



Dear Friends at Hope,

“Can a woman forget her nursing child and have no compassion on the son of her womb?” (Isaiah 49:15a)

The grand Maker of mothers wants all of us to know the grand nature of His love and His continuing nurture. When a child is first born, we think of those tender moments between mother and child. We are given a special glimpse of God’s love for us. And when we think of all the sacrifice that mothers make, we are reminded just how much our God sacrificed to bring us forgiveness of sins, relationship with Him and the way to eternal life.

Thank you, God, for our mothers: those who are still with us, and those who have served us and showed us your love. For those who are mothers today, we ask for courage, faith, energy, patience and resources to model Your love with children and with all. Amen.

Yours in Jesus,

Pastor Rich

9:30 AM WORSHIP TIME: BE ON THE LOOKOUT FOR A WORSHIP SURVEY this week that will help us serve the worship needs of our family at Hope. Your input is important. Some have commented they do not receive our emails or surveys. First, check your spam folder to see if they are there. If you find them, add “Hope Lutheran Church” to your contact list with the email: info@hopelcs.org. If that does not solve the problem, please call our church office to make sure you get added to our email list. If you are receiving this weekly email you are on the list to receive surveys.

WORSHIP LIVESTREAM Go to Hope’s website at www.hopelcs.org/news and follow the instructions to worship livestream on Facebook or watch on YouTube by noon on Monday after the service.

STAFF CHANGES: We have a new Administrative Assistant: Abigail Brothers. Abigail started May 3rd. We are thankful to God for Carol Frehafer and Karen Buchanan who helped in our office, and to Julia Hutchins who continues to assist with our bulletins and newsletter while Abigail gets a handle on school related duties. Please pray that God will bring us the Organist-Music Director He wants for us. A search is underway. Many thanks to Sandy Chorba for leading us in worship through the end of May.

SOFTBALL... Hope will once again be playing men's softball in the Christian Fellowship Softball League. All men ages 16 and up are welcome to play. If you are interested in playing you can contact **Curt Fuller** at **267-580-0129** or email him at **RNMICN1@verizon.net**.

FOOD MINISTRY UPDATE: Want to take part in a monthly sandwich making event for the homeless? Bring your individually wrapped sandwiches to the church on the third Sunday of each month. They will be picked up at 12 noon and distributed immediately to homeless and hungry people in the area. Next Sunday, May 16, will be our first sandwich collection. Want more information? Indicate "sandwiches" on your Fellowship Registration or contact Barbara Veil at 267-799-5944.

MISSIONS: The mission project for the school's chapel offerings for May is Choice One, a pregnancy center. In addition, the church's Mission Board is collecting new baby items for the new mothers. There are large gift bags in the narthex and school lobby for your baby donations. You may always contribute to the chapel offering by writing chapel offering-school on your offering envelope.

SAFE WORSHIP PRACTICES: To facilitate a healthy and inviting environment at worship, we encourage all people to wear masks upon entering the church and to maintain social distance with others. Sanitizing stations are available at our entrances and at the entrance to our worship area. Details are printed in the Sunday bulletin and on our website www.hopelcs.org. We recognize these procedures are an inconvenience, but we are grateful to hear God's Word, receive Holy Communion and to be considerate and loving towards other worshippers. Your health is important to us. We understand if you choose to delay your return to worship with us physically. You are welcome to worship online.

DISCIPLESHIP 101 is an invitation to learn and follow Jesus Christ. Explore the basics of the Christian faith and what it means to be a disciple of Jesus. Topics include: The Salvation Plan, Baptism and Holy Communion, Prayer, the Bible and Sharing Your Faith. Those interested in First Communion, Adult Confirmation and Membership at Hope are welcome to attend. The seven-session class meets Sundays at 10:45 am. This Sunday we meet in Room 109. Join us to learn more about being a disciple.

JOIN US JUNE 6TH AS WE BID FAREWELL TO MARK SHOCKEY AND HIS FAMILY. Mark has served us faithfully as our Organist and Music Director for the past 10 years. Please join us in the Activity Center as we extend God's blessing on all in their family, wish them well and enjoy some refreshments.

BIBLE STUDIES AT HOPE: No prior experience is expected for any of our Bible studies. New friends are always welcome:
Sundays at 10:45 am, in room 109, The book of Revelation, taught by Pastor Neagley.

Sundays at 7 pm by Zoom: Thessalonians, taught by Pastor Rich Mokry. No class on Mother's Day.

[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84090410661?pwd=emxKMTRpUEZ6dTJkWXliRTk2dEpaQT09_Meeting ID: 840 9041 0661 Password: 2YS6bk](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84090410661?pwd=emxKMTRpUEZ6dTJkWXliRTk2dEpaQT09_Meeting+ID%3A840+9041+0661+Password%3A2YS6bk) [Click here for Bible Study notes attachment.](#)

Wednesdays at 6:30 pm by Zoom: Our Women's Bible Study is studying Colossians and Philemon. Contact Julia Hutchins at jhutchins@hopelcs.org for more information.

COMMUNION ASSISTANTS AND ALTAR GUILD ASSISTANTS NEEDED: This is a service to God and His people here at Hope. Communion Assistants help distribute the communion elements. Altar Guild member prepare and clean the communion trays and set up the altar. Men and women are needed for both, but you can do one or the other. Training will be provided and you can serve on a rotating basis along with others. Interested? Call Glenn Holmes at 215-932-9754 or email holmesgbman@gmail.com

HOW TO RECEIVE HOLY COMMUNION? We are offering Holy Communion weekly at each worship service. If you cannot attend worship, please call the church office (215-946-3467) to schedule a time to receive it here at church, privately, or at your home. Pastor Rich is very happy to share this faith strengthening gift with you.

WE ARE HERE TO PRAY FOR YOU. You can call Pastor Rich (215-584-1262), our church office (215-946-3467), or email us at prayerchain@hopelcs.org. We have a team of people who are committed to bring your petitions and requests before our Lord.

THE LUTHERAN HOUR RADIO, PODCAST, AND DEVOTIONALS. The Lutheran Hour Ministries broadcasts sermons on Sundays at 7 am on several local radio stations including 107.3 FM, 97.1 FM, and 91.7 FM. See their website for more radio listings, podcasts, and daily devotionals at www.lhm.org.

FROM OUR FINANCIAL OFFICE

Your regular offerings help us greatly to continue our ongoing ministry at Hope. Mail your offerings to Hope Lutheran Church, 2600 Haines Road, Levittown, PA 19055.

Visit our Website at <https://hopelcs.org/giving/online-giving>.

Use Bill Pay options with your local bank for one-time or recurring offerings. They pay the postage.

THIS WEEK AT HOPE

The full church calendar may be found on the web at www.HopeLCS.org

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| Sunday | 9:30 am | Worship: In Person and Livestream | Sanctuary www.hopelcs.org/news |
| | 10:45 am | Bible Study: Revelation | Room 109 |
| | 10:45 am | Discipleship 101 | Room 102 |
| | 11:45 am | AA at Hope | Dufendach Center |
| | 7:00 pm | Bible Study: No Class Mother's Day | Zoom |

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| Monday | 7:15 pm | Church Council | Room 109 |
| Tuesday | 5:00 pm 7:00 pm | Call Committee: Youth Worker New Generation Meeting | Narthex Room 109 |
| Wednesday | 6:30 pm | Women's Bible Study | Zoom |
| Thursday | 3:45 pm 7:00 pm | Confirmation Celebrate Recovery | Room 102 Room 108 |
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