

ANNOUNCEMENTS



Lent was originally a season for those new to Christianity to learn and prepare for their baptism on Easter. During that time, they would study what was central to Christianity. Lent is still a time to get back to our roots and examine what is at the center of Jesus' life and ministry: radical welcome, love for neighbor, care for the vulnerable, nourishment for the hungry, nonviolence in the face of injustice. At the heart of Jesus' teachings, we find liberation, love, mercy, and grace – all of which are meant to be good news. Really good news. It is joyful – like fine wine saved for celebration. It grows like a mustard seed and smells like perfume poured from an alabaster jar. It tasted like bread passed endlessly through a

hungry crowd. It sounds like laughter and feels like mercy. This Lent, join us as we let the teachings of Jesus lead us forward. May the good news inspire us to take action in a world desperate to hear, see, and taste what is good.

The Good News is...

Mar 22 ...rooted in justice, mercy, and faithfulness John 8:2-11, Matt 23:23

Palm Sun, Mar 29...inspiring us to act Mark 11:1-11

Maun Thurs, Apr 2 ...even Jesus gets his feet washed John 13:1-35

Good Fri, Apr 3 ...is revealed through nonviolence Luke 22:47-53, 23:33-38 & 44-46

Easter, Apr 5 ...is alive in the world Matt 28:1-10

Holy Week

Palm Sunday, March 29, 9am & 11am

Maundy Thursday, April 2, 6:30pm

Good Friday, April 3, 12pm & 6:30pm

Easter Sunday, April 5

Worship 9am & 11am

Breakfast 10am





Lenten Midweek Worship

We will be meeting Wednesday evenings in Larson Hall. Soup and Salad dinners will be held at 5:30 with a worship around the tables beginning at 6:30pm. This year, our Lenten midweek will expand our Sunday Lenten theme – *Tell Me Something Good*. Lent is a celebration of the news that Christ died for our sins, and this series focuses on that good news. **February 25, March 4, 11, 18, 25**

5:30pm – 6:25pm Soup & Salad dinner with fellowship

6:30pm – 6:55pm Worship in Larson Hall

Meal sign-ups are available in the Nest!

Please contact Mona if you have questions! 419-360-0661 ~ ramona.pupos@gmail.com



Easter Decoration Fund

Every year we beautify our sanctuary to celebrate the resurrection of our Lord, and your donations help with this effort. Each donation is given in honor or memoriam of someone you choose to be listed in the bulletins on Easter Sunday. Please see the insert in this bulletin if you'd like to make a donation!

Easter Invitations Available!

If you'd like to invite loved ones, friends or neighbors to Hope's Easter services and breakfast, an easy way to do that is to give them one of our printed Easter invitations available by where you pick up your bulletins!

If you'd like to help with Easter Breakfast, Contact Mona!

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Confirmation will be taking a "Spring Break!" We meet today at our usual time, then our next meeting will be April 12th.

Today's Worship Volunteers

9:00am Welcome Team

Roger Smith & Nancy Schiciano

9:00am Communion Assistant

11:00am Reader

Joyce Moore

11:00am Welcome Team

Fred & Margaret Bretzloff

11:00am Communion Assistant

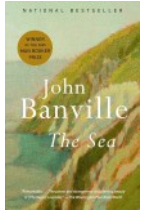


Backpacks of Hope! We are currently in need of cereal and cans of soup or vegetables to restock our pantry. Donations can be left on the white shelves across from the nursery. Thanks to your generosity last fall, this is the first time we've asked for peanut butter in months. We appreciate the generous support!

Book Club

March 24th, 1pm ~ "The Sea" by John Banville

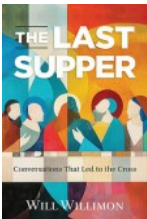
Max Morden returns to the town he grew up in after the death of his wife.



We will be having our **Annual Easter Egg Hunt** again this year! Before then, we are asking for donations of individually wrapped, fun sized candy. There will be a box for these donations located outside the Nest. Deadline for donations is Sunday, March 29th. Thank you!!

First Communion

An important faith milestone in our young disciples lives is receiving their first communion. To live into the baptismal promises made by parents and the congregation, we will be starting communion education this month. If you have a child in 1st or 2nd grade or an older child who has not yet received first communion, please contact Pastor Kristin as soon as possible. Thanks to Sarah Puffenburger for leading this class again this year!



Lunches with Luther Begins New Study

Meeting 11:30am-1pm every Tuesday, Lunches with Luther begins a new study this week: *The Last Supper* by Will Willimon.

See Pastor Kevin for your copy.

HOPE'S MINISTRY TEAM

Ministers: The Members of Hope

Senior Pastor: Kevin Maxey, (Home 567-288-2072) pastorkevin@hopetoleado.net

Associate Pastor: Kristin Hunsinger, pastorkristin@hopetoleado.net

Music Director: Gail Mowry, gmowry@hopetoleado.net

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Office Manager/Finance Secretary: Cindy Franklin, cfranklin@hopetoleado.net

Communications Specialist: Nat Love, nlove@hopetoleado.net

Maintenance/Custodian: Scott Lenz

Management Team Chair: Ron Ranallo

Vision Team President: Louise Schlatter

LOOKING AHEAD

Palm Sunday

March 29th
9am & 11am

Maundy Thursday

April 2nd, 6:30pm

Good Friday

April 3rd
12:00pm & 6:30pm

Easter Sunday

April 5th
Worship 9am & 11am
Breakfast 10am

Vacation Bible School

June 22nd—26th
9am—12:15pm

Stephen Ministers are congregation members trained by Stephen Leaders to offer high-quality, one-to-one Christian care to people going through tough times. For more information, please call the office.



This Week at Hope: Mar 15 thru Mar 22

SUN 9:00am Contemporary Worship (Sanctuary)
10:00am Disciples in Training (Downstairs, Nursery)
11:00am Traditional Worship (Sanctuary)
12:00pm Confirmation (Upstairs)

MON 11:00am Staff Meeting (Nest)
6:30pm Al Anon (Nest)
7:30pm Collaboration Choir (Sanctuary)

TUES 11:30am Lunches with Luther (Nest)
8:00pm AA Meeting Westgate (Larson Hall)

WED 5:30pm Lenten Meal (Larson Hall)
6:30pm Lenten Worship (Larson Hall)
7:00pm Adult Choir Practice (Sanctuary)

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FRI 7:30pm AA—New Hope (Larson Hall)

SAT

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10:00am Disciples in Training (Downstairs, Nursery)
11:00am Traditional Worship (Sanctuary)

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Hope's prayer team is pleased to join you in prayer for:
Bob Beers, Marian Mulligan, and John Salsbury



SUNDAY WORSHIP: 9:00 a.m. Contemporary Service | 10:00 a.m. Faith Formation | 11:00 a.m. Traditional Service

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