



NOVEMBER
2017

WORDS OF HOPE



Hope United Methodist Church

LEADING WITH FAITH

It's that time of year again – the time when we gather together to give thanks for all that has happened in our faith community over the past year while building for the future through passing the budget, hearing from team leaders and electing the Hope leadership. This gathering, which we call a Church Conference, will take place on Sunday, November 26th following worship and everyone is encouraged to take part.

Before our Church Conference there is much work to be done. The Finance team has been working on the budget and on their part of stewardship, team leaders are writing summaries of all that has happened this year at Hope and we have all just concluded our stewardship and commitment time. What is left is finding Hope's leaders!

The current lay leadership at Hope is extraordinary. Everyone has his or her gifts which they bring to the issues of our faith community, especially how

we can serve God. Together this group has worked hard to keep Hope moving forward while continuing to help those in our community and our world that need help. Their faith in God manifests in new ways to worship, new programming and their passion to continue to bring the word of God through Jesus Christ to all.

WE NEED YOU!! Leading by faith means believing that you have gifts to offer in helping Hope continue to march toward transformation of a hurting world by reaching out to new people and telling Jesus' wondrous story through the work of this faith community. In order to do that we need you to step forward and help lead this church. There are so many

ways to get involved and in doing so each of us helps by working together. What are your gifts and passions? Is it missions? If so, join the Mission and Outreach Team. Do you enjoy fixing things and taking care of buildings? Then the Trustees need your presence! From the Worship & Music team to the Staff Parish

Relations team, we need you! Whatever time and talent you have to give we have a place for you.

Being a leader means taking the leap of faith in yourself and in God. It can be scary but much more it is a rewarding way to grow your soul and understand more about our God, our faith community and even ourselves. Jesus didn't lead alone – he led with disciples with him to share in the experience of faith. Are you ready to do the same? Hope needs you! Together we can keep this wonderful faith community moving toward an even better future – through faith. If you're ready to help let me know!

~ Pastor Laurie



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November
Worship Schedule

Wednesday, November 1st

A Cloud of Witnesses
Hebrews 12:1-3
First Wednesday Worship
5:30p
Meal 6:00p

Sunday, November 5th

All Saints Day
Matthew 5:1-12
Psalm 34:1-10

Sunday, November 12th

Holy Communion
We Gather Together
Psalms 107:1-9
1 Thessalonians 5:16-24

Sunday, November 19th

One of the Nine?
Psalms 105:1-11
Luke 17:11-19

Sunday, November 26th

Church Conference
Psalm 100
Ephesians 1:15-23

Check out our website at:
HopeMethodistChurch.com

Office Hours
Monday~ Friday
9:00 am ~ 2:00 pm

Events and Small Groups

Men's Breakfast: Wednesdays, 8:00 am, Mt. Royal Caribou Coffee.

Worship at Pines III: Cynthia Coffin-Langdon will host a worship service at Pines III on Tuesday, November 7 at 2:00 p.m. **Pastor Laurie Boche** will host worship on Sunday, November 19 at 2:00 pm.

November Newsletter Deadline:
Monday, November 20th.

Hope's prayer group usually meets on the 2nd & 4th Wednesday of the month and we are always delighted to have more "prayer power!" (The more the prayerier!) In addition to praying through the Upper Room prayer requests, we pray for those in our circles of influence, our church family, and beyond.

Page Turners will meet on November 8th at 10:00 a.m. in the Mathison Room. The book is "*Little Paris Bookshop*" by Nina George. The book for December will be announced. **New members welcome.** Contact Anna Allison at 724-5715.

Thank you to everyone who brought flowers in October: Deb & Art Hoff, Fred Moen, Karen & Vern Stocke, The Blazier Family, and Marian McCall.

Thanks to everyone who helped make Trunk-or-Treat such a great event!

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Don't forget to
turn back your
clocks on Sunday,
November 5

Thought for the month from the Hope Prayer Group:

Start each day with a grateful heart.

Planning Ahead for Christmas

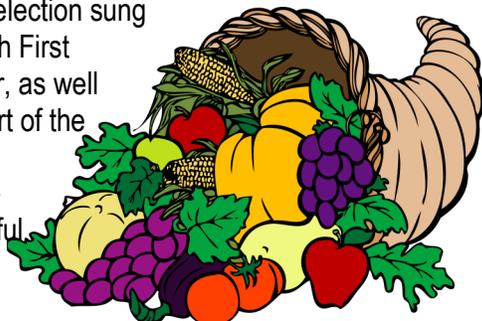
Just a reminder that Christmas Eve is on a Sunday this year. So, to honor our Advent season 10a worship which will celebrate the 4th Sunday of Advent. Our Christmas Eve service will be at 5p and will again be a candlelight service for all. We will NOT have a late service this year.



