



# The Hope Herald

Hope Lutheran Church Newsletter

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November 2019

## MARTIN LUTHER BRUNCH

In honor of Martin Luther's Birthday in November the Prayer Chain group will be hosting a movie and brunch.



**On Saturday, November 2nd, join us at 10 am** in the Fellowship Hall for a brunch and the movie "Luther". There is a sign up sheet in the Narthex so we have an idea of about how much "Brunch" we need.

Thank you and hope to see you there.

**Carmen Hasdorff, Spiritual Life Chair**

**ALERT: SUNDAY, OCTOBER 29, IS THE LAST DAY TO SIGN UP FOR THIS EVENT.**

## CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS ON SALE

Hope will be decorating our sanctuary with red and white poinsettias for Christmas Eve service. The cost is \$10.50, and the deadline to order is December 1, 2019. You will be able to pick up your flowers after 7:00 Christmas Eve service or after either service on Sunday, December 29th. This year you will be able order online or you can use the order form that will be on counter in the Narthex. If you are ordering using the form, please make the check payable to Hope Lutheran Church. Please give the form and check to Ruth Oehler.



**Ruth Oehler, Altar Guild**

### HOPE'S NOVEMBER AT A GLANCE

- 11/2 PRAYER CHAIN BRUNCH
- 11/3 ALL SAINTS SUNDAY
- 11/3 COLLECT T & T & COMMITMENT CARDS
- 11/4 STEPHEN MINISTRY @ 7 PM
- 11/5 LIFELINE SCREENING
- 11/11 VETERAN'S DAY
- 11/12 WORSHIP & MUSIC COMMITTEE 1 PM
- 11/14 CHURCH COUNCIL @ 7 PM
- 11/17. WHOO THANKOFFERING SERVICES @ 9 & 11 AM
- 11/24 CONGREGATIONAL MEETING @ 10 AM
- 11/24 CHRIST THE KING SUNDAY
- 11/24 CONFIRMATION @ 12 PM

**REMEMBER TO TURN YOUR CLOCKS BACK FOR THE FALL TIME CHANGE.**



## COMING SOON! Advent Series: *What Can't Wait?*

December 1 is the first Sunday in Advent. This year for Advent, we will be sharing a series entitled "What Can't Wait?" The series will include devotionals, Bible Study, Advent Calendars, and a special sermon and worship series. Interested in helping in any way with the Advent series? **Contact Pastor Christie.**



## NATE'S TOY BOX

It is that time of year when Hope's collects **unwrapped** toys for children 3 years or older and Walmart gift cards (\$25 or less) for youth in the Colerain Township area to experience the joy of gifts under their trees. This Christmas charity was established in 2006 by a couple who lost their son in a car accident and work during the holiday to help make other children happy. **Please bring your donations to Hope by December 8th and place them in the colorful toy box.** Won't you help make a child smile on Christmas morning!



## CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

Mark your calendars for November 24th at 10 am for the annual congregational meeting to vote on the new council members and the 2020 budget and pick up an annual report of our 2019 activities and committee reports.



## SUNDAY SCHEDULE

- 8:45-12:15 Nursery care available
- 9 am Contemporary Worship
- 10 am Sunday School
- 11 am Traditional Worship



## WORDS FROM PR. CHRISTIE

### What's This Congregational Vitality Thing?



If you are a user of Youtube, I invite you to click the link and watch this short video: <https://youtu.be/wt3L69XFD0g> Yep, it's a Mountain Dew commercial. Here's what struck me about this commercial: Sean Malto is a professional skateboarder who has been skateboarding for 20 years, since the age of 10. He's been in movies and won world championships, and he does endorsements for a ton of professional companies like Mountain Dew. He's a talented professional. But this commercial shows him messing up. At the beginning of the commercial, he's trying a trick and he's not getting it right. By the end of the commercial he has it down, but the commercial emphasizes that even professionals have to practice, even professionals make mistakes (and some of these mistakes look painful!).

Members of our Congregational Vitality Team recently attended a retreat for The Collaborative, which is a two-year program focusing on transformational ministry in our churches. At this retreat, we talked about what transformational ministry looks like, what it means to look at renewal and vitality in our churches. We learned that, as we discern what the Holy Spirit is calling us to do, we might mess up sometimes, and it might be painful.

