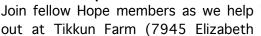
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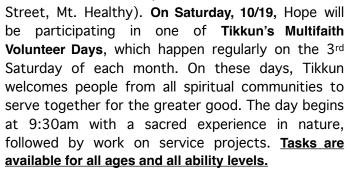
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October 2024

VOLUNTEER AT TIKKUN FARM

Saturday, October. 19 9:30 a.m. – 12 p.m.





A signup sheet will be available in the narthex/lobby soon. For more information on this special volunteer day with Hope, contact Debbie Schrader dkschrader11@gmail.com. For more information on Tikkun Farm and their volunteer opportunities, visit tikkunfarm.com/volunteer-days/

Pastor Christie

ALL SAINTS SUNDAY

November 3rd

All Saints Sunday is when we remember and give thanks for loved ones who have died in the past year. We remember them with open hearts, their lives and their love. On All Saint's Sunday it is Hope's custom to light a candle in memory of each



loved one who has entered life since the last All Saints' Sunday of November 5, 2023 to current the Sunday of November 3, 2024. Please fill out an All Saints form found on lobby counter which is due on Sunday, October 27th. If you would like to share of picture on

the screen when we call each name, please send the name and your favorite picture electronically to audio@hopeonrock.org or jivins1@mac.com or loan us a picture by Sunday, October 27, 2024 for us to scan and return to you. **See Ruth Oehler** with any questions. Also, call Ruth at 513-741-9610 or email me at ruth21468@gmail.com

Ruth Oehler, Altar Guild

WE ARE SENT - ALL-CHURCH EVENT

Sunday, September 29 10 a.m. – 12 p.m.

This special day will begin at 10 FOR ALL SEASONS a.m. with worship and a pitch-in brunch in the fellowship hall. Following worship, we will have an information fair with updates on all of Hope's ministries and ways to get involved. The day will feature fun activities for all ages, and a wonderful time of fellowship! It will be a culmination of the "Learn More about Hope" series, and the kickoff for Hope's "Stewardship for All Seasons" Fall Campaign. We hope to have some special guests with us, and there will also be an opportunity to have a new church directory photo taken.

Sign up to bring a brunch item! Signup sheet will be in Hope's lobby/narthex soon, or you can contact Karen Schweinfest kschweinfest@gmail.com to let her know what you would like to bring.

NEW MEMBER SUNDAY

October 13

On Sunday, October 13, during worship, we will affirm new members joining Hope Lutheran Church, and



we will baptize our littlest new member (McKenna Freland)! If you would like to join the church on October 13, please contact Pastor Christie if you haven't already.

All are invited to celebrate with our new members after worship at a cupcake and ice cream reception. **Pastor Christie**



Wear RED for Reformation Sunday, October 27.

Hope Lutheran Church has Inspired Worship every Sunday morning at 10 am. - in person and online @ www.hopeonbluerock.org Click on Facebook or Youtube at the bottom of the home page. All bersons are invited to attend.

PR. CHRISTIE'S CORNER

Sharing Hope
"Be joyful in hope, patient in
affliction, faithful in prayer. Share
with the Lord's people who are in

with the Lord's people who are in need. Practice hospitality." Romans 12:12-13 (NIV)

This month, Hope's Generosity Team will be kicking off our fall

stewardship drive with the theme of *Sharing Hope*. The theme is based on the scripture above from Romans, and this scripture has been special to Hope Lutheran Church for many years.

In Paul's letter to the Romans, he is addressing <u>newly-formed</u> Christian communities who have come together from a variety of backgrounds. These folks want to be in relationship with one another, but they aren't always getting along.

We also encounter friction in our communities today. We do not always agree with those around us. We often have differing views from the people we encounter each day, from people at church, and even from our loved ones. Paul's message is as relevant for us now as it was for the early church, because his words are about loving one another despite our disagreements.

