

LOOKING AHEAD

Outdoor Worship

9 am July 11, August 8

Hope for Salem Workdays

8 am July 10, 17, 31, August 7, 21, 28

September 11-12

Homecoming Weekend



Hope is a
Stephen Ministry Congregation.

**SUMMER SERMON SERIES:
THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO PIXAR**

Beginning with Toy Story in 1995, Pixar Animation Studios has taken American cinema by storm. Their movies are both highly entertaining and surprisingly wise, displaying an all-too-rare gift for telling stories which speak about the reality of life and the complexities of the human heart - and making us laugh while doing so. Children are drawn to them, but they contain lessons that connect with adults as well. Each Pixar film portrays the basic concerns of everyday life and connects with a Christian understanding of the world. It touches on themes such as love, identity, fear, freedom, guilt, purpose, and belonging - to name just a few. This summer we invite you to watch a movie each week and then join us to connect to faith in worship.



- July 11 Monsters' Inc.: Perfect Love Casts out Fear
- July 18 Finding Nemo: Risks & Freedom
- July 25 Ratatouille: Finding Your Passion
- Aug 1 The Incredibles: Perils of Nostalgia
- Aug 8 Cars: Celebrating Who You Are

- 1 John 4:7-21
- Genesis 22:1-14
- Philippians 4:4-9
- Numbers 11:1-9
- John 15:9-16

MUSIC NOTES



We are excited to rehearse as a choir again after Labor Day this year. In the meantime, please contact Gail Mowry if you would be willing to share special music during the summer months.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING JULY 11

There will be a brief congregational meeting on July 11th at 10 AM. We will affirm leaders, approve use a portion of a bequest for our Hope for Salem house and designate where the proceeds of the sale of 3330 Indian Road will go. (Sale was approved at our February congregational meeting.)



OUTDOOR FELLOWSHIP

With the arrival of Summer weather, we will be offering fellowship time on the Indian Road side of the building after 9 and 11 worship services when there is no rain. We'll have coffee, water, treats and chairs in addition to the benches.



SPONSOR A SUNDAY OF ALTAR FLOWERS

Every Sunday, flowers grace each side of our altar for worship. There are still many summer Sundays that are not sponsored. If you would like to sponsor a Sunday, please call the office to reserve the date that is special to you. Altar flowers are \$25 per vase.



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL THANK YOU!



A huge thank you to all of our amazing VBS volunteers for making in person VBS possible and a huge success! From June 21-25, we hosted 77 children for a week of VBS. Thanks to the village for the use of Arrowhead Park so we could be outside for much of the week (when it wasn't raining). Throughout the week, the children journeyed from North Castle on a quest throughout the land to find the Great Armor, learning how to be strong in the Lord. With the help of games, crafts, storytelling, science, snack and music they learned more about the armor of God. And thanks to your generous donations, they were able to do five service projects! They decorated vases for residents in assisted living, painted rocks for area gardens, packed lunches for MLK Kitchen for the Poor, put together English and Spanish prayer books for our mission partners, and packed hygiene kits for Salem Lutheran church. Finally, a thank you to our friends at Washington church for their help and continued partnership that makes this such a great week for both our congregations and our neighborhood!

HOPE FOR SALEM UPDATE

Our "regular" Hope for Salem crew members are fond of saying that we are eating an elephant one bite at a time. The project may seem huge, but we are making steady progress. We are busy creating interior walls, and installing floor joist and sub-floor. We work hard and have lots of fun while we are at it. Come join us! We plan to work 8:00-noon July 10, 17, and 31st. Call the office to register.



WELCOME CINDY

We are pleased to welcome Cindy Franklin as our new Financial Secretary. Cindy will begin July 6th. Stop by the office and give her a warm Hope welcome.

2022 ELCA YOUTH GATHERING



After a year delay, the ELCA Youth Gathering will be July 24-28, 2022 in Minneapolis, MN. However, registration for the Gathering is this fall. Pastor Kristin will be getting information out to all high school youth in the next few weeks to gauge interest and begin planning. While a year sounds like a long time, when it comes to planning for the Gathering, it's not as long as you think. Not sure what the ELCA youth gathering is? It's a 5 day event for youth from across the country to join in worship, service, education, fellowship, and fun. It is also a chance for youth to see how expansive the church is and learn about ELCA colleges and universities, service agencies, missionary opportunities, and more. If you are interested in more information or attending the gathering, let Pastor Kristin know so she can be sure to include you in upcoming announcements.

DIT PICNIC IN THE PARK

DIT families are invited to join us in the park for a picnic and activity at 10am Sunday July 11th. Please RSVP to Katie Garverick at kgarverick@hopetoledo.net.

GUARDIAN ANGEL CELEBRATION



Come join us August 29th at 10 am in the park next to Hope to celebrate your past Guardian Angel and meet your new Guardian Angel! We will have ice cream sandwiches and an activity! Please RSVP to Katie Garverick at kgarverick@hopetoledo.net