One of our speakers told us, "The way we learn the most is when we fail. FAIL BOLDLY!" Over these next couple of years, we're going to be talking about new ways of doing church, of being Christ in the world. Each one of us will have ideas about what we should or shouldn't do. The trick here is going to be LISTENING. Listening to each other, and especially listening to GOD. Change can be scary. Sometimes we can doubt, we can be uncertain, and we can be afraid about our future. This doubt and uncertainty can lead to fear, anxiety, and



desire to try and control things even more. I know it's going to be a challenge for ALL of us, but our challenge is this: to RELAX, and let God be in control.

I invite you all to keep us in prayer throughout the coming months: The Congregational Vitality Team, Hope Lutheran Church, and our community, that we may be guided by the Spirit through this process. In your prayer time, you might consider meditating upon this scripture. As you do, what do you notice? What do you wonder?

So then, if anyone is in Christ, that person is part of the new creation. The old things have gone away, and look, new things have arrived! All of these new things are from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ and who gave us the ministry of reconciliation. In other words, God was reconciling the world to himself through Christ, by not counting people's sins against them. He has trusted us with this message of reconciliation. (2Corinthians 5: 17-19, CEB)

May we all look toward the newness of creation in Christ. May we have the strength to fail boldly and live boldly in newness with Christ and one another. Amen.

Peace, Blessings, and HOPE. *Pastor Christie*

**Make Note:** Pastor Christie's weekly office hours are now posted in the monthly calendar and online at our Hope Website's calendar at [www.hopeonbluerock.org](http://www.hopeonbluerock.org). Pastor will be available at other times as well, but these are dedicated times when she will be in the office. Please feel free to stop by during these times to say hello or discuss anything you may need, or make an appointment for another time. Hours are subject to change but will be kept updated in the calendar.

## A NOTE OF EXPLANATION

**The Congregational Vitality Team** = the name of the team who is working together on our efforts of congregational renewal. It includes all the people who attended

The Collaborative Retreat last weekend (**Ron & Bonnie Long, Jen Byrne, Carmen Hasdorff, and me**) plus some of the members of the team that we formerly called the Vision Steering

Committee. **The Vision Steering Committee and The Collaborative Team** do not exist anymore. We've all combined into one team.

**Pastor Christie**

## NEWS FROM KATHI

It is with great joy that I write to you that the Southern Ohio Synod has approved me as a candidate for pastoral ministry in the ELCA. 😊



There is a lot of energy and emotion that goes into this process and I am quite glad that it is behind me. I know that for days leading up to this, the prayers of the saints have held me up and kept me before the throne of God. For this, I am forever grateful. Thanks be to God for that amazing grace, and to God's saints for their faithfulness in praying!

Vicar Kathi

*Hope congratulates Vicar Kathi on this momentous milestone! We are so proud of and happy for her!!!*

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## NOTABLE NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

2	David Schneider	25	Heidi McKenna
	Delaney Vogelsong	26	Bonnie Long
3	Chris Bessey	27	Courtney Darnell
	Katie Glardon	28	Butch Royse
4	Cole Sullivan		Glenn Sheppard
	K C Kless		Brian Burkhart
7	Lois Vinup	30	Barbara Falk
12	David Sheppard		
13	Everette Navarro		
	Doug Rehbaum		
14	Kole Jackson		
19	Linda Leifling		
21	Jacob Byrne		
	Rose Marie Hamilton		



## PRAYER SHAWL BLESSING

The sanctuary was graced on October 6th with many beautiful shawls crocheted by our own **Bonnie Leonhardt**.



During the services **Pastor Christie** blessed the shawls of comfort which are given to by Hope members to persons in need of prayers.



See Bonnie is busy even during our worship services creating new ones!

Shawls are available in the Narthex with directions on how to present a shawl.

## WHOO NEWS

Ten friendly ladies gathered on October 24 to savor their brown bag dinners and a delicious chocolate bundt cake with ice cream provided Alita Simpson and to make decisions for their end of the year events and those during 2020. Next year they will sponsor a quarterly charitable event for the congregation.