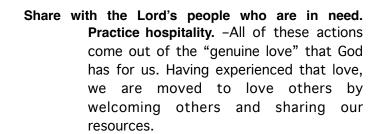
Here in chapter 12, Paul is talking specifically about how to love one another. In v. 9, Paul says, "Love must be genuine," and the next several verses are descriptors of what genuine love is. Verses 12-13 are examples of how to show genuine love to one another:

Be joyful in hope – In other words, carry the joyfulness of Jesus's love in our hearts. Let hopefulness spring forth through our actions.

Patient in affliction – We all experience difficulties, both personally and in our communities. This joyfulness, hope, and love that we have in Christ will carry us through those hard times.

Faithful in prayer – Especially when situations seem the most desperate, when we might want

to move away from God and try to handle things on our own, this is when our faith kicks in. By turning toward God in prayer, our faith gives us the strength to carry on and to listen to God.



God calls us to show genuine love to all, regardless of our differences. This is what this fall theme of **Sharing Hope** is all about. We want everyone around us to see the love of Christ every time they encounter Hope Lutheran Church – whether it's through Hope Lutheran as a community, or through one of us as individuals.

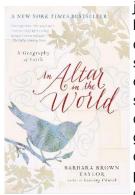
This fall and always, I invite you to *Share Hope* by showing genuine love to all. Be joyful, hopeful, patient, and faithful. Practice hospitality and welcome. Share the gifts that God has given you, and in doing so, you will be *Sharing Hope* with the world.

In the eternal HOPE of Christ, Pastor Christie

Bible Study – An Altar in the World

Thursdays 1 p.m.

Hope's Bible Study group continues a series on the book *An Altar in the World* by Barbara Brown Taylor. Taylor is a best-selling author, seminary professor, and Episcopal priest. This book explores Taylor's



journey as she shares how she learned to find God beyond church walls by embracing the sacred as a natural part of everyday life. By sharing her stories, she shows us how to discover God everywhere we go and in nearly everything we do, as we learn to live with purpose, pay attention, slow down, and revere the world we

live in. Bible study meets Thursdays at 1p.m., and is available on zoom as well as in-person.

Contact Pastor Christie if you have any questions, are interested in joining via zoom, or would be interested in a study series that meets at a different time. Join us for fun, fellowship, and sharing God's word together!

Pastor Christie

OCTOBER THANK YOUS AND NEWS

A special thank you to Dennis Collins for all of his



hard work replacing cabinets under the metal island shelf in our church kitchen. Water damage from the ice maker had ruined the original cabinets and made them unsafe for our trays and dishes. Such a beautiful job! (And thanks to this go-fer

Jerry Ivins for his time helping Dennis over the 3 day project.)

ATTENTION TO ALL WHO USE THE KITCHEN: Watch out for the pipe drain from the ice maker to make sure it remains over the floor drain so we do not have a reoccurrence of water damage to the new cabinets.

Thank you to Mary Bryant and Joy Ivins for giving the kitchen a thorough cleaning after the kitchen cabinets were redone.

Hi Everyone,

Thank you so much to all who helped with our Meijer Simply Give Program. We are using this program now to help with our 900 holiday food boxes!

SON Ministries participated in two outreach events - NWLSD Health & Safety Fair with macaroni &



cheese, starbursts and bagged snacks plus stuffed book bags for the students and families. Also, we were happy to join the Northwest Community Christian Church at the 513 Relief Bus for the community.

We will welcome any beef stew or saltines this month. Infant, Toddler

and Kid hats and gloves for Carol's Tree will still be needed by December 1. Any donation is appreciated.

Bless you! Jo Dossenback, SON Ministries, President 513-385-1793

Hope Lutheran Church,

Thank you for your generosity in supporting our ministry together as the Southern Ohio Synod.

"I came that they may have life and have it abundantly."

John 10:10

The Southern Ohio Synod Stewardship Team

Thank you to Judy Royse and Ray Davis who occasionally spray the weeds that grow so well around our church landscape!



TQL' SHE'S STILL WALKING

Our "Women's World" cover girl at Hope is still doing a lot of walking. On Saturday, September 21, **Debbie Schrader** walked over 32,000 steps during Pigworks and her day touring downtown. Thankfully, she was still able to walk into our worship service the following Sunday. Way to go lady!!

