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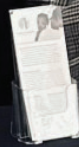


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Seek God for the City Lenten Prayer Focus

by David Lenz

For the people of God, prayer is not the last resort after all other options have been exhausted. Prayer is among our first priorities. It is a way to give our utmost and highest not only to the Lord, but to the world.

In the season of Lent, we are uniting in an adventure in prayer. We will use a beautifully written prayer guide prepared by WayMakers, called *Seek God for the City 2022*. Each week we will focus on a theme of seeking Christ. The Sunday worship theme will prepare us for the prayers we will share. Each day we will be given a Scripture text and a prayer for reflection. In addition, we will literally pray for the world, beginning with the places furthest away from Jerusalem and ending on Palm Sunday as Jesus receives the cries of Hosanna upon his entry into Jerusalem.

We will also have compelling suggestions to engage in meaningful prayer walks throughout our cities and neighborhoods.

I believe there is great power when God's people come together in unified prayer. It will be exciting to see how God grows us, changes us, and knits us together as a congregation. It will be even better to see how God works through our prayers to bless Richfield, the other communities of which we are a part, and the world.

We will distribute the prayer guides in worship and at the church office. (Call if you need a copy sent to you.) I look forward to praying with you!

Your Pastor, David Lenz

"It is only natural to pray about the predicaments and difficulties of life. But Jesus taught us to pray greater.... The prayers in this prayer guide can help us to pray beyond our problems and to pray toward His great purpose."

- Steve Hawthorne, WayMakers

March 2, 2022
Ash Wednesday
Noon and 6:30 pm
Sacrament of Communion

"Seeking Christ's Life to Revive His Church: Return to the Lord"
(Hosea 6:1-3)
Josh VanLith preaching

Seek God for the City prayer for this text:

Our sin has grieved You greatly, harming us far more than we have realized. The consequences of our sin have fallen upon us. Wounded, we ran from You, blaming You for our pain. Even so, You have called us to return to You. Let this be a time of turning for many of our city. The healing of broken souls may not happen instantly. Give us hope to wait patiently for Your healing. Revive our desire to know and to love You. Lift us from our self-serving ways to live before you in face-to-face nearness.

March 6, 2022
Lent 1
Sacrament of Communion

"Seeking Christ's Life to Revive His Church: Come, Holy Spirit!"
(Ezekiel 37:1-14)
David Lenz preaching

Seek God for the City prayer for this text:

We pray today for those who are physically alive but are spiritually dead. Breathe life into them, as You did at creation. Give them Your Spirit. As Ezekiel did so long ago, we declare our prayer: "Come to life! He will put His Spirit within you and you come to life!" Come upon us, Spirit of God. Renew many who have wavered in their love for You. Resuscitate those who have suffocated in their sin. Raise up great throngs of people throughout the earth to stand before You, filled with life and eager to serve.

March 13, 2022
Lent 2

"Seeking Christ's Light to Awaken the Lost: Open Blind Eyes, Lord"
(Matthew 20:29-34)
David Lenz preaching

Seek God for the City prayer for this text:

How would our friends answer if You asked them what they wanted from You? They may be unaware of their deepest desires. Keep searching their souls. Find those who are desperate to have their eyes open to the living God. Move in Your immense compassion, gently touching them so that their eyes are open to You. Restore spiritual sight to many throughout our city so that those who see You will follow You.



March 20, 2022 Lent 3

"Seeking Christ's Glory in
Evangelizing All Peoples:
How Great Is Our God!"
(Luke 8:26-39)

Seek God for the City prayer
for this text:

One man told his family all about the great things You had done for him. Then the news spread beyond his household so that the whole city heard. Do the same thing yet again in our city. May one person relay the gospel to another, and throughout their households. Make Your word resound through neighborhoods and networks of friends. Fill our entire community with fresh tellings of the gospel. And from our city, send the message to many peoples and places across the face of the earth.