Interfaith Thanksgiving Service

This year's Interfaith Thanksgiving Service will be held on Tuesday, November 21st, at 7:00 p.m. Faith communities from around the area will gather at Glen Avon Presbyterian Church to give thanks for our many blessings together. This is a service of word and music, and Hope's choir will again be participating with a selection sung together with First UMC's choir, as well as being part of the mass choir.

This service is a wonderful way to begin the season of thanks leading into Advent and Christmas.



Church Conference Set for November 26th

The annual Hope UMC Church Conference will be held on Sunday, November 26th, immediately following worship. This is a time to celebrate the past year while looking ahead to 2018. At this conference we will vote on the 2018 budget, approve the pastoral compensation package, hear from our team chairs and vote for Hope's leadership team. It is important to have as many people as possible take part in this conference so your voice can be heard. Pastor Laurie will officiate.

Finance

DIDJA KNOW that our various Mission and out reach activities are very important activities in our congregation. We reach out to others in variety of ways... we prepare and serve food for CHUM... we have clothing drives to aid those folks less fortunate than ourselves... We take special offerings for world wide Methodist programs such as UMCOR.. we fill UNICEF boxes with coins and bills to support world wide efforts for children... we provide gifts for families in need at Christmas time... and on and on...

We hear "invitations" to support these efforts quite often and we would be hard pressed to support all of them. So we want all of our contributors to know that we can "pick and choose" where we put our efforts and gifts. So choose your favorite activities or causes and support them to your fullest... and know that you are doing what God expects of us.

Keep the faith.

*For your Finance Team
Pete Bergman, Chair*

Hospitality

THANK YOU to Nancy Sivertson, who has been our hospitality chair for several years. Nancy is stepping down and we so appreciate all of her hard work!

We thank Linda Rolland, Bev Merritt, Sue Beeman, Helen Stellmaker, Phyllis & Jack Carlson, Rosemary Tripp, Barb Bergman, Deb & Art Hoff, for all your help in October.

A HUGE THANK YOU for our new Hospitality schedule and volunteers. **Rosemary Tripp, Barb Bergman, Helen Stellmaker, Linda Rolland, Bev Merritt and Deb Hoff. These ladies have stepped up to serve coffee and treats on a rotating basis. Thank you!**



And of course a big thanks to Dick Scheibe for providing Sunday morning treats! We also share them with UNS, UCM, Aftenro, and Pines III.

NOVEMBER MISSIONS

Glossy Paper Now Supporting Hurricane Relief

Your glossy paper donations for the past couple of years have gone to support clean water and sanitation projects throughout the world so that others can experience clean water as we do. It has been a blessing to many! The Mission Team has decided to redirect the glossy paper funds to hurricane relief. With this year's hurricanes Harvey, Irma and Maria doing so much damage it will be a very long time before relief efforts through UMCOR (United Methodist Committee on Relief) will be completed. Hope will now continue to support these efforts through the money earned through our glossy paper project. We can help make a difference to people in need. Keep the glossy paper coming!

NOVEMBER MISSION

This month's mission is *Pajamas for Myers-Wilkins Children*. All this month we will be collecting NEW pajamas for the children attending Myers-Wilkins Elementary School. The pajamas should be size 6 and over for boys or girls. The pajamas are much appreciated by the children and bring some warmth to the winter season. For more information contact Michelle Bowker or the church office.



Planning for December...

If you are out shopping in November and want to pick up some items for the December missions that would be great! Hope will again have *Hat, Mitten, Scarf, Sock Tree*. The items can be for children and/or adults as they will be given to several organizations in the Twin Ports. Your generous contributions can make the winter a little more bearable for those in need.

There will also be the Hope Giving Tree where tags for gift cards will be placed on the tree for individuals to purchase. Cards will be available for organizations such as Harbor House, Safe Haven, Center for Changing Lives, and Agewell Arrowhead.

UNITED CAMPUS MINISTRY

Monday, November 20th~ 5:00pm at Hope UMC

United Campus Ministry is part of The Council of Religious Advisors at UMD. The council is made up of many religious organizations on campus. We will again provide a traditional Thanksgiving Dinner for students as a gesture of hospitality. The cost of the dinner is shared by the CRA so there is no cost to the students.

Every year Hope UMC provides us with their Fellowship Hall and kitchen at no cost and we again **THANK YOU** for helping us minister to the students at UMD. We are proud to be in partnership with you. If anyone in your congregation would like to come and help us cook, serve, and eat with the students, please let Cynthia or the office know. Blessings!

