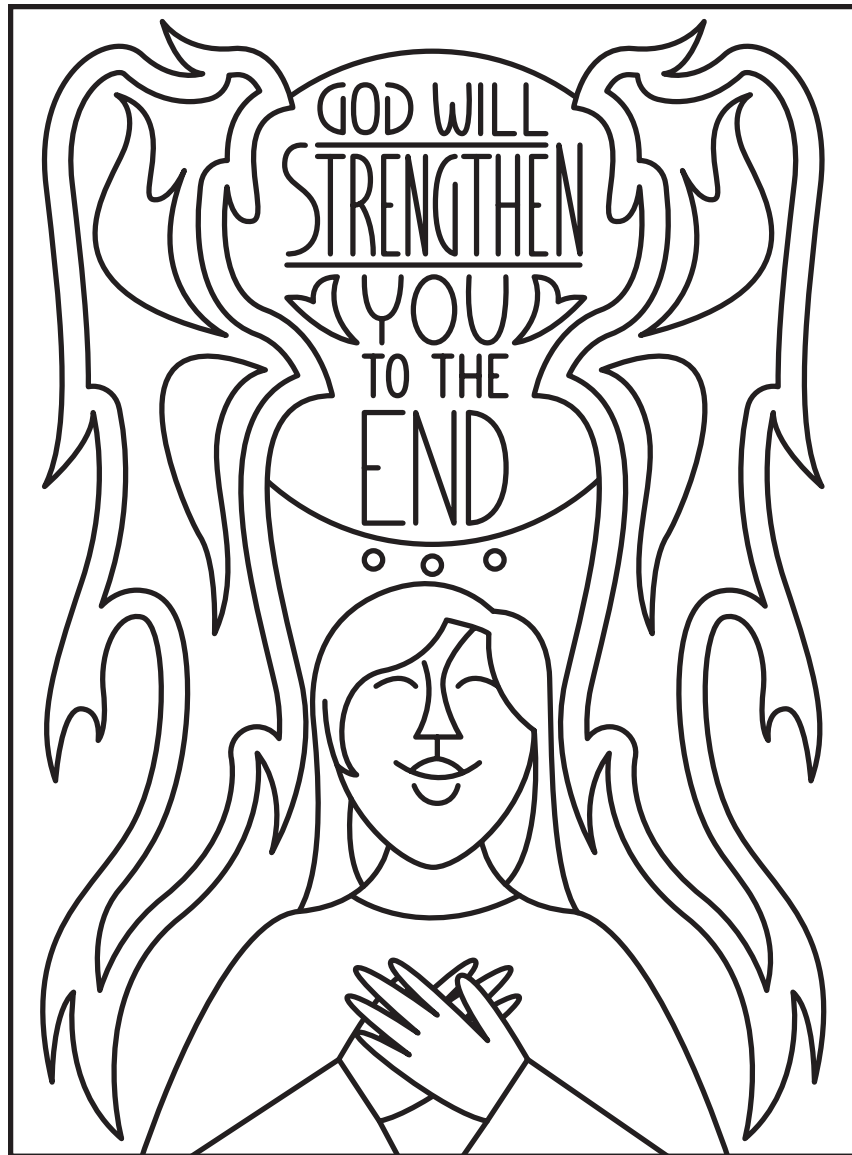


HOPE CHURCH



THE HOLY EUCHARIST
THE SECOND SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY
JANUARY 18, 2026

Thanks for worshiping with us today! We know that stepping through the doors of a new church is a vulnerable and courageous act. We see you. Whatever the reasons that brought you here, we pray that during our worship the Spirit of God brings you rest and healing.

Here at Hope, we talk a lot about belonging, what it is to settle into your belovedness in God, and to be a part of an ever-widening community of people trying to grow into the grace and love of Jesus Christ. The invitation that we offer you is the same that Jesus offered his early disciples, "Come and see."

As an Episcopal church, we believe that our worship is the primary way that we experience the life-changing presence of God. The prayers we pray, the Scripture we read, the actions and symbols you see around you are some of the same ones used by the early church—some even before much of the New Testament was written. And we believe that all generations—in all our human diversity—have a place in our worship; our elders, grandparents, aunts and uncles, middle-agers, teenagers, fidgety kids, and squawking toddlers. Our table is big enough for all.

So come. Settle in. Rest your weariness. Stumble through these prayers with us. Eat the bread and drink the wine. And let's engorge on the love of God together.