March 27, 2022 Lent 4 Sacrament of Baptism

"Seeking Christ's Righteousness
in Our Communities: Rebuilding,
Restoring, Renewing"
(Isaiah 61:1-4, NIV)

Seek God for the City prayer
for this text:

Send Your Spirit upon Your people. Plant seeds of hope in the hearts of the broken. Cause this hope to grow quickly and spread widely, implanting Christ-like righteousness where there was none. Raise up Your people to rebuild devastated communities, even places considered dead for generations. The remade city does not consist of steel beams or sleek glass.

The city You are creating is alive and powerful with righteous life, renewed from within, growing slow and strong like a forest of solid oaks. Come upon us Spirit of God. Bring the promised time of favor for our city.

April 3, 2022 Lent 5 Sacrament of Communion

"Seeking Christ's Peace among All
Peoples: Swords into Plowshares"
(Isaiah 2:1-5)

Seek God for the City prayer
for this text:

Intervene in the disputes and struggles of the nations. Subdue the storms of war that roll across the face of the earth. Accomplish what thousands of diplomats can never achieve. Isaiah's promise speaks of what You will do at the very end of the age. But we dare to ask that in our day You will move to bring an outbreak of peace that will signify the peace of the age to come.

Bring an end to the conflicts that trouble our city. Reveal Yourself as the powerful peacemaking King that You are.

April 10, 2022 Palm Sunday

"Welcoming Christ our King"
(Luke 19:28-40)

Seek God for the City prayer
for this text:

On Palm Sunday, many people had not only heard, but had also seen with their eyes, miraculous answers to prayer that were done in Your name. There was joy because You were recognized as more than a miracle-worker. Somehow it became clear that God was exalting You to lead the entire human race as King. You have come, not by campaign or by conquest. You come in the name of the everlasting God, to be our King. You are the Lord.

Be welcomed in our city in the same way You were received on that first Palm Sunday. Many people had tasted the sweet freedom of the gospel of Your kingdom. They had seen Your humble might in overcoming evil powers. They raised their voices exclaiming You as altogether unique. They loved the idea of You as their Lord.

Do such great and wondrous things in our city. Act in answer to prayers in Your name. Heal, restore and reconcile. Make people different in ways that defy simple explanations. Move in ways that are open and public, that cannot be dismissed. Bring about a groundswell of open praise. And may the peace of Your kingdom in our city be as great as Your glory in heaven.

Even so, come, Lord Jesus



Creating a Crossover Community Celebrating Richfield Leaders

by Kim Laufenburger

Sometimes we hear the question, "What is a crossover community?" It's a good question, and it's getting easier to answer as God continues to grow our crossover relationships. We believe that God has planted Hope Church in Richfield, a crossroads of the Twin Cities area. Richfield is a place where people come from different socioeconomic groups, ethnicities, races and cultures.

People in Richfield span the generations. This creates a great opportunity to cross over and build relationships, share life, and co-create with the ones that are already here at Hope, and the ones on the way in our local community.

In January, Hope staff invited Richfield leaders from the Richfield schools, local police, community and ministry organizations, city council members and the mayor to come for a construction update, a tour of Hope Center, and Becky Wahlund's homemade hot cocoa.

Cesar Castillejos shared his thoughts and gratitude about serving in Richfield. David Lenz talked about our construction project and how we yearn for Hope Church to be a blessing to the neighborhood. The tour of Hope Center brought much delight! People were excited to see the Vine + Branches store and see the action that takes place in the building every day. Some left saying, "I want to bring my whole team back for a tour."

An equally encouraging moment was seeing other leaders make connections. The staff from Arrive Ministries and the Good Neighbor Team from Hope talked with the Hennepin County Police Liaison. Arrive helps resettle refugees locally and was able to ask questions on behalf of refugees that sometimes feel uncertain around police, not knowing



what papers they might need to show. It was a crossover moment that was made possible because the invitation was extended to Come + See what's happening at Hope Church.

We pray that God will bring many more crossover adventures in our community! It takes time to grow in real relationships, but it's always worth the investment. We look forward to seeing the fruit of seed sowing in the years to come.



