



Announcements

December 29, 2019

Our Mission: To be a living example of the love of Jesus Christ.

Welcome to Hope Lutheran Church!

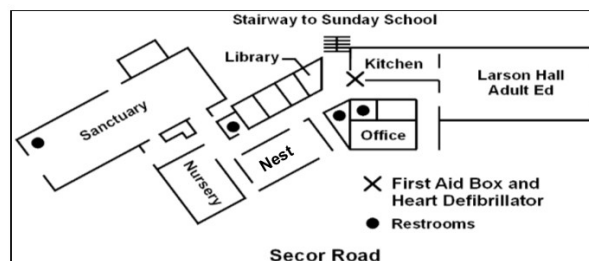
- If you are a guest this morning, please notice the staff and lay leaders wearing identification badges. They will be able to assist you.
- For the hearing impaired: place your hearing aids on the "T" switch for direct audio input
- Large-print bulletins are also available from a member of the Welcome Team
- Gluten-free communion wafers are available—just let the pastor know if that's what you prefer. Please join us between services in the Lounge for coffee and refreshments.

We encourage children to participate in worship, however if needed, a staffed **NURSERY** is available for children through 3 years old during both worship services and faith formation time. The Nursery is located to the right of the Chancel (church front).

MY NEXT STEP TODAY IS TO...

Please indicate your next step on the back of Today's Connection Card and place in the offering plate. Take home this announcements page to serve as your reminder in the week ahead.

- Take the bulletin home and read one of the lessons each day during the week
- Consider how you have observed Jesus' birth and what it means to you
- Share a Merry Christmas with one person each day this week.



Sunday Faith Formation

10:00am – 10:50am: Disciples in Training is for all children ages 3 years old through 6th grade. This year's theme is "Into the Wilderness with God" and all children are welcome to join us downstairs .

10:15am – 10:40am: Toddlers & Tots is a new group this year for children not yet old enough for Disciples in Training. Parents are encouraged to attend with their child. Toddlers & Tots meets in the nursery.

Youth & Adult Sunday Faith Formation Opportunities (10:10-10:50)

Faith in Real Life is a youth Bible study and faith discussion group. All youth in grades 7-12 (confirmation and high school) are welcome. (Meets in the Confirmation Room upstairs, use stairs by the kitchen)

Wired Word discusses current events in a Scriptural framework and how the Scriptures provide guidance to being in the world. (Meets in the library)

Upper Room Discussion gathers for discussions & Bible study using the Animate series. Open to men and women who want to grow in faith together (Meets in the Upper Room, use stairs by the Sanctuary).

Women's Group is for all women to join together for discussion, prayer, and support. They are studying the Women of Scripture. Bring your Bibles. (Meets in the Chapel of Grace across from Family Lounge).

Sermon Series for the New Year

How to ...

The new year is always filled with new possibilities and resolutions. We work on how to be the "new" "best" person. As we begin our journey through the Gospel of Mark we encounter the first half of the Gospel where Jesus reveals how to be disciples and by extension, how we are to be the church. Over the weeks between Christmas and Lent we will focus on lessons in how to really be the church.



- January 5 - Begin
- January 12 - Welcome
- January 19 - Sow Generously
- January 26 - Embrace the other
- February 2 - Restore community
- February 9 - Go
- February 16 - Stay Focused

Prayers

Hope's prayer team is pleased to join you in the prayers that you write on the back of the Connection Card.



Healing: Rem Hinkle, Ralph Kunze

Christian Sympathy is extended to the family & friends of Jean Sapon who died December 14th. Cards may be sent to Jean's daughter Jeannie Marcis at 25857 Winterberry Drive South Bend, IN 43667

Christian Sympathy is also extended to Mary Beth Durfee, on the death of her father Peter Moran. Cards may be sent to Mary Beth at 3703 Indian Road, Ottawa Hills, OH 43606.

TODAY'S MINISTERS

Readers: Nita Clere, Scott Elston

WELCOME Team

WORSHIP ASSISTANT

COMMUNION ASSISTANTS

TELLERS Matt Caputo
Jim Walter

Announcements:

Thank you to all Bethlehem Citizens and Crew! A huge thank you to all the volunteers and cast members who blessed our community with A Night in Bethlehem.



DIT Lockin Jan 10th 6:00 pm—6:30 am. RSVP to Katie at kdumproff@hopetoledo.net by January 5th. Include if your child plans to stay the night.

Packing up the Christmas Decorations Can you spare a few minutes January 5th, following the 11:00 worship service.? Your assistance is needed as we take down and pack up the Christmas decorations from around the church.

Todder & Tots Winter Playdate Jan 23rd 5:00-6:00 pm. Children ages 6 weeks to 3 years old. Join us for a fun social event for parents and their tots.

Year End Giving As you plan your year-end giving, please note that the last day the office will be open in 2019 is Tuesday, December 31 **until noon**. You may also place your year-end contribution in the offering today. Any contributions postmarked by December 31 will be counted towards 2019 giving.

Advent Collections As we approach the celebration of God's great gift to us in Jesus Christ, we seek to live out our core value of generosity through our Advent Collections.		
Collection	Goal	Collected
\$10 Walmart, Dollar General, or \$5 McDonald's food cards	\$2000	\$2000
Children's books for Old Orchard School	250 Books	212 Books
Hats and gloves for MLK Kitchen for the poor	200 sets	77 hats, 126 gloves
Socks for Cherry Street Mission	500 Pair	328 pair

HOPE'S MINISTRY TEAM

Ministers: The Members of Hope

Senior Pastor: Kevin Maxey, (Home 567-288-2072) pastorkevin@hopetoledo.net

Associate Pastor: Kristin Hunsinger, pastorkristin@hopetoledo.net

Children & Family Ministry: Katie Dumproff, kdumproff@hopetoledo.net

Music Director: Gail Mowry, gmowry@hopetoledo.net

Organist/Pianist: Matt Raisky, mraisky@hopetoledo.net

Office Manager: Jennifer Bailey, jbailey@hopetoledo.net

Financial Secretary: Peggy Miller, pmiller@hopetoledo.net

Custodians: Mike Hoskins and Dawn Krise

Vision Team President: Jamie MacMillan

Management Team Chair: Ron Ranallo

Looking Ahead

Jan 5 Baptism of Our Lord Sunday

Feb 26 Ash Wednesday Worship at noon and 7:00 pm

This Week at Hope: Dec 29– Jan 5

- TODAY** 10:00 am Service of Lessons and Carols
- MON** 11:00 am Staff Meeting
7:30 pm Alanon Downstairs
- TUES** **NEW YEARS EVE—OFFICE CLOSES AT NOON**
8:30 pm AA in Larson Hall
- WED** **NEW YEARS DAY—OFFICE CLOSED**
- THURS**
- FRI** 7:00 pm AA in Larson Hall
- SAT** 12:00 pm Eagle Scout Ceremony Set up
- SUN** 9:00 am Children's Christmas Program
10:00 am Disciples in Training Downstairs
10:10 am Adult Spiritual Formation
10:15 am Toddlers & Tots in Nursery
11:00 am Traditional Worship
2:00 pm Eagle Scout Ceremony and Reception

Stephen Ministers are congregation members trained by Stephen Leaders to offer high-quality, one-to-one Christian care to people going through tough times. For more information, please call us in the office 419-536-8383



SERVICES LIVE ON THE INTERNET

You can listen or watch live via www.hopetoledo.net/equipping/listenlivepodcast

PARKING: Indian Road parking lot is designated for disabled and seniors. Please be considerate by parking in the Secor Road parking lot, on Bancroft Street or the angle parking spaces on Indian Road.