**Everyone** is encouraged to support Nate's Toy Box (see page 1) and Carol's Tree (see page 5) for the Christmas season.

### Schedule of events planned for 2019:

**November 17** - Thankoffering Services at 9 & 11 am

*(Women, remember to bring your Thankoffering boxes on November 17 at either service.)* If you do not have a box, pick up one on the Narthex counter. Remember that checks payable to Hope are appreciated by our Financial Secretary.)

**December 5** - Christmas Party @ 6:30 (more details later)

## CHO – Children Helping Others

The children of Hope (with help from members and friends) gave over \$390 in offerings from February – September. During the Children's sermons on October 6<sup>th</sup>, the kiddos decided how they would distribute the money to buy items for people in third world countries. Together they were able to purchase playground toys, hens and chicks, a rickshaw, a piglet, and a sheep. Our children are generous stewards of their blessings and are sharing their gifts with children and adults they will never meet. What a way to spread God's love! Thank you everyone!



**Karen Schneider**

## NOVEMBER THANK YOU'S AND NEWS

To our friends at Hope Lutheran Church, Hope this finds you well in the midst of the summer season. I'm writing just to say thank you for your continued support of Trinity through the years. My role is multi-faceted one including being a connection piece for both Capital and Trinity with a main focus through Trinity and on its alumni, donors and congregations who support the work and ministry of the institution. With all of the transitions that have happened in the last few years this email is just to see if you have any questions about Trinity at this time. In the last two months as we've added an official Director of Admissions and Seminary Recruiter I am now able to focus on my main role in being in connection. If you ever have anything that I can help you with please don't hesitate to contact me directly. Again, thanks so much for your continued support of Trinity. God's peace, Todd

Blessings,

Rev. Todd Mills M.Div.

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**Thank you to these 3 happy gardeners** Bill Pott,

Butch and Judy Royse) who made short order of cutting back the hostas in the Medication Garden. I think we are ready for winter!!!



**Thank you to Brad Byrne and Jason Watkins** from Tim Otting painting. All the outside doors, the



columns near the front door, the front doors and trim have been painted. Since, we had all the other siding covered a few years ago, this is the only outside painting that we

had to do. **And Judy Royse** did her usual flower magic! Once again, ready for winter!!

**Mary Beth Taylor**

## COMMUNITY PET BLESSING

The attendance at the Clippard YMCA Community Pet Blessing on the afternoon of October 6th was



light, but lots of fun. Note the blessing of **Bonnie and Ron Long's** miniature ponies from 4 ministers of area churches including **Pastor Christie**.

The leadership folks in the

photos are **Pastor Bobbi Bella** from Northwest Presbyterian, **Pastor Dave Mack** from Groesbeck UMC, and **Bill Nadler**, a lay leader from Christ Lutheran Church.



## ATTENTION PARENTS & GUARDIANS:

We are delighted that our nursery is being utilized by our amazing Hope families, and Linda is doing a great job caring for our little ones! To keep all of our children safe and assist Linda Carter in doing her job, please note the following nursery guidelines:

- 1) To remain compliant with fire code and staff/child ratio requirements, please limit nursery use to children 4 and under, and no more than 5 children in nursery at a time.
- 2) Please complete a registration sheet for each child in the nursery, so that Linda has information about your child and contact information for you.
- 3) Please go to the nursery to sign your child in and out each week. If you authorize an older sibling or other adult to pick up your child, note this on your registration form. Children will only be allowed to leave the nursery with a person listed on their form.



We will soon have windows installed in all the doors to be in compliance with our Child Protection policy and our church insurance. Thank you so much for your help in ensuring the safety of our nursery and our children!

**Pastor Christie**

**NOTE: CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES @ 5 & 7 PM.**

## CHUCKLE TIME

*The fact that there is a highway to hell and only a staircase to heaven says a lot about the anticipated numbers.*

*Contributed by Lana Albright*

## STEWARDSHIP CORNER

October is a special month for Hope Lutheran Church as we reflect upon the blessings God has bestowed upon us. Our stewardship message for the fall campaign is **“Together we are living generously: receiving, sharing and restoring Stewardship blessings.”**



Be sure to contribute your blessings to the **Hope Blessing Tree**, located in the narthex.