Discovering Your Prayer Personality

by Gloria Wiese

"God will undoubtedly stretch you in your prayer life," said my friend, Carol Madison, "but you probably feel most called to pray in a certain style."

A certain style?

"My mom prays with lists," she replied. "If you get on her prayer list you don't get off until God miraculously transforms your life or takes you home to heaven." I keep a much shorter list with no guarantee you will stay on it forever. Mine is more fluid and in the moment."

So we must have a list? No?

Some of Carol's friends love "listening" prayer that silently reflects on Scripture. "I sometimes doze," she admits, "no matter how hard I try to stay alert."

So how are we supposed to pray? Does our wiring influence our prayer life? Do people pray differently based on their unique personalities and temperaments?

"When you listen to a variety of prayer approaches, you probably most identify with a few of them. I don't believe you need to dig too deeply into your temperament or take a personality test to figure out your prayer personality.... But I do believe the key is to recognize you are not going to pray like everyone else—and then be okay with that!"

What if we explored some of the different "prayer personalities" in the Bible? Would they help us discover our own?

"They probably didn't spend time studying how they prayed compared to others; they simply engaged their hearts with God in the moment. On the other hand, we can study and glean helpful observations from their prayer lifestyles... you will most likely notice a style that fits your personality and comfort for expressing yourself in prayer."

Which biblical character's prayer personality fits most with your heart and experience? Let's find out and celebrate each other's God-given prayer personalities.

*Excerpts from Prayer that's Caught and Taught: Mentoring the Next Generation, Carol Madison



Discovering Your Prayer Personality

Saturday, March 12
9:00 am – Noon
Social Events Room

People pray differently based on their personalities, temperaments, and life experiences.

Explore the different "prayer personalities" in the Bible to discover your own prayer personality!

With Gloria Wiese and special guest, Carol Madison, Director of Prayer Ministries at Hillside Church and editor of Prayer Connect Magazine



Hope Group Highlights

Monday Morning Bible Study & Prayer Time

by JoAnn Magnuson

In the months before the Covid pandemic I had been doing quite a lot of traveling. As I was flying home, I began to feel very weak and had trouble breathing. My daughter picked me up and we headed for Methodist Hospital. When they finally got me into a room and a bed, I collapsed and prayed, "Lord, I think it may be time for me to come home to You." But immediately I sensed the Still, Small Voice saying, "No, there is work for you to do. Get well!"

After a nasty bout of pneumonia, I came home and attended Hope services on Zoom until I was vaccinated. I heard about Pastor Dave's Monday morning prayer group and began attending that also (usually about 15-20 people). The regulars include four ladies who aren't Hope members, but who very much enjoy studying God's Word and praying for one another.

When my granddaughter Anya was badly injured in a car accident in late October, it was a comfort to know that each Monday morning a group of caring friends would join me in prayer for her. Pastor Dave's studies feed our souls. He is always an interesting teacher, but more than that, he is also a faithful shepherd. In a world with a few show-boat clergy, it is a great blessing to have a good shepherd.

We have celebrated the lives of two of our long-time Hope family members — Thor Hansen and John Prin. It is sad to see much-loved friends leave us, but we can rejoice knowing that they are joining us in prayer in the presence of the Author of the Book.

In the meantime, if you are free on Monday mornings at 10:00 am, you'll always be welcome to join in.

ECO National Gathering: A Global Experience

by Kirstie Dye



KC DiNardo, Michaela Pankratz,
Kim Laufenburger, Josh VanLith

ECO National Gathering 2022 -- a global experience, a taste of being a part of the church gathered from many ends of the earth to pray, hope, make music and anticipate dance. A gathering of 1100 from a denomination of now over 400 churches celebrating 10 years!

The theme was "Overflow" and the verse was "May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit." Romans 15:13

And wow! I was again overwhelmed with God's incredible power and might and beauty and joy as I experienced a micro moment of what heaven is. An ECO gathering is being in a throng of believers from around the world all in it for Jesus -- from worship with exuberant singing, praying, and listening to dynamic sermons, to the breakout sessions with pondering and planning, and in-between-times with laughter, chatter, sharing all overflowing with blessings.

