

**LOOKING AHEAD**

**Hope for Salem Workdays:**  
June 11, 18, 25

**Congregational Meeting**  
10 am June 12

**Summer Breakfasts**  
June 12, July 10, August 21

**Vacation Bible School**  
June 20-24



Hope is a  
Stephen Ministry  
Congregation.

**SERMON SERIES: WHY?**

Why? It's a simple word, but a deep question everyone wrestles with at some point in their lives. When bad things happen, our prayers seem unanswered, and God seems far away, we cry out, "Why?" In this series of messages, we will look to the scriptures and the stories of those who have come through horrific tragedies to help us understand how God is at work in our lives and our world.



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| 06/12 | God & Suffering                  | Luke 13:1-5           |
| 06/19 | Illness, God & Unanswered Prayer | John 15:1-10          |
| 06/26 | God's Will for your Life         | Colossians 1:9-14     |
| 07/03 | More than Conquerors             | Romans 8:31-35, 37-39 |

**ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING**

A congregational meeting has been called for June 12th at 10AM in the sanctuary. The agenda is to affirm leaders and to vote to approve additions to the Hope constitution as noted below:

**Article X – Congregational meetings (paragraph 9)**  
This congregation may hold meetings by remote communication, including electronically and by telephone conference, as long as there is an opportunity for simultaneous aural communication. To the extent permitted by state law, notice of all meetings may be provided electronically.

**Article XI – Church organization (paragraph 15)**  
The Vision Team, Management Team and Staff teams and all committees may hold meetings by remote communication, including electronically and by telephone conference and, to the extent permitted by state law, notice of all meetings may be provided electronically.



**SUMMER BREAKFASTS**

Once again this summer we invite everyone to join once a month in a time of fellowship and hospitality. We will meet in Larson Hall between services for a light breakfast one Sunday each month: **June 12, July 10, and August 21**. If you are interested in helping provide donations toward the meal or serve the meal, please contact Mona Pupos.

**BLOOD DRIVE JUNE 25**

The 33rd Interfaith Blood Drive will be held Saturday, June 25 from 8:30-2:30 at Grace Lutheran Church. This will be a one day drive. Blood donors, bakers and volunteers are needed. If you can help, call Carol Meuser—419-356-0241.

SAVE A LIFE



**TOGETHER IN CHANGE**

The Together in Change group will meet at Georgios, 5577 Monroe St, 1:00 pm on June 16. Contact Helen with questions or to RSVP (419-509-6143).

**TORNADO RELIEF MISSION TRIP JULY 18-23**



Hope is working to gather a team to travel to Madisonville, KY for tornado relief. Participants must be at least 18 years old (or 16 with a parent). We are looking for volunteers to do construction and repair and well as someone to prepare food for the team. Cost is \$125 per person. Contact Scott Elston for more information at (419) 410-4447.

**CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR 2022 GRADUATES!**

On May 22 we recognized our 2022 graduates at Hope. Congratulations to our high school graduates Grace Lotan Dembele, Cade McGowan, Avery Miller, William Truman Talbott, and Alaina Uncapher and our college graduate Camden Miller.



# VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 2022: ON A ROLL WITH GOD

June 20-24 | 9:00 a.m.— Noon



## Children age 3 years— fourth grade

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 is open for all ages, however the 3 year old class is currently on a wait list. Registration for 4 years old – 4th grade is over 75% full, so register now! The online registration link is available at [hopetoledo.net](http://hopetoledo.net).



## VBS Donations Help

We are excited to continue our tradition of including service projects as a daily rotation at VBS. Two of our projects – bag lunches and hygiene kits – for our downtown ministry partners need some help with donations. Please return all donations to Hope by **June 12** and leave them in or near VBS donation boxes.

- 240 bottles of water
- 10 individual serving bags of chips or pretzels
- 120 individual serving bag of cookies
- 80 fruit cups
- 98 pairs of socks (adult size)
- 120 wash cloths
- 96 bars of soap
- 120 combs

## VBS Volunteers Needed

We are in need of VBS volunteers to help with stations, the 3-year-old room, age group leaders and assistants, and floaters. If you are interested in volunteering, you can sign up on our website using the volunteer registration link or email Pastor Kristin at [pastorkristin@hopetoledo.net](mailto:pastorkristin@hopetoledo.net).



## THANK YOU FROM OLD ORCHARD ELEMNTARY

A huge thank you from the teachers and staff at Old Orchard for all the support they, their students and families have received this past year. Thank you for all the food, the prayers, the notes, and the gift cards! Your gifts have made a huge difference in their lives!

## SYNOD YOUTH DAY: JUNE 12

All youth in grades 7-12 and their families are welcome to gather for a synod youth day for fun, food, and fellowship from 2-6pm. RSVP to Pastor Kristin and join at Side Cut MetroPark, the Rotary Pavilion or talk to Pastor Kristin about a ride.

## HOPE FOR SALEM UPDATE

Our Hope for Salem team continues to make steady progress toward restoring the fire-damaged house in the Vistula District. In May we submitted to the City of Toledo the prints for the foundation changes. A huge thank you to Louise Schlatter for designing and drafting the plans for the house. Our team invites YOU to come to the Salem house in the near future and see our progress. Contact the church office or Roger Smith for more information @ 419-202-3779. We are scheduled to work June 11, 18, & 25. Come join the fun!

