

# The Messenger



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2026



HOPE LUTHERAN CHURCH  
1901 MIDDLEBOROUGH RD, ESSEX MD 21221



**"For I know the plans I have for you," declares the LORD, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future".**

**Jeremiah 29:11**

# BISHOP GOHL'S 2025 CHRISTMAS MESSAGE

*The Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we have seen his glory. –John 1:14*

When the “wrong seems oft so strong;”

When division and partisanship supplant “peace, goodwill for all;”

When we become numb to violence, and human need “overwhelms;”

The Word still becomes flesh and dwells among us.

In your sacrifices and struggles, Jesus is born;

In your generosity and creativity, Jesus is born;

In your care for the most vulnerable and the often forgotten, Jesus is born;

In your ability to name and see those that are disappeared, erased, overlooked, and those that blend into the backgrounds of our lives, Jesus is born;

In your showing-up, speaking-out, and stepping-out in faith, Jesus is born;

While I too am struggling with sorrow and loss this Christmas; I also see you embody a God who still so loves this world; so much so, I can't help but experience the Word made flesh, dwelling among us, and shining with a simple, but resilient glory.

*O holy child of Bethlehem, descend to us we pray;*

*Cast out our sin and enter in, be born in us today!*

*We hear the Christmas angels, their great glad tidings tell;*

*O come to us, abide with us, our Lord Immanuel!*

With my love and prayers for you and yours,

at Christmas and as we cross the threshold into the year ahead,

The Rev. William (Bill) Gohl, Jr., Bishop



Delaware-Maryland Synod, ELCA



# **Join Us For Worship**

**Join us on Sundays in the Sanctuary at  
10:00 am. for worship.**

We are currently offering one worship service at 10 AM on Sundays. We are alternating between our Traditional and Family Worship Service format each Sunday, with a children's message and Children's Church/

KBZone. Please join us for in-person Worship Service and Holy Communion in our sanctuary on Sundays at 10:00 AM.

## **Mission Statement**

**“Why are we here as a people of God? We are here to celebrate our faith, grow in faith and in God’s Word, and reach out in service to our community.**

**Go in peace to celebrate, grow and serve”!**

# THE POWER OF PRAYER

Gail Anuszewski	Chuck DeWitt	Joan Kincaid	Dave Raynor
Howard Altenburg	Kimberly Dixon	Michelle Kincaid	Sandy Schiller
Bob Baker	Jami Edgar	Matt Kretzschmar	Frank Schmidt
Connie Baker	Alice Edinger	Christina Lacko	Nancy Scott
Susan Baucom	David Eicher	Diane Lacko	Mike Short, Sr.
Barbara Becker	Belinda Emge	Lynne Lake	Charlene Simmons
Carolyn Bell	Susan Enclade	Patty Baldwin	Lonny Smith
Bob Bellach	Evan	Linsolata	Margaret Smith
Gail Berry	Darlene Fisher	Margaret Linz	Deni Starr
Jessica Berry	Tim Flaherty	Harriett Lloyd	John Steiner
Pat Berry	Al Fleischmann	Phil Malpas	Thom
Kathy Binas	Florence	Mary-Kathryn	Vernon Wallace
John Boblitz	Derrick Fowler	Ruth Massaroni	Frank Walls
Don Boyce	Jane Fabrizio	John Micklos	Trish White
Ken Brazeros	John Fabrizio	Matilda Miller	Elvelta Williams
Debbie Bryant	Mike Gerald	Michelle Moore	Karen Williams
Andres Buitrago	Fred Getz	Terry Novak	Elnor Wilson
Wilford Buitrago	Russ Getz	Charmaine Ordak	Gail Wilson
Tony Bunk	Cassidy Gore	Rebecca Orr	Cass Wohlleben
Ethel Burke	Trudy Grauer	Beth Patterson	
Carolee Calo	Cowyn Gustave	Judy Crockett	
Eric Carl	Nicole Harden	Peddiford	
David Clagget	J & K	Krista Pellegrini	
Chris Coffey	Loved Ones of Susan	Deloris Phillips	
MaryJane Conrad	Johnson	Evelyn Porter	
Julie Cook	Lillian Jones	Dorothy Prevost	
Tom Cox	David Kerner	Cass Rayman	



Our Congregation and ministries, All First Responders, Medical Personnel, and all active and reserve members of our armed forces.

*Please notify our church office if you want to add or remove any names from the Prayer List.*

**IF YOU ARE HOSPITALIZED:** If you are scheduled for surgery, or will be hospitalized, or have an emergency health care issue, please be sure to inform the church office (410-686-7587) so that pastoral care can be offered. It is extremely important to us that we can be there for you!



# Hope Evangelical Lutheran Church Pastor Search

## Congregational Survey

The Ministry Site Profile that Hope Evangelical Lutheran Church submits to Delaware Maryland Synod provides context of who we are as a church family and what attributes or qualities we seek for our next pastor. Please answer these survey questions considering what *you* would like to see in our next pastor.

Which of the following do you consider the most important strengths needed by the incoming pastor?