The breakout sessions -- from a list of 40 options ranging from practical church work, discipleship, global missions, and self spiritual care -- pick just three! I chose what it might mean to reach the unreached, how social media threatens our youth, and how self-care is spiritual stewardship.

"How was your time?" My answer in the words of one of our speakers, oh for you to hear the music and join in the dance! Know that the love of Jesus moves towards us. And by his love, we will move toward one another. Let us experience a great awakening!

And using John Hall's post-gathering words: "We are a good church! In ECO, we belong to a great community of churches that also love Jesus Christ. I am convinced that our affiliation with ECO is going to encourage and equip us to worship, serve and grow."

Ask other Hope attendees for more reflections: Doug and Linda Dahl, John and Carol Hall, Kim Laufenburger, KC DiNardo, Michaela Pankratz, Josh Van Lith, and David and Cynthia Lenz. Watch for the highlights of the gathering 2022 online at <https://econationalgathering.org/register/>



Lent + Holy Week

Ash Wednesday

March 2

Noon and 6:30 pm

Begin the Lenten season by receiving the imposition of ashes and joining in worship and prayer together.

Maundy Thursday

April 14 | 6:30 pm

Join us for a time of experiential worship and Communion.

Good Friday

April 15 | Noon

We will experience a Service of the Nails as we remember the sacrifice of Jesus on our behalf.

Good Friday

April 15 | 7:00 pm

Join us for a creative evening of worship reflecting on the death of Jesus.

Easter Worship

Sunday, April 17

7:00 am Sunrise

9:00 am Traditional

10:30 am Contemporary



Easter Egg Hunt

11:30 am at Hope

Preschool-5th graders, meet us outside door 9 alongside the 4th Avenue lawn and drive-up. We provide the baskets; your kids hunt for the eggs we hide. Coffee and muffins will be served outside. In case of bad weather, we'll send Easter Baskets To-Go.

Pairs + Spares

Social Events Room

It's so good to be back. Here's what we have coming up, including a great catered meal:



March 11 | noon

Doug Ohman presents his photo tour and stories of historic Minneapolis.

April 8 | 6:00 pm

Higher Call Quartet will grace us with a crowd-pleasing gospel concert.

May 13 | noon

Mike Henry, a retired banker and disk jockey presents "Thanks for the Memories," a review of '40s-'50s music with stories and pictures.

Call with questions and get ready to adventure with us. Call Dan and Kory Everson (612/866-7606) or Julie Boots.

Hope Groups Leader Training Sundays, April 24 and May 1

11:45 am at Hope
(lunch after worship)

Are you a leader in a Hope Group? Join us for lunch, fellowship and teaching about how to be strong and weak as you lead. (Reflections from Strong and Weak: Embracing a Life of Love, Risk & True Flourishing, by Andy Crouch.) Please RSVP to kc@hope-pc.org.



Covenant Partnership class Sundays, May 15 and May 22

11:45 am at Hope
(lunch after worship)

Do you want to fully join our community of faith? Come learn more about Hope Church, where we've been and where we are headed.

Hear about ECO, a Covenant Order of Evangelical Presbyterians and how to become a covenant partner. Get to know some elders and share your faith journey with us. Please RSVP to kc@hope-pc.org.



Property Development

by Justin Bratnober

The new building is taking shape!

The shift from demolition to construction began in November with the process of laying the new foundation and continued into the second week of December. To our amazement, the final backfilling was finished just a matter of hours before the first major snowstorm, and subzero temperatures of the season arrived.

The very next day, construction moved above ground. The installation of structural steel, bar joist, and roof decking began, and the first sign of the new building came into view. It was interrupted by the holiday season, the flu, some steel fabrication work that was needed, and the dangerously low temperatures. But this phase remains on track for mid-February completion. The outline of the building and inside spaces are clearly discernable from the outside.

