

16TH SUNDAYAFTER PENTECOST

THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 20TH, 2020

14 Take what belongs to you and go. I choose to give to this last worker as I give to you. 15 Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or do you begrudge my generosity?' 16 So the last will be first, and the first last.

Matthew 20:14-16 ESV



WELCOME TO HOPE!

. We are glad that you are here to worship with us and encourage you to become a part of our fellowship.

MAY GOD'S WORD RICHLY BLESS YOU TODAY!



HOPE LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL

Welcome to Worship

I was glad when they said to me, "Let us go to the house of the LORD!" Psalm 122:1

We are glad to have you in worship and we are glad to worship together. Following governmental directives and in the interest of providing a healthy environment for all who come, we are implementing a number of changes to our worship routine:

- Everyone is encouraged to wear masks as you come inside the building (masks will be provided if you do not have your own)
- Hand sanitizers are available near the entrance of each worship area.
- Please maintain social distance from one another.
- Greeters will not shake hands.
- Please pick up your own bulletin.

Seating:

Pews in the church are taped off to keep a safe distance. Chairs in the activity center will be distanced, and couples and families can be together.

For Holy Communion:

- Worshippers will approach with masks on and with social distancing.
- The Pastor and elders will sanitize their hands and wear masks.

After the benediction:

Those closest to the exit will leave first, followed in order by the rest.

Offering plates and Fellowship Registrations will not be passed.

• Please place Fellowship Registrations and Offerings in the plate near the entrance.

Online recordings of each Sunday's service will continue to be provided, though the actual broadcast will be delayed by one week.

New Online Bible Study Sunday at 7pm: Return to the Lord is the theme as we explore the last three books of the Old Testament. Pastor Rich Mokry leads this 45-minute study. This bible study is designed not only for members, but also for new friends, both near and far. Look for a link in our weekly email.

Look at our Pews: Crafts men came in altered our pews so 6 people with wheelchairs or walkers can worship comfortably in our sanctuary. We have also reduced our mortgage debt. These efforts are made possible through our contributions to the Fulling the Mission of Hope Campaign. As contributions come in, we will continue other parts of our campaign, like creating a more user-friendly ramp, calling a youth worker, and adding technology to or sanctuary. Thank you for your faithful support

CONFIRMATION CLASSES ORGANIZING TODAY

Confirmation is a two-year experience when youths learn about the Christian Faith and grow in their relationship with our Savior. This process leads them to the Rite of Confirmation, a special time when youths speak for themselves and commit to follow their Savior. Bring your calendars and join us to for an orientation and to set class dates. We will meet in Room 109 today at 9:15 am.

	This Week	Next Week	
Reader—8:00 a.m.:	Tom Jeske	N/A	
Bible Readings: Isaiah 55:6-9 Philippians 1:12-14, 19-30 Matthew 20:1-16		Ezekiel 18:1-4, 25-32 Philippians 2:1-18 Matthew 21:23-32	
	0 a.m David Fairfield 30 a.m Bill Durnin	Tom Jeske Glenn Holmes	

Love God, Serve Others, Share His Story



	This Week At Hope *Full church calendar may be found on the web at www.hopeLCS.org		
Sunday	11:45 am	Traditional Worship New Member Class Contemporary Worship Service AA at Hope "Return to the Lord" Bible Study	Sanctuary Rm 109 Dufendach Outside via Zoom
Monday			
Tuesday	3:45 pm	Confirmation III	Rm 123
Wednesday	6:30 pm	Woman's Bible Study Online	via Zoom
Thursday	4:45 pm 7:00 pm	Confirmation III Celebrate Recovery	Rm 123 Rm 109
Friday			
Saturday			
Sunday	8:00 am 9:15 am 10:30 am 11:45 am 7:00 pm	Traditional Worship New Member Class Contemporary Worship Service AA at Hope "Return to the Lord" Bible Study	Sanctuary Rm 109 Dufendach Outside via Zoom
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What's Happening at Hope...

<u>Technical Team</u>: Interested in audio or video, or want to learn about it? We're rounding up volunteers to help us with our online services. Please call Mark Shockey.

Hymns on Youtube: Our own Mark Shockey is recording hymns on the piano and placing them on Youtube. He plans to continue to record new hymns every two weeks. Sing at home or just listen. There is a pdf of the hymn, and a pdf of just the text in the video notes, in case that would be helpful. You can subscribe in order to receive updates but that isn't necessary. Feel free to share the channel with anyone you think might find it enjoyable. Here is the link...

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCESNPsmMyv9HaFRdMLzliaQ

This Week at Hope

SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS NEEDED

Substitute teachers are not needed on a regular basis; however, when our full-time teachers need to take a sick day, we do need a sub! Every year we put together a list of names and contact numbers that our teachers can use as needed.

If you are interested— or know someone who might be— please email Mrs. Neagley at dcsneagley@hopelcs.org *or* call the school office to speak with Mrs. Neagley directly.

