

AUGUST EVENTS

August 12
Backpack Blessing at both services
Summer Breakfast in Larson Hall

LOOKING AHEAD

September 9
God's Work. Our Hands. Sunday

September 16
Rally Day

December 15
Siberian Solstice Concert



Hope is a
Stephen Ministry
Congregation.

AUG. BREAKFAST



This summer we have been enjoying fellowship and hospitality with monthly breakfasts. The last one of this summer is August 12. Join us between services in Larson Hall for a light breakfast. If you are interested in donating for the meal or helping to serve, please contact Mona Pupos.

SCHOOL SUPPLY COLLECTION

This year we will be collecting school supplies for children and youth at Salem Lutheran Church and Old Orchard Elementary. Backpacks are being provided by a grant at each location, so we are focusing on filling them with supplies to start the school year off right!



Student Supplies requested for Salem: 2-pocket folders, children's scissors, crayons (24 ct), black/blue pens, #2 pencils, spiral notebooks, loose leaf paper, 3-ring binders, markers, colored pencils, highlighters, Kleenex, and glue sticks. Supplies for Salem are due Sunday, August 12.

Supplies for Old Orchard teacher's supply closets: Kleenex, Clorox Wipes, hand sanitizer, 4-pack dry erase markers. Supplies for Old Orchard are due Sunday, August 26.

If you would rather make a financial donation, please submit it by August 5 to allow time for shopping.

NEW SERMON SERIES

In the Bible, the wilderness is not only a place, it is an experience as well. In Messages from the Wilderness, we are going to explore five stories of great men and women in the Bible and their experiences in the wilderness. We will explore how their stories speak to our own wilderness experiences.



August 5	13 Years a Slave and Prisoner - Joseph
August 12	Journey through the Valley of the Shadow – Ruth and Naomi
August 19	The Wilderness of Our Own Making – David
August 26	The God who Sees – Abraham and Sarah
September 2	Whispers into the Wilderness – Jezebel and Elijah



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

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BLESSING OF BACKPACKS

On August 12 we invite all children and youth to bring your backpacks to church so we can bless them for the upcoming school year. You will also receive a clip to put on your backpack and remind you of the prayers of the community throughout the school year.



MUSIC NOTES

The Music Ministry has had some major upgrades this summer. We have a new drum set in the sanctuary for our contemporary service. The difference in sound in one week is remarkable. We are so excited to have this new set.



The choir room also has a new addition of a digital piano. The one we were using was not able to be repaired (amazingly still operating on a floppy disk). The choir is excited to rehearse with it this fall.

We look forward to having all of our musicians back to making music this fall. Our Wednesday rehearsals will resume on September 5. Children's Chime Choir (grades 1-5) from 5:45-6:15, Children's Choir (grades K-5) from 6:15-6:45, and Adult Choir from 7:00-8:05. Please email Gail Mowry, Music Director (gmowry@hopetoledo.net) for more information.

CONFIRMATION MINISTRY



All seventh and eighth graders are invited to be part of Hope's Confirmation Ministry for the upcoming year. We will have an information meeting on August 29 at 6:00 p.m. Watch for more information from Pastor Kristin or contact her at pastorkristin@hopetoledo.net with questions or to confirm that your child will participate.

RALLY DAY: SEPT. 16

Mark your calendars for Rally Day on September 16. All of our Christian education and spiritual formation groups for children, youth, and adults will start back in the 10:00-11:00 a.m. hour. There will be options for ages 3 through adult. Hope to see you there!

SAVE THE DATE

September 8-9 is God's Work Our Hands weekend. Stay tuned for more information about activities!