The lower-level remodeling continues below ground. HVAC, plumbing, framing, wiring, concrete finishing, and some additional structural reinforcement is all taking place.

The months ahead are scheduled for:

- framing and sheathing the exterior from February through March,
- roofing the building during April,
- building out the interior, completing the parking lots, and installing audio visual equipment from April through mid-August,

The building is shaping up to be everything we hoped for.

It is going to be a beautiful expression of who we are as a Christ-centered community, timeless in appearance, and a blessing to the neighborhood.

It will be inviting, welcoming, approachable, and easy to navigate for visitors, guests and "the ones on the way."



It will be accessible, family friendly, a place for mixing all ages and stages of life, and for community building.

It will be practical, user friendly, energy efficient, low maintenance, and environmentally friendly. It is functional, adaptable, and "right-sized," with the capacity for growth.

It will be relevant, well equipped with updated technology, sound, acoustics, video, and broadcasting capabilities.

It will be wonderful.

But the facility is not our ultimate goal. What we are doing is far more than a new building or property development project. God is shaping us into a "cross-over community" - those already here, and those yet to come. Our job is to build that community, go to the people and places God sends us, share the hope that we have in Jesus, invite them in, nurture them, then send them.

Giving Report

Type	Amount Received	Amount Expected
257 Pledges	\$3,773,840	\$4,248,520
84 Unpledged Gifts	\$251,540	\$251,540
1 Memorial	\$4,815	\$4,815
Total	\$4,030,195	\$4,504,875



1) The footings, foundation, waterproofing, backfilling, and compacting were completed only hours before the first significant snowfall and subzero temperatures of the season.



2) The steel organized and beginning to go up.



3) A view from Portland Avenue of front door straight ahead, the multi-purpose room to the right, and the gathering space beyond.



4) A view from outside the sanctuary, near the stair to the lower level, of the gathering space ahead, the multi-purpose room beyond, and a bank of rooms to the right, consisting of the nursery, restrooms, café, and front entrance.



5) A view near the bottom of the stairs from the new entrance down the corridor leading to the stairs outside the sanctuary. The youth room is under construction on the right.



6) A view at the end of the corridor from the new entrance, toward the bottom of the stairs outside the sanctuary, which are behind the plywood wall. The children's gathering area is in the center, the children's office in the back, and a multi-purpose room is to the right.



Stewardship & Hope Fund Committee

Be Like Jesus — Be Generous

by Becky Wahlund

During Advent, I had the privilege of speaking to Oasis. My topic was the Joy of Giving. I did not focus on just monetary giving, but all kinds of giving that reflects Jesus — giving that is generous and promotes thanksgiving.

I started by reading a passage about the wisemen from the Christmas story from Matthew 2:9-11 (New International Version):

After they had heard the king, they went on their way, and the star they had seen when it rose went ahead of them until it stopped over the place where the child was. When they saw the star, they were overjoyed. On coming to the house, they saw the child with his mother Mary, and bowed down and worshiped him. Then they opened their treasures and presented him with gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh.



My guess is that Mary and Joseph were a bit overwhelmed with these unexpected and valuable gifts. But what joy they must have felt. Just as the magi were overjoyed. We don't know how those gifts were used, but that really doesn't matter. What matters is that when they saw the Christ child, Jesus, they were so overwhelmed with joy they wanted to share gifts with Him.

I have been thinking about both receiving and giving gifts that bring joy. When have people shown me Jesus through their gifts? When have I tried to be like Jesus — through my generosity? Whether these gifts are of my time, talents or finances I want to be more like Jesus and be generous.

Over time, I have found more and more joy in giving of the financial gifts God has blessed me with. I have learned that where my money goes there too goes my heart. I have experienced great joy and a full heart when I have decided to give to Christ-centered charities — whether it be giving to Hope, Hope Shores or other ministries. I strive to be more like Jesus and be generous and promote thanksgiving to God for his gifts.