**Circle the three that you most favor.**

- Preaching/ Teaching
- Administration/ Organization
- Leadership/ Shepherding
- Visionary
- Communication/ Relationships
- Personal and Community Outreach
- Other\_\_\_\_\_

Which of the following activities do you view as top time priorities of our new pastor.

**Circle the 3 criteria that you most favor.**

- Administration, including tasks related to the church office, finances and facility.
- Correspondence with members by phone, text or e-mail, to share information on church events and other activities related to the church and community,
- Meeting/ supporting individual needs of members of the congregation, such as counseling individuals with personal and spiritual problems, visiting members in the hospital, in nursing homes, at home, etc.
- Service/ Lesson/ Sermon preparation.
- Prayer
- Attending social gatherings and special events of ministries, classes, and groups in the church.
- Planning, organizing or participating in ministry activities.
- Other\_\_\_\_\_

Compared to our church's current worship services, would you want the prospective pastor to lead in making any of the following changes.

**Circle all that apply.**

- Include more traditional musical elements (classical hymns, older praise songs, fewer instruments)
- Include more contemporary musical elements (newer praise songs, upbeat arrangements, contemporary instruments.)
- Maintain balance between traditional and contemporary Services, rotating weeks.
- Adjust Service structure to more contemporary format.
- Adjust Service structure to favor traditional style.
- Other\_\_\_\_\_

Which of the following preaching styles effectively communicates God's Word to you?

**Circle all that apply.**

- Logical, detailed, point by point
- Personal, relational, engaging
- Textual (the Scripture text provides the meaning)
- Narrative (use of stories to illustrate points)
- Sermon series (spending multiple weeks on a topic)
- Bible book (spending multiple weeks on a Bible book)
- Challenging, appealing for action or change
- Other\_\_\_\_\_

In a sermon, which of these components are most important to you?

**Circle the three that you most favor.**

- Strong Biblical knowledge / references
- Application to everyday life
- Challenging intellect
- Humor
- Spiritual nourishment
- Illustrations
- Challenge of the status quo
- Other \_\_\_\_\_

What have we missed in this survey that is important to you or important for the future of our congregation?

Comments:

Please answer a few questions about who you are as an interested party in the selection of our next pastor.

What is your gender?

**Circle one.** A. Female B. Male

What is your current age?

**Circle one.** A. Under 12 D. 30-39 G. 60-69  
B. 12-17 E. 40-49 H. 70 or more  
C. 18-29 F. 50-59

Do you have children under 18 living at home?

**Circle one.** A. Yes B. No

Circle the number that best describes your participation in the activities of this church.

Not very active			Very Active	
1	2	3	4	5

Describe what best represents how you attend Sunday Worship.

**Circle one.**

- New member
- Just around Holidays (Christmas and Easter)
- About once per month
- Two-three times per month
- Every Sunday, with rare absences
- Rarely
- Other affiliations, i.e. All Stars Learning Center

If you would like to make a Pastoral recommendation, please complete the attached nomination form.

Questions or input shall be directed to [HELCCallCommittee@yahoo.com](mailto:HELCCallCommittee@yahoo.com)

Please complete and submit all responses by January 18<sup>th</sup>.

# **Bible Study and Small Groups**

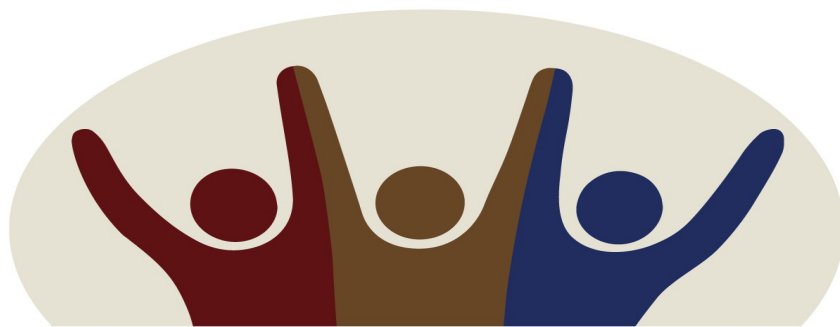
## **Wednesday Morning Bible Study**

Meetings every Wednesday at **10:30 AM** in the Choir Room, where each week we'll take a deeper dive into the scriptures that we read from "in worship" each week. Please Join Us!

## **Wednesday Evening Bible Study**

Meets at **7 PM** every Wednesday in the Choir Room, when each week we'll take a deeper dive into the scriptures that we read from "in worship" each week. For the study at 7:00 pm, we will have a Zoom option available - and the link will be shared closer to then. Please join us!

