



Dear Friends at Hope,

The next day the large crowd that had come to the feast heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem. So they took branches of palm trees and went out to meet him, crying out, "Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, even the King of Israel!" John 12:12–13

Despite what was soon to follow—Jesus knowing that he was about to be cruelly tortured and shamefully crucified—he didn't dispute the procession or the joyful praises offered by the crowds with their palm branches. Hard times were certainly ahead, but something more important was in the making. His sacrifice would make for the salvation of all who believe.

Palm Sunday is a day both of joy and sorrow. *He was pierced for our transgressions; he was crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the chastisement that brought us peace, and with his wounds we are healed. Isaiah 53:5*

Join the procession. Worship with us this Maundy Thursday and Good Friday at 7 pm, and Easter Sunday at 8:30 am, and 10:30 am.

Yours in Jesus,
Pastor Rich

PRAISE GOD! We have been approved to receive a Director of Christian Education (DCE) Intern from Concordia University in Seward, NE. This is a one-year position. Many prayers have been offered up so we can expand our ministry to youth in our congregation and school. Miss Faith Armor will be joining our team sometime in July. Please pray for this big transition in her life and ours. If you know of an apartment available, please contact Beth Marks at 215-757-1702.

LUNCH BUNCH will be meeting again soon at the Garden of Eatin'! Their next meeting will be this Tuesday, April 12 at 1:00 pm. Please call Sandy Scott at 215-943-6094 so they can get an accurate head count or if you have any questions about joining!

ORPHAN GRAIN TRAIN SPRING COLLECTION, April 1 – 12, 2022:

Clothing for all seasons and sizes, purses, scarves, belts, linens, bedding, shoes, curtains, table cloths, soft toys, fabrics, sewing supplies, and non-electric medical equipment in clean and good

condition will be collected in the school lobby from Friday, April 1 through Tuesday, April 12, 2022.

"Many people spread their cloaks on the road, while others spread branches they had cut in the fields." Mark 11:8

On Palm Sunday, April 10, the congregation will have the opportunity to place their donation of coats and jackets at the altar at the beginning of the service. After the service, the coats will be donated to the Orphan Grain Train as part of their spring collection.

In its Christian humanitarian ministry, Orphan Grain Train-Mid-Atlantic Branch collects these items for shipment and distribution to those places in the world, including in the United States, where the demonstrated need is greatest. This is an opportunity for you to be "stand-ins" for Jesus and to demonstrate His compassion and love to our struggling brothers and sisters wherever they may be. Gifts of cash or checks payable to OGT-MAB may be given as worship offerings during Sunday morning and Wednesday evening worship services or given and designated for OGT-MAB to office personnel during weekdays.

Call Rich Gruenhagen at 215-444-6126 or email him at margeg8577@gmail.com with questions about this collection or special pick-up.

COLLECTING ITEMS FOR UKRAINE! Hope is collecting care packages for Ukraine. Items being included in each care package are a towel, 2 bars of soap, a new toothbrush, a sturdy comb (not a brush), and metal nail clippers. If you would like to donate a care package or items that help make up a care package, please drop your donations off in the Narthex of the church. Please see Ms. Abby for more details or call the office at 215-946-3467. Thank you!

UKRAINIAN AID: Our brothers and sisters in Ukraine are continuing to face a crisis. Their homeland is being invaded and wartime is causing all kinds of life-threatening dangers. More than three million are fleeing their homeland to seek safety. You can help to provide, food, shelter, and medical supplies by donating at Hope Lutheran Church. We are partnering with Lutheran World Relief.

- You can make donations directly to Lutheran World Relief at <https://donate.lwr.org>. A service charge will be added.
- You can also make payments to Hope Lutheran Church with Ukrainian Aid in the memo line.
- For those who have church offering envelopes, use the "Special & Other" portion and mark it Ukraine.

We will be receiving funds for Ukrainian Aid through April 17th. Because of the immediate need, our first installment was already sent. Let's all pray for peace and that God's people will deliver practical help to all who stand in need.

CONVENTION DELEGATE: Are you interested in learning more about our network of Lutheran churches in the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod? Come to the Eastern District Convention held in Buffalo, NY June 17 and 18. Lodging and all expenses are already paid for. Travel with Pastor Rich Thursday evening June 16 and return Saturday the 19. Learn about the exciting ministry of the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod. Contact Pastor Rich for more information. 215-946-3467 Ext 101.

LUTHERAN WOMEN'S MISSIONARY LEAGUE (LWML) is looking for 2 delegates for the convention on June 10-12, 2022 in Syracuse NY. The registration deadline is April 20! For details about this opportunity, please call Lori Doberenz at 267-808-9599.

LWML has given a \$5,000 grant to support Celebrate Recovery. We will be receiving this grant at the end of the month.

SAFE WORSHIP PRACTICES UPDATED ONCE AGAIN: It is our desire to provide a safe environment so members and friends can worship the Lord. Sanitizing stations are available in the narthex and lobby. Masks may be worn by those who wish. Offering plates are placed at the rear of the sanctuary for offerings and Record of Fellowship slips. We will continue, for the time being, to utilize continuous distribution of Holy Communion. We remember David who said, "I was glad when they said to me, let us go the house of the Lord." (Psalm 122:1) Following the service, please introduce yourselves to one another and enjoy some refreshments outside of the worship area.

PLEASE SAVE YOUR COKE AND SPRITE bottle caps as well as the 12 pack soda box codes for Hope Lutheran School! We collect these bottle caps and trade them in to raise support. You can leave bags of collected caps with the secretary at the front office. Thank you for supporting Hope!

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

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.