As an elder and member of the Stewardship & Hope Fund committee, I have witnessed many examples of generosity. I want you to know that we praise God and thank him for each and every gift — no matter how large or small. What joy we have experienced!

Be like Jesus — be generous.

Deacons — Caring for the Flock

by Linda Dahl

A big thank you to Hope Church for the support you give the Deacons. You have been able to provide meals for our families who have needed that. You have driven people to doctor appointments and more.

We have not been able to help our congregation in 2020 and a little in 2021. We are looking for more people to be put on the list as possible helpers. We have requests for house cleaners, snow shovelers, raking of leaves, moving furniture and now with tax season upon us, some will need help with taxes.



If you are gifted in a certain area and would be available to help, would you call Jan Carlson for meals, Dawn Nelson 612/735-8919 for helping hands, or Linda Dahl 651/271-8127.

You will be put on a contact list and called if there is a need. Usually these are one-time events. Thank you for helping to care for our flock.



The Scoop

ADULTS

Sunday

10:15 am

Oasis Learning Community
Courtyard Room



Wednesday

10:00 am | Social Events

The Good Book

Walk through the Bible one book at a time—and have fun! Anyone can join at any time. With Gloria Wiese

Devo Tips

Sign up to receive weekly devotional tips from Gloria Wiese: gloria@hope-pc.org. Be sure to check out disciplesnotebook.com for more coaching.

Saturday Workshops

9:00 am-Noon | Social Events



Discovering Your Prayer Personality March 12

People pray differently based on their personalities, temperaments, and life experiences. Explore the different "prayer personalities" in the Bible to discover your own prayer personality! With Gloria Wiese and special guest, Carol Madison, Director of Prayer Ministries at Hillside Church and editor of Prayer Connect Magazine.



Recovering our Sanity: How the Fear of God Liberates April 9

At times the world may feel like it's losing its mind. How do you respond? Learn how two seemingly contradictory phrases — *Fear God and Do Not Be Afraid* — drive out the fear of everything else. With Gloria Wiese.

Book Club

Practice Resurrection:

A Conversation on Growing Up in Christ, by Eugene Peterson
Continuing our vibrant discussions on Ephesians.

•Monday, 7:00 pm, Zoom with Cecil and Deb Massie. <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88408306428>

•Tuesday, 12:00 pm, Hope Church with Gloria Wiese

•Wednesday, 6:30 pm, Zoom with Doug and Kirstie Dye. <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81732350312>

•Thursday, 10:00 am, Zoom with Mary Beth Monsma. <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85340261124>

Bible Study

Men Saturday, 8:00-9:00 am

Zoom. Enjoy the richness of fun fellowship in discussing Sunday's scripture and praying for Hope Church. <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8445497159>

YOUNG ADULTS

2nd Annual Young Adult Retreat

Hope Shores Bible Camp - \$50

Friday - Sunday, May 27-29

Early bird registration opens March 13





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YOUTH + FAMILY

5/22 - Final Sunday morning programs

5/18 - Final Wednesday night programs

Communion Class

March 27 and April 3

9:30 am | Sunday FUNday Room

On March 27, children K-5th and their parents are invited to learn about the sacrament of communion together at our Communion Class. On Sunday, April 3, families are welcome to experience communion together in worship.

Bible Sunday

May 15 | 10:30 am

Join us at the 10:30 am service to see 1st graders, 5th graders, and 8th graders be given new Bibles. If you have a child in one of these grades, contact Michaela Pankratz (michaela@hope-pc.org) to reserve a Bible.

Sunday FUNday (K - 5th graders)
Sundays | 9:30 am | Enter door 7

Fun games, creative crafts, and adventurous Bible stories.

Kids Church (K - 5th graders)

Sundays | 10:30 am

Pick up in Room 357

Kids dismissed from the worship service to grow in friendships and God's Word.



Wiggly Worship

(infants - preschoolers)

Sundays | 9:00 and 10:30 am

In person | Preschool Room

Enter door 7

9:00 - 9:15 am on Zoom

Come make friends, learn about the Bible, sing songs and play. Contact julie.lewis@hope-pc.org.

