



# HighLites

## December 31, 2017

### Calendar for the Week

- TODAY**
  - Choir Practice, 8:15 a.m.
  - Morning Worship with Pastor Kevin, 9:30 a.m.
- Wednesday**
  - Prayer Group, 9:30 a.m.
  - No Midweek Classes
- Next Sunday**
  - Choir Practice, 8:15 a.m.
  - Morning Worship with Pastor Dan, 9:30 a.m.
  - Mortgage Retirement Offering
  - Elder and Deacon Ordination and Installation
  - Baby Shower for the Safi Family, 11 a.m. (info on back)
  - **Journey Retreat Down-payment DUE!**
- Coming Up**
  - Beth Moore Study begins, 1/8 (info on back)
  - Elder Meeting, 1/9 at 7 p.m.
  - Midweek & Journey Mid Begins, 1/10
  - Consistory Leadership Retreat, 1/12-1/13
  - Sunday School Begins, 1/14
  - Journey High Begins, 1/14

### Upcoming Events @ Hope!

There will be a Consistory Leadership Retreat on Friday, January 12 (6:30-9 p.m.) and Saturday, January 13 (8-12 p.m.). This will be a highly valuable experience where they tackle the topic and theme of **"Navigating Change."** The Consistory and spouses will together seek to learn, grow, and prepare for this next season here at Hope. Please be in prayer for our leadership as they seek to follow God's leading through this important time!

**Time for another Art and Canvas event at Hope Church!** We will gather on Thursday evening, March 8th. Time and cost to be announced. Mark your calendar and invite some friends! Sign up will begin in late January.

### 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:** Mary Anne Schiedel, Ev VanDonselaar, Arlene Doot, Don DeWolf, June Schaap, Julie Bos, Jim Loedeman, Helen Roglic, Sarah Bradford, Chuck Harmon, Becky Nap, Dave Collison, Gideon Schripsema.

Please remember our shut-ins and those who are in assisted care with a card or note of encouragement and your prayers during the holiday season.

### Weekly Volunteers

#### Greeters

N: Denny & Shauna Collison  
S: Jack & Gayle DeYoung

#### Greeters Next Week

N: Elaine & Katlyn Breur  
S: Don & Nancy VanDonselaar

#### Ushers

Doug Charles, Jeff Offringa,  
Jack DeYoung,  
Don VanLandegent, Jr.

#### Elder Greeters

Kathy Rozek, Ed Moore,  
Paul Witteveen,  
Steve Thomas

#### Nursery

McKenzie Bronsink, Eli  
Brown, Stephanie Klepser

#### Nursery Next Week

Karla & Kenna Durian,  
Jena Nooney

#### Children & Worship

Break

#### Children & Worship Next

Wk.

Pat MacQueen

Giving Report for: 12/24

### General/Mission Fund

**Received**  
\$7,882.00

**Budgeted**  
\$7,035.60

### Mortgage Retirement

**Received for the Week**  
\$235.00

**Needed for Next Payment**  
(January 15)  
\$5,233.85

**Monthly Payment**  
\$5,468.85



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## Announcements

**Thank you Hope Church family** for your cards, calls, visits and more so, all your prayers for me during my recent surgery and recovery. I can certainly feel God's presence, thank you again! - Roger Tuinier

**Thank you for your thoughts and prayers**, they were truly felt. Thank you for cards and concerns, they were uplifting. Thank you for meals delivered, they were delicious and appreciated. - Nancy VanDonselaar

**Journey Mid and Journey High Spring Hill Winter Retreat March 2-4!** Total cost is \$140 per student, but students can submit up to 5 service hours with each hour worth \$14 (so the cost can be dropped to \$70 to-

tal). \$50 down-payment is due January 7th to ensure your spot. Please talk to Pastor Kevin, Meg, Julie, or Kris if you have any questions!

\*If you are a church member, and would like to support our youth, please consider offering service opportunities for individuals from our group. A list of those going can be provided upon request. Please see Pastor Kevin!

**Snacks for Journey Mid & High Sunday School:** Sign up at the Connection Center to bring breakfast goodies for the youth's Sunday School class!

**Dinner for Journey High Youth Group:** Sign up at the Connection Center to bring dinner for the high school youth group on Sunday evenings.

**If you would like to be on the list of greeters at the north and south entrances of the church** on Sunday mornings, please email the church office ([office@hoperca.org](mailto:office@hoperca.org)) to get on the list! Greeters arrive early, about 9 a.m., and greet those coming to worship with a smile and a handshake!



**Ladies, are you looking to start the new year with a fresh start?** We will be starting a Beth Moore Bible study for ladies 50 and younger. Beth Moore has been leading women in studies for 20+ years. She shares her studies with lots of knowledge, wisdom and a special bond with women. We will be studying James for 7 weeks. The study will start, January 8 and meet every other Monday, in the evenings, from 7-9 p.m. We will meet in the Consistory room, with a small group time, watch a video and develop friendships with other ladies/moms. If you are interested or have questions, please email Gloria Jongsma at [gloriajongsma@gmail.com](mailto:gloriajongsma@gmail.com) or call 313-570-1494.

**Women of Hope:** The Safi family is expecting a baby girl in early February and we would like to sprinkle them with needed baby items. This will take place on Sunday, January 7<sup>th</sup> at about 11 a.m.. Please visit the table in the lobby to let us know if you can come and if you are willing to contribute a light appetizer or dessert. As there is no baby registry and the family has specific needs, we are trying to coordinate gifts/funds as best as possible. Please indicate on the sign-up sheet what gently used baby items you plan on gifting or if you plan on purchasing a gift, please let us know what that will be so we don't double our efforts. See Stephanie Klepser or Julie Dintaman with questions.

**Estate Planning and Planned Giving Made Easy!** There is an estate planning seminar on Thursday, January 25, 2018, between 6-8 p.m. at the Kalamazoo Country Club (6:00 Hors d'oeuvres and refreshments start, presentation starts at 6:30 pm). Our speaker this year is Attorney Michael Willis (class of 1992), recognized as an expert in the legal field of trust and estates, listed in the Best Lawyers in America. More details will be available soon. Bring your questions! Reservations are required. We only have 30 seats available - first come first service basis. If you would like to attend this event, have any questions, or would like more information, please contact Larry Stehouwer at 269-760-4711 or [lstehouwer@kcsa.org](mailto:lstehouwer@kcsa.org).