**During worship on October 27<sup>th</sup> and November 3, each person will have the opportunity to place his/her financial Covenant Card and completed Time and Talent form on the altar, symbolic of the gifts that we give to God and our celebration of His promise.** Your financial covenant is your best estimate at this time of the monetary support you will offer to Hope for the coming year. The amount can be adjusted at any time by contacting our Financial Secretary. The Time and Talent form is used by our committee chairs to help as they schedule worship and church activities and events. Your gifts are priceless blessings!

Our goal is for everyone to return a Covenant Card and Time & Talent sheet by November 3<sup>rd</sup>. This will enable our church council members to finalize the budget for 2020, knowing the resources that have been promised for the upcoming year. Praying your commitment will be motivated by God's grace. **Thank you for the vital role you play in the ministries and stewardship of Hope. Your gifts are received with heartfelt gratitude and as we trust in God's guiding wisdom, they will provide all that we need to maintain Hope's compassionate presence in our community and the world.**

We are truly blessed to be the hands and feet of Jesus, ministering to those among and around our family of God at Hope Lutheran.  
God is good, all the time....

Blessings to all! **Karen Schneider, Stewardship Chair**



THE BLESSING TREE LOCATED IN OUR NARTHEX

## SAVING CAPS AND LIDS TO SAVE OUR EARTH!

Thank you for faithfully saving your plastic caps and lids to help make Buddy Benches! At this time we are putting the possibility of having a Buddy Bench at Hope on hold. However, we have partnered with **EarthConnection** and will continue to save caps and lids for the Girl Scouts. Please continue to bring your clean, acceptable, **PLASTIC CAPS AND LIDS**, to Hope and place them in the drawer in the Narthex. We just gave 8 filled trash bags to Earth Connection! You are making a difference by saving our environment, one cap or lid at a time! Thank you!



The goal of EarthConnection when working with the Girl Scouts is to encourage them to become better stewards of our environment and to show them that recycling can make a difference. The plan is to collect bottle caps and lids to recycle into a bench or benches to be placed at EarthConnection. The troops will be responsible to assist in collecting, washing and weighing the bottle caps/lids.

**Karen Schneider, Stewardship Chair**

## CAROL'S TREE

In memory of **Carol Watson**, the past director of



**SON Ministry, her husband Walt** has asked us to join his church (Goesbeck United Methodist) in collecting gloves, hats, socks, scarves, and underwear for youth.

A bare Christmas tree will be placed in the Narthex which we hope to decorate with these donations of clothing.

*"For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in, I needed clothes and you clothed me, I was sick and you looked after me, I was in prison and you came to visit me."*

*Matthew 25:35-36*

In the past we have adopted a family and bought suggested items for each member. This year we hope to supply some of the children whose parents seek food supplies at our neighborhood food pantry, **SON Ministry**, with some new warm items to keep them comfortable in the coming months of cold weather. Your generosity is welcome!

## Still Looking for new Council Candidates!



**Here is one new council member named Shadow, Hope's Sergeant at Arms.**

## HOPE'S PRAYER CHAIN

Hope's Prayer Chain is a busy and wonderful source for comforting prayers or praise prayers in sadness or tragedy as well as happy events.



Just phone **Barb Mack** @ 513-844-2603 or email @ [hotrod32.2@juno.com](mailto:hotrod32.2@juno.com). She will send your requests to the 20 plus members of the chain.

## THURSDAY BIBLE STUDY

Beginning November 6, our weekday Bible Study will take place on Wednesdays at 1pm (this is a change from previous meeting time on Thursdays).



November 6-20, we will continue with our Psalm Series; this month's topic is "Despairing."

