

HOLY WEEK WORSHIP

April 10 Palm Sunday
9:00 & 11:00 am Worship

April 14 Maundy Thursday
7:00 pm Worship

April 15 Good Friday
Noon & 7:00 pm Worship

April 17 Easter Sunday
9:00 am Contemporary Worship
10:00 am Easter Brunch
11:00 am Traditional Worship

LOOKING AHEAD

April 10
First Communion

June 20-24
Vacation Bible School



Hope is a
Stephen Ministry
Congregation.

**Easter Sunday
Brunch 10 am**

We are excited to offer Easter Sunday brunch this year! At 10:00 am Sunday April 17th, you are invited to join us in Larson Hall or take your breakfast to-go. There is no charge, but RSVPs are appreciated. You may RSVP by calling the church office or marking your connection card in worship.

SERMON SERIES: TURNING

In John's Gospel, we are dizzied by all of the turning: God turning toward humanity's pain as Jesus weeps at raw and unbearable grief; Jesus turning the stench of Lazarus' death into something confusingly hopeful; Jesus turning into a servant, stooping to wash feet, turning them toward loving and serving their neighbor.

Then humanity's turning away: Peter turning his back on his best friend; Pilate turning and twisting the truth for political gain; The fickle and riled up crowds turning from "hosanna" to "crucify." Then the turning of the earth as grave becomes garden, death turns to life, mourning to dancing.

John's Gospel invites us into a season of intentional turning. Our hearts turn with compassion for those who grieve. Our lives turn toward our neighbor in acts of solidarity and service. Our eyes turn toward the cross and we see Jesus turning the world upside down with love.



April 3	Praising turns to Taunting	John 19:1-16a
April 10	Hosanna turns to Crucify	John 19:16b-22
April 14	Master Turns Servant	John 19:23-29
April 15	Life to Death	John 19:30-42
April 17	Death to Life	John 20:1-18

**EASTER SERMON SERIES:
A SPIRIT DRIVEN LIFE**



After his resurrection, Jesus meets with his disciples and breathes the Holy Spirit upon them. The Holy Spirit empowers and drives them in their outreach. They are transformed from hiding in a room behind locked doors to bold evangelists. What does it mean today for our lives to be Spirit Driven? Join us as we explore what the gift and power of the Spirit meant then and still means now.

April 24th	Filled	John 20:19-31
May 1st	Turned	Acts 9:1-19a
May 8th	Released	Acts 16:16-34
May 15th	Unleashed	Acts 17:16-31

EASTER DECORATING

Easter Decorating will be Saturday, April 16 at 11am. All are welcome to come help. contact Ellie Proctor at pupymeinna@yahoo.com with questions.



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 2022: ON A ROLL WITH GOD

June 20-24 | 9:00 a.m.– NOON.

Ready to cook up some fun? Join us for VBS this summer as we get on a roll with God through a parade of food trucks for the summer's biggest party! Together we'll pray, "Give us this day our daily bread" and grow in our faith through storytelling, music, games, crafts, science, service, and of course, snacks!

Registration will open soon! Children aged 3 – 4th grade are invited to register. The 3 year-old class will be self-contained and have limited capacity. The rest of registration will cap at 110 before moving to a waitlist. Registration will be available on Hope's website by mid-April. It will be announced in worship and included in weekly emails.

Volunteer: Youth in grade 5 – adults are welcome to volunteer. **Volunteers can sign-up NOW on Hope's website or contact Pastor Kristin (pastorkristin@hopetoledo.net).**



BACKPACKS OF HOPE UPDATE

With spring break this month, we only have 6 more week-ends to send home food bags for Backpacks of Hope. Over the next 2 months, here is what we need to finish out the school year: 60 boxes of mac & cheese, 60 cans of vegetables, 72 cans of pasta, 72 cans of soup, 72 boxes of cereal, 26 jars of peanut butters, and 36 cans of tuna. Thanks for your continued support of the children at Old Orchard! And if you signed up for a spring break box, they are due back Sunday, April 10.

RUNNING CLUB

Attention runners of Hope! Now is the perfect time to join Hope's running club. This is open to members and non members alike. It's an opportunity to get to one another by doing something we have in common. Feel free to invite anyone who could use some wholesome fun and introduce them to others in our congregation. With Glass City races right around the corner, you don't want to be left in the dust because you didn't train! Sign up by contacting Margie at 734-624-5503. Schedule is flexible.



BOOK GROUP

The book group will read "The Last Thing He Told Me" by Laura Dave for the meeting on April 28th at 2.00pm. The book for May 26th is "The Stranger in the Lifeboat" by Mitch Albom. If you have questions about the group please contact Joy Gibbs or Margaret Bretzloff.

SYNOD ASSEMBLY

Hope is looking for two people to attend the NWOS assembly on June 3-4. One male and one female are needed to go on behalf of Hope as we hold elections for synodical office (including bishop) and attend to other synod business while hearing about our mission and participating in Bible Study. If you would like to learn more, please speak to Pastors Kristin or Kevin.

HOPE FOR SALEM UPDATE

Work at the Hope for Salem House continues at a great pace. Recently we have removed old ceiling joists and installed new ones. We have installed new level flooring on the 2nd floor and built headers for 2nd floor windows. The crew is fond of describing the work as "eating an elephant one bite at a time". The project is a large undertaking, but it is really beginning to take shape and there's always room for more on our crew. Our next workdays are April 2nd, 9th, 23rd. To register just call the church office.



LIFE IN CHRIST CLASS MAY 1

On May 1st we will be offering a Life in Christ Class at 12:15 (free lunch included). This one time class will share more about Hope's ministries and beliefs. If you are interested in becoming a member or just learning more, we invite you to participate. RSVP through the office. Childcare is available upon request for those who need it.



GLASS CITY MARATHON: April 24

The Glass City Marathon is scheduled to run near Hope Church again. On April 24th, plan to come SOUTH on Secor Road and avoid Indian Road except between our parking lot and the intersection with Secor.



FIRST COMMUNION



Join us on Palm Sunday, April 10 at 9am as we celebrate Jonas, Henry, and Jack joining us at the table for their First Communion. Thank you to each of their families and to Sarah Puffenberger for walking alongside them this past month in preparation.

VISION TEAM OPENING

Tim Rothfuss recently relocated to Cincinnati and needed to resign his position. If you know someone who would have the gifts to serve on the vision team guiding the direction of Hope please let a pastor know

