

LOOKING AHEAD

Guardian Angel Tea
Sunday, May 5, 10:00am

Life in Christ Class
Sunday, May 5, 12:15pm

Youth Taco Night
Sunday, May 5, 5:00-6:30pm

Graduate Recognition
May 12th

Confirmation Worship
June 2, 11am

VBS—Camp Firelight 2024
June 17-21

**Interfaith Blood Drive
At Grace Lutheran**
June 29th

ELCA Youth Gathering
July 16-20



SERMON SERIES
Get Real



This year the Easter season will be a celebration of the truth of the Resurrection and its implications for our very lives. Real Faith for Real Life. A few years ago, the George Gallup Organization identified The Six Basic Needs of Adults. They are as follows:

- ⇒To believe that life is meaningful and has a purpose.
- ⇒A sense of community and deeper relationships.
- ⇒To be listened to and to be heard.
- ⇒To feel that one is growing in faith.
- ⇒To be appreciated and respected.
- ⇒For practical help in developing a mature faith.

The Easter season speaks boldly to the basic human needs.

05/05/24	Get Real with yourself	John 15:9-17
05/12/24	Get Real with your relationships	John 17:6-19
05/19/24	Get Real with your faith	Acts 2:1-21

Life in Christ Class (Membership Exploration)



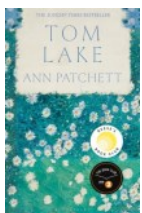
We are getting ready to start a new class for Membership Exploration. The class will be a few hours one Sunday afternoon to share more about Hope's ministries and beliefs. If you are interested in becoming a member, or just learning more about Hope Lutheran, we invite you to participate on Sunday, 5/5. Please call the office if you would like more information.



Join the Youth Group for a Cinco de Mayo Taco dinner May 5th in Larson Hall from 5-6:30pm. There will be a build your own taco bar, drinks and desserts. A freewill donation goes towards meals at the youth gathering this summer. Invite your friends!



We will be recognizing all Hope graduates (high school, college, graduate schools) Sunday, May 12 in worship and with a reception between services. If you wish to be included, please send the following information to Pastor Kristin or Nat in the office by May 3 - the graduate's name, graduation date, school & degree, a photo, and a couple sentences of future plans.



Hope Book Club
May 15 at 2pm
Tom Lake by Ann Patchett
Three daughters yearn to discover their mother's history with a famous actor.

CHERRY ST.
MISSION MINISTRIES

Are you interested in serving once a month at Cherry Street Mission? Hope served regularly before Covid and we are seeking names of those interested in forming a team. Contact the office or Pastor Kristin if you are interested.



We want to extend heartfelt thanks to everyone who volunteered during our Easter festivities. Whether you helped with the Easter egg hunt or helped with making and serving breakfast, your efforts were greatly appreciated and blessed the members of our congregation. These events would have not happened without your help. Thank you!!

Backpacks of Hope



We only have a few more weeks before the end of the school year at Old Orchard to send home backpacks of food. We need your help to keep the pantry stocked for these last few weeks. We especially need about 36 jars of peanut butter, 36 boxes of cereal, 24 boxes of mac & cheese, as well as cans of vegetables, soup, and fruit cups. Thanks for your continued support of students at Old Orchard Elementary!



VBS 2024! Registration is Open! Camp Firelight June 17-21 M-F 9am-12:15pm

Ready for some fun at Camp Firelight? Come to our Summer Camp Adventure with God! "Whenever I'm afraid, I put my trust in you." ~Psalm 56:3. We are looking for any, and all, volunteers! If you are interested, please reach out to Pam Ferrara at pferrara@hopetoledo.net or call the office. Registration is now open at www.HopeToledo.net.

Children in Preschool—4th grade may attend. 5th graders and older are invited to volunteer!

Check out the list below for supplies we need!

Games

- 3x Ladder ball sets (Borrow)
- 4x 10ft long, thick ropes
- 10x beach bags
- 1x bale of hay
- 4x pair of cheap flipflops
- 1x pack blue construction paper
- 1x horseshoe shaped magnet
- 3x large blue tarp (Borrow)
- 8x laundry baskets (reg sized)
- 50x Red Balloons
- 50x Green Balloons
- 14x rubber cones
- 16x 2ft rope pieces
- 4x Empty spray bottles
- 8x bricks
- Assorted fleece remnants

Art

- 80 white bandanas
- fabric markers

Missions

- 100 bottles of water
- 100 granola bars
- 100 fruit cups
- 100 snack sized cookie bags
- 100 snack sized chip bags
- 100 tootsie pops
- 100 individually wrapped twizzlers
- 100 mayonnaise packets
- 100 mustard packets
- 200 ziplock sandwich baggies

Storytime

- Large world globe
- Large world map
- Fringe door curtain



Hope for Salem Update!

THANK YOU for your help on Monday, April 15, Tuesday, April 16, and Thursday, April 18, 2024, at our Hope for Salem renovation project! YOU are the best! The dedication and hard work of our volunteers allow progress to be made every week. Our task sometimes seems overwhelming, BUT in the words of one of our volunteers, "We are eating the ELEPHANT one bite at a time." Each and every week, we are making progress!

We are in the process of receiving estimates from electrical, plumbing, and heating and a/c contractors. After evaluation, we will award the contracts.

We will be doing more work with our volunteers, but it will be later this spring. I invite YOU to join us. You may call the church office @ 419-536-8383 or Roger Smith @ 419-202-3779.

We continue to stress working safely! We know ONE day, we will be able to rejoice at the FINISH LINE!