

### 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).

### 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 Genesis 16
- Be God's messenger for someone experiencing the wilderness
- Pray for those experiencing wilderness now.

RSVP for God's Work, Our Hands:

- Rock the Block
- Prayer Cards at Hope
- Prep for ice cream social (at Hope)
- Ice Cream Social at Wolf Creek

### God's Work, Our Hands Weekend of Service is September 8 & 9

Sept 8 9:00 am—2:00 pm Rock the Block: neighborhood clean up project (pulling weeds, cleaning windows, and cleaning gutters). Open to ages 10 & up.

Sept 9 10:00 –11:00 am Activities at Hope: Prayer cards, toppings & decorating for ice cream social

Sept 9 1:30 pm Ice Cream Social at Wolf Creek: Carpool from Hope and serve the residents

Contact the office for more info and RSVP on the card.

### Sermon Series

#### Messages from the Wilderness

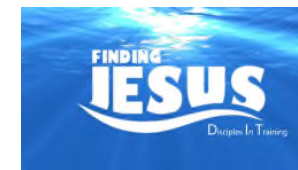
The wilderness in the Bible is not only a place, it is an experience as well. In Messages from the Wilderness, we are going to explore 5 great men and women in the Bible and their experience in the wilderness to see how their story speaks to our own wilderness experiences.



August 26<sup>th</sup> The God Who Sees - Abraham and Sarah  
September 2<sup>nd</sup> Whispers into the Wilderness – Jezebel and Elijah

### Rally Day

Join us September 16 as we begin a new year of Spiritual Formation for all ages during the 10 o'clock hour. Leaders will be commissioned at the 9am worship.



**Disciples in Training (DIT)** is for children ages 3 – 6th grade in the downstairs classrooms. This year our theme is "Finding Jesus."

**Think. Believe. Do. (TBD)** is our new youth discussion for 7th grade – high school in the Confirmation room upstairs.

**Adult groups** are open to everyone. Wired Word (library) discusses current events in a Scriptural framework and how Scripture provides guidance for daily life. The Men's Group (Upper Room) and Women's Group (Chapel of Grace) offer a space for fellowship, Bible Study, and topical discussions.

### Prayers

**Christian Sympathy** is extended to Marian Mulligan, Kathy Diebold, and family on the death of their husband and father, Don who died in the Lord on August 19, 2018. Cards may be sent to 3425 Kingsgate Rd, Toledo OH 43606.



### TODAY'S MINISTERS

**READER** 11:00 Patrick Downey

**WELCOME Team** 9:00 Mike & Jayne Thornton  
Greg & Barb Whetstone

**WORSHIP ASSISTANT** 11:00 Scott Elston

11:00 Freda Baum, Carol Meuser  
Joy Gibbs

**TELLERS** Willis Day  
Cassandra Wenman

**COMMUNION ASSISTANTS** 9:00  
11:00

**Announcements:**

**Altar Flowers** today are in memory of Don Mulligan and in celebration of his life and ministry at Hope.



**School Supply Drive**

Thank you to everyone for your generously donated school supplies. 40 children were blessed with backpacks full of supplies for a new school year, and teachers closets were stocked with extra supplies as well.

**Campus Ministry**

Lutheran Campus Ministry at the University of Toledo is having a welcome bonfire today at 8pm behind The Ark (2080 Brookdale Rd, behind Lot 13). All students are welcome for free food, drink, and fun! For more info on campus ministry at the University of Toledo, you can contact Andrew Thomas at [campusministry@nwos-elca.org](mailto:campusministry@nwos-elca.org) or Pastor David Montgomery at [revdmm@gmail.com](mailto:revdmm@gmail.com) or (419) 345-2193.

**Confirmation Ministry**

Confirmation ministry at Hope is open to all students in 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade. Our first meeting of the year will be an information night on Wednesday, August 29 at 6pm. If you are interested in more information, please contact Pastor Kristin at [pastorkristin@hopetoledo.net](mailto:pastorkristin@hopetoledo.net)

**Lunches with Luther to begin Dialogue**

Lunches with Luther will begin on Tuesday, September 11<sup>th</sup> at noon with a pizza lunch. We will begin a new series on lessons called dialogues. The first topic will be the refugee crisis. There are more than 20 million refugees in the world today. We will be respectfully dialoguing with one another anticipating that the variety of views will be a way that we can all be blessed in our understanding.

**Choir rehearsals begin September 5th**

Chime Choir (ages 6-6th grade) meets 5:45—6:15 pm Wednesdays in the choir room.

Children's Choir (ages 5-6th grade) meets 6:15—6:45 pm Wednesdays in the Choir room.

Adult Choir (7th grade and up) meets 7:00—8:05pm Wednesdays in the Choir room.

If you are interested in providing special music or joining the Praise Team or Flute Choir, please contact Gail Mowry at [gmowry@hopetoledo.net](mailto:gmowry@hopetoledo.net).

**HOPE'S MINISTRY TEAM**

**Ministers:** The Members of Hope

**Senior Pastor:** Kevin Maxey, (Home 567-288-2072) [pastorkevin@hopetoledo.net](mailto:pastorkevin@hopetoledo.net)

**Associate Pastor:** Kristin Hunsinger, [pastorkristin@hopetoledo.net](mailto:pastorkristin@hopetoledo.net)

**Organist/Pianist:**

**Music Director:** Gail Mowry, [gmowry@hopetoledo.net](mailto:gmowry@hopetoledo.net)

**Office Manager:** Jennifer Bailey, [jbailey@hopetoledo.net](mailto:jbailey@hopetoledo.net)

**Financial Secretary:** Peggy Miller, [pmiller@hopetoledo.net](mailto:pmiller@hopetoledo.net)

**Custodians:** Mike Hoskins and Nick Zurawski

**Children's Ministry:** *Currently Hiring*

September

*Sept 5 Children's Choirs Begin  
Adult Choir Rehearsals Begin*

*Sept 9 God's Work, Our Hands*

*Sept 11 Lunches with Luther  
Resumes*

*Sept 16 Rally Day (DIT Begins)*

**This Week at Hope: August 26 -September 1**

**TODAY** 9:00 am Contemporary Worship  
11:00 am Traditional Worship

**MON** 11:00 am Staff Meeting in Lounge  
7:00 pm Collaboration in Choir Room  
7:30 pm Alanon in Basement

**TUES** 8:30 pm AA in Larson Hall

**WED** 10:30 am Wiley Home  
6:00 pm Confirmation Welcome Night in Larson Hall

**THURS**

**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](http://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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