**\*\*\*If you would like to join any of the Bible Studies, please let Vicar Adam know and he will share links, phone number and meeting ID with you and more information. Vicar Adam, [adammfairchild@gmail.com](mailto:adammfairchild@gmail.com), Cell: (443) 974-1542**



**Bible Study**  
**TOGETHER**



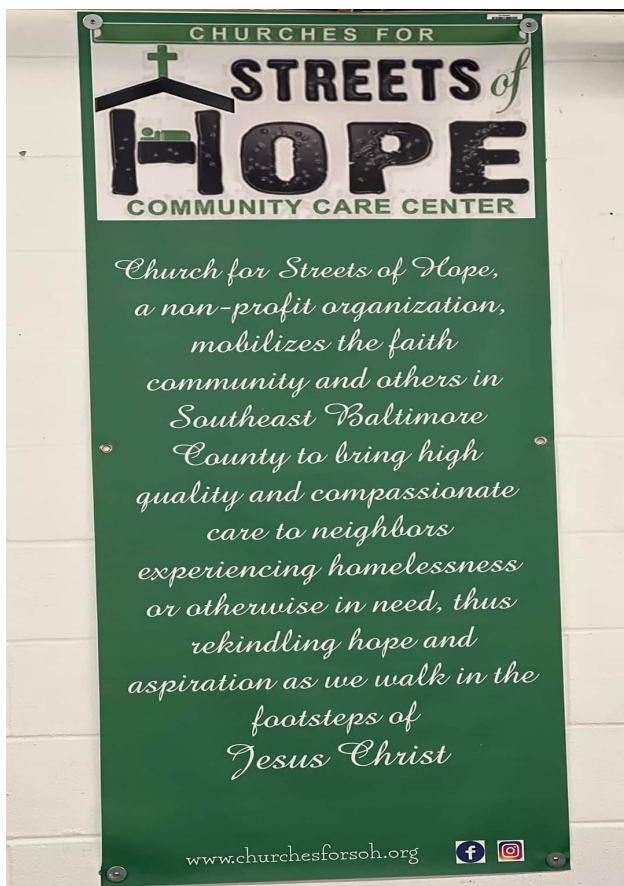


## PRAISE & WORSHIP

Every Sunday beginning at 9:30-9:40 AM there will be an opportunity to shout, pray, sing, and give testimony & honor to God. Please join us in the sanctuary.

*Colin Eversley, Music Minister*

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## Streets of Hope

The Streets of Hope Men's Shelter is now open for the cold weather. Our church will be providing dinner on **the 4th of every month**.

Our next time to serve is **Saturday, January 4th**.

If anyone would be interested in volunteering, please contact

Sandy  
Cincinnati







Join us!!! We meet every Monday at 10:00 AM in the Choir Room. No professional requirements necessary. You just need to be able to sew a straight line, cut, iron material and enjoy fellowship!



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## December 7th

Roger and Ryland, Children of God, congratulations on your baptisms! We welcome you into the Body of Christ and to the mission we share.



**We are currently enrolling new students for our Spring programs. Please spread the word.**



**ALL STARS LEARNING CENTER:** Now enrolling for our Spring Pre-K and Before & After Care Programs. Monday—Friday, 6:30 am to 6:00 pm. Full-time and Part-time care available, ages 3-12 years old. All Stars Learning Center offers *safe, quality,* and *affordable* care within a *loving, Christian* setting. Our staff is committed to providing children with a *nurturing* environment by continually evaluating, improving, and enriching our teaching skills and techniques. We offer a **range of experiences** through our Pre-K program including *math, science, social studies, literature, language development, pre-reading* and *pre-writing skills, music, and art*. Contact us today 410-686-6060 or email [allstarscenter@yahoo.com](mailto:allstarscenter@yahoo.com).



# Christmas Hope Baskets 2025



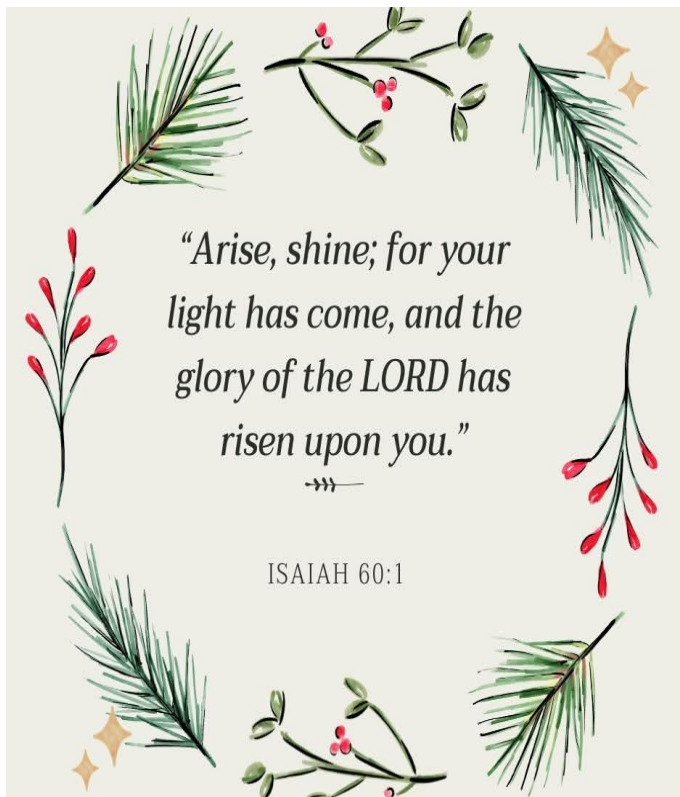
Because of your generous contributions and gifts towards Our Christmas Hope Food Baskets, we were able to reach our goal of providing Christmas Hope Food Baskets for **14 families** in need in our community. Special thanks to our Outreach Ministry Team, who purchased, assembled and distributed the food. "God's work, Our hands".

