



# Announcements

February 23, 2020

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

## Welcome to Hope Lutheran Church!

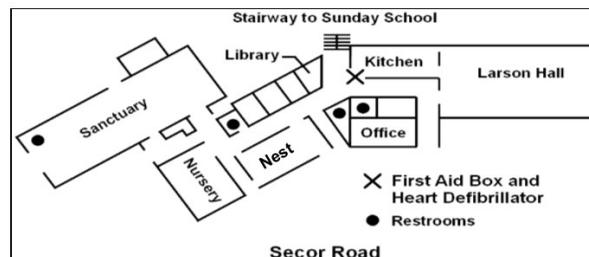
- If you are a guest this morning, please notice the staff and lay leaders wearing identification badges. They will be able to assist you.
- For the hearing impaired: place your hearing aids on the "T" switch for direct audio input
- Large-print bulletins are also available from a member of the Welcome 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.*

- Re-read Mark 8:27-9:8
- Reflect on your life and identify the times where you had to take the long route.
- Identify a Lenten practice that will help you grow in your discipleship.
- Consider who might be experiencing the longer route and commit to pray for them by name.



## Sunday Faith Formation

**10:00am – 10:50am: Disciples in Training** is for all children ages 3 years old through 6<sup>th</sup> 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 a series called "Trustworthy". Bring your Bibles. (Meets in the Chapel of Grace across from the Nest).

## Sermon Series for Lent: Giving Up

One of the long held Christian practices is to give things up for Lent as an act of self-denial. Often people give up things they love such a chocolate, ice cream, dessert, soda, or even adult beverages. When Jesus sets his eyes on Jerusalem in Mark and begins his journey to the cross he calls for his disciples to give things up, but not the things we associate with our Lenten practices. Jesus calls us to give up control, power and being number one. We invite you to ponder each Sunday during Lent, one of the things that Jesus invites us to give up.



- March 1 Giving Up Control
- March 8 Giving Up Power
- March 15 Giving Up Being Number One
- March 22 Giving Up Birthright
- March 29 Giving Up Certainty
- April 5 Giving Up Expectations

## Wednesday Lenten Series: Convicted

Step into the courtroom each week in Lent with our Convicted worship series. Each service puts a different biblical person from the story of Christ's passion and death on trial, accused of an actual crime. On Ash Wednesday, we will look at the case against Jesus' disciples on the charge of defamation of character against the woman who anointed Jesus. This series begins Ash Wednesday at noon and 7:00 pm.



## Prayers

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



Hospice Care: Joe Feudi

## TODAY'S MINISTERS

**Readers:** Scott Elston

**WORSHIP ASSISTANT** Scott Elston

**TELLERS** Tim & Kim Whetstone  
Beth Spencer

**Crucifer** Caroline Durfee

**WELCOME Team** 9:00 David Guy, Joan Knestrick  
Jim & Maggie Hentges  
11:00 Freda Baum, Carol Meuser

**COMMUNION ASSISTANTS** 9:00 Brooke Henry, Jacob Henry  
11:00 Lilly Collins

**A/V** 9:00 Grace Henry

**Announcements:**

**Altar Flowers** are given by Jim & Maggie Hentges in memory of Alverna Hentges and by John & Sue Hadley in honor of Rose Metzger’s birthday.



**Today at 10:00: Congregational Budget Meeting** All members are encouraged to attend a congregational meeting to approve the annual budget in Larson Hall (between worship services). There will be activities for children and youth in the DIT area.

**High school Youth Group Today** will meet for lunch, devotions, and activities on today from noon – 2pm in the Upper Room. All youth in high school are invited.

**DIT Family & Friends Fun Today** DIT families and Toddler & Tots over a year old are invited to join us from noon—2:30 pm as we watch Happy Feet, play games, make crafts, and complete a service project. Lunch is provided. Bring a friend and receive a prize!

**Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper, February 25, 5:30-6:30pm**

Join us for dinner and fellowship before Lent begins with pancakes made to order (with plenty of toppings), sausage, and fruit. A freewill donation will go towards future youth ministry trips.

**Ash Wednesday, February 26th** Please join us for worship at noon or 7:00 pm Ash Wednesday. Both services will include Holy Communion and the Imposition of Ashes.



**Wednesday Lenten Dinners** Wednesdays in Lent (March 4, 11, 18, 25, & April 1st) we will gather at 5:15 for dinner before 6:30 worship. To sign up for food (soups, salad, bread, and dessert) or help set-up, serve, or clean-up, please contact Mona Pupos at 419-360-0661. Sign up sheets will also be available at the first Lenten Dinner. Please note there is not a Lenten Dinner on Ash Wednesday.

**Kids’ Club 5:45 Wednesdays** Children in Kindergarten-6th grade are welcome to join our Wednesday evening children’s group during lent for a time of fellowship, playing chimes, singing, a short bible study, and games. We will meet upstairs in the choir room on Wednesdays from 5:45pm-6:25pm. Please contact Gail Mowry for more information.

**HOPE’S MINISTRY TEAM**

**Ministers:** The Members of Hope

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

**Associate Pastor:** Kristin Hunsinger, [pastorkristin@hopetoledo.net](mailto:pastorkristin@hopetoledo.net)

**Children & Family Ministry:** Katie Dumproff, [kdumproff@hopetoledo.net](mailto:kdumproff@hopetoledo.net)

**Music Director:** Gail Mowry, [gmowry@hopetoledo.net](mailto:gmowry@hopetoledo.net)

**Organist/Pianist:** Matt Raisky, [mraisky@hopetoledo.net](mailto:mraisky@hopetoledo.net)

**Office Manager:** Jennifer Bailey, [jbailey@hopetoledo.net](mailto:jbailey@hopetoledo.net)

**Financial Secretary:** Peggy Miller, [pmiller@hopetoledo.net](mailto:pmiller@hopetoledo.net)

**Custodians:** Mike Hoskins and Dawn Krise

**Vision Team President:** Jamie MacMillan

**Management Team Chair:** Ron Ranallo

Looking Ahead

*Feb 25 Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper 5:30-6:30 pm*

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

*April 12 Easter*

*June 15-19 Vacation Bible School*

**This Week at Hope: Feb 23– March 1**

<b>TODAY</b>	9:00 am	Contemporary Worship
	10:00 am	Disciples in Training Downstairs
	10:00 am	Congregational Meeting in Larson Hall
	11:00 am	Traditional Worship
	12:00 pm	DIT Family and Friends Fun Downstairs
12:00 pm	High School Youth Group	
<b>MON</b>	11:00 pm	Staff Meeting in the Nest
	1:30 pm	Stephen Ministry in the Library
	7:00 pm	Bible and Brew at Casual Pint (Secor)
	7:00 pm	Collaboration in Sanctuary
	7:30 pm	Alanon Downstairs
<b>TUES</b>	12:00 pm	Lunches with Luther in the Nest
	5:30 pm	Pancake Supper in Larson Hall
	6:30 pm	Hope for Salem Meeting in Nest
	8:30 pm	AA in Larson Hall
<b>WED</b>	12:00 pm	Ash Wednesday Worship
	7:00 pm	Ash Wednesday Worship
	8:00 pm	Adult Choir Rehearsal
<b>THURS</b>	7:00 am	Bible Study in Library
<b>FRI</b>	7:00 pm	AA in Larson Hall
<b>SAT</b>	10:00 am	Altar Care in Sanctuary and Nest
<b>SUN</b>	9:00 am	Contemporary Worship
	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

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](http://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.

