

2022



HOPE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Hope Scope

*His lightnings light up the world;
the earth sees and trembles.
The mountains melt like wax before the LORD,
before the Lord of all the earth. Psalm 97:4-5 (NRSV)*

This part of Psalm 97 looks something like a weather report. Lightning and heat seem to be preceding the Lord. Scientists tell us that we should probably get more accustomed to lightning and heat because as our climate changes, a warmer, stormier future is probably in store.

But the weather here is set to become a little cooler. I write this as the end of August nears, so what we call meteorological summer is coming to a close. And there are nice things about the fall, but it means an end to outdoor worship, and it means we will miss the friends who are with us only in the summer.

One interesting thing I have noticed about worship attendance here is that there is a seasonal ebb and flow. I think with lots of churches, attendance dips in the summer as people travel to other places. But here, we also have the addition of people who are with us only in the summer.

If your attendance has been ebbing more than flowing lately, I invite you to return. We will have communion and our last outdoor service of the year on September 4. On September 11, we will have Rally Day for our Christian education programs, as well as a celebration of 50 years of worship for Hope Presbyterian Church.

If you have not been here much lately, know that we have missed you, and know also that this is a great time to come back!

Blessings,

Brian Jones#



At its August 1st meeting, the Session approved the following:

- * Rev. Dr. Jones taking vacation October 2-8, 2022;
- * moving the October Session meeting to October 10, 2022;
- * the creation of an Outreach Committee;
- * having prayer requests written on cards prior to worship to eliminate dead air for online worship;
- * exploring having monthly TAG activities with another area church;
- * the bid of Carlson Construction to remodel the bathrooms by the Fellowship Hall; to move forward with a fund-raising campaign and to apply for a grant through the First Presbyterian Church of Madelia; and
- * locking the north exit following the 8:30 a.m. worship service for security purposes.

Communion servers on September 4 at 8:30 a.m. Greg Mulder and at 10:00 a.m. Steve Barney, Nancy Birkeland, Deb Ficek and Jody Leason.

FINANCE REPORT

	Year to Date 7/31/2022	Year to Date Monthly Average
Income	\$144,477.83	\$20,638.69
Expenses	\$168,562.89	\$24,080.41
Net (Loss)	(\$24,085.06)	
Income Needed to Cover Monthly Budgeted Expenses		\$25,277.35
Per Capita Assessment for 2022		\$8,256.00
Per Capita Paid by Members Through 6/30/2022		\$3,649.00

Jerry Bents, Treasurer

Mark Your Calendars!

Celebration! Sunday, September 11th
Come help us celebrate 50 years of worshiping together
at Hope Church!



10:00 am Worship & Program

12:00 pm Picnic Lunch

**12:30 pm Games, Root Beer Floats, Blue
Grass Music**



September 11th is also Rally Day!!



**We will be returning to Christian Education Classes on
Wednesday, September 14th.**

W.O.W. Word on Wednesday

Pre-confirmation class / Confirmation

T.A.G. Teens And God



You are invited to Wednesday Classes
 where we will
TACO 'BOUT JESUS AND EXPLORE OUR FAITH!
Rally Day is September 11, 2022

There will be a meal, music, and games after church. We are also celebrating our 50th Anniversary of our church that same day!

We will commission the Christian Education Leaders that day during the 10:00 worship and also give Eli his 2nd grade Bible.

Wednesday night classes start **on September 14, 2022**



First Family Meal will be on Sept. 14 at 5:30!

Menu: TACOS of course!!

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| W.O.W.
(Preschool – Grade 6) | 6:15 Start in the Sanctuary with Opening Exercises with Maggie and Tyann |
| Pre-confirmation
(Grades 7-8) | 6:15 Meet in the classroom |
| Confirmation
(Grade 9) | 6:15 Regular meeting time will be determined by Confirmation families and Pastor Brian |
| T. A. G.
(Grades 9-12) | 6:30 If this time does not work for all, it can be changed. |

HOPE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, SPICER, MN

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**Christian Education Leaders
2022-2023**

Preschool-Second Grade

Wally Titus, Alisa Taatjes

Third Grade-Sixth Grade

Joni Lamphere, Sarah Sampson

Substitute: Jeff Lamphere

Seventh-Eighth Grade

Jonelle Foreman

Confirmation-9th Grade

Rev. Brian Jones

T.A.G.