**Thank you and God bless you for all your generosity.**

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For Everything There is a Season







# *Hope Ladies Christmas Dinner 2025*



***Thank you Carol,  
Sandy, and Linda for  
organizing this fun  
event. May all your  
Christmas  
celebrations be Merry  
and Bright!***



# *Santa Came to Visit the Children at the Learning Center*



*Thank You ,Jim Eck!*



# *Christmas Decorating at Hope 2025*



***“Our Team Sleighs”, Hope is truly blessed with an amazing team! Thank you so much to our Youth Group and everyone who were able to help decorate the church for the Christmas season! !***







# Hope Church Christmas Eve 2025

Candlelight Service



Christmas Eve



# Christmas Poinsettias

*All flowers are given to the glory of God and...*



**IN HONOR OF:**

**GIVEN BY:**

My Entire Family	Julie Carl
My Husband, Colin Eversley	Jackie Eversley
Our Hope Family	Jackie Eversley
Our Children and Grandchildren	Steve and Sharyn Kahl
Our Great Grandson, Oliver	Steve and Sharyn Kahl
Our Lord's Blessings of Grace	Denise McLaughlin
Wife, Kate Patten	Jeff Patten
Husband, Jeff Patten	Kate Patten
The Children of Jeff & Kate Patten	Jeff and Kate Patten
The Grandchildren of Jeff & Kate Patten	Jeff and Kate Patten
Family	Mary Lee and Mickey Porter (2)

**GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF GOD BY:**

Vicar Adam Fairshild

*In Thanksgiving for the people of Hope Lutheran Church*

Michelle Kroner (2)

Christina Lacko

The Poplovski and Getz Families (2)

  
*Christmas Blessings*





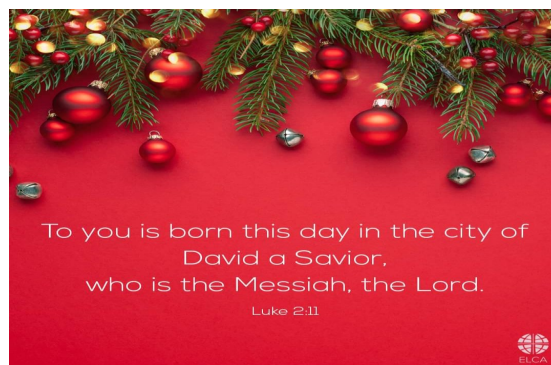


**MEMORY OF:**

**GIVEN BY:**



Our Parents	Carolee and Rick Calo
Our Son	Carolee and Rick Calo
Our Sister and Brother	Carolee and Rick Calo
Bill Coker	Thea Coker
Terry Melton	Thea Coker
August and Della Sachs	James and Nicole Eck (2)
Karen Goles	James and Nicole Eck
Robert Eck, Sr.	James and Nicole Eck
Barbara Espey	Judy and Eric Eszes
Mariam O'Neil	Judy and Eric Eszes
Rosemary Ann Fairchild	Vicar Adam Fairchild
Loved Ones	Kathy Glagola (2)
Jasmine Mastin	Bonnie Hoffman
Bill & Blanche Cardarelli	Bonnie Hoffman
Ed Hoffner	Bonnie Hoffman
Our Parents	Steve abd Sharyn Kahl
Our Cousin, Susan Barry Johnson	Robin Kates and Denise Cole
Charles V. Kelly, Jr.	John Kelly (2)
James Sheridan	Ruth Kraeger
Doug Fitz	Ruth Kraeger
David Lesko	Ron and Vicki Lesko
My Brother, Brian Leucht	Timothy Leucht
My Mother, Beth Gibson	Timothy Leucht
My family, who are with God	Denise McLaughlin
Epthemios and Christine Micklos	John and Carole Micklos



John and Edna Erb, Sr.	John and Carole Micklos
John Erb, Jr.	John and Carole Micklos
Loved Ones	Linda Moler
Beloved Mother, Linda Morgan	Rachel Morgan
Beloved Mother, Ginger Clark	Rachel Morgan
Leroy (Jim) Ogle	Carol Ogle
Mr. & Mrs. Clarence J. Green, Jr.	Carol ogle
Mr. & Mrs. John Ogle, Sr.	Carol ,Ogle
Mother, Dolores J. Patten	Jeff and Kate Patten
Father, Stephen B. Patten	Jeff and Kate Patten
Mother, Marge Hudgins	Jeff and Kate Patten
Father, Frederick A. Hudgins	Jeff and Kate Patten
Son-n-law, Richard Fifer	Jeff and Kate Patten
Brother-In-Law, Denny Harris	Jeff and ate Patten
Sister-In-OLaw, Ellie Houser	Jeff and Kate Patten
Alvina Lin Miller	Cindy Schmidt Presnell
My Parents, Justus and Anna Schweitzer	Bob Schweitzer
My Parents, Ilse and Archie Wiley	Joan Schweitzer
Our Brothers, Paul & Jeff Wiley & Stephen Schweitzer	Bob and Joan Schweitzer



It's still Christmas.  
May this Christmas outshine the rest. It did for us.  
Thank you, **Thea Melton**, for the nativity set and for bringing  
light to the courtyard.





