in wisdom and grace. For nominating committees that recognize potential and promise, hearing the voice of the Holy Spirit in all voices, regardless of age.

ALL: We celebrate and give thanks to God!

One: For women who work toward a more just world, one free of biases, discrimination, food insecurity and poverty.
For women entrepreneurs, homemakers, students and volunteers who partner and lead, who sit on decision-making boards, who head micro-enterprises, small businesses, nonprofits, corporations, churches and ecclesiastical bodies.

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For those who work in refugee camps and border ministries.
For those who work in helplines and call centers, who provide healthcare and counseling, pastoral care and accompaniment to women and families.
For those who offer welcome, affirmation, safety, and care.

ALL: We give thanks to God for your service and love in action!

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