November 27 through December, we will be studying an Advent Series: What Can't Wait. Unable to attend Bible Study on weekday afternoons? No worries! Look for a virtual Advent Bible Study - information coming soon!. **Pastor Christie**

## HOPE DIRECTORY APP

**FOR CELL PHONE** go to your apps and down load FREE instant church directory.

**FOR COMPUTER** In the address bar (URL)- type in [members.instantchurchdirectory.com](http://members.instantchurchdirectory.com)



The screen will ask you to submit your email address as it appears in the church directory. You will be sent an email with a password or link embedded in it. When you create a new password, it must be 8 characters long and contain at least two of the following: capital letters or symbols.

*\*Changes are continuously made as the church is notified. If you have changed your email address, you will need to re-enroll. It will not recognize the new email address for confidentiality purposes.*

## STEPHEN MINISTRY

On January 6th Rev. Stephanie Tunison will return to talk with anyone interested about Alzheimer's and dementia at 7 pm.



If you are in the midst a crisis and would like a Christian listener to support and pray with you as you overcome the difficulty, contact Pr. Christie or Bonnie Long to arrange a Stephen Minister to help you.

## HALL RENTAL INFO

Lucinda Hardin handles the rentals for our Fellowship Hall. Non-member rental forms are available on the Narthex counter and online at [hopeonbluerock.org](http://hopeonbluerock.org). **ATTENTION!** There is now a special form for members found only in the office. To contact Lucinda directly, telephone 513-225-0215, or email @ [manft99@gmail.com](mailto:manft99@gmail.com) for assistance.

## SOME HUMOR FOR YOU

A couple had 2 little boys , 8 and 10, who were excessively mischievous. The two were always getting into trouble and their parents could be assured if an mischief occurred in their town the boys were involved. The parents were at their wits end to decide what to do about their sons' behavior. The mother heard a clergyman in town had been successful in disciplining children in the past so she asked her husband if they should send their sons to speak with the clergyman. The husband said, "We might as well. We need to do something before I really lose my temper."

The clergyman agreed to speak with the boys, but asked to speak with them individually. The eight year old went to meet him first. The clergyman sat the boy down and asked him sternly, "Where is God?" The boy made no response, so he repeated the question in an even stern tone, "Where is God?" Again the boy made no attempt to respond. So the clergyman raised his voice even stronger and shook his finger in the boy's face and said, "WHERE IS GOD?" At that the boy bolted from the room and ran directly home, slamming himself into the closet. His older brother followed him into the closet and asked what happened. The younger brother replied, "We are in BIG trouble this time. God is missing and I think we did it."

## SON MINISTRIES

In August SON served 137 families (300 adults and 157 children) for a total of 467 individuals. **Monetary donations are especially in need this year** for the food baskets.



**We are also collecting food for the holiday baskets: stuffing, instant potatoes, TURKEY gravy, and canned sweet potatoes.**

**Thanks to everyone who donates to this worthy cause!**

**BROWN PAPER GROCERY BAGS ARE ALWAYS NEEDED!**

## THE LATEST FROM FIRST LUTHERAN

Any donations for the First Lutheran Clothing Closet are greatly appreciated!



Men's jeans (all sizes especially 32 and 34)  
Belts  
Bath towels and washcloths  
**(NO HAND TOWELS, PLEASE)**  
Deodorant  
Toothbrushes  
Thermals  
Women's panties and Bras (all sizes)  
Blankets  
Coats/large hoodies

**At this time we are not in need of women's outer clothing, only undies.**

## YOUR HELP IS NEEDED

**Help is needed** with preparing and distributing the holiday baskets that SON Ministry prepares for their clients. The baskets are distributed on November 23 and December 14. If you would like to help, please contact **Annette Murray at 385-0016** and leave a message.

## "SHARING WITH HOPE"



If you have pictures from church and would like to share, you may add to Hope's Facebook page. **For any questions, see Mary Bryant.**

**Editor's Note:** If you use Hope's website address, [www.hopeonbluerock.org](http://www.hopeonbluerock.org), you will also find a link to Hope's Facebook page and calendar.