**Thank you Judy for all your beautiful and creative  
table decorations!**

**December 7th**



**December 21st**



**December 24th**



**December 24th**



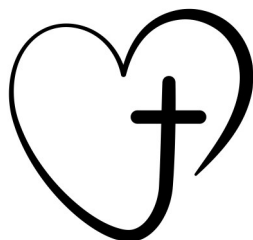


*Come Join Us on Ash Wednesday*

*February 18, 2026*



*Ash Wednesday Services will be celebrated  
at 12 Noon and 7 PM in the Sanctuary.*



# Shrove Tuesday



## SHROVE TUESDAY PANCAKE SUPPER

is on **Tuesday, February 17<sup>th</sup>, 6:00 PM – 7:15 PM** in the Christian Education Building Lower Level. Invite your family and friends and join us for a Pancake Supper sponsored by our Youth Group. Free will offering will assist our Youth's participation in conferences. Mark your calendar and come enjoy the starting of Lent Season with everyone. More information to come.

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## LENTEN MIDWEEK SOUP SUPPERS AND SERVICE!!

**Mark your calendars!!** On **Wednesdays during Lent (February 25, March 4, 11, 18 & 25)**, we will have our **MID-WEEK LENTEN SOUP SUPPER AND SERVICES** with a 30-45 minute contemplative worship time and some singing in the Christian Education Building Lower Level/All Stars Learning Center at **6:30 pm.**



5	Tiffany Klingenstein	23	Nancy Loeffler
8	Austin Faust	25	Trudy Grauer
10	Victor Mulbah	25	Mary Neewary
12	Andres Buitrago	27	Mary Emge
13	Frederick Neewary	29	Brett Kroner
19	Lilah Crout	29	Evelyn Frueh
20	Jack Crout		





06	Debbie Cannon
09	Michelle Kroner
09	Jaycie Ruggiero
11	Steve Kahl
12	Francis Kpadeh
16	David Presnell
18	Heather O'Donnell
19	Carole Micklos
22	Mark Floyd
23	Gracie-Ann Smith
24	Queen Sackor

Please contact the office if you would like to add or remove your name from our birthday list. Thank you!





## Worship Themes in January 2026

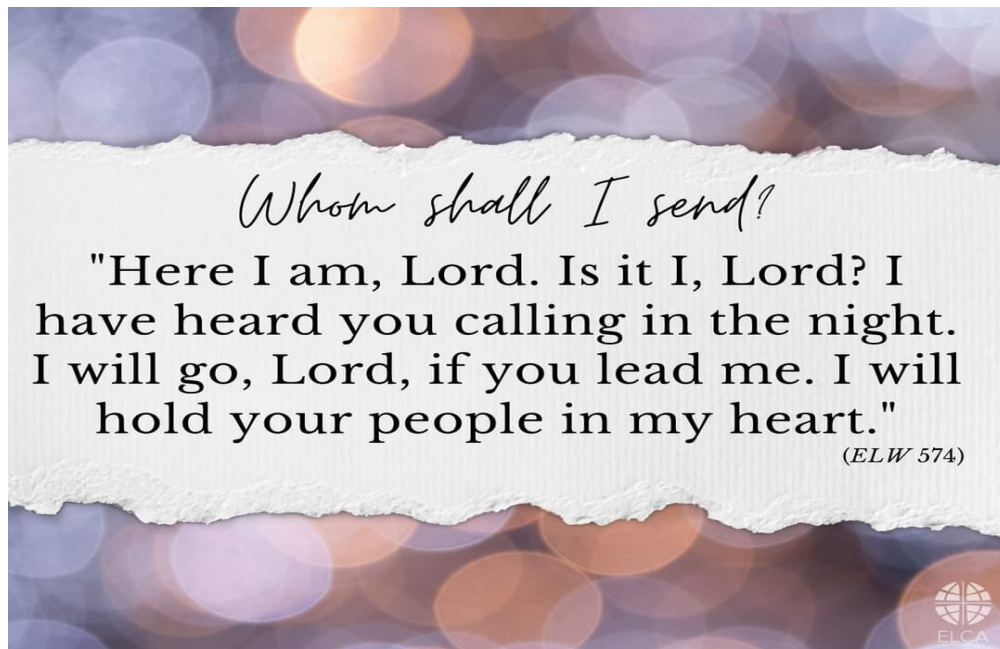
Date/Day	Scripture texts	Theme
<b>January 4 Epiphany of Our Lord</b>	Jeremiah 31:7-14 Psalm 147:12-20 Ephesians 1:3-14 John 1:1-18	Joy at the gathering of God's scattered flock Worship the Lord, O Jerusalem praise your God O Zion The will of God made known in Christ God with us: the incarnation of the word
<b>January 11 Baptism of Our Lord</b>	Isaiah 42:1-9 Psalm 29 Acts 10:34-43 Matthew 3:13-17	The servant of the Lord brings justice The voice of the Lord is upon the waters. Jesus' ministry after his baptism Revelation of Christ as God's servant
<b>January 18 Second Sunday after the Epiphany</b>	Isaiah 49:1-7 Psalm 40:1-11 1 Corinthians 1:1-9 John 1:29-42	The servant brings light to the nations I love to do your will, O my God. Paul's greeting to the church at Corinth Revelation of Christ as the Lamb of God
<b>January 25 Third Sunday after the Epiphany</b>	Isaiah 9:1-4 Psalm 27:1,4-9 1 Corinthians 1:10-18 Matthew 4:12-23	Light shines for those in darkness The Lord is my light and my salvation. Appeal for unity in the gospel Revelation of Christ as a prophet





