

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 Scriptures found in James 3:7-10 & Ephesians 4:29
- Read the Bible verse on the card 3 times a day & pray the Psalm prayer.
- Offer words of encouragement to one person each day this week.
- Pause when I find myself saying “but” when talking about another person.

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

Thanks to everyone who helped “Rock the Block” yesterday! God’s Work, Our Hands weekend continues today:

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

1:30 pm Ice Cream Social at Wolf Creek: Carpool from Hope (leaving at 12:45 pm) and serve the residents

Sermon Series

The Power of Words

Words have power. With our words we insult, or encourage, we curse or we bless. With them we build trust or tear it down. Our words have the power to strengthen relationships or to destroy them. In our political life, words have the potential to further divide us, or to bring us together. And while we were taught as children that sticks and stones may break our bones, but words will never harm us, we each have been hurt by the words of others. The Bible notes that, “Death and life are in the power of the tongue.”



- Sept 9th Tearing Down or Building Up
- Sept 16th Family Words: Hurtful or Life Giving
- Sept 23rd Religion & Politics
- Sept 30th In the Beginning was the Word



Welcome Matt Raisky! We are excited to share that we have hired Matt Raisky as our 11:00 a.m. organist and accompanist. Matt has served several churches as organist and pianist and is anticipating graduating from BGSU in December. His first day will be September 12. Please extend a warm Hope welcome as he joins the staff team.

TODAY’S MINISTERS

READER 11:00 Miriam Wilson

WORSHIP ASSISTANT 11:00 Scott Elston

TELLERS Beth Spencer
Tim & Kim Whetstone

WELCOME Team 9:00 Ron & Jill Ranallo
John & Nancy Salsbury

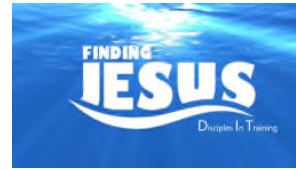
11:00 Nancydee Maxey
Marjorie Prueter

COMMUNION ASSISTANTS 9:00
11:00

Announcements:

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.

Invite a friend & neighbor We will have invitations for members to use to invite others to join them in worship.



Bible Presentation

On September 16 at both worship services, we will be presenting Bibles to all 3 & 4 year olds as they start Disciples in Training. We will also be presenting Bibles to 7th graders who are beginning Confirmation. If someone in your family should be receiving a Bible, please contact Pastor Kristin, pastorkristin@hopetoledo.net.

Lunches with Luther to begin Dialogue

Lunches with Luther will begin on Tuesday, September 11th at noon with a pizza lunch. We will begin a new series on lessons called dialogues. The first topic will be the refugee crisis.

High School Youth Group begins September 16th

Youth group will meet for lunch, fellowship, Bible Study, and games 12:15-2:00 pm Sept 16. Friends are welcome! The schedule will be available at that time and via email.

HOPE’S MINISTRY TEAM

Ministers: The Members of Hope

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

Associate Pastor: Kristin Hunsinger, pastorkristin@hopetoledo.net

Organist/Pianist: Matt Raisky, mraisky@hopetoledo.net

Music Director: Gail Mowry, gmowry@hopetoledo.net

Office Manager: Jennifer Bailey, jbailey@hopetoledo.net

Financial Secretary: Peggy Miller, pmiller@hopetoledo.net

Custodians: Mike Hoskins and Nick Zurawski

Children’s Ministry: *Currently Hiring*

September

Sept 8 & 9 God’s Work, Our Hands

Sept 11 Lunches with Luther Resumes

Sept 16 Rally Day

Looking Ahead

October 14 New Member Class

This Week at Hope: Sept 9 -September 15

TODAY	9:00 am	Contemporary Worship
	10:00 am	God’s Work, Our Hands: Activities at Hope
	11:00 am	Traditional Worship
MON	1:30 pm	God’s Work, Our Hands: Ice Cream Social at Wolf Creek
	11:00 am	Staff Meeting in Lounge
	7:00 pm	Collaboration in Choir Room
TUES	7:00 pm	DIT Teachers in Lounge
	7:30 pm	Alanon in Basement
	12:00 pm	Lunches with Luther in Lounge
WED	4:30 pm	Feed Your Spirit Worship at Salem
	5:30 pm	Agape Meal at Salem
	7:00 pm	Mission Outreach Team in Lounge
THURS	8:30 pm	AA in Larson Hall
	12:45 pm	Wiley Home
	5:45 pm	Chime Choir in Choir Room
FRI	6:00 pm	Confirmation Ministry
	6:15 pm	Children’s Choir in Choir Room
	7:00 pm	Adult Choir in Choir Room
SAT	10:00 am	Caregivers Meeting in Library
	2:00 pm	Book Group in Library
FRI	8:00 pm	AA in Larson Hall



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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