July 2024 Calendar

Sunday, July 28 6:00pm Youth Group

Monday, July 29 Middle School Trip depart to MN

Tuesday, July 30 Poland Mission Trip Departure

Wednesday, July 31 10:00am Women's Sermon Study Middle School Trip returns from MN

Thursday, August 1 8:30am Men's Small Group 6:30pm Women's Sermon Study

Pastors & Elders at Hope

Visit our staff page on our website for a full list and contact info.

Mickey Klink Senior Pastor

Greg Lynas

Pastor of Worship & Implementation

Casey Ehlers
Pastor of Discipleship & Hospitality

Jonathan Mills

Pastor of Student Ministries

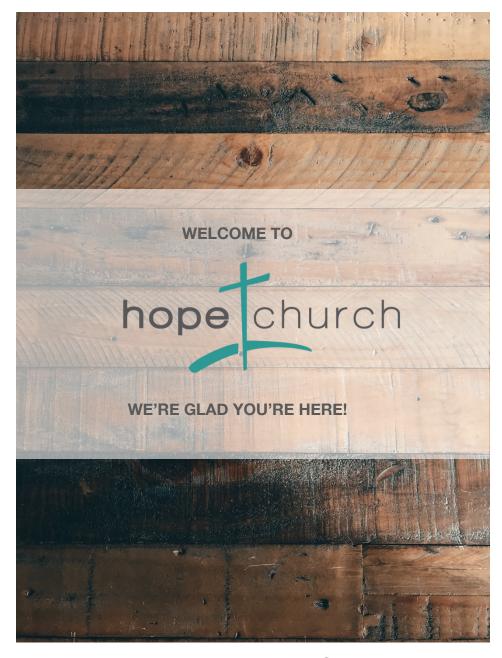
Mark Tichgelaar Elder Chairman

Ed Kipp, Olle Larson, Dennis Marrano Marshall Newhouse, Neal Neyer, Bryan Ott, Kurt Pazdra II Lay Elders

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Office Hours: Monday – Thursday 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM



"Building a community that loves Christ to reach a community that needs Christ."

Sunday Worship 8:00 AM and 10:45 AM

- Nursery & preschool care are provided during services for children ages 5 and under
- You can download or watch today's sermon on hefc.net or on our YouTube channel Hope Church Roscoe

No Growth Hour Classes for any age in July

Download our app Church Center and have access to:

- Upcoming events
- Prayer requests
- Ministry information
- Library catalog
- Church directory
- Previous sermons

Hospitality Center:

Visit the cart in the lobby to pick up the following:

- Kids' activity bags
- Assisted listening devices
- Regular and Large Print Daily Bread booklets
- Printed song lyrics
- Connect Cards







Ways to Give:

box as you exit www.hefc.net

On our app
Church Center

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Women of Hope Prayer Night, Wednesday, August 7, at 6:30pm. "The Posture and Perspective of Prayer" will be a time to connect with God and each other through prayer. This event is for high school age and up. Please sign up on the app, at the kiosk in the lobby, or by calling the church office at 815-623-6545.

Hope Church's **Missions Board has a college scholarship** available for \$750. The criteria to apply for this scholarship is to be a graduating senior, actively attending Hope Church, and plan to continue your education in the ministry or missions field. The deadline to apply is August 1. Please look at the Missions tab on our website for the application.

KHUSA Backpack Party: We are collecting school supplies for the KHUSA mentees. Check out our display in the lobby or scan the QR code below. Please be sure to return your donations to the lobby or the church office by August 4.



GOD'S KING FIRST & SECOND SAMUEL

God's Sovereignty Over Conspiracies

52nd in the "Samuel" Series 2 Samuel 15:1-37 July 28, 2024 Brad Schreiner

Introduction: In this text, Samuel brings to a head the story of David's downfall, the consequences of his sin,

1)	Time and truth go hand in hand; they travel at different speeds. (v. 1-12)
	A. Absalom presents himself as royalty.
	B. Absalom perjures himself as just.
	C. Absalom promotes himself as king.
	D. Absalom prides himself in his plan.
2)	God is sovereign over time, and his timing is always perfect. (v. 13-37) David has five encounters as he flees Jerusalem in a hurry:
	A. A messenger.
	B. Ittai the Gittite (as well as the Cherethites and Perethites).
	C. Abiathar and Zadok with the Levites.
	D. Another messenger.
	E. Hushai the Archite.

