

MARCH EVENTS

March 6

Ash Wednesday Worship, noon & 7:00

March 13, 20, 27

Mid-Week Lenten Meal, 5:00-6:25

Mid-Week Lenten Worship, 6:30-7:00

LOOKING AHEAD

April 3, 10

Mid-Week Lenten Meal, 5:00-6:25

Mid-Week Lenten Worship, 6:30-7:00

April 14

Palm Sunday

April 18

Maundy Thursday Worship, 7:00

April 19

Good Friday Worship, noon & 7:00

April 21

Easter Sunday



Hope is a
Stephen Ministry
Congregation.

SHROVE TUESDAY PANCAKE SUPPER



Join us on Tuesday, March 5, from 5:00-6:30 for food, fellowship and celebration before Lent begins. Our youth will be hosting our annual Pancake Supper. There will be pancakes with plenty of toppings, sausage and applesauce. There will also be crafts for children and adults alike. Suggested donations are \$5 for adults and \$2 for children and students. All proceeds will go toward the youth fund for scholarships for upcoming events.

LENT AT HOPE

Lent begins with **Ash Wednesday services on March 6 at Noon and 7:00 p.m.** Each of the following Wednesdays, we invite you to join for a simple meal and worship. This is also a great time to connect to a Bible study group or join one of our choirs.

SUNDAY MESSAGE SERIES

Every time we pray the Lord's prayer, we pray, "Your kingdom come," but do we really stop to think about what that means? What does God's kingdom really look like? Is it what we expect? Join us during Lent as we hear the kingdom parables from the Gospel of Matthew and each week reveal a little bit more of exactly what this kingdom really is.



March 10 – Matthew 18:15-35 – How many?

March 17 – Matthew 20:1-16 – How much?

March 24 – Matthew 22:1-14 – Who's invited?

March 31 – Matthew 25:1-13 – Ready?

April 7 – Matthew 25:31-46 – Say what?

April 14 (Palm Sunday) – Matthew 21-17 – Who is this?

April 18 (Maundy Thursday) -Matthew 26:17-30 – What's in this?

April 19 (Good Friday) – Matthew 27:27-61 – Is it Finished?

MID-WEEK WORSHIP SERIES

Like signs we see along the roads that tell us what to do, we see signs along the way on our Lenten journey that show us the way to Christ. We begin with Ash Wednesday when we are reminded to make a U-turn from our sin and turn back to God. Each Wednesday that follows we will look at another sign and biblical story from Peter.



Wednesday evenings during Lent will include fellowship, reflection and worship.

5:00-6:20: Dinner in Larson Hall for all
5:45: Children's Choir in Choir Room
6:00: Adult Bible Study in Family Lounge
6:00: Confirmation in Co-op Room
6:20: Meditative Music in Sanctuary
6:30-7:00: Worship in Sanctuary for all
7:00-7:45: First Communion Class in Family Lounge
7:00: Adult Choir in Choir Room



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

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CONGREGATION APPROVES 2019 BUDGET

On February 10, Hope members gathered to review the 2018 financial results from 2018 and 2019 budget projects. Following a presentation of the financial highlights and details offered by Ron Ranallo, Hope Treasurer, the quorum of members approved a balanced budget of \$592,000 for 2019. Other highlights discussed in the meeting included:

- 2018 budget surplus of \$18,700 which accommodated over \$75,000 distributed to charities outside of Hope.
- The endowment fund balance of approximately \$1.37 million.
- The generous financial gift that Hope was blessed with in 2018 from Bill and Bonnie Kinschner's trust.

Copies of the 2018 Annual Report are available in the office. The report includes recaps of the year from Pastor Kevin, Pastor Kristin and our Music Director, Gail Mowry, along with detailed financial information.

FIRST COMMUNION



During this Lent, some of our Disciples in Training will be gathering for First Communion instruction. This is open to children in 2nd grade as well as younger children who have expressed a desire to receive communion. We will be presenting new study Bibles to this class on Sunday, March 10 during worship and then first communion classes begin on March 13. If you have a child who is interested in participating, contact Pastor Kristin at pastorkristin@hopetoledo.net.

MISSION TRIP TO NEW BERN, NORTH CAROLINA

A team from Hope will be traveling to New Bern, NC to assist with Hurricane relief March 10-March 16. Please join us in prayer for Scott Elston, Kyra Elston, Nita Clere, Freda Baum, Nicole Broderson, and Karen Fisher.

SAVE THE DATE: VBS, JUNE 17-21



Make sure you have June 17-21 from 9:00 a.m.-12:15 p.m. marked on your calendar to join us for a journey to Mars and Beyond as we explore where God's power can take you!

Currently, we are looking for volunteers to serve as a decoration team. Please be in touch with Pastor Kristin if you are interested. We will be looking for more volunteers and open registration sometime in April.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<i>Read the Bible in 1 Year</i>					Deuteronomy ¹ 5-7	Deuteronomy ² 8-10
Deut. 11-13 ³	Deut. 14-16 ⁴	Deut. 17-20 ⁵	Deut. 21-23 ⁶	Deut. 24-27 ⁷	Deut. 28-29 ⁸	Deut. 30-31 ⁹
Deut. 32-34 ¹⁰	Joshua 1-4 ¹¹	Joshua 5-8 ¹²	Joshua 9-11 ¹³	Joshua 12-15 ¹⁴	Joshua 16-18 ¹⁵	Joshua 19-21 ¹⁶
Joshua 22-24 ¹⁷	Judges 1-2 ¹⁸	Judges 3-5 ¹⁹	Judges 6-7 ²⁰	Judges 8-9 ²¹	Judges 10-12 ²²	Judges 13-15 ²³
Judges 16-18 ²⁴	Judges 19-21 ²⁵	Ruth ²⁶	1 Samuel 1-3 ²⁷	1 Samuel 4-8 ²⁸	1 Sam. 9-12 ²⁹	1 Sam. 13-14 ³⁰
1 Sam. 15-17 ³¹	<i>March 2019</i>					



“These words, which I am commanding you today, shall be on your heart.” —Deuteronomy 6:6