

## Announcements - December 20, 2009

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### INVITING PEOPLE TO CONNECT WITH GOD

Welcome to Hope 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. Join us this morning in the Lounge between services for fellowship and refreshments.

· During worship today, please make sure that cell phones and pagers are in their silent mode or turned off.

### ENCOURAGING PEOPLE TO CONNECT WITH EACH OTHER

## Servants Needed

### ST. PAUL'S COMMUNITY CENTER

Hope is serving the meal at St. Paul's on Sunday, Dec. 27. While servers aren't needed, chefs are. Help is needed to prepare macaroni and cheese so if you are interested, foil pans (and a recipe, if needed) are available in the kitchen. Grab one today and return it next Sunday the 27th. Thank you for your assistance.

### NURSERY CARE

We need people to staff the nursery for special services held in the evening. At this time, we need child care for the 4:00 and 7:00 services on Christmas Eve. Contact Diane Barnes at 419-536-8383 or email at [dbarnes@hopetoledo.net](mailto:dbarnes@hopetoledo.net).

**HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP** Beginning in January, High School Youth Group will meet after the 11:00 service until 1:30 pm on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays of the month. The first one of these gatherings will be held on Sunday, January 10<sup>th</sup>. All students in 9<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> grade are invited for fine food, good quality God-talk, and general fun! Contact Pastor Laura with questions.

Please help us live our vision by completing your 2009 pledge.

Total committed pledges for 2009 \$636,975  
Amount received toward pledges \$586,398

**WALK THRU THE NEW TESTAMENT!** On Saturday, February 20, Hope will host a Walk Thru the New Testament Seminar. Dr. Greg Carlson will lead the seminar for adults through children in grade 6. His wife, Donna, will lead the Kids of the Book seminar for children in 1<sup>st</sup> through 5<sup>th</sup> grade. Registration forms will be available in January, but mark your calendar now.

### EQUIPPING PEOPLE TO LIVE THE GOD LIFE

#### SUNDAY PREACHING SCHEDULE

Today	8:00 - Pastor Andrea preaching
	10:00 - Children's Christmas Program
Dec. 27	Pastor Laura preaching

**SIGN THE PARENT PROMISE!** The Parent Promise is a new program created by the Community Partnership of Toledo to support parents in the work of raising children. By signing the promise, you commit to actively participate in your children's educational, spiritual and social growth, and will be connected with resources to help you fulfill your promise. Let's show our children how much we care about them! Sign the Promise today in the Family Lounge, or contact Pastor Laura.

**ADVENT PRAYER SERVICE** will be held this Wednesday from 7 to 7:30 in the sanctuary. Come and experience a quiet time of prayer and listening to God's voice amidst all the other sounds that call to us.

**LUNCHESES WITH LUTHER** is now on Holiday Break. They will meet on Tuesday, January 5.

**A HEALING SERVICE** will be held on Sunday, January 3 at 4:00 in the afternoon. Pastor Andrea will share her message. This service includes prayers, anointing and Holy Communion. All are invited.

#### CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES

4:00 pm Family Worship with Children's Choir  
7:00 pm Candlelight Worship with Communion, Carols and Brass  
11:00 pm Candlelight, Communion and Adult Choir

#### CHRISTMAS DAY SERVICE

This year, we will have a Christmas Day worship service at 10:00 am in Bethlehem (Larson Hall) with Pastor Laura presiding.

**CRHP WOMEN AND MEN RETREATS COMING UP**  
Women's Jan. 30-31 Call Amy Rowe, 419-531-2864  
Men's Feb. 13-14 Call Jeff Davis 419-531-4218

**SERVICES LIVE ON INTERNET!** Live streaming of our 9:30 service on Sunday morning is available on our web site: [www.hopetoledo.net](http://www.hopetoledo.net). Click "Listen Live". To listen to any sermon on the website, click "Sunday Sermons."

**SIGN UPS FOR THE NEW WINTER SMALL GROUPS** will be held on Sundays, January 10 and 17. Make this one of your New Year's Resolutions by joining a small group.