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Holy Communion

We welcome to the Lord's Table all who are truly sorry for their sins, and desire His forgiveness; who believe that as we receive this bread and wine, we are also receiving the true body and blood of Christ; all who desire to strengthen their faith, and intend, with God's help, to live for Christ and follow Him. Participants may receive the blood of Christ by the Common Cup or individual cups. Non-alcoholic wine (white color) is available for who have sensitivity to alcohol. Gluten free wafers are available – please tell an usher early in the service. Children and those not communing are welcome for a blessing. Cross your arms over your chest to indicate you would like to participate.

We will have Holy Communion at both services throughout the pandemic.

THE LUTHERAN HOUR RADIO & PODCAST

Lower Bucks County airs Sunday mornings at 7am -97.1 (Bensalem), 107.3 (Phila.), 91.7 (Levittown) 91.9 (Lawrenceville, NJ) at 12 p.m. (Sunday noon) and 6 p.m. (Tuesdays). To access the Daily Devotions OR have the Podcast sent directly to your mobile device, head over to: www.lhm.org/dailydevotions

Missed a Sunday?

Sermon audio files are available on Hope's website at: www.hopeLCS.org Click

Church—> Then Click Worship —> Then Click Sermons. The entire worship service can also be seen by going to Youtube.com and searching for "Hope Lutheran Levittown" or by going to Hope's website (shown above) and clicking on the link in the second opening slide or by Clicking Church—> Then Click News.



SIMPLY GIVING PROGRAM by THRIVENT

Information available in the narthex. Questions?

Contact Tom Marks 215-757-1702 or Kristina Hoffman 215-946-3467

Words of Hope - Weekly Announcements



Bible

Office hours this week: Monday—Friday 8:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m. 215-946-3467 info@hopeLCS.org

Sunday Morning Bible Study

Study
Sunday morning Bible Study continues between services in the Sanctuary transept at 9:15 a.m. We have begun a study of the 7 'Letters to the churches' in the Book of Revelation, chapters 1-3. Pastor Richard Neagley leads this study— You are welcome to join us at any time. Study sheets are available.



ZOomen's Evening Bible Study

Every Wednesday 6:30 p.m.

Join us on Zoom from the comfort of your home as we study the Book of Acts while building and strengthening friendships with other women of faith.

For the link to the Zoom meeting please contact

Julia Hutchins at: 215-741-2685 or jhutchins@hopelcs.org

INTERESTED IN MEMBERSHIP?

Join us next Sunday to learn the basics of the Christian Faith, the teachings of the Lutheran Church and about ministry at Hope. Over seven sessions, come to grow in faith, learn how to share your faith with others and explore ways you can serve Him. We will meet Sundays at 9:15am in Room 109.Questions? Want to register?

See Pastor Rich.

Join Pastor Rich Mokry for a 45 minute bible study via zoom...

Explore the last 3 books of the Old Testament: Haggai, Zechariah and Malachi. Find out how "Returning to the Lord" can help you. Instructions: Enter anytime after 6:45pm, Use the link found in your weekly email and look for an attachment with Bible Study notes.

What's Happening at Hope...

Sunday School Update: The Start of Sunday School for children is tentatively scheduled for beginning of November. We desire and a safe and healthy learning experience for our kids. Look out for updates. See *Karen Barton* or *Pastor Rich* for information.

<u>Nursery Care</u> is un-staffed at the moment. If you know of someone interested in the position, contact *Beth Marks* or *Pastor Rich*. The Nursery is located in the Conference Room, #102. Parents are asked to bring and leave with your own toys. Soft Activity bags are located in the Gymnasium Bible rack.

Thank you!

DISASTER RELIEF: Fires in California and in the west have burnt more than 3.2 million acres of land -- an area almost the size of Connecticut. Latest reports show 24 people have died and over 4,200 structures destroyed. This year has also been an especially busy with hurricanes. Hurricane Sally is now a threat in the Gulf Coast region, following hurricane Laura. Many people have lost their homes and been displaced. Hope is receiving special offerings for disaster relief thru October 4th. All monies received will be passed on to the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod (LCMS) Disaster Response ministry. Hope congregation will match up to \$1,000.00 of offerings received. A separate plate for DISASTER RELIEF will be placed in each worship area. By using the memo portion of your check or offering envelope, you can designate a portion of your offering for Disaster Relief. Offerings can also be mailed in. Join in prayer for our sisters and brothers in need and consider how you can assist.

Heartfelt Giving

Do you know what Heartfelt Giving is? It is a unique shopping and travel website that gives income dollars back to Hope when you shop online using a link that can be found on Hope's website. To access Heartfelt Giving, all you have to do is, go to Hope's website (hopelcs.org), click the <u>Church</u> tab, then click the <u>Giving tab</u> (far right), and from the dropdown box select <u>Giving Through Shopping</u>. Then, click on the <u>HeartFeltGiving.net/HopeLutheranChurch</u> link.

Afterwards, simply click on the business where you would like to shop. You will see a variety of online shopping categories such as Travel and Name Brand Stores with stores which include: **Best Buy, Boscovs, Dollar General, JCPenney, Kohls, Macy's and many more**. If you have any questions at all, feel free to contact **Marge Gruenhagen** at 267-987-9480 or margeg8577@gmail.com.