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Hope is a
Stephen Ministry
Congregation.



Viva La Vida: Long Live Life!

In Jesus' resurrection we are called from all the dead places in our lives to new life. We move into the Easter season asking how we can live as resurrected people. As we take up the cry of Viva la Vida, we center our lives around the Easter story.

05/04/25	Live Again	John 21:1-19
05/11/25	Live Connected	John 10:22-30
05/18/25	Live Love	John 13:31-35
05/25/25	Live Relationship	John 14:23-29
06/01/25	Live Witness	John 17:20-26
06/08/25	Live Mission	Acts 2:1-21

Family Photos for Mother's Day



On May 11, following each worship service, our wonderful resident photographer, Chuck Campbell, has volunteered to take family photographs. There is no cost or sign-up needed, simply join us for worship on Mother's Day and stay for photos. The digital files of the photos will be sent via email the following week.



Leadfoot Granny Benefit Concert

Join us on **Saturday May 3rd** for a special benefit concert to raise funds for feeding ministries at Salem Lutheran Church. The concert will be headlined by our own local band Leadfoot Granny, with a special opening performance by Mark Mikel! Doors open at 6pm, no tickets needed, a freewill donation for Salem will be collected. Invite your friends and family and join us for a good time and a good cause!

Guardian Angel Tea

May 4th, 10am

We will be having tea for those involved in our Guardian Angel Program on Sunday, May 4th at 10am in Larson Hall. There will be goodies served while the Guardian Angels meet with their students. There will also be games and crafts. Be sure to get your RSVPs to Pam Ferrara so that we know how many will be attending. It should be lots of fun!! The students really enjoy this program as do the Guardian Angels! Hope to see you there!



Confirmation, May 18

Join us in worship at 11am on May 18 as three of our confirmation students affirm their faith. There will be a reception prior to the service at 10am in the Nest. Please keep these young people in your prayers as they take this next step in their faith.

Graduate Recognition

We will be recognizing all Hope graduates (high school, college, graduate schools) on Sunday, June 8 in worship and with a reception between services. If you or a family member are graduating and wish to be included, please send the following information to Pastor Kristin by May 28 - the graduate's name, graduation date, school & degree, a digital photo, and a couple of sentences of future plans. (pastorkristin@hopetoledo.net) We will include all graduates' names on June 8 whether or not they can be present that day.



Opportunities to Serve Survey

Paul in his first letter to the church in Corinth writes *“Now there are varieties of gifts but the same Spirit, ⁵ and there are varieties of services but the same Lord, ⁶ and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. ⁷ To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good.”*

(1 Cor 12:4-6)

Recognizing the variety of gifts and the different ways of serving that we have at Hope, we invite you to complete a short survey indicating which opportunities to serve you are interested in, and which ones you would like more information about.

Scan to take Survey!!



Backpacks of Hope



We only have a few more weeks before the end of the school year at Old Orchard to send home backpacks of food. We need your help to keep the pantry stocked for these last few weeks. We especially need about 11 cans of vegetables, 15 cans of soup as well as fruit or applesauce cups to finish out the year. Thanks for your continued support of students at Old Orchard Elementary!



Hope for Salem Updates

Our Hope for Salem volunteer team worked diligently and efficiently on Saturday, April 19th. Today, we finished the task of preventing fires from drafting between each floor of the house! This condition existed because the inner 2x6 walls that we constructed inside the framework of the existing outer walls did not and could not fully contact the original outer walls of the house. To eliminate this draft potential, we installed various approved fire blocks between every floor. If you have any questions or concerns, please let me know.

Faith & Family at the Mudhens

Join us for a day at the ballpark for the MudHens Faith & Family Night on June 29. Players and coaches will share faith testimonials at 2pm. First pitch is at 4:05pm. We are organizing a group from Hope to attend and tickets are \$13 each (no additional fees). These tickets give you admission to both events. Reserve your ticket by contacting Pastor Kristin at pastorkristin@hopetoledo.net by June 8.



VBS 2025! Road Trip June 23rd -27th 9:00 am-12:15 pm

Registration is open!! We are so excited to have your students join us for Road Trip! All children aged 3-years-old through 4th grade are welcome to join in on the fun!! Older children and adults are needed as volunteers. There will be plenty of songs to learn, crafts to do, games to play, mission projects to put together, snacks to eat and more!! We can't wait to see you! To register go to www.hopetoledo.net and click on the registration link. If you have any questions, please contact Pam Ferrara at pferrara@hopetoledo.net or call the office. It's going to be a wonderful week of fun and fellowship. Spots will fill up soon, so don't delay and sign up today!



Easter Egg Hunt

Thank you to everyone who donated to the Easter Egg Hunt! The children had loads of fun searching for the hundreds of eggs! I'm sure they thoroughly enjoyed their overflowing goodie bags! Thanks again for your generosity! Enjoy the happy faces!!

This Year's Lenten Midweek Services...

Thank you to everyone who helped with and participated in our Lenten Midweek dinners and worship. And a special thank you to Mona for coordinating food and Ron for providing music. It was wonderful to gather for prayer, fellowship, conversation, and some delicious soups and desserts! We look forward to gathering for Lent again next year.