Wiggly Worshipers can join us via Zoom for sharing, songs, and a Bible story. It's a fun time for the little ones to connect. Join us at <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86968130871>

Parent Connection Class

Sundays | 9:30 am

Preschool Room (enter door 7)

Sharing and prayer time as we grow in efforts to disciple our children, together.

KWAM Kids Will Always Matter
(K - 5th graders)

Wednesdays | 6:30 pm

Social Events (enter door 3)

Sing songs, play games, learn about God and make new friends.

Breakfast Club

(6th - 12th graders)

Sundays | 9:30 am | Enter door 7

Developing community through going deeper in God's Word together.

Middle School Connect

Wednesdays | 6:30 pm

Gym (enter door 6)

Dive into Gospel messages, have small group connections, and make friends.

High School Connect

Wednesdays | 6:30 pm

Enter door 6

Have fun, learn together, and develop authentic community through Jesus Christ.

VBX Kingdom Builders

K-5th graders - FREE

Hope Church

Sunday - Wednesday, June 12 - 15

Do you have old LEGOS you could donate for our VBX in June? Contact Michaela Pankratz at michaela@hope-pc.org or drop them off at Door #7.





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Hope Youth Spring Retreat
6th – 12th graders - \$40
Hope Shores Bible Camp
Friday – Sunday, April 29-May 1



Sign up
now!

Senior Sunday

Sunday, May 22 | 10:30 am

If your student is currently a senior and is planning on graduating this year, we would love to celebrate them with our whole congregation. Please email Josh VanLith at josh@hope-pc.org for more information about being included in our senior celebration.



High School Mission Trip

July 17-22 | Quad Cities, Illinois

High school youth are invited to experience service and grow in leadership through being a part of our mission trip to Quad Cities, Illinois this summer. For more information, email Josh VanLith at josh@hope-pc.org.

CAMP

We can't wait to see you on the shores of Rice Lake. Join us in the place where you matter, Jesus matters, friendship matters, and fun matters! We offer both week-long youth camps and weekend family camps.

Summer Schedule 2022

June 4 | Camp cleanup
June 12 – 17 | Staff training
June 19 – 24 | 2nd - 5th grade week 1
June 26 – July 1 | 2nd - 5th grade week 2
July 8 – 10 | Family Camp
July 10 – 14 | Midsummer training
July 14 – 17 | Single Moms Family Camp
July 22 – 24 | Family Camp 2
July 24 – 29 | 6th -8th grade
July 31 – August 5 | 9th-12th grade



Register based on the camper's current grade. Registration opens on March 1 at 9:00 am. Visit hope-shores.org for online registration.

Camp Clean Up

Saturday, June 4

9:00 am – 4:00 pm

Help us get ready for the upcoming camp season. This will be a fun day of service for the whole family. Lunch is included. Please RSVP to Yon and Megan at yonandmegan@hope-pc.org.

CIT and Junior Counselor Applications open April 1

Are you a high school student interested in working alongside our staff to serve younger campers for a week?

CITs will serve during our two 2nd-5th grade weeks, and applications are open to current 9th-12th grade students. Junior Counselors will serve during our 6th-8th grade week, and applications are open to current 11th-12th grade students. All applications are due by April 18. Visit hope-shores.org to apply.



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OUTREACH

Serve:

Good Neighbor Team - Refugees

•Build friendship and come alongside a newly arrived family with others from Hope Church. Contact peggy@hope-pc.org if you are interested in joining the team.

•Pray with others ministering to refugees - 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Thursdays, 2:30 pm

Join by Zoom: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81236437761>

USA Homestays

Welcome an international student to live in an extra room in your home for 3 months or more (stipend provided) Contact Ben (benr@usahomestays.org or 612/770-0031).

Home Delivery Packing and Distribution

Saturdays, March 12, April 9, May 14

9:00 am – Noon

"Shop" from the food shelf using personalized lists and distribute the groceries to neighbors unable to get to the food shelf. Contact peggy@hope-pc.org.