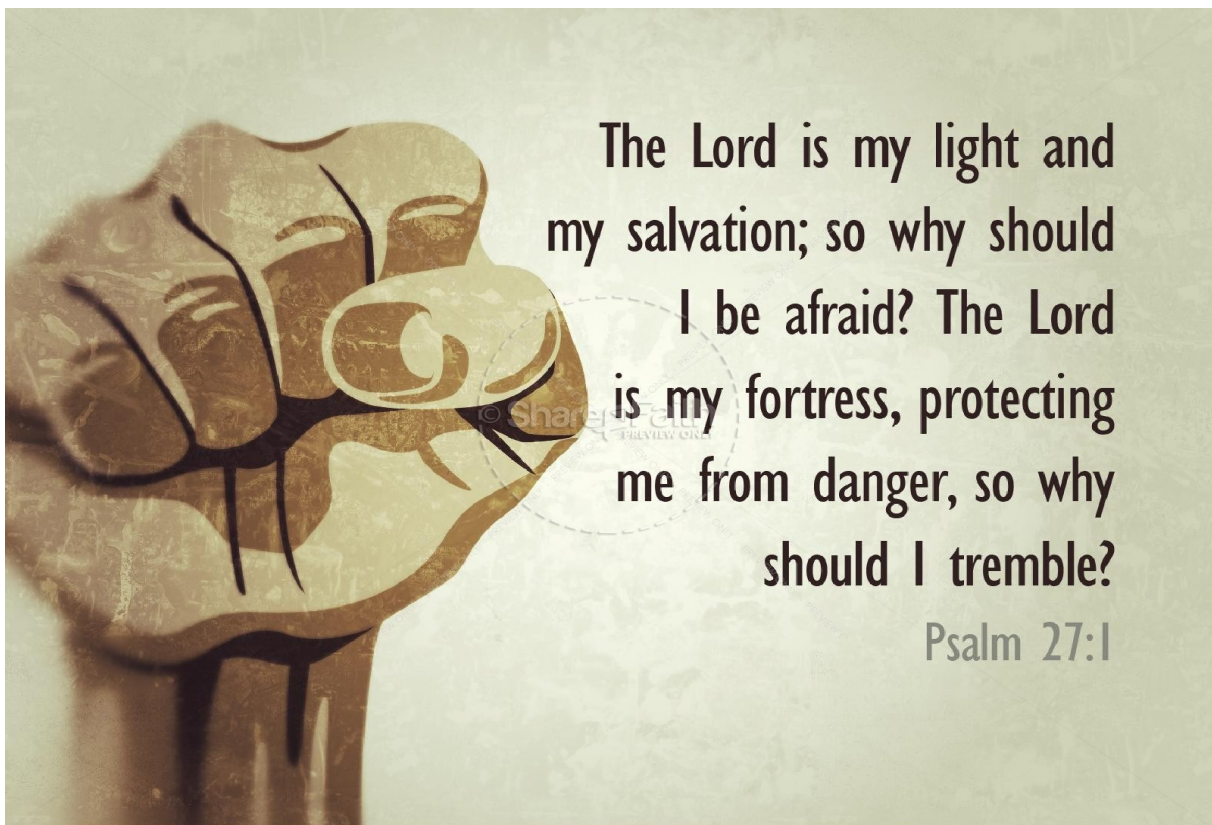
## Duty Schedule for: January 2026

10:00	Jan 4	Jan 11	Jan 18	Jan 25	
Assist	John Kelly	Bob Schweitzer	Thea Melton	Joan Schweitzer	
Lector	Lynn Lake The Youth	Joan Schweitzer	Thea Coker	John Kelly	
Serve if needed	Bob Schweitzer	None	None	None	
Ushers	Carolee Calo Jackie Eversley	Eric Eszes Carol Ogle	Linda Moler Laurie Koontz	Donna Jacob Sue Alexander	
Counters	Bob Schwewitzer Denise McLaughlin	Colan Kahl Joan Schweitzer	Linda Moler Thea Melton	Donna Jacob Steve Kahl	
Flowers	Ruth Kraeger <i>Sign-up Available</i>	Jeff & Kate Patten Ron Lesko	Carol Ogle <i>Sign-up Available</i>	<i>Sign-up Available</i> <i>Sign-up Available</i>	
Sunday School	Denise McLaughlin	Rachel Morgabn	Carolee Calo	Ruth Kraeger	



