



## Highlights

### February 11, 2018

### Calendar for the Week

- TODAY**
- Choir Practice, 8:15 a.m. (choir sings)
  - Morning Worship with Pastor Dan, 9:30 a.m.
  - Sunday School, 10:50 a.m. (Chris & Angie Walker, Ethnos 360)
  - Journey High, 5:30 p.m.
- Tuesday**
- Ruth Circle, 1 p.m., (Moore's)
- Wednesday**
- Prayer Group, 9:30 a.m.
  - Midweek Classes, 6:15 p.m. (including Journey Mid.)
- Friday**
- Consistory Retreat at Voyage Church, 6:30-9 p.m.
- Saturday**
- Consistory Retreat at Voyage Church, 8 a.m. - 12 Noon
- Next Sunday**
- Choir Practice, 8:15 a.m.
  - Morning Worship with Pastor Dan, 9:30 a.m.
  - Meet your Elders, during coffee time in the Fellowship Hall
  - Mission of the Month Offering: Chris & Angie Walker
  - Sunday School, 10:50 a.m.
  - Journey High, 5:30 p.m.

### Coming Up @ Hope Church

**Next Sunday, on February 18th right after service and before Sunday School, the 2018 Elders are providing special treats for the families under their care!** You will find them in the Fellowship Hall at labeled tables. This will also provide the opportunity for you to briefly meet your Elders in case you haven't had the chance to yet. See you then!

**Young at Heart will meet for brunch at Michelle's on Gull Road on Tuesday, February 20 at 9:30 a.m..** Contact Jerry or Lana Loedeman if you have questions. Sign up at the lobby table.

**Upcoming Sermon Themes:** Pastor Dan continues part two of a three-part message series entitled "Spiritual Pathways." Spiritual pathways are those specific ways we draw close to God, ways in which our soul is fed. These are different ways for different people. After this series, we will launch a Lenten series entitled "Close Encounters with Jesus."

### Prayers and Praises

*If you have a prayer concern or answer to prayer that you would like to share, please fill out the green Prayer Card found in the pews and place it in the box at the Connection Center.*

**Continued prayers for:** Irene Fraaza, Jake Zuidema, Mary Anne Schiedel, Ev Van-Donselaar, Arlene Doot, Don DeWolf, June Schaap, Julie Bos, Jim Loedeman, Helen Roglic, Chuck Harmon, Becky Nap, Dave Collison, Gideon Schripsema.

#### Weekly Volunteers

##### Greeters

N: Don & Emily VL., Jr.  
S: Dave & Mary VanderStelt

##### Greeters Next Week

N: Pat & Harold Block  
S: Jack & Gayle DeYoung

##### Ushers

Matt Bronsink, Dave VanderStelt, Steve Thomas, Bob Durian

##### Elder Greeters

Angie Vreeman, Mike Klepser, Steve Hellenga, Don VanLandegent, Sr.

##### Nursery

Karla & Kenna Durian, Nicole Cody

##### Nursery Next Week

Sue VanderMeer, Jena Nooney, Lily Offringa

##### Children & Worship

Pat MacQueen

##### Children & Worship Next

##### Wk.

Angie Vreeman

Giving Report for: 2/4

#### General/Mission Fund

**Received**  
\$9,846.00

**Budgeted**  
\$7,035.60

#### Mortgage Retirement

**Received for the Week**  
\$2,566.00

**Needed for Next Payment**  
(February 15)  
\$2,252.85

**Monthly Payment**  
\$5,468.85



## Announcements

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**Wednesday begins the season of Lent. Lent is a season of preparation for Christ's death and resurrection.** This year, journey through Lent with a series of devotions written by RCA missionaries. Sign up for devotional to be delivered to you by email at [www.rca.org/resources/lent-devotions](http://www.rca.org/resources/lent-devotions). We encourage everyone to participate in this devotion series as we prepare ourselves for Christ's death and resurrection.

**Ruth Circle will meet Tuesday, Feb. 13th at 1 p.m. at the home of Loretta Moore.** We will be doing Lesson 9.

**Arlene Doot's new address:** 3700 West Michigan #130, Kalamazoo, MI 49006

**Hope Church will be hosting the International Student Luncheon (Bronco Campus Ministry) on Thursday, February 22.** Sign up at the lobby table to help! More information to come!

**Attention Journey Retreaters!** Service Hours are due Wednesday February 21st and final payment for the trip is due no later than Sunday February 25th. Get those hours in to reduce your total cost! Thanks!

**Nursery News!** The nursery has been a busy and vibrant ministry over the past several months! Did you know that the infants and toddlers are taught a specific truth from God's Word each week? Did you know that our amazing volunteers are singing with the children and teaching them how to worship God? The Bible teaches in Psalm 8:2, "You have taught children and infants to tell of your strength..." Do you have a passion to see the next generation fall in love with Jesus? Do you love to nurture and care for the littlest ones? If so, God may be calling you to join our nursery team! We would love to welcome you to the nursery ministry and equip you with the tools needed to teach the love of Jesus to the youngest saints. The commitment is minimal but the reward is great! Please see Heather Offringa if interested! Or contact her at [heatheroffringa@aol.com](mailto:heatheroffringa@aol.com) or 269-779-5871.

### Great Learning Opportunity for All!

Over the next several months, Pastor Dan will be leading the Sunday AM Adult Class covering a number of different topics pertinent to our ministry here at Hope. Last week his address was entitled "Change Dynamics and Our Emotional Response to Them." If you were not present, the elders strongly encourage you to listen to the presentation posted on our website and download the printed material, or stop by the library and ask for a CD and printed material.

The **next two sessions** (starting next week) will be specifically addressed to the senior (60+) members of Hope – but all are encouraged to attend. We will be meeting in the fellowship hall and discussing important information together that you won't want to miss. The remaining schedule is as follows:

- \*February 18 "My Address to Hope Seniors"
- \*March 4 "Five Things Hope Church Desperately Needs from its Seniors"
- March 18 "Generational Differences and their Impact on Church Life"
- April 15 "Understanding Millennials to Reach Them"
- April 29 "Looking at Worship Through Various Lenses"

\*sessions specifically targeting seniors (60+)

On the alternate Sundays, the regular format of sermon discussion will continue. The purpose is to learn and grow together as a congregation to become a more effective church for the glory of God. So you are encouraged to carve out some time and make as many of these sessions as possible.

**Camp Geneva Registration:** Please contact the church office for the PROMO code!