Response: Revelation 22:12 – "Behold, I am coming soon, bringing my recompense with me to repay each one for what he has done. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and then end."

Sunday Text Questions

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ead the text aloud and discuss together any significant observations or issues needing clarification.	
1)	What do Absalom's actions indicate about his sincerity, integrity, and heart?
2)	Read vv. 4-6. How do his comments perhaps mirror what we see in our own political arena?
3)	David has five conversations, the first of which causes him to flee Jerusalem with his followers. How does this first conversation show God's sovereignty over time in helping protect David?
4)	The second conversation revealed David had support from various sects of the Philistines. How does this mirror Christ's reception by the Gentiles?
5)	David's last conversation was with Hushai, the Archite, whom he asked to go to Jerusalem to act as a spy on his behalf in Absalom's inner circle. He went and arrived at the exact same time Absalom arrived. What does this tell us about how God arranged the series of events and conversations David had to flee from Absalom and get Hushai to serve as a spy for David?

Further study this week: Passages related to the message of this week's text: 1 Samuel 8:11, 1 Thes 4:16, Romans 13:1, 1 Peter 2:9, Revelation 22:12



We invite you to our Women of Hope Prayer Connection Wednesday, August 7, from 6:30 to 8 pm

We invite you to join us in these sweet ways:

- check-in starting at 6:15pm
- coffee and light snacks provided
- preparing our posture and perspective for prayer
- being guided through the Word in prayer
- connecting with God & each other
- providing time for private prayer

In a fast-paced world with many distractions, we will practice the presence of God through prayer. At the same time, we will prepare our hearts and minds to be drawn closer to God in everyday life. Our goal is humbly learning and growing together in developing a rhythm of prayer & worship.

Sign up on the church app for planning purposes or call the office to register at 815-623-6545. This event is for high school age & up.





THINKING BIBLICALLY ABOUT CHRISTMAS

Class Length: 4 weeks (August 4—August 25)
Teacher: Mickey Klink
Location: Worship Center

Summary:

What does it really mean to keep "Christ" in Christmas? Christians today might be surprised that Christians of old had a very different perspective than most Christians today. Even more, many might be surprised to see how many of our ideas about Christmas have been driven by cultural and not just biblical categories. Before pulling out our holiday decorations and heading to our family celebrations, let's spend some time thinking biblically about Christmas, even in August.

Growth Goals:

To learn about the history of Christmas and Christmas practices in the history of the church.

To examine the Christmas traditions and practices in modern America and the contemporary church.

To learn biblical principles and applications for the celebration of Christmas.

Topical Overview:

Week 1 (8/4): Ghost of Christmas Past I Christmas & Christians in History Week 2 (8/11): Ghost of Christmas Present I Christmas & Christians Today

Week 3 (8/18) Biblical Principles for the Holi-day of Christmas

Week 4 (8/25): Ghost of Christmas Future I Christmas & Faithful Presence

CHRISTIAN HOSPITALITY AND ISLAM

Class Length: 4 weeks (August 4—August 25)

Teacher: Bryan Ott

Location: Fellowship Hall

Summary:

When we hear the words "Islam" or "Muslim" what are the thoughts that come to our minds? What do we actually know about the religion of Islam, and more importantly, how well do we know Muslim people? What does it mean to love our neighbors as we love ourselves? Moving beyond political rhetoric, this course is intended to be a dialogical and pastoral discussion of Islam in America and how we Christians are to live with our non-Christian neighbors in a diverse country.

Growth Goals:

To discuss how our perceptions of Islam may unhealthily affect how we think about Muslim people.

To better understand the distinctives of Muslim culture, faith and practice.

To understand how to avoid the rhetoric of the right and left in our society, in favor of adopting a posture of Christian hospitality. To define and describe Christian pluralism and discuss how the application of this theology may inform how we relate to our Muslim neighbors.

Topical Overview:

Week 1 (8/4): Perception vs. Reality: Muslims in America Week 2 (8/11): What is Islam? What do Muslims Believe?

Week 3 (8/18): Christian Hospitality and Islam

Week 4 (8/25): Q&A—Where do we go from here?