THANK YOU TO TODAY'S LITURGICAL PARTICIPANTS

The Very Rev. Jared Moore; *Celebrant and Preacher*

Bruce Ward; *Eucharistic Minister*

Jackson Gelsthorpe; *Lector*

Dave Miller; *Usher*

Bobbi Reese; *Organist and Choir Director*

Bethany Barr, Heidi Hoffman Brown, Bobby Donnelly, Jennifer Holtmann,

Lauren Johns, Meredith Kessler, Drake Nagle, Joanne Owen, Vicki

Thompson, John Waller, Kaye Weerts; *Musicians*

Kathy Joslin, Carol Link, Carie Kennedy, Mary Miller,

Kaye Weerts, Wendy Wirkus; *Altar Guild*

Barry Schenck, Mark Dinzler, Chris Sturgeon, Bob Stirling; *Videography*

ORDER OF WORSHIP

HOLY EUCHARIST

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Please stand at the ringing of the bell.

Processional Hymn

Jesus Calls Us; O'er the Tumult

Hymn 550

verses 1–3

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant Arise, shine, for Christ's light has come.

People **God's glory is revealed among us and within us.**

Celebrant Holy and Immortal One, illuminate the shadows in our hearts, open our eyes to your saving love, unstop our ears to hear your living word:

People **Guide us by your Word and Holy Spirit, that in your truth we may find freedom, and in your will discover peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

GLORIA

I Have Decided to Follow Jesus

LEVAS 136

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord is with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Celebrant Almighty God, whose Son our Savior Jesus Christ is the light of the world: Grant that your people, illumined by your Word and Sacraments, may shine with the radiance of Christ's glory, that he may be known, worshipped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE WORD OF GOD

Please be seated.

THE FIRST LESSON: Isaiah 49:1-7

Listen to me, O coastlands,
pay attention, you peoples from far away!

The Lord called me before I was born,
while I was in my mother's womb he named me.

He made my mouth like a sharp sword,
in the shadow of his hand he hid me;

he made me a polished arrow,
in his quiver he hid me away.

And he said to me, "You are my servant,
Israel, in whom I will be glorified."

But I said, "I have labored in vain,
I have spent my strength for nothing and vanity;
yet surely my cause is with the Lord,
and my reward with my God."

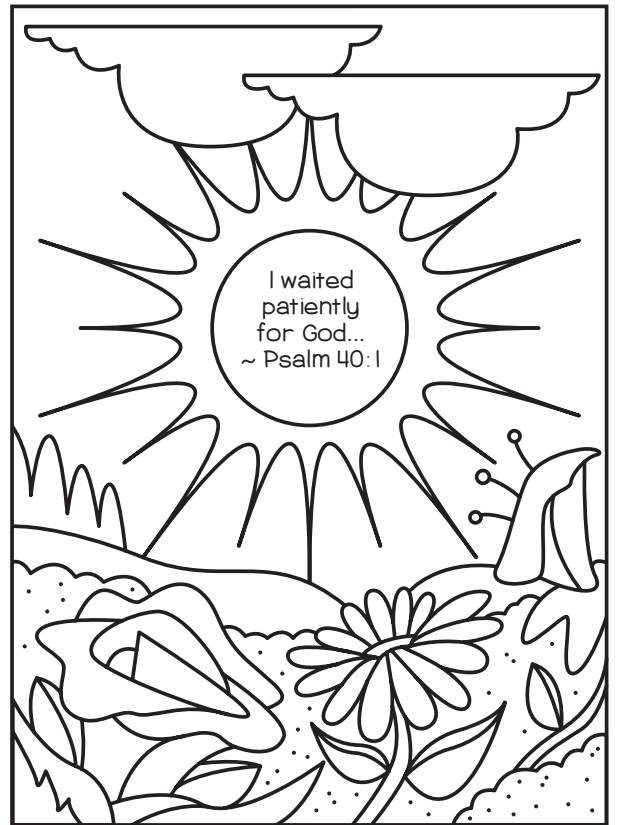
And now the Lord says,
who formed me in the womb to be his servant,
to bring Jacob back to him,
and that Israel might be gathered to him,
for I am honored in the sight of the Lord,
and my God has become my strength--
he says,

"It is too light a thing that you should be my servant
to raise up the tribes of Jacob
and to restore the survivors of Israel;
I will give you as a light to the nations,
that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth."