Community Emergency Service
1900 - 11th Avenue South
Minneapolis

Loaves and Fishes To-Go Meals Distribution at Hope Church

Thursdays, February 24, March 24, April 28, May 26

3:00 – 4:30 pm

Food prep and set-up

4:30 – 6:00 pm

Meal packing and distribution, clean up

Contact peggy@hope-pc.org.

*Other days, Mondays through Fridays, <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0d44a5ab2fa1fa7-hope>

Vine + Branches store hours:

Wednesdays, 5:00 – 8:00 pm

Thursdays, 1:00 – 4:00 pm

Saturdays, 10:00 am – 1:00 pm

Donate:

Help our community partners serving neighbors in need:

•Community Emergency Service - <https://cesmn.org/donate/>

•Loaves and Fishes
<https://loavesandfishesmn.networkforgood.com>

•VEAP
<https://veap.org/donate/give-today/>

•Every Meal
<https://www.everymeal.org/get-involved/donate/>



Classes:

American Culture Class

Tuesdays, 9:30 - 11:30 am

Women from various countries and cultures build friendships through time together. Contact Susie Prin at josuprin@johnprin.com.

Parent Share

2nd and 3rd Thursdays

6:15-8:00 pm

A support group discussing parenting and other issues affecting families facilitated by Tamara Dauphin-Whear, Mental Health Counselor and Coach. Contact Tamara at 612/388-8514 or tamarawhear@gmail.com.

Celebrating Leslee Day and her Retirement

Leslee Day grew up at Hope Church and says, "Hope has always been my home." When she was invited to join the Hope Church staff team in 1979, she jumped at the chance. She took a brief hiatus and has been back at Hope for nearly 30 years as an administrative force behind the scenes! She is organized, thoughtful, a good listener, always has a smile to share, and her laugh is infectious. Leslee is a team player and has been a steady presence throughout lots of changes at Hope Church.



One of her favorite memories happened on her 30th birthday when John Hall and Patti Bloomer filled the entire floor of her office with balloons! Leslee has memories and relationships to last a lifetime and says that, "It's been a delight to work with amazing people in such a variety of ministries (youth, adults, singles, music/arts/drama, communications, congregational care, pastoral support)."



Craig Osborne, Leslee Day and Gary Watts
Secretary's Day 1981

And now the seasons are changing for her. On June 3, 2022, Leslee will retire from Hope Church. She and her husband Buck will be moving to Des Moines this summer to be near their son John's family. We will most certainly miss her but will send her off with love and a celebration. Watch for details about how we will celebrate Leslee in the months ahead.



Welcome, little one

Jayce "Jay" Skoog Wahlund was born December 3 to Kyle and Steph. Becky Wahlund is his grandmother. David and Betty Wade are his great-grandparents.

With Sympathy and Prayers to the:

Anderson family in the loss of Buzzy's sister and nephew

Walstrom family in the loss of nephew and cousin Luke

Walstrom family in the loss of Wally's dad

Bell and Edberg families in the loss of Debbie's dad, Duane's brother and Mike's uncle

Dennis Nelson family in the loss of Mary's aunt

Tyson family in the loss of Laurie

VanHove family in the loss of Matt's dad

Schuenke family in the loss of Shelley's cousin

Erbele family in the loss of Delores (Dee)

Froemel family in the loss of Caleb's godmother

Pastor Terry Pathoumthong's family in the loss of his brother-in-law

Hansen family in the loss of Thor

Prin family in the loss of John and John's twin brother

Phoutone's family at his loss

Hilbert family in the loss of Donna

Winkel family in the loss of Russ's brother

Next Deadline

Noon Wednesday, May 4

(Covering June - August, 2022)



Discovering Your Prayer Personality
Saturday Workshop
9 am-Noon | March 12 | Social Events

Sunday Worship Times: 9:00 am traditional | 10:30 am contemporary