## YELLOW BRICK ROAD CHILD CARE

**YBRCC still has space available! You may enroll your child - ages 6 weeks to 5th grade. Share the info with others.**



Just telephone 513-601-2596 or send an email to the address below: [yellowbrickroadchildcare@gmail.com](mailto:yellowbrickroadchildcare@gmail.com)

## KROGER REWARDS PROGRAM



1. Visit [KrogerCommunityRewards.com](http://KrogerCommunityRewards.com)
  2. Sign in to your online account, or create an account.
  3. Find and select Hope Lutheran and click "Enroll."
- Our 5 digit number is 80286.

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 [www.smile.amazon.com](http://www.smile.amazon.com)  
It will donate 0.5% of the price of your eligible AmazonSmile purchases to Hope Lutheran Church.

## JOIN IN HOPE'S RECYCLING

Our Narthex area counter bins house donations for several different organizations:

- **Matthew 25** collects used clean pill bottles with and without labels for undeveloped countries for their use.
- **Love Packages** accepts new and used religious materials such as Bibles, devotional materials, religious brochures, books, etc. that are sent internationally.
- **Lions Club via LensCrafters** distributes used glasses to others in need.
- **SON Ministry** collects food and personal care items for the community members that are unable to provide for themselves.
- **Ronald McDonald House** collects tabs to help support their mission to help provide housing for families of children treated at Children's Hospital.



- **Plastic Bottle Caps** for EarthConnection, an environmental group.
- **Dental Hygiene Clinic at UC Blue Ash** collects used manual toothbrushes, toothpaste tubes and caps, outer packaging for brushes and paste, and empty dental floss containers.
- **Box Tops for Education** provides playground equipment to area schools.
- **First Lutheran Clothing Room** collects clothing, shoes, boots, towels, wash clothes, and personal care items for the Over-the-Rhine area downtown.

**Contributing these items is good stewardship, and the organizations are very thankful for our participation.**

## HOPES BOTTOM LINE

September 2019



### General Fund

Total	MONTH	YTD
Beginning Balance	\$ 71,704.69	\$ 80,179.26
Revenues	\$ 19,348.52	\$140,501.12
Expenses	\$ 16,323.91	\$152,073.38
Transfers In	\$ 0.00	\$ 6,122.50
Transfers Out	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Ending Balance	\$ 74,729.30	\$ 74,729.30

### Memorial Fund

Beginning Balance	\$16,023.35	\$15,294.10
Deposit	\$ 25.00	\$ 750.00
Interest	\$ .95	\$ 8.20
Disbursements	\$ 0.00	\$ 3.00
Total	\$16,049.30	\$16,049.30

### Mission Building Fund

Beginning Balance	\$ 22,514.71	\$ 22,784.09
Revenue	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Interest	\$ 7.40	\$ 68.02
Disbursements	\$ 330.00	\$ 330.00
Ending Balance	\$ 22,522.11	\$ 22,522.11

### Wilma Hoffman Fund

Beginning Balance	\$ 19,225.46	\$ 24,917.00
Deposit	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Interest Income	\$ 6.30	\$ 68.76
Disbursements	\$ 0.00	\$ 5,754.00
Ending Balance	\$ 19,231.76	\$ 19,231.76

### Capital One CD

Beginning Balance	\$ 51,248.87	\$ 50,478.87
Deposit	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Interest Income	\$ 99.07	\$ 869.07
Disbursements	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Ending Balance	\$ 51,347.94	\$ 51,347.94

Val Schneider, Treasurer

## COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

October 2019

◆**Val Schneider, Treasurer:**

The proposed 2020 Budget was discussed and held for November meeting.

◆**Carmen Hasdorff, Spiritual Life:** The Sunday school youth will be asked to join in the Thanksgiving cards to shut-ins.

◆There will be a Prayer Chain brunch on November 2 to watch the movie "Luther."

◆**Mike Schweinfest, Worship/Music:** The October 15th committee meeting will plan for Advent and Christmas.

◆**Jen Byrne, Christian Education:** Sunday school had a great start. After the lessons and craft, the children are taking time to learn some songs with



**Lucinda Hardin.** When **Erica Leppert** takes time off with her newborn, the focus will switch to the Children's Program. **Kara Williams** may organize the crafts. The class may be split by age, but no decision as yet. **Pastor Christie, Jen, and Kara** are working on lesson plans and activities for the confirmation class.