FOOTBALL FANS READY FOR THE ACTION

Here are 2 football fans, **Pr. Christie and Ray Davis**, who were all dressed for worship and an afternoon of watching the game in support of the Cincinnati Bengals. As it turned out, the game's results were not favorable. **Who Dey!!**





Did I hit it yet?!

Contributed by Lana Albright

OUTSTANDING OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

- Chris Arany 1 Michelle Hunt Stotler Karen Schweinfest
- 2 Jacob Fetterman
- **Bea Zimmer** 5
- 6 **Andy Albright** Elliot McMasters
- 8 **Evan Schweinfest** Heidi McKenna
- **Molly Abbott** 9 Isaac Williams Raphael Mehanzel
- 11 Josephine Tedesco
- Jennifer Huth 13 **Emerie Leblanc**
- 14 **Bill Mack** Marlyn Ford
- 16 **Brad Abbott**
- Will Wendel 20

- 20 Rachel Williams Mike Schweinfest
- Nicole Darnell **Donna Dietz**
- 23 Gary Freland **Rachel Kless** Tom Toth
- 24 Amelia Terbrueggen
- 25 Ron Long
- Jay Hunt 27
- 30 Sue Kelbley
- **Danny Darnell** Zac Gabbard Don Schneider



MANY GREETING CARDS AVAILABLE!

Remember there are Greeting Cards on the shelf in



Mail/Coat room. There are Birthday (lots of Birthday cards), Get Well, Thank you, Thinking of You, Sympathy and many others.

If you don't have stamps you can 💸 address the card and I will mail it.

How easy is that that to do!! The list

of Hope Shuts are there as well

Carmen Hasdorff (head of card committee which is really me and Bea.)

WHOO

At the meeting in September, it was decided the group would meet all but 3 months of the year - July, August and November.



The women's group will be selling Christmas



evergreen decorations as a money making project. The 22" wreaths are \$30, the 28" wreaths are \$40, and centerpieces are \$25. Forms and information will be available soon.

At the October 24th meeting, they will discuss the November 10th Thankoffering Service and the December 5th Christmas dinner. Come at 6 pm with your meal and drink to join in their discussion and enjoy some time with the other women of Hope..

ALL WOMEN are always welcome to attend these gatherings!

SON MINISTRIES

During August SON distributed food to 164 households which represents 371 adults and 183 children for a grand total of 554 persons.



During October SON is requesting donations of hats and gloves for Carol'sTree or beef stew and saltine crackers.

In the Narthex bins at Hope marked SON, we collect food and personal care items plus paper grocery and plastic bags for distribution.

HOPE MEN'S FELLOWSHIP LUNCH

The next gathering of the HOPE MEN'S FELLOWSHIP



LUNCH will be at the Red Squirrel restaurant on Monday, September 30 (9/30/2024) at 12:00 noon. This is the new men's group that gather once

each month to foster fellowship, conversation and good food.

More details: Dave McBride;

DMcincy@outlook.com; 513-316-4004

Dave McBride

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING HIGHLIGHT

The congregation passed the motion from council to accept the memorial gift in memory of K.C. Kless from Rachael Kless and Joan Ritchie in the amount of \$30,000 and to use the gift for renovations and community ministries in the Fellowship Hall.



BUILT ON A ROCK

Friday, November 1 and Saturday, November 2.

Pr. Vicki Garber has invited all women to attend her retreat coming in November at St. John's Lutheran Church, 4937 State Road 48, Lawrenceburg IN 47025.



It will center on weathering the storms of life (and the sunny days, too). More information will be coming soon!

HOPE DIRECTORY APP

FOR YOUR COMPUTER OR PHONE Directions are on the church counter or check for Instant Church Directory.



*Changes are continuously made. New pictures are requested. If you have changed vour email address, you will need to re-enroll. It will not recognize the new email address for confidentiality purposes.

Please contact Jerry Ivins for any changes.

