



HighLites
March 5, 2017

Calendar for the Week

- Today**
- Choir Practice, 8:15 a.m. (Choir sings)
 - Morning Worship with Pastor Art 9:30 a.m.
 - Mortgage Retirement Offering
 - Communion
 - Sunday School, 10:50 a.m.
 - Evening Worship with Rev. Dale Collison, 5:30 p.m.
 - Journey High, 5:30 p.m.
- Tuesday**
- Worship Committee Meeting, 5:45 p.m.
 - Elder Meeting, 7 p.m.
- Wednesday**
- Prayer Group, 9:30 a.m.
 - Mid-week Activities
 - 5:30 - Dinner
 - 6:15-7:15 - Classes
 - Journey Mid, 6:15 p.m. -- Info meeting for retreat!
- Friday**
- Red Cross Blood Drive, 12:30 - 5:15 p.m.
- Next Sunday
- Choir Practice, 8:15 a.m. (Choir sings)
 - Morning Worship with Pastor Art, 9:30 a.m.
 - Congregational Care Meeting, 10:50 a.m.
 - Congregational Town Hall, 11:15 a.m. (no S.S.)
 - Small Groups, 5:30 p.m.

Prayers & Praises

Laura Rozek's surgery on Wednesday went very well. Laura's doctor is positive that they removed all the cancer! Praise the Lord! Pray for Laura as she recovers from the surgery and that pain levels can be managed well.

Maci VanderMeeden had a check up with her neurosurgeon out in Iowa. She was cleared for another year and is doing great! She still has some minor symptoms but her doctor hopes she will keep improving! Praise God!

Continued prayers for: Arlene Doot, June Schaap, Ron Stolk, Irene Fraaza, Mary Kornoelje, Julie Bos, Terry Block, Pat Block, Jim Loedeman, Helen Roglic, Sarah Bradford, Chuck Harmon, Becky Nap, Jerry Waalkes, Dave Collison, Gideon Schripsema.

Please remember those who are shut ins or those in assisted care: Mariana Hellenga, Janet Roberts, Helen DeWinter, Ruthie Pearl Burch, and Marjorie Kelly.

Volunteers

Greeters

N: Jim & Dorothy Hettinger
S: Don & Sue VanderMeer

Greeters Next Week

N: Steve & Mieneke Thomas
S: Tom & Phyllis Thomas

Ushers

Denny Collison, Ken Larsen,
Tom Musk, Don VanDonselaar

Elder Greeters

Angie Vreeman, Shauna Collison,
Ed Moore, Rick Wielopolski

Nursery

Laura Cousineau

Nursery Next Week

Elaine & Katlyn Breur

Children and Worship

Pat MacQueen

C & W Next Week

Angie Vreeman

Giving Report for: 2/26

General/Mission Fund

Received

\$ 3,204.00

Budgeted

\$ 5,507.57

Mortgage Retirement

Received for the Week

\$ 150.00

Needed for Next Payment

(March 15)

\$ 2,663.70

Monthly Payment

\$ 5,468.85



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Announcements

The Congregational Town Hall will be taking place NEXT Sunday, March 12. Please see the sheet on the narthex table to sign up. Lunch will be served at 11:15 a.m. with the meeting to follow. We hope to see everyone there!

The adult mid-week class on Worship will continue this Wednesday at 6:15 p.m.

There is a Red Cross Blood Drive here on Friday, March 10th, from 12:30-5:15 p.m. WE NEED VOLUNTEERS to make this happen! Please consider spending a few hours of your Friday helping out. Please sign up on the bulletin board on the way to the Fellowship Hall. See Allison with any questions. Thank you!

Meal ministry coordinator needed! And you don't even have to cook, just make occasional phone calls. Contact Gayle DeYoung (269-382-2688) to volunteer or for more information.

Lenten Organ Recitals will be held at First United Methodist Church (212 S. Park Street) every Thursday during Lent (March 9, March 16, March 23, March 30 and April 6) at noon. All the recitals are free. All are welcome to attend!

Young at Heart will be gathering at the Club Car Grille (D Avenue) on Tuesday, March 21 for brunch at 9:30 a.m. Please sign up to attend on the narthex table.

Second Impressions is hosting an event where people can come and get clothing for free! On Saturday, March 18 from 4-6 p.m., anyone can come and get 10 pieces of clothing for free. Spread the word!

During this time of transition at Hope, please remember to contact your caring elder if you need to communicate any shepherding needs.

Last Name Elder Team

A - F	Paul Witteveen & Angie Vreeman
G - M	Kathy Rozek & Rick Wielopolski
N - S	Steve Thomas & Shauna Collison
T - Z	Ed Moore & Steve Hellenga

Would you be interested in making dinner for our Sr. High Youth Group? They are looking for volunteers to provide dinner for 6-8 people on Sunday evenings. The sign-up sheet is on the narthex table.

Prayers for our Search Team

- 1) Pray the Town Hall meeting will be well attended and be a source of good information and encouragement to our congregation. Pray for unity & enthusiasm within our church and our leadership for the direction God is calling us to go.
- 2) Pray God will guide the search team as we begin to identify potential pastoral candidates. Pray God will show us what strategies to use to find and identify these candidates.
- 3) Pray for great written responses for our new website from those in the congregation involved in ministries here at Hope.
- 4) Pray for the finalization of the pastor job description. Pray our expectations for a new pastor would not aim too high, nor would we settle for too little. Pray that we will agree on the necessary background and level of experience needed in our new pastor.