Ninth Grade-Twelfth Grade

Sherry and Larry Bratsch

Volunteers Needed

Adult Bible Study

Deb Steele, Greg Mulder

Volunteers Needed

Opening Exercises

Tyann Jones

Music

Maggie Harp

Substitutes

Mary O'Malley

Tyann Jones & Deb Ficek

Wednesday Night Family

Meal Committee

Carol Sampson, Robin Mulder,

Dee Schurman, Pam Sigafoos

**Christian Education Youth &
Families Committee**

Allie Johnson, Deb Ficek,

Tyann Jones, Stephanie Bents,

Jonelle Foreman, Joni Lamphere,

Alisa Taatjes, Pam Sigafoos,

Melissa Mangen, Amanda Titus,

& Maggie Harp

Thank You

**for sharing your gifts with
our church family!**

**Please pray for our Christian
Education Leaders as they carry out
this important ministry.**

**There are a few openings yet to be
filled. Please consider serving
in this way.**



Eli Twernbold gets his 2nd Grade Bible!



Respectfully submitted by

Tyann Jones

Family Fun Festival
Parable of the
Mustard Seed
August 17th





Redoing the Prayer Garden after storm damage



Stingers Baseball Game July 31st

Lay Readers:

September 4th:

8:30 am Open

10:00 am Open

September 11th: Sue Block

**September 18th: Kathryn
Frazee**

September 25th: Open

SEPTEMBER CARE PANTRY DONATION CHALLENGE!

**Paper Towels
and
Facial Tissue**



Tuesday's Table meals return September 6th

The Link is set to restart its Tuesday's Table free community meal event. The first Tuesday's Table takes place on September 6th at Our Lady of The Lakes Church from 6-6:30 p.m. The Evangelical Covenant Church in New London hosts the second Tuesday of the month; Faith Lutheran Church hosts the third Tuesday of the month; and Peace Lutheran hosts the fourth Tuesday of the month. The free meal is for everyone in the New London-Spicer area.

CLEARWATER FOREST WORK WEEKEND

SEPTEMBER 16th, 17th & 18th

**Please sign up on the sheet in the
Fellowship Hall by the library!**

**Any questions? Contact Harold
Foreman, Pete Bratberg or
Duane Taatjes**

Coffee Servers



September 4th: Wendy & Bob Barr

September 11th: Sarah & Barry Sampson

September 18th: Jackie Wahl & Gaylord Lind

September 26th: Melissa & Lyle Mangan

**Members with Health Concerns:**

Darlene Thompson, Karen Bents, Maxine Quale

Family and Friends with Health Concerns:

Friend of Eileen Helmstetter	Anka Oman
Bill Titus	Ross Antonson (Deb Steele's brother)
Bev (Sherry Bratsch's Aunt)	Linda Everson (Gwen Anfinson's sister)

Joys:

Charlotte DeLong: Birth of great grandson

Grieving:

Family of Ryan Nygaard, Family of Harley Johnson, Family of Woody Williams, Family of Julie (Jesse Appleby's Mom), Family of Barb Roguske

Care Facilities:

Gary Anfinson (Bethesda), David Carlson (Bethesda North Pointe), Jeanette Gault (GlenOaks), Ed Johnston (GlenOaks Apts.), Bob Sietsema (Bethesda North Pointe), Barb Morris (Copperleaf - Willmar), Mary Lou Swart (PCU's at Glen Oaks), Maxine Quale (Willmar)

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, COVID-19 pandemic

For those serving in the military in Ukraine and elsewhere

September Deacons of the Month: Robin Mulder & Deb Steele

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2022

Office Hours

8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

*** Monday thru Thursday**

8:30 A.M. Outdoor Worship

(in Chapel/Gazebo) 9/4 only

9:15 A..M. Coffee

10:00 A.M. Worship (in Sanctuary)

Also Facebook Live & on Radio

Also on TV - Channel 18 or Channel 181:

Sundays 2:30 pm

Tuesdays 11:30 am & 8:30 pm and

Thursdays 8:00 am & 5:00 pm