KROGER REWARDS PROGRAM

1. Visit KrogerCommunityRewards.com



- SUPPORT US 2. Sign in to your online account, THROUGH or create an account.
 - 3. Find and select Hope Lutheran and click "Enroll."

Hope's 5 digit number is <u>80286</u>. Please join today!

HOPE'S CONTRIBUTION INFORMATION

To donate to Hope: Checks may be mailed to 4695 Blue Rock Road, Cincinnati, OH 45247 or brought to church.

Digital donations may be submitted at www.hopeonbluerock.org Click on "Giving" and then click on "Online Giving" and choose how you wish to donate either by ChurchTrac or PayPal. For questions email Ron Long at

finance@hopeonbluerock.org

YELLOW BRICK ROAD CHILD CARE



We are proud of Kayla Willey's 2 Star award rating for her child care facility!

Need childcare? Call 513-601-2596 or send an email to the address below:

vellowbrickroadchildcare@gmail.com

PRAYER CHAIN INSTRUCTIONS

To submit a prayer chain request: Complete this online form https://www.hopeonbluerock.org/prayer- requests/, or send an email to prayer@hopeonbluerock.org, or call Prayer Chain Pastor Christie 317-828-5949 (cell)

513-923-3370 (church office)

Interested in receiving prayer chain emails?

Email <u>prayer@hopeonbluerock.org</u> with your contact information, and we will get you added to the list.

DON'T FORGET OUR NARTHEX BINS!

- -Used toothbrushes, empty toothpaste tubes and floss containers for UC Dental
- -Food and personal care donations for **SON Ministries**
- -Pop tabs for Ronald McDonald House
- -Religious materials for Love Packages
- -Pill bottles that are cleaned and without labels
- -Eye glasses for the Lyon's Club
- -New or gently used Books for Side-by-Side Ministry
- -Men's & Women's Clothing for Franciscan Sisters of the Poor

DON'T FORGET TO CHECK OUR "BOOK NOOK" FOR ALL ADULTS

The Book Nook now has a second bookcase for the growing number of books.



There are numerous categories of books available for loan in the "Book Nook" located inside the left door of the Fellowship Hall. There are also books that men

find interesting. Be sure to check them out for a little relaxing quiet time!

GET CONNECTED TO HOPE!

Ever want more information about what is happening at Hope? There are many ways to get connected to Hope's activities.

Check us out on Facebook https://www.facebook.com/ Connected hopeonbluerock - and be sure to like us and check in! Also check



Hope's website regularly https:// www.hopeonbluerock.org for information on events, ways to make donations, a handy up-to-date Google calendar, photo albums, and much more!

Pastor Christie

LOGIC PUZZLES FOR YOU?

- 1. Micki's mother has 4 children Kia, Mia and Lia. What is the name of the fourth child?
- 2 Sally has 21 hens. All but 11 died. How many hens does she have left?
- Micki, of course!
- 2. 11, of course!

HOPE'S BOTTOM LINE

July 2024

General Fund



Total MONTH Beginning Balance \$ 46,558.77 \$ 3,462.44 11,698.00 \$ 151,231.08 Revenues 15,954.28 \$ 158,718.07 **Expenses** Transfers In \$ \$ 74,710.56 0.00 Transfers Out \$ 100.00 \$ 28,483.52 **Ending Balance** \$ 42,202.49 \$. 42,202.49

Memorial Fund			
Beginning Balance	\$1	7,78530	\$ 6,033.78
Transfers In	\$	100.00	\$ 23,875.00
Interest Income	\$.13	\$.65
Transfers Out	\$	0.00	\$ 12,024.00
Ending Balance	\$1	7,885.43	\$ 17,885.43
Wilms Hoffman Fund			

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Beginning Balance	\$ 1,639.56	\$ 2,006.93
Deposit	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Interest Income	\$ 3.62	\$ 27.73
Disbursements	\$ 0.00	\$ 391.48
Ending Balance	\$ 1,643.18	\$ 1,643.18