◆**Karen Schneider, Stewardship:** After careful consideration, the collection of caps and lids are now being donated to Earth Connections.

◆The Stewardship Campaign is called, "Living generously: Receiving, Sharing and Restoring Stewardship Blessings." Each Sunday service in October will feature a reminder of our blessings concluding on November 3rd with completed Time and Talent forms and Covenant giving cards.

◆**Mary Beth Taylor, Property:** Outdoor painting will be completed soon. The concrete sidewalks are next to be replaced.

◆**Pastor Christie:** She has been busy with various meetings and confirmation plus attending the Collaborative Retreat and a week of vacation this month.

◆Hope will be hosting the Cincy Pastor's Meeting on November 14.

◆The Nominating Committee has not as yet completed the slate of replacements for 2020.

◆The next meeting will be November 14 at 7 pm.

**FOR THE DECEMBER ISSUE OF THE HOPE HERALD, ARTICLES ARE REQUESTED BY SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 17. ARTICLES MAY BE EMAILED TO [joyceivins@icloud.com](mailto:joyceivins@icloud.com) anytime on or before that date.**





# GRATITUDE game

Start a fun tradition by playing this game on Thanksgiving.



**What you need:**

- M&M's or other colored candies
- A bowl
- The list below (adapt the colors, as needed)

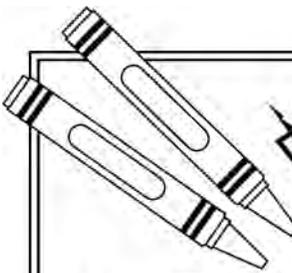
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**Red:** a need God has provided for  
**Orange:** a gift you've received  
**Yellow:** something you've recently learned  
**Green:** something in nature  
**Blue:** a special memory  
**Brown:** someone you love

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**What you do:**

1. One at a time, people pick a candy and share what they're thankful for (according to the color).
2. Pass the bowl around and continue reflecting on God's goodness until all the candy is gone!



# PUZZLE

## A feast of praise

Throughout the Bible, God's people give thanks and praise for his goodness.



*Directions: Draw lines to match the scriptures (all NIV) with the correct speaker.*

"I thank my God every time I remember you." Philippians 1:3	Hannah
"My soul glorifies the Lord and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior." Luke 1:46-47	David
"He is my God, and I will praise him, my father's God, and I will exalt him." Exodus 15:2	Mary
"My heart rejoices in the LORD." 1 Samuel 2:1	Paul
"I will praise God's name in song and glorify him with thanksgiving." Psalm 69:30	Moses

Answers: Philippians 1:3, Paul; Luke 1:46-47, Mary; Exodus 15:2, Moses; 1 Samuel 2:1, Hannah; Psalm 69:30, David





# November 2019

October 2019							November 2019							December 2019						
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13	14	15	16	17	18	19	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	15	16	17	18	19	20	21
20	21	22	23	24	25	26	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	22	23	24	25	26	27	28
27	28	29	30	31			24	25	26	27	28	29	30	29	30	31				