Men's Retreat Save the Date

Mark your calendars now for the upcoming Men's Retreat and time spent in the great outdoors at Camp Amnicon!

Men of United Methodist Churches of the Twin Ports on Friday, Feb. 9 – 10 from 7 p.m. – Sat. at 3:30 p.m. we will gather at Camp Amnicon to discuss *"The Life You've Always Wanted"* by John Ortberg. Cost for the weekend is \$35. Check out the flyer on the bulletin board for more details.

HOPE STAFF

Pastor: Laurie Boche, pastor@hopeumcmn.org
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Custodian: Matt Johnson
Accompanist: Diane Nast
Kid's Quest: Anita Rixe
Church Office: Jennifer Amy-Dressler

HOPE ACTIVITIES

Hope Needs Your Leadership!

It is the time of year when we begin to plan and structure the Hope leadership. As you know Hope is a vibrant, missional congregation, and to keep the church functioning smoothly and to keep programming at its best we need your help. We need you as part of the Hope leadership team!

There are many ways to do this:

- being on a team such as Trustees (keeping up the physical building and grounds);
- Staff Parish Relations (working with staff); Christian Education;
- Administrative Council (programming and overall coordination);
- Worship and Music; (planning vibrant worship and music)
- Community Care (keeping in touch with our faith community);
- Finance; (working to keep Hope going strong and using its resources wisely)
- Garden and Landscape; Kitchen; and Hospitality.
- Or, you can be involved by helping with reading scripture, ushering, providing Sunday morning fellowship time, and more that can be done one week or one month at a time.

Being part of a faith community means sharing not only the wondrous times of worship and fellowship but also the caring for the church and its people. How will you help out in 2018? See Pastor Laurie for more information. We need your gifts so that Hope can continue to grow and to connect our community to the grace and love of Christ Jesus!

Evening Book Club

The Evening Book Club usually meets on the 3rd Tuesday of the month at Hope, 6:30pm. Please join us for some great reads! Make sure to check with the office before 2:00 to confirm that this hasn't changed.

November 28: *Lucky You*, Carl Hiaasen.
(4th Tuesday, due to Thanksgiving)

December: *we are not meeting*

January 16, 2018: *Beartown*, by Fredrik Backman

February 20: *The Little Paris Bookshelf*, by Nina George



Wednesday Worship and Dinner

You are invited to our Wednesday Worship experience on November 1. This is a 30-minute service of rest and renewal in the midst of this busy time of year, and it begins at 5:30 p.m.

Worship is followed by a shared supper and time of fellowship. Come take a break with worship and dinner here at Hope. The service is for all ages and everyone is invited to dinner!



NEW MEMBER MEETING

Are you interested in becoming a member of Hope United Methodist Church? Would you like to learn more about the Hope faith community as well as the United Methodist Church? Pastor Laurie will be holding an informational session about these things, as well as to answer your questions, on Sunday, November 19th after worship. Please let the office know if you will be attending the meeting. It's a great way to learn more about Hope and what it means to be a member of this faith community.

Hope Quilters

Hope Quilters will meet in Nov and Dec. We will resume in January.

Doggie bed project is underway! Fabric scraps and useable pillow cases are still needed. Thank you to everyone who has helped with this project. 15 beds have already been donated to the animal shelter.

Contact is Sue Beeman
728-2406.



YOUTH NEWS



Lock-in

The lock-in will be held on November 10th at 7pm with youth from the Coppertop. We will meet at the Coppertop to do a devotional and some kick-off games. Then, we will head to the new trampoline park. After that, we will all come here to Hope for some snacks and Romans and Christians. After that, we will split into our different churches and be locked-in for the night. In the morning, we will have breakfast with parent pick-up time around 9am. This event is for 6th-12th graders. Please invite your friends! Please let me know if you plan to attend by Sunday, November 5th. Thank you!!

Youth Group

Youth group will not be meeting in November and December except for the Lock-in and the Bentleyville trip. Confirmation will resume as normal. Please contact us with any questions. Thank you!

Katrina Hagemeyer, CYF Director

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Kid's Korner

Thanksgiving - our time to especially remember to be thankful. Thankful for the many blessings our great God has bestowed upon us. Thank you, Lord, for saving my soul and for all your goodness and mercy to us. We are so thankful for our Kids' Quest program and for the privilege of bringing God's word to our special young people. We thank God for the teachers who teach and for the children who learn. We would like to thank all of you who contributed so generously to our Trick or Treat for UNICEF project. We will let you know the amount collected next month.