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Mission Building Ful	nd		
Beginning Balance	\$	9,102.95	\$ 4,400.43
Transfers In	\$	0.00	\$ 4,608.52
Interest Income	\$	20.07	\$ 114.07
Disbursements	\$	0.00	\$ 0.00
Ending Balance	\$	9,123.02	\$ 9,123.02

Capital One CD		
Beginning Balance	\$ 0.00	\$ 54,772.24
Deposit	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Interest Income	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Disbursements	\$ 0.00	\$ 56.303.04

Chris Arany, Treasurer

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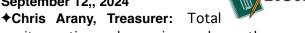
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Council

COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

September 12,, 2024

Ending Balance



- equity continues decreasing each month.
- **♦Lana Albright, Spiritual Life:** There may be a new GriefShare series in January 2025. Hope Members will remain on the Prayer list for an indefinite time while non members will be on 2 months.
- **→Joy Ivins, Worship/Music:** Hope will join with other area churches to help St. Paul's Community Church on Old Blue Rock Road celebrate their 150th anniversary on December 8. One Christmas Eve service at 5 pm.
- **+Karen Schweinfest, Fellowship:** There will be a reception for McKenna Freland's Baptism on October 13, and a special service for the first Sunday in Advent.

- **♦Jerry Ivins, Digital Ministry:** The new sign hopes to be in place by mid October.
- **♦Pastor Christie: Stewardship for All Seasons** will kick-off on September 29.
- **♦**Commitment Sunday will be October 20 with a Celebration Sunday on October 27.
- ♦The Fellowship Hall will receive a new floor, new cabinets under the island in the kitchen, child friendly book nook area, and fresh paint. It is hoped to be a comfortable place for yoga classes.
- **♦**The Strategic Planning Committee is planning "New Music, Movement, and More Ministry."
- ♦The council moved to pay the request of \$650 for rent from the Family Assistance Fund.
- **♦**Mike Schweinfest, Interim President: The Nominating Committee needs volunteers for the President, Treasurer, Outreach, Christian Education and Fellowship positions on council.
- **♦**The Fellowship Hall rental agreement will be reviewed after the renovations are completed.
- ◆The Yellow Brick Road agreement will also be reviewed.
- ◆The meeting was adjourned with the Lord's prayer.

From the minutes of Alita Simpson, Council Secretary



ARTICLES FOR THE NOVEMBER ISSUE OF THE HOPE HERALD ARE REQUESTED BY

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 20TH

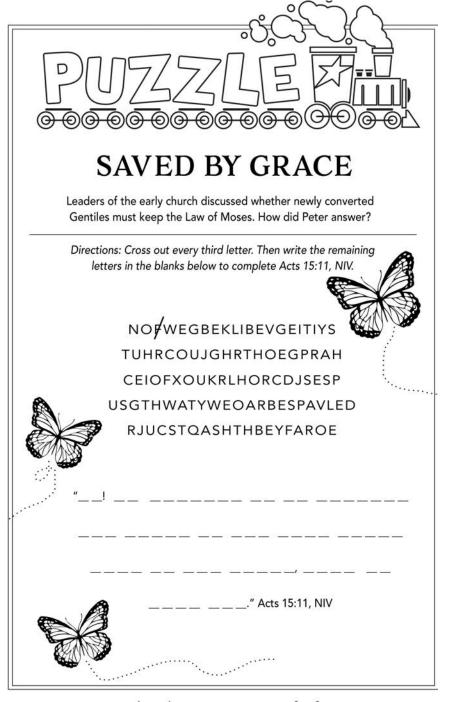
ARTICLES MAY BE EMAILED TO joyceivins@icloud.com or anytime before that date

Kindness is a language which the deaf can hear and the blind can see.

Mark Twain

Contributed by Jeanne Fuller





Answer: "No! We believe it is through the grace of our Lord Jesus that we are saved, just as they are." Acts 15:11, NIV



October 2024

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Hope Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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OUR MISSION

We are anchored in faith and saved by God's grace. Led by the Holy Spirit, it is our purpose to invite all to know hope, love, and peace through Jesus Christ.



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