## Worship Themes in February 2026

Date/Day	Scripture Text	Theme
<b>February 1</b> <b>Fourth Sunday</b> <b>after the</b> <b>Epiphany</b>	Micah 6:1-8 Psalm 15 1 Corinthians 1:18-31 Matthew 5:1-12	The Offering of justice, kindness, humility Lord, who may abide upon your holy hill? Christ crucified, the wisdom and power of God The teaching of Christ: Beatitudes
<b>February 8</b> <b>Fifth Sunday</b> <b>after the</b> <b>Epiphany</b>	Isaiah 58:1-12 Psalm 112:1-10 1 Corinthians 2:1-16 Matthew 5:13-20	The fast God chooses Light shines in the darkness for the upright. God's wisdom revealed through the Spirit The teaching of Christ: salt and light
<b>February 15</b> <b>Transfiguration</b> <b>of Our Lord</b>	Exodus 24:12-18 Psalm 2 2 Peter 1:16-21  Matthew 17:1-9	Moses enters the cloud of God's glory on Mount Sinai You are my son; this day have I begotten you. The apostle's message confirmed on the mount of transfiguration Revelation of Christ as God's beloved Son
<b>February 22</b> <b>Seventh Sunday</b> <b>After the</b> <b>Epiphany</b>	Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7 Psalm 32 Romans 5:12-19 Matthew 4:1-11	Eating of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil Mercy embraces those who trust in the Lord. Death came through one, life comes through one The temptation of Jesus in the wilderness for forty days




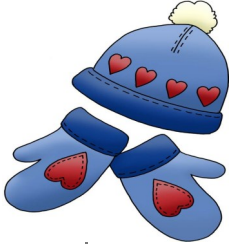











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10:00	Feb 1	Feb 8	Feb 15	Feb 22	
Assist	Eric Eszes	Colan Kahl	John Kelly	Thea Melton	
Lector	Lynne Lake & the Youth	Jess Kahl	Bob Schweitzer	Thea Coker	
Serve if needed	Bob Schweitzer	None	Joan Schweitzer	None	
Ushers	Carolee Calo Laurie Koontz	Rick Calo Eric Eszes	Donna Jacob Denise McLaughlin	Linda Moler Christina Lacko	
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Flowers	<i>Sign-up Available</i> <i>Sign-up Available</i>	Bob & Jaon Schweitzer <i>Sign-up Available</i>	<i>Sign-up Available</i> <i>Sign-up Available</i>	Kathy Glagola Steve & Sharyn Kahl	
Sunday School	Denise McLaughlin	Rachel Morgan	Carolee Calo	Ruth Kareger	

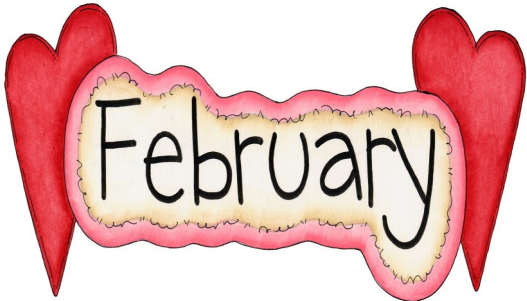









# January 2026

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<b>4</b> <b>10:00 AM</b> Worship in the sanctuary <b>11:00 AM</b> Choir Rehearsal <b>6:00 PM</b> Streets of Hope	<b>5</b> <b>10:00 AM</b> Quilters 	<b>6</b> <b>10:30 AM &amp; 3:00 PM</b> All Stars Learning Center Chapel in Sanctuary	<b>7</b> <b>10:30</b> Bible Study in the Choir Room <b>7:00 PM</b> Bible Study in the Choir Room and via Zoom	8	9	10
<b>11</b> <b>10:00 AM</b> Worship in the sanctuary <b>11:00 AM</b> Choir Rehearsal	<b>12</b> <b>10:00 AM</b> Quilters 	<b>13</b> <b>10:30 AM &amp; 3:00 PM</b> All Stars Learning Center Chapel in Sanctuary	<b>14</b> <b>10:30</b> Bible Study in the Choir Room <b>7:00 PM</b> Bible Study in the Choir Room and via Zoom	15	16	17
<b>18</b> <b>10:00 AM</b> Worship in the sanctuary <b>11:00 AM</b> Choir Rehearsal	<b>19</b>  <b>10:00 AM</b> Quilters  <b>7:00 PM</b> Executive Committee Meeting	<b>20</b> <b>10:30 AM &amp; 3:00 PM</b> All Stars Learning Center Chapel in Sanctuary	<b>21</b> <b>10:30</b> Bible Study in the Choir Room <b>7:00 PM</b> Bible Study in the Choir Room and via Zoom	22	23	24
<b>25</b> <b>10:00 AM</b> Worship in the sanctuary <b>11:00 AM</b> Choir Rehearsal	<b>26</b> <b>10:00 AM</b> Quilters  <b>7:00 PM</b> Council Meeting 	<b>27</b> <b>10:30 AM &amp; 3:00 PM</b> All Stars Learning Center Chapel in Sanctuary	<b>28</b> <b>10:30</b> Bible Study in the Choir Room <b>7:00 PM</b> Bible Study in the Choir Room and via Zoom	29	30	31