Hope Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>27</p> <p><b>Reformation Sunday</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>9:00 AM Contemporary Serv</li> <li>10:00 AM Sunday School</li> <li>11:00 AM Traditional Ser</li> <li>12:00 PM Confirmation</li> <li>12:30 PM Special Choir Practice</li> </ul>	<p>28</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>9:30 AM First Lutheran – serve food</li> <li>10:00 AM 10 to noon SON open</li> <li>2:00 PM Pastor's Office Hours</li> <li>6:00 PM Praise Band/Sanctuary</li> </ul>	<p>29</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>9:00 AM Pastor's Office Hours</li> <li>5:00 PM Congregational Vitality</li> </ul>	<p>30</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>9:00 AM Pastor's Office Hours</li> <li>10:00 AM SON</li> <li>4:30 PM SON</li> </ul>	<p>31</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1:00 PM Bible Study</li> <li>2:00 PM Pastor's Office Hours</li> </ul>	<p>1</p> <p><b>Pastor's Day Off</b></p>	<p>2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>10:00 AM Brunch &amp; Luther Movie</li> </ul>
<p>3</p> <p><b>All Saints Sunday</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>9:00 AM Contemporary Serv</li> <li>10:00 AM Sunday School</li> <li>11:00 AM Traditional Ser</li> </ul>	<p>4</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>10:00 AM SON</li> <li>2:00 PM Pastor's Office Hours</li> <li>6:00 PM Praise Band/Sanctuary</li> <li>7:00 PM Stephen Ministry-Fellowship/Library</li> </ul>	<p>5</p> <p><b>Lifeline Screening</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>9:00 AM Pastor's Office Hours</li> </ul>	<p>6</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>9:00 AM Pastor's Office Hours</li> <li>10:00 AM SON</li> <li>1:00 PM Bible Study</li> <li>4:30 PM SON</li> <li>6:30 PM Imagination Yoga</li> </ul>	<p>7</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2:00 PM Pastor's Office Hours</li> </ul>	<p>8</p> <p><b>Pastor's Day Off</b></p>	<p>9</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>10:00 AM Imagination Yoga</li> </ul>
<p>10</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>9:00 AM Contemporary Serv</li> <li>10:00 AM Sunday School</li> <li>11:00 AM Traditional Ser</li> <li>1:00 PM Rental</li> </ul>	<p>11</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>9:30 AM First Lutheran – clothes</li> <li>10:00 AM SON</li> <li>2:00 PM Pastor's Office Hours</li> <li>6:00 PM Praise Band/Sanctuary</li> </ul>	<p>12</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>9:00 AM Pastor's Office Hours</li> <li>1:00 PM Worship/Music Mtg.</li> </ul>	<p>13</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>9:00 AM Pastor's Office Hours</li> <li>10:00 AM SON</li> <li>1:00 PM Bible Study</li> <li>4:30 PM SON</li> <li>6:30 PM Imagination Yoga</li> </ul>	<p>14</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>9:00 AM Cincy Pastors Meeting Fellowship Hall</li> <li>2:00 PM Pastor's Office Hours</li> <li>7:00 PM Hope Council/Fellowship Hall</li> </ul>	<p>15</p> <p><b>Pastor's Day Off</b></p>	<p>16</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>10:00 AM Imagination Yoga</li> </ul>
<p>17</p> <p><b>WHOO Thank Offering Sunday</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>9:00 AM Contemporary Serv</li> <li>10:00 AM Sunday School</li> <li>11:00 AM Traditional Ser</li> </ul>	<p>18</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>10:00 AM SON</li> <li>2:00 PM Pastor's Office Hours</li> <li>6:00 PM Praise Band/Sanctuary</li> </ul>	<p>19</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>9:00 AM Pastor's Office Hours</li> </ul>	<p>20</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>9:00 AM Pastor's Office Hours</li> <li>10:00 AM SON</li> <li>1:00 PM Bible Study</li> <li>4:30 PM SON</li> <li>6:30 PM Imagination Yoga</li> </ul>	<p>21</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2:00 PM Pastor's Office Hours</li> </ul>	<p>22</p> <p><b>Pastor's Day Off</b></p>	<p>23</p>
<p>24</p> <p><b>Christ The King Sunday</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>9:00 AM Contemporary</li> <li>10:00 AM Sunday School</li> <li>10:00 AM Congre Mtg.</li> <li>11:00 AM Traditional Ser</li> <li>12:00 PM Confirmation</li> <li>12:00 PM Advent Decorat-</li> <li>6:00 PM Advent Decorating</li> </ul>	<p>25</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>9:30 AM First Lutheran – serve food</li> <li>10:00 AM SON</li> <li>2:00 PM Pastor's Office Hours</li> <li>6:00 PM Praise Band/Sanctuary</li> </ul>	<p>26</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>9:00 AM Pastor's Office Hours</li> </ul>	<p>27</p> <p><b>SON CLOSED</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>9:00 AM Pastor's Office Hours</li> <li>1:00 PM Bible Study</li> </ul>	<p>28</p> <p><b>Happy Thanksgiving!</b></p>	<p>29</p> <p><b>Pastor's Day Off</b></p>	<p>30</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>10:00 AM Imagination Yoga</li> </ul>

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