

Welcome to Hope Lutheran Church!

If you are a guest this morning, please notice the staff and lay leaders wearing identification badges. They will be able to assist you with any concerns. For the hearing impaired: place your hearing aids on the "T" switch for direct audio input during the service. Large-print bulletins are also available from one of the ushers. Gluten-free communion wafers are available—just let the pastor know if that's what you prefer. Please join us this morning between services in the Lounge for coffee and refreshments.

We encourage children to participate in worship, however a staffed **NURSERY** is available for children through 3 years old during both worship services and faith formation time. The Nursery is located to the right of the Chancel (church front).

Sunday Morning Faith Formation Opportunities for All Ages (10:10-10:50)

Disciples in Training is for all children ages 4 years old through 6th grade. This year's theme is Fruits of the Spirit (meets starting at 10am in downstairs classrooms)

Wired Word discusses current events in a Scriptural framework and how the scriptures provide guidance to being in the world. (Meets in the library)

Men's Group is a place for men of all ages to gather in the Word and fellowship. (Upper Room, use stairs by the Sanctuary)

Women's Group is a place for women of all ages to gather in the Word and fellowship. The current topic is using the enneagram to develop your spirituality and connection to God. (Chapel of Grace across from Family Lounge)

MY NEXT STEP TODAY IS TO...

Please indicate your next step on the back of Today's Connection Card and place in the offering plate. Take home this announcements page to serve as your reminder in the week ahead.

- Re-read the Scripture found in Acts 9:1-19a
- Read the Scripture from God's Story Our Story Devotional each day
- Look for places where Jesus is on the loose each day and write them down in a prayer journal
- Pray for a person twice a day for the next two weeks
- Extend Jesus radical hospitality this week

Easter Sermon Series On Good Friday, those who feared Jesus, thought that a cross would be the end. Just in case they ordered his body sealed in a tomb with soldiers guarding it. The cross, literal death, and a giant stone could not keep Jesus. On Easter morning, the resurrection proved that Jesus couldn't be contained. During these Sundays in April we will explore what it looks like for Jesus to be loose in our world and to be loose in our very lives today.



April 15 th	On the Road	Acts 9:1-19
April 22 nd	Setting us Free	Acts 16:16-34
April 29 th	Not for Us	Acts 17:16-31

Glass City Marathon April 22nd. The runners will only be running near Hope once early in the race and will not return to UT by running by Hope. Bancroft will be closed from Secor west past the Railroad tracks all morning. Indian will be closed until around 8:30. Secor Road will be closed at Kenwood from 7:15-8:00. Central Road will be closed from Reynolds to Corey until 9:00. Dorr will be closed from UT to Richards until the end of the Race. The village service department will be placing cones in the parking spaces on Indian to reserve the parking for us. You can move a cone to park if need be. **The best way to get to Hope is to come south on Secor from 475 or Monroe for the 9AM service. For the 11:00 AM you can come via Central to Indian or Secor. Do not plan on using Bancroft or Dorr to come from the west or south!**

Prayers

Sunset House: Charlotte Kirk (Hospice Care)
Franciscan Care Center: Bill Prueter (Hospice Care)
Toledo Hospital: Margaret Hodges



Christian sympathy is extended to the family of Freda Baum on the death of her brother, Denis. Letters of sympathy may be sent to Freda at 6945 Ramblehurst Road Sylvania, OH 43560

TODAY'S MINISTERS

Reader	11:00 Carol Meuser	WELCOME Team	9:00 David Guy & Joan Knestrick Jim & Margaret Hentges
WORSHIP ASSISTANT	11:00		11:00 Nancydee Maxey Marjorie Prueter
TELLERS	Tim Rothfuss & Jakob Wenman	COMMUNION ASSISTANTS	9:00 Cade McGowan 11:00
Acolyte	Owen Krupp		

Announcements:

- **Altar flowers were given** to the glory of God by Beth Blankerts and in honor of Aubrey Evans' birthday by the Evans family. Happy Birthday Aubrey!
- **ELCA Youth gathering Stock Sale:** The youth and adults who are attending the ELCA youth gathering this summer in Houston, TX are offering you the opportunity to invest in their experience by purchasing stock. You can find more details on the bulletin board outside the family lounge. There are envelopes with stock options from \$5 - \$1,000. By making an investment in the experience, you will become a shareholder in the trip and will be invited to a pre-gathering and post-gathering reception. You will also receive special greetings from Houston this summer. All of the money will help offset higher than expected travel and housing costs. Contact Pastor Kristin at pastorkristin@hopetoledo.net with questions.



- **Registration for Vacation Bible School is now open. June 18-22** Join us to explore Super Heroes of the Bible, and to discover our own Super Hero strength following God! Registration information is on the bulletin board! VBS is open to all children who are 3 years old – completed 4th grade. Older children and youth are welcome to volunteer! Currently we are looking for volunteers for the decoration team, to be station leaders, shepherd guides, and helpers in all areas. If you are interested in volunteering, contact Pastor Kristin at pastorkristin@hopetoledo.net or calling the church office.



- Altar Flowers are \$25 per vase. **Please contact the office if you would like to sponsor a Sunday for a special occasion!** Upcoming dates that are available: **May 20 (2 vases), and May 27 (1 vase).** If you would like to sponsor a date later in 2018 you are welcomed to contact Jennifer to reserve that date in advance.



- **Mother's Day** On Sunday, May 13, we will have photographers available to take free pictures of individuals, families, or groups from 10am – 11am. This is a wonderful opportunity to take a picture with your mother, to send to your mother, or just for fun! The pictures will be emailed to you later in the month.



HOPE'S MINISTRY TEAM

Ministers: The Members of Hope
Senior Pastor: Kevin Maxey, (Home 567-288-2072) pastorkevin@hopetoledo.net
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Custodians: Mike Hoskins and Nick Zurawski
Children's Ministry: *Currently Hiring*
Director of Pastoral Care: Lois Smith

Looking Ahead

May 6 Guardian Angel Tea
May 13 Mother's Day Pictures
May 20 Confirmation
June 18-22 Vacation Bible School

This Week at Hope: April 15–April 21

TODAY	9:00 am	Contemporary Worship
	10:00 am	Human Trafficking Seminar in Larson Hall
	10:00 am	Disciples in Training (DIT) Basement Classrooms
	11:00 am	Traditional Worship
	12:30 pm	High School Youth Group in Upper Room
MON	11:00 am	Staff Meeting in Lounge
	7:30 pm	Alanon in Basement
TUES	12:00 pm	Lunches with Luther in Lounge
	8:30 pm	AA in Larson Hall
WED	10:30 am	Wiley Home
	5:45 pm	Chime Choir in Choir Room
	6:00 pm	Confirmation in Co-op Room
	6:15 pm	Children's Choir in Choir Room
	7:00 pm	Adult Choir in Choir Room
THURS	7:00 am	Bible Study Group in Library
FRI	8:00 pm	AA in Larson Hall
SAT		



SERVICES LIVE ON THE INTERNET

You can listen or watch live via www.hopetoledo.net/equipping/listenlivepodcast

PARKING: Indian Road parking lot is designated for disabled and seniors. Please be considerate by parking in the Secor Road parking lot, on Bancroft Street or the angle parking spaces on Indian Road.



SUNDAY WORSHIP: 9:00 a.m. Contemporary Service | 10:10 a.m. Spiritual Development | 11 a.m. Traditional Service

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