October was a good month. We had some very interesting lessons on David and how he served God. In November we will be learning about Solomon, how he became king, his wise proverbs and how he oversees the building of the temple. In December we will be using some new lessons that hopefully are a bit more age appropriate for our group.

And Christmas is coming!!!! It seems far away but we need to get our program planned. We really need your help in this intergenerational effort. The program is scheduled for December 17 during the worship service, with practice on December 10 from 9:15 until noon.

PLEASE PLEASE PLEASE consider being part of the program this year. There is no memorization and only one practice the Sunday before the program. We need you. There is a sign up sheet for your convenience or contact Anita. Or we will be calling you.

Upcoming events:

- November 19 - Teacher's meeting following worship
- December 10 - Bake sale
- December 10 - Christmas program practice
- December 17 - Christmas Program

With thanksgiving
~Anita

Hello, Everyone!

I am writing this letter to let you all know that my last Sunday here at Hope will be on November 12th. As some of you may know, I am currently in a Master's program to get my teaching license. With that program comes the need for observation hours and field experience. I have been very fortunate to be given the opportunity to get my teaching license early to begin long-term and short-term substitute teaching. I am very sad to be leaving you all and this wonderful church family you have, but I am also excited to begin my time in the classroom.

I want to extend a sincere thank-you to everyone from Hope. You all made this experience so very memorable and I am so blessed and thankful to have gotten to know you. It was wonderful getting to worship, grow, work, and have fun with everyone. You all hold a very special place in my heart.

The lock-in and other events scheduled before the 12th will still be happening. Please let me know if you have any questions. Again, it is with a heavy heart that I make this announcement, but I am so happy and thankful for my time here and the great things Hope does as a church. I wish you all the best, and I will continue praying for all of you and the work you do in Christ's name.

Sincerely,
Katrina Hagemeyer



November 2017

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
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| <div style="border: 2px solid black; padding: 10px; width: fit-content; margin: auto;"> <p>Don't forget to turn back your clocks on Sunday, November 5</p> </div> | | | <p>1 8:00 am Men's Breakfast (Caribou Coffee) 9:30 am PPP 3-6 pm CSA 5:30 pm 1st Wed. Worship 6:00 p m Meal 6:30 pm Choir 7:00 pm Alanon</p> | <p>2 9-2pm Painters 12:00 pm Yoga 6:30 pm Qigong</p> | <p>3 6:00 pm Taste of UMD Set up</p> | <p>4 1-3pm Taste of UMD</p> |
| <p>5 10:00 am Worship 11:10 am Wired Word 11:15 am Music & Worship 3:00 pm Grace Korean</p> | <p>6 12:00 pm UNS Board Mtg 5:00 pm UCM 6:00 pm Confirmation & Youth Group 6:00 pm WiredWord 6:30 pm Finance</p> | <p>7 9:30 am PPP 2:00 pm Pines Worship Election Day</p> | <p>8 8:00 am Men's Breakfast (Caribou Coffee) 9:30 am PPP 10:00 am Page Turners 3-6 pm CSA 5:00 pm Prayer Group 6:00 pm Page Flippers 6:30 pm Choir 7:00 pm Alanon</p> | <p>9 9-2pm Painters 12:00 pm Yoga 4:00 pm Youth Coffee 6:30 pm Qigong</p> | <p>10 7:00 pm Youth Group Lock-in</p> | <p>11</p> |
| <p>12 10:00 am Worship <i>Communion</i> 11:15 am Trustees Mtg. 1:00 pm Hope Concert 3:00 pm Grace Korean</p> | <p>13 1:00 pm Staff Mtg. 5:00 pm UCM 6:00 pm Confirmation 6:00 pm WiredWord</p> | <p>14 9:30 am PPP 1-3 pm PEO Mtg. 4:00 pm Mission Mtg.</p> | <p>15 8:00 am Men's Breakfast (Caribou Coffee) 9:30 am PPP 3-6 pm CSA 5:00 pm Ad Council 6:30 pm Choir 7:00 pm Alanon</p> | <p>16 9-2pm Painters 12:00 pm Yoga 6:30 pm Qigong 7:00 pm CHUM Fall Assembly@Asbury</p> | <p>17 10:00 am North Country Quilters</p> | <p>18 10:00 am CE Mtg.</p> |
| <p>19 10:00 am Worship 11:00 am Kids Quest Teacher Mtg. 2:00 pm Pines Worship 3:00 pm Grace Korean</p> | <p>20 1:00 pm Staff Mtg. 5:00 pm UCM 6:00 pm Confirmation <i>Newsletter Deadline</i></p> | <p>21 9:30 am PPP 5:00 pm UCM Mtg. 6:30 pm Book Club 7:00 pm Interfaith Thanksgiving Service @Glen Avon</p> | <p>22 8:00 am Men's Breakfast (Caribou Coffee) 9:30 am PPP 5:00 pm Prayer Group 6:30 pm Choir 7:00 pm Alanon</p> | <p>23 <i>Happy Thanksgiving!</i> <i>Office Closed</i></p> | <p>24 <i>Office Closed</i></p> | <p>25</p> |
| <p>26 10:00 am Worship <i>Church Conference</i> 11:15 am SPRC 3:00 pm Grace Korean</p> | <p>27 1:00 pm Staff Mtg. 6:00 pm Advent Study</p> | <p>28 9:30 am PPP 11:30 am Advent Study & Soup</p> | <p>29 8:00 am Men's Breakfast (Caribou Coffee) 9:30 am PPP 6:30 pm Choir 7:00 pm Alanon</p> | <p>30 9-2pm Painters 10:00 am Newsletter Folding 12:00 pm Yoga 6:30 pm Qigong</p> | <p>31</p> | |