HOW TO RECEIVE HOLY COMMUNION: We are offering Holy Communion at all Sunday worship services. If you cannot attend worship, please call the church office at 215-946-3467 to schedule a time to receive it here at church, privately, or at your home.

THE BOOK OF DANIEL BIBLE STUDY: Explore how Daniel was a victim of the sins of others, and his attempts to remain faithful in a foreign land. Taught by Pastor Rich. No prior experience is needed to take this class. Follow links to download free study materials and meet Sundays at 7 pm online by Zoom.

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/73320428089?pwd=enAzMytjZFFTMGJwM2RDdkxyRTh1QT09>
Study Guide PDF <https://hopelcs.org/images/Teachings/Daniel Bible Study.pdf>

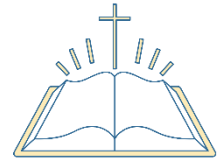


Another way to download the study guide is to go to Hope's website, www.hopelcs.org/education, and click on "Daniel study guide." To join the meeting, you can open the Zoom app and click on "Join Meeting" using the following information:

Meeting ID: 733 2042 8089

Passcode: 6wU4nc

SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY: Join in to take "A LONGER LOOK AT THE LESSONS" (the Sunday readings). Deepen your understanding of Scripture and how to apply your faith throughout the week. We will meet at 10:45 am in Room 109. The class will be taught by Deacon Phil Twietmeyer.



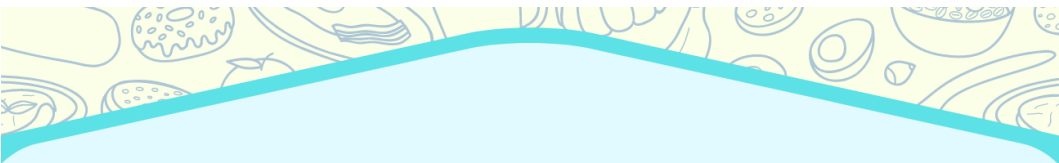
FROM OUR FINANCIAL OFFICE:

Your regular offerings help us 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. The bank will pay the postage.

THIS WEEK AT HOPE:

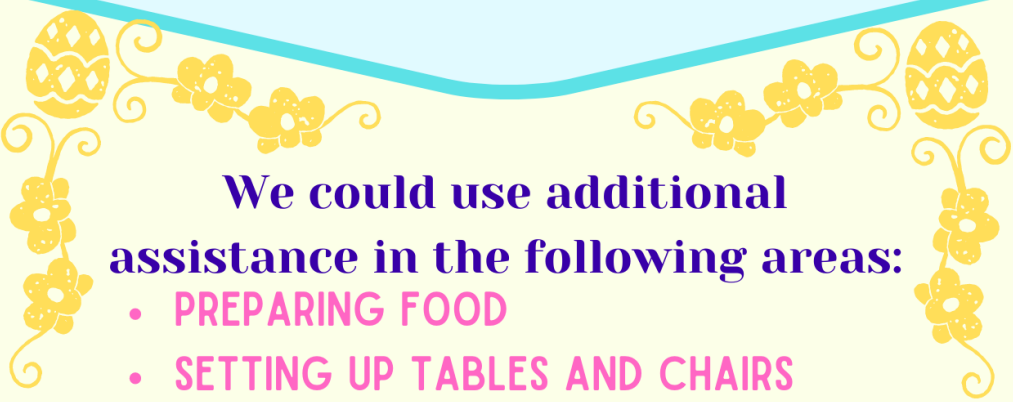
The full church calendar may be found on the web at www.HopeLCS.org.

Sunday	9:30 am	Palm Sunday Worship	Sanctuary
	9:30 am	Palm Sunday Worship: Livestream	www.hopelcs.org/news
	10:45 am	Bible Class-A Longer Look at the Lessons	Room 109
	10:45 am	Children's Sunday School	Room 108
	11:45 am	AA at Hope	Dufendach Center
	7:00 pm	Bible Study: The Book of Daniel	Zoom
Tuesday	4:00 pm	Confirmation	Room 102
Wednesday	6:30 pm	Girl Scouts	Dufendach Center
Thursday	7:00 pm	Celebrate Recovery	Room 108
Sunday	8:30 am	Easter Worship: In Person	Sanctuary
	9:30 am	Easter Breakfast	Dufendach Center
	10:30 am	Easter Worship: In Person	Sanctuary
	All Day	No Sunday School or Bible Classes	Hope LCS



Easter Breakfast

CAN YOU HELP US OUT?



We could use additional assistance in the following areas:

- **PREPARING FOOD**
- **SETTING UP TABLES AND CHAIRS**
- **SETTING UP A HOT BEVERAGE TABLE**
- **PICKING UP A BALLOON ORDER**
- **CLEANING UP AFTER THE BREAKFAST**
- **PUTTING AWAY THE TABLES AND CHAIRS**

Set up day will be on Saturday, April 16 between 10 a.m. and approximately 1:30 p.m.

Clean-up will begin after breakfast on Sunday at 11 a.m.

WHETHER OR NOT YOU'RE ABLE TO HELP...

We'll see you there!

Contact Eileen Durnin if you can help!
eurogirl@verizon.net or (267) 795-8297

LUTHERAN CHURCH OF
GOD'S LOVE
CONCERT
SERIES

CELEBRATING OUR 50TH ANNIVERSARY

featuring:

The Legacy of Dietrich Bonhoeffer

A one-person play by Al Staggs, Storyteller

Sunday, April 24, 2022 at 3:00pm

Lutheran Church of God's Love
791 Newtown Yardley Road
Newtown, PA 18940
www.GodsLoveNewtown.org

Admission is free.

This concert series is made possible with support from
the Henry & Ruth Pfister Performing Arts Fund.