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→ Please notify the church office when you or a family member is hospitalized. (419-536-8383)

**CONFIRMATION STUDENTS** to be prayed for this week: Rachel Bules, Casey Miller, Gracey Gibson

**HOPE COLLEGE STUDENT OF THE WEEK:** Please pray for Meghan Hentges. Her address is Wittenberg University, Box 2878, P O Box 6100, Springfield, OH 45501. A "thinking of you" note would be appreciated.

**PRAY** for the Leadership Development Team as they have been charged with asking potential Call Committee members to discern the call to serve. Pray for those who are being asked.

**BIRTHDAY CARDS** are sent to our college students. Please stop by the lounge this morning to add a greeting to those with upcoming birthdays.

### SCHEDULE

#### THIS WEEK AT HOPE - Dec 20 - Dec. 26

- TODAY** 8:00 and 10:00 Worship Services  
 6:00pm Confirmation Event at Salem  
 7:00pm CRHP Men in Lounge
- MON** 6:00pm LCM UT Dinner in Lounge  
 7:30pm Alanon in Basement
- TUES** 7:00pm Small Group Vision Team in Lounge  
 8:30pm A.A. in Larson Hall
- WED** 7:00am Advent Prayer Service in Sanctuary  
 5:15pm Chime Choir in Choir Room  
 6:00pm Children's Choir in Choir Room  
 7:00pm Chancel Choir in Choir Room  
 8:00pm Hand Bell Choir in Sanctuary
- THURS** CHRISTMAS EVE  
 4:00pm Family Worship Service  
 7:00pm Candlelight Worship with Communion  
 11:00pm Candlelight Worship with Communion
- FRI** CHRISTMAS DAY  
 10:00am Worship in Bethlehem (Larson Hall)  
 8:00pm AA in Larson Hall
- SAT** 9:30am Praise Team in Sanctuary



**ALL CHOIRS** will rehearse this Wednesday, Dec. 23 at the regular times. The choirs will then be on Holiday Break for two weeks. All choir rehearsals will resume on Wed., January 10. Mark your calendar!

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**ALL CONTRIBUTIONS** must be in the church office by December 31 or postmarked by Dec. 31 in order to claim a charitable deduction for 2009.

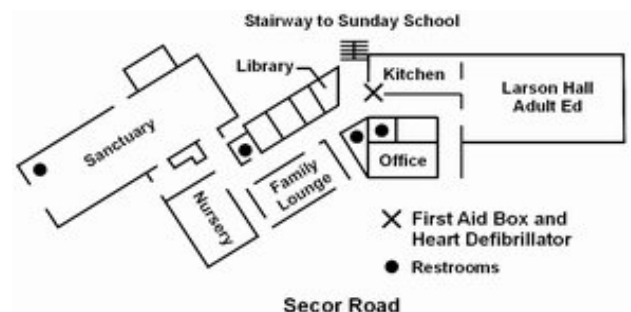
### MINISTRY

#### TODAY'S MINISTERS

- PROCLAIMERS** 8:00 Paul Peters  
**OF THE WORD** 11:00 Grace and Audrey Rotman  
**ACOLYTE/CRUCIFER** 8:00 Sara Martin  
**WELCOME TEAMS** 8:00 Dick and Joyce Moore  
 10:00 Greg and Barb Whetstone  
 Braden and Crystal Jozsa  
 Fred Bretzloff  
 Carol and Phil Meuser

#### HOPE'S MINISTRY TEAM

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**CHILD CARE** for preschool children is provided during the 9:30 and 11:00 worship services. The Nursery is located outside the Sanctuary.

**RECYCLE** bagged inkjet cartridges with proceeds benefiting the Romanian orphanage. Container is inside the kitchen. Cancelled postage stamps are collected in the church office to benefit Heifer International. Yoplait offers 10¢ per gold lid (clean) for the Feed America program. Collection box is outside the Lounge.

**FOOD FOR THE HUNGRY** is collected the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of every month. Your donations of canned goods and non-perishable items are placed in the grocery cart during all three services.

**CHRISTMAS OFFERINGS** have been designated to local organizations providing food and meals to the hungry.