Thus says the Lord,
the Redeemer of Israel and his Holy One,
to one deeply despised, abhorred by the nations,
the slave of rulers,

"Kings shall see and stand up,
princes, and they shall prostrate themselves,
because of the Lord, who is faithful,
the Holy One of Israel, who has chosen you."

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's People.
People **Thanks be to God.**



Psalm 40:1-12

- 1 I waited patiently upon the Lord;*
he stooped to me and heard my cry.
- 2 He lifted me out of the desolate pit, out of the mire and clay;*
he set my feet upon a high cliff and made my footing sure.
- 3 He put a new song in my mouth, a song of praise to our God;*
many shall see, and stand in awe, and put their trust in the Lord.
- 4 Happy are they who trust in the Lord!*
they do not resort to evil spirits or turn to false gods.
- 5 Great things are they that you have done, O Lord my God!
how great your wonders and your plans for us!*
there is none who can be compared with you.
- 6 Oh, that I could make them known and tell them!*
but they are more than I can count.

- 7 In sacrifice and offering you take no pleasure*
(you have given me ears to hear you);
- 8 Burnt-offering and sin-offering you have not required,*
and so I said, "Behold, I come.
- 9 In the roll of the book it is written concerning me:*
- 'I love to do your will, O my God; your law is deep in my heart.'"**
- 10 I proclaimed righteousness in the great congregation;*
- behold, I did not restrain my lips; and that, O Lord, you know.**
- 11 Your righteousness have I not hidden in my heart;
 I have spoken of your faithfulness and your deliverance;*
- I have not concealed your love and faithfulness from the great congregation.**
- 12 You are the Lord; do not withhold your compassion from me;*
- let your love and your faithfulness keep me safe for ever.**

THE EPISTLE: 1 Corinthians 1:1-9

From Paul, called by God's will to be an apostle of Jesus Christ, and from Sosthenes our brother.

To God's church that is in Corinth: To those who have been made holy to God in Christ Jesus, who are called to be God's people. Together with all those who call upon the name of our Lord Jesus Christ in every place—he's their Lord and ours!

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

I thank my God always for you, because of God's grace that was given to you in Christ Jesus. That is, you were made rich through him in everything: in all your communication and every kind of knowledge, in the same way that the testimony about Christ was confirmed with you. The result is that you aren't missing any spiritual gift while you wait for our Lord Jesus Christ to be revealed. He will also confirm your testimony about Christ until the end so that you will be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is faithful, and you were called by him to partnership with his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's People.
People **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand.

Sequence Hymn How Wondrous and Great Thy Works Hymn 533

THE GOSPEL: John 1:29-42

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to John.
People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

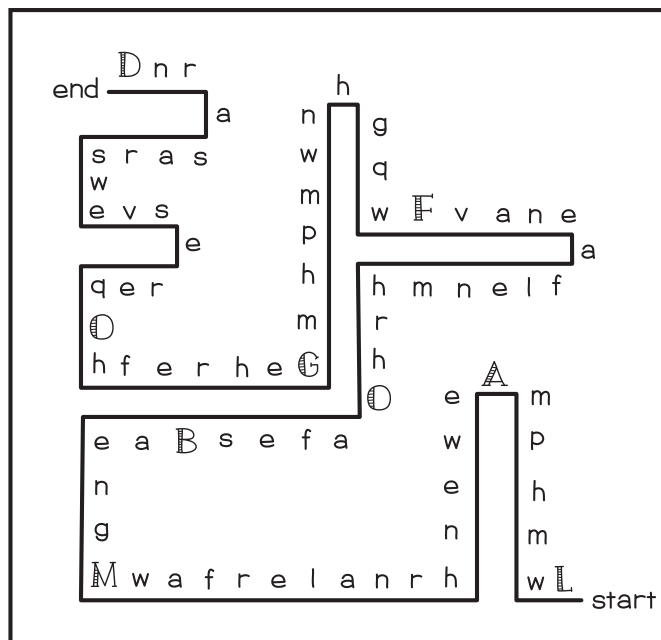
John saw Jesus coming toward him and declared, "Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world! This is he of whom I said, 'After me comes a man who ranks ahead of me because he was before me.' I myself did not know him; but I came baptizing with water for this reason, that he might be revealed to Israel." And John testified, "I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him. I myself did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water said to me, 'He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain is the one who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.' And I myself have seen and have testified that this is the Son of God."