# February 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						
						
<b>1</b> <b>10:00 AM</b> Worship in the sanctuary <b>11:00 AM</b> Choir Rehearsal	<b>2</b> <b>10:00 AM</b> Quilters 	<b>3</b> <b>10:30 AM &amp; 3:00 PM</b> All Stars Learning Center Chapel in Sanctuary	<b>4</b> <b>10:30 AM</b> Bible Study in the Choir Room <b>7:00 PM</b> Bible Study in Choir Room/via Zoom <b>6:00 PM</b> Streets of Hope	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>
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Thank you all so much for your continuing support for Hope and the greater church.  
God bless.

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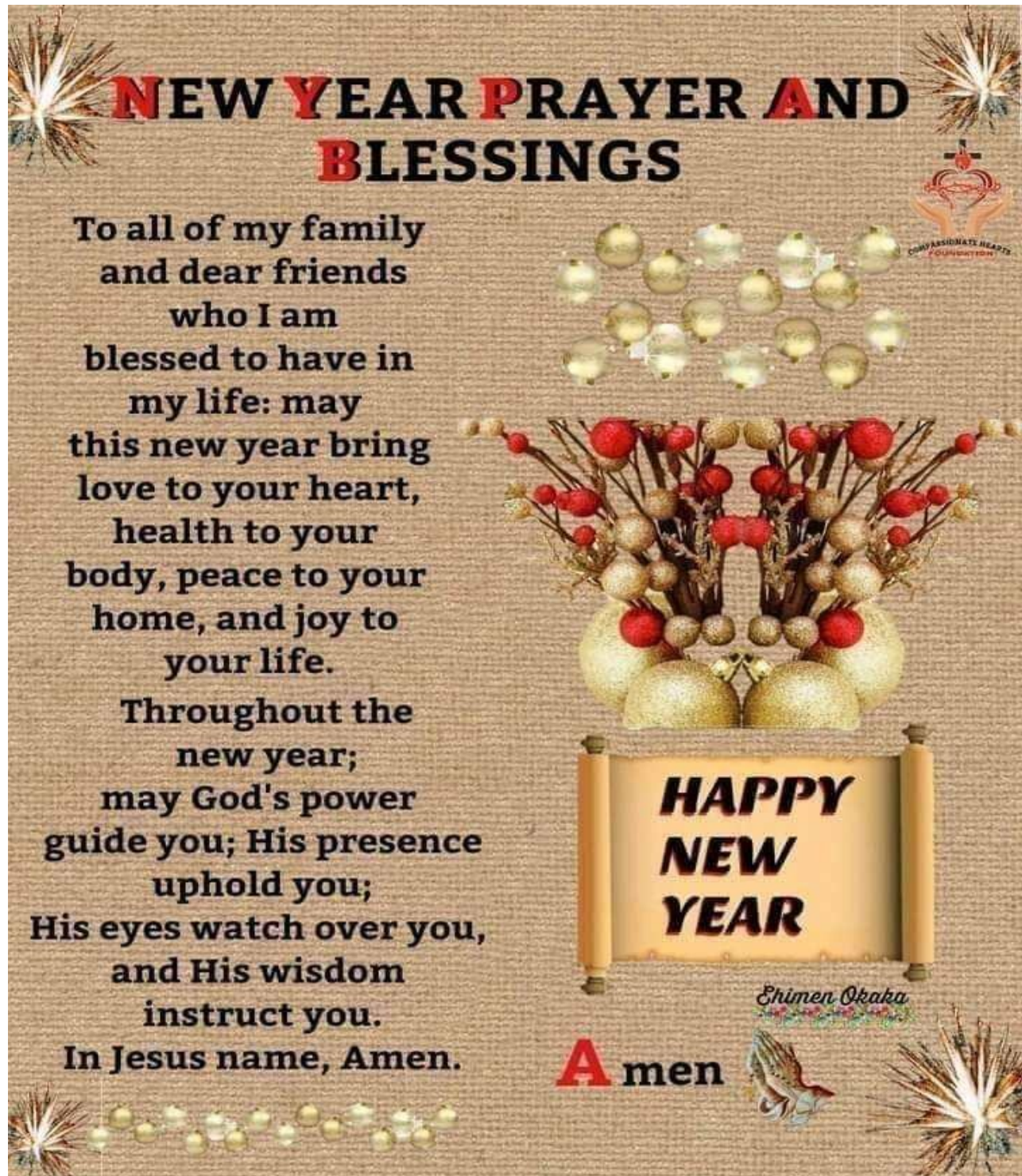


*Hope's Staff would like to thank our Hope Church Family for our Christmas gift. It's a blessing to be a part of our Church Family and to serve you all! Thank you for a wonderful year!*



Happy New Year! 🎉

Receive this prayer as we journey into 2026



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