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With God's grace, we care for the soul for a lifetime and beyond.

Members and Friends in our Hearts...

Diamond Willow-Proctor: Rilla Karki

Benedictine: Margaret Kline

Key Stone Bluffs: Ralph & Marge Anderson, Bette Nord, Shirley Swapinski, Pat Eng

Aftenro: Lois Newman

Hold in Prayer...

Margaret Kline

Pat Eng

Rilla Karki

Doug Tripp

Lois Newman

Jenny Pattison-Lundeen

Shirley Swapinski

Bette Nord

Lois Newell

Catharine Larsen

Robyn Christianson

David Hileman

Marj McKee

Fred Moen

All of our members and friends who travel south for the winter.

CHRISTMAS PROGRAM SIGN-UP

It's true – Christmas is coming!! Time to think about what role you would like to play in this year's Christmas Program. This year we will be performing "Christmas is Cancelled!" a play about the mayhem of rehearsal for a Christmas play that gets so crazy that the announcer announces that "Christmas is Cancelled!" What happens next is the wonder of faith, for no one can cancel Christmas and the message it brings.

This is an intergenerational play and has room for all who would like to be part of this special Sunday, December 17th.



No memorization is required and the one practice is after worship on Sunday, December 10th. There are also non-speaking parts as well as the need for people to help with directing, working with costumes, being stage hands.

ALL are welcome and encouraged to join in!

To sign up contact the church office or talk to Anita Rixe. Remember, EVERY AGE has a part!

PUZZLE EXCHANGE

If you like to work jigsaw puzzles join us in an exchange program! We have set aside the top shelf of the bookcase in the Mathison Room to store the puzzles. Puzzles should be at least 500 pieces but can go higher. There are stickers on the shelf that say "PLEASE RETURN TO HOPE CHURCH" - to be placed on the bottom of your puzzle.



Suggestions: Puzzle pieces should be in a plastic bag (gallon storage size work well) with one corner clipped (very small clip!) to let the air out. This way a person can look at the pieces to see if they like the style, size, color, etc. Masking tape works well to secure the box but not necessary. We hope you like this idea and take part in our puzzle exchange!

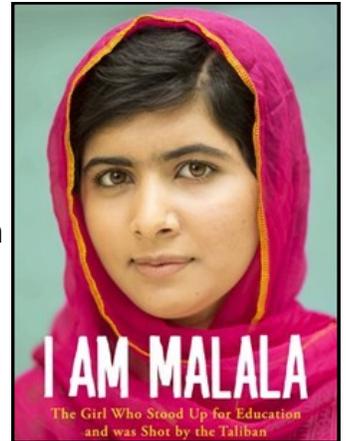
Page Flippers Book Club

Page flippers is a book club for children and youth. We will be meeting from 6-7 pm on Wednesday, November 8. Preschoolers through those entering Grade 2 and their accompanying adult will have a book read aloud to them and join in an accompanying art project. Those entering Grades 3-7 will discuss a book they have read in ad-

advance. **The Book for November is: "I Am Malala" by Malala Yousafzai.**

Please join us! This event is open to the public, so come and invite your friends!

Contact
Lori Amundson
at lamundson@hotmail.com



Parents and Pals Playtime

We are off to a great start! Playtime for parents and toddlers in our fellowship hall will continue this month. This event will be offered on Tues and Wednesdays from 9:30-11:30am.

We provide coffee and treats for the parents. **We are looking for people to volunteer to make coffee/treats and be here during that timeframe to talk with parents and supervise.**



Please let Pastor Laurie or the office know if you are interested.

Thanks!