The next day John again was standing with two of his disciples, and as he watched Jesus walk by, he exclaimed, "Look, here is the Lamb of God!" The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. When Jesus turned and saw them following, he said to them, "What are you looking for?" They said to him, "Rabbi" (which translated means Teacher), "where are you staying?" He said to them, "Come and see." They came and saw where he was staying, and they remained with him that day. It was about four o'clock in the afternoon. One of the two who heard John speak and followed him was Andrew, Simon Peter's brother. He first found his brother Simon and said to him, "We have found the Messiah" (which is translated Anointed). He brought Simon to Jesus, who looked at him and said, "You are Simon son of John. You are to be called Cephas" (which is translated Peter).

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.
People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

FOLLOW the PATH

What does John the Baptist call Jesus when he sees Jesus walk by? Follow the path of letters, and each time you come to a capital letter, write that letter down at the bottom of the page. When you get to the end of the path, see this place spelled out below.



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THE SERMON

Father Jared

Following the sermon, a brief period of silence is observed.

THE NICENE CREED

All We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God, begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary
and became truly human.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Please stand or kneel as you are able.

Leader Jesus is the light of the world. Let us pray together, saying: "Shine your light, O God."

Leader Loving God, thank you for sending Jesus to show us your love. Help us to see your light around us and inside us every day.

All **Shine your light, O God.**

Leader We pray for the Church in every place, that we may share Jesus' light by being kind, welcoming, and brave in love.

All **Shine your light, O God.**

Leader We pray for the world you love so much. For places that feel dark because of war, hunger, or fear, and for all who feel lost or alone. We pray especially for the turmoil within our country, asking that you would bring safety and protection to all who live in fear because of the color of their skin or their nation of origin. Be a shelter to those who flee for safety.

All **Shine your light, O God.**

Leader We pray for our families, our friends, and our teachers, and for everyone who helps us grow and learn. Help us to treat one another with care and respect.

All **Shine your light, O God.**

Leader We pray for people who are sick, sad, or hurting, and for anyone who needs extra love today, especially those we now name.

The people offer prayers of intercession aloud or in their hearts.

Bring them comfort, healing, and hope.

All **Shine your light, O God.**

Leader We thank you for those we love who have died, especially those we now name.

The people offer prayers of intercession aloud or in their hearts.

We trust that they rest in your bright and gentle care.

All **Shine your light, O God.**

Celebrant Loving God, help us to follow Jesus, to share your light with our words and actions, and to live as children of your love. **Amen.**

THE CONFESSION OF SINS

Celebrant Our Savior Jesus Christ says, "A new commandment I give you, that you love one another as I have loved you." Let us confess to almighty God our failure to accept and to share love with others.

Silence is kept for a time as we recall where we have sinned against God and our neighbors.

Celebrant Jesus, the anointed one, you come to us to bring good news to the poor, to bind up the broken hearted, to bring release to the captives.

People **We have neglected the poor, the broken hearted, and those in bondage. In your goodness, Savior have mercy.**

Dacon Jesus, Prince of Peace, you breathed your own spirit upon us that we may be united in love.

People **We have grieved your spirit and have divided one from another. In your goodness; Savior have mercy.**

Celebrant Jesus, Redeemer, you gave your life that we may be made holy and whole.

People **We have not loved our neighbors, we have not loved ourselves. In your goodness; Savior have mercy.**

Celebrant Be assured of God's love, forgiveness and grace. May God forgive you, Christ renew you, and the Holy Spirit enable you to grow in love. Amen.

THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of Christ be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

The Ministers and People greet one another with the Peace of God.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Offertory Sentence

Celebrant St. Paul says each of you should give as you have made up your mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a **cheerful giver!**

Please be seated.

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Offertory Music

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Celebrant It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Holy One, Creator of heaven and earth. You are the Source of light, and by your Word all things came into being. In the fullness of time, you sent Jesus, your Word made flesh, to dwell among us. In him your glory was revealed to the Magi who followed a star, at the waters of the Jordan, and in signs of healing, mercy, and love.

In Jesus, your light shone into the world, and the darkness did not overcome it.

Therefore, we praise you, joining our voices with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

SANCTUS



Celebrant Holy and gracious God, in your infinite love you made us for yourself; and when we turned away, you did not turn away from us. You sent Jesus to share our life, to teach and heal, to gather the lost, and to reveal your love without limit.

