



HighLites

March 12, 2017

Calendar for the Week

- Today**
- Choir Practice, 8:15 a.m. (Choir sings)
 - Morning Worship with Pastor Art 9:30 a.m.
 - Congregational Care Meeting, **10:45 a.m.**
 - Congregational Town Hall Meeting, 11:15 a.m.
 - Journey High, 5:30 p.m.
 - Small Groups, 5:30 p.m.
- Tuesday**
- Ruth Circle, 1 p.m. (more information on back)
- Wednesday**
- Prayer Group, 9:30 a.m.
 - Mid-week Activities
 - 5:30 - Dinner
 - 6:15-7:15 - Classes
 - Journey Mid, 6:15 p.m.
 - Search Team Meeting, 6 p.m.
- Friday**
- Journey Youth to Spring Hill until Sunday!
- Sunday**
- Choir practice, 8:15 a.m.
 - Morning Worship with Rev. Dave Armstrong, 9:30 a.m.
 - Mission of the Month Offering: Mission Opp. Fund
 - Sunday School, 10:50 a.m.
 - Evening Worship with Rev. Dale Collison, 5:30 p.m.
 - No Journey High Youth Group

Prayers & Praises

Our sincere sympathy is extended to both Judy (Ken) Larsen in the passing of her mother, Joyce Perry on March 5 and to Steve (Amy) Vlietstra in the passing of his father, David Vlietstra, on March 7.

Arlene Doot had surgery this past Wednesday and it went well. She is recovering and future plans for treatment are being discussed. Pray for healing for Arlene.

Laura Rozek: We continue to rejoice with the Rozek family as the results from Laura's surgery and pathology reports were incredible. All Laura's cancer cells were dead! Praise God! Continue to pray for healing for Laura.

Kim VanderMeer was recently hospitalized with a severe rhinovirus infection. She is now at home recovering but she would appreciate prayer for a complete recovery.

Volunteers

Greeters

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

Greeters Next Week

N: Mark & Kathy Rozek
S: Ken & Kelly Milliman

Ushers

Denny Collison, Ken Larsen,
Tom Musk, Rob VanderWeele

Elder Greeters

Angie Vreeman, Shauna Collison,
Ed Moore, Rick Wielopolski

Nursery

Elaine & Katlyn Breur

Nursery Next Week

Heather Offringa

Children and Worship

Angie Vreeman

C & W Next Week

Ann Charles

Giving Report for: 3/5

General/Mission Fund

Received

\$ 9,765.00

Budgeted

\$ 5,507.57

Mortgage Retirement

Received for the Week

\$ 3,691.00

Needed for Next Payment

(April 15)

\$ 4,451.35

Monthly Payment

\$ 5,468.85



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Announcements

Thank you so much for all the get well cards and prayers while I've been home recovering.

- Helen Roglic

Continued prayers for: 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.

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.

Ruth Circle will meet on Tuesday, March 14th at the home of Loretta Moore at 1 p.m. They are just beginning a new study and would welcome any new members to the group. They are completing chapter 1 including the "Going Deeper" questions in the book *Overcoming Worry*.

Lenten Organ Recitals will be held at First United Methodist Church (212 S. Park Street) every Thursday during Lent (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.

Alternatives of Kalamazoo's "Life is Good" Live and Silent Dinner Auction will be held on March 24 from 6-9 p.m. at Westwood CRC. It will be good fellowship and bidding on amazing items for a great cause. Tickets are \$25 per family.

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

Desert Streams Christian Counseling is available and may be helpful in the absence of a lead Pastor. For more information, please visit their website at www.desertstreams.org or call them at 345-0909.

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.