On the night before he died for us, Jesus took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his friends, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

People **Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.**

Celebrant We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O God, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Remembering Christ's life, death, resurrection, and glorious return, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of Christ, the food and drink of new and unending life. Sanctify us also, that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and be sent into the world to bear Christ's light in love and service.

Unite us to your mission of healing and hope, until that day when all creation is made new, and every nation walks in your light. All this we ask through Jesus Christ, by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and for ever. AMEN.

Celebrant And now as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray,
All **Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.**

Give us this day our daily bread.

**And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those
who trespass against us.**

**And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen.**

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ, our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People Therefore, let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

AGNUS DEI

Je - sus, Lamb of God; you take a - way the
sin of the world, have mer - cy on us.
Je - sus, Bread of Life; you take a - way the
sin of the world, have mer - cy on us.
Je - sus, Lamb of God; you take a - way the
sin of the world: grant us your Peace.

The Invitation

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God!

A consecrated gluten-free wafer may be requested from the Presider.

Please be seated.

Communion Music

PRAYER FOR SENDING FORTH EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

If a Eucharistic visitor is to be sent, the following prayer is said. If no Eucharistic visitor is sent, the service continues with the Postcommunion Prayer.

Celebrant In the name of this congregation, we send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the Communion of Christ's body and blood.

People We, who are many, are one body because we all share one bread, one cup.

POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

Celebrant God is with you.
People **And also with you.**
Celebrant Together, let us pray.

Silence is kept.

Celebrant Loving God, light of hope and promise of peace.
People **We give you thanks.**
Celebrant For the body and blood of Christ our Savior.
People **We give you thanks.**
Celebrant For the journey ahead and what we do not yet know.
People **For your presence, and your challenge, and the joy we cannot yet imagine, we offer ourselves. Thanks be to God. Amen!**

THE BLESSING

Closing Hymn Jesus Calls Us; O'er the Tumult

Hymn 550
verses 4–5

THE DISMISSAL

The Celebrant will offer words of dismissal.

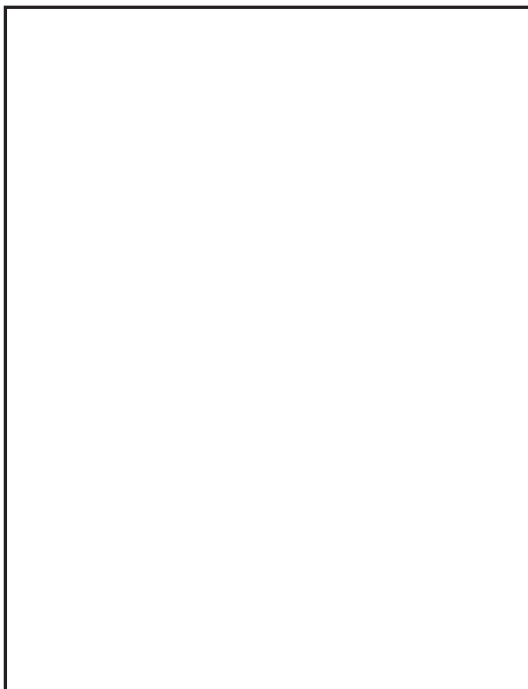
People **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude



DRAW IT

Psalm 40 is about waiting and trusting, especially when we are in tough situations. Draw a picture of something you are waiting for, or something you haven't figured out yet. Imagine your picture as a prayer to God, who will hold this with you.



HOPE EPISCOPAL CHURCH

THIS WEEK AT HOPE

Mon 1/20 Offices Closed for Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

Wed 1/21 9:30 am Yoga with Heidi
4:00 pm Women's Study Group
6:00 pm Youth Group
6:30 pm Vestry Meeting

Sat 1/24 Peace Meal

Sun 1/25 9:00 am Sunday School for all ages
10:00 am Worship Service
11:00 am Annual Meeting and Lunch

NEXT SUNDAY

Lessons:

Isaiah 9:1-4
Psalm 27:1, 5-13
1 Corinthians 1:10-18
Matthew 4:12-23

Serving:

Eucharistic Minister: Kathy Joslin
Lector: Mac Connelly
Usher: Carol Link

TODAY WE PRAY FOR:

- Those who need strength and healing: Ellie Burd, Evie Morgan, The Rev. Fred Breinfeld, The Thorpe Family, Katrina Schreiber, Donna Bahr, Alexandra Link, Larry Ward, T. J. Guffey, Roger Koch, Robert Wright, Patricia Joslin, Adelaide Marie Casavant and her Family, Judi Duncan, Paul Hacunda, Mara Oien, Rhett Schenck, Mark & Lisa Hehner, for Marion Lyons' family and friends as they recover from the hurricane in Jamaica, Jeff Brueckman, David Westfall, Josh Marion, Amy Bartelink, and Alex Courier
- Our church family who are homebound: Dru Rees, Mark & Linda Dinzler, Lois Wade, Bobbee Ross, Pam Finch, Jack Thompson, Nancy Fleming, Marthel Taylor
- Our Episcopal Church: The Most Rev. Sean Rowe, Presiding Bishop; The Rt. Rev Deon Johnson, our bishop; The Very Rev. Jared Moore, our priest.
- In our Diocese of Missouri, we pray for Christ Episcopal Church in Cape Girardeau.
- In our companion Diocese of Puerto Rico, we pray for St. Matthias the Apostle (Misión San Matías, Apóstol) in Lares.
- In the Anglican Communion, we pray for Province de L'Eglise Anglicane Du Congo.

Please make a prayer request by filling out a prayer request card located in the pew pocket and place it in the offering plate.

ADULT FORUM
MAGI QUEST: LEARNING TO SEEK AND FIND GOD

Join us **Sundays at 9:00 am**. Let's journey with the Magi to seek out and find God among us. We'll follow St. Benedict's Rule as we develop rhythms and habits of finding God in our life.

PEACE MEAL

Our next Peace Meal is this Saturday, **January 24**, at St. John's Episcopal Church. Volunteers needed! Available shifts are 2-4pm or 4-6pm (or serve the full 2-6pm). Please contact Carie at kennedyc@wustl.edu to sign up. Future dates for Peace Meal are: May 2nd, July 11th, Sept 19th, and Dec. 5th.

VALENTINE'S TEA

Please join us on Saturday, **February 21** for our 3rd Annual Valentine's Tea at Vicki Thompson's home. We will gather from 3:00-5:00 p.m. to have tea, appetizers and sweets as we welcome all women to share and enjoy fellowship with other Hope ladies. There is a sign-up sheet on the table in the lobby. Please join us! Vicki's address is: 14002 Baywood Villages Drive, Chesterfield 63017.

NEXT SUNDAY: ANNUAL MEETING

Hope's Annual Meeting is Sunday, January 25th, immediately following worship. The Vestry will provide food for a fellowship meal, so come and join in some holy storytelling of the work that God is doing at Hope. All are welcome!

CIRCLE OF CONCERN

Don't forget, we deliver to Circle of Concern for you! Bring your non-perishables and toiletries with you on Sunday! Current URGENT needs are: baking basics and mixes, boxed potatoes and rice, canned and dry beans, canned chicken, canned tomatoes, dinner helpers, pasta sauce, peanut butter, pull-ups.

YOGA WITH HEIDI

Join us here on **Wednesdays at 9:30 am**. This is a gentle yoga practice. Newcomers are always welcome! Mats and other props are available. There is no cost but a donation to the church is greatly appreciated. And remember all of Heidi's past classes are on YouTube that you can access through our website: hopestl.church.

WOMEN'S STUDY GROUP

The Women's Study Group meets at **4:00 pm the first and third Wednesdays** of the month. We meet for friendship and spiritual discussions at Mike Duffy's, 1024 Schnuck's Woodsmill Plaza. All are welcome to attend regularly or sporadically. If you have questions or need more information, contact Lesley McIntire at 314-341-0816.

YOUTH NEWS

Join us for **Sunday School** every Sunday at 9:00 AM with a series called GPS (God's Purpose, Secured)!

👉 Please have students bring their Bible, a notebook, and a pen.

Youth Group kicks off on **Jan 21st** (6:00–7:30 PM)! These nights will be full of fun, connection, and faith. More details coming soon!

Thank you so much for your continued support and encouragement. We're looking forward to an amazing season ahead! ❤️

ALTAR FLOWERS

Do you have an occasion you would like to commemorate? A person you would like to honor or remember? Sponsor our Sunday morning fresh flowers! We will purchase and arrange the flowers and include your occasion/honor/remembrance in the Sunday bulletin for \$50.00. Contact Kathy Joslin at 636-341-7694.

BULLETIN SUBMISSIONS

Do you have an announcement for the bulletin?

Please send your submissions to bulletins@hopestl.church by Wednesday at 5:00 pm.

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