

December 2024 Calendar

Sunday, December 15

6:00pm Youth Group

Monday, December 16

6:30pm Women's Cookie Exchange

Tuesday, December 17

8:00am White Cross

6:00pm Christmas Caroling

6:30pm Hope Knitters

Wednesday, December 18

10:00am Women's Book Study

10:30am Word and Prayer

5:30pm Family Meal – Breakfast

6:30pm AWANA – Jesus's Bday Night

6:30pm Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, December 19

8:30am Men's Small Group

6:30pm Women's Book 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
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Bryan Ott

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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."

December 15, 2024

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

Growth Hour 9:30 AM – 10:15 AM

- *Harvest: The Reproducing Church* by Mickey Klink, Greg Lynas, and Casey Ehlers
- High School Class in Fireside Room
- Middle School Class upstairs in The Loft
- 4th and 5th Grade in Classroom 10
- Elementary School in Drake Hall
- Preschool in Rooms 1 – 3

Download our app Church Center and have access to:

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

Welcome Cart:

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



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On our website
www.hefc.net



On our app
Church Center

Ways to Give:

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Christmas Caroling: Join us as we visit some of those in our church body, singing good news with great joy! The last night to carol is Tuesday, December 17. Register on our app or at the kiosks in the lobby or contact Glenna for questions [choirdirector@hefc.net].

Women of Hope Creative Caring Night: Join us for a Christmas cookie exchange tomorrow, Monday, December 16, at 6:30pm. We'll be putting together assorted cookie plates with the hope that you will use them as a way to connect with your neighbors. See the app or the kiosks in the lobby for more information or to register.

Office Closed for the Holidays: The physical church office will be closed from Monday, December 23 – Friday, January 3 for the holidays. Most staff members can still be reached via email, and we will continue to have our on-call pastor via the church phone line.

Women's Retreat 2025: Women of Hope, join us for a two-night getaway Friday, February 28 – Sunday, March 2, at Covenant Harbor in Lake Geneva, WI. This retreat is open to women 16 years and up, as long as the minor is accompanied by a parent/guardian. Register by Feb 3, on the app or at the kiosks in the lobby. We look forward to learning more about the LORD's plan for being a disciple of Jesus and what that means in everyday life for us and others.



Deacons at Hope Church

4th in the “Deacon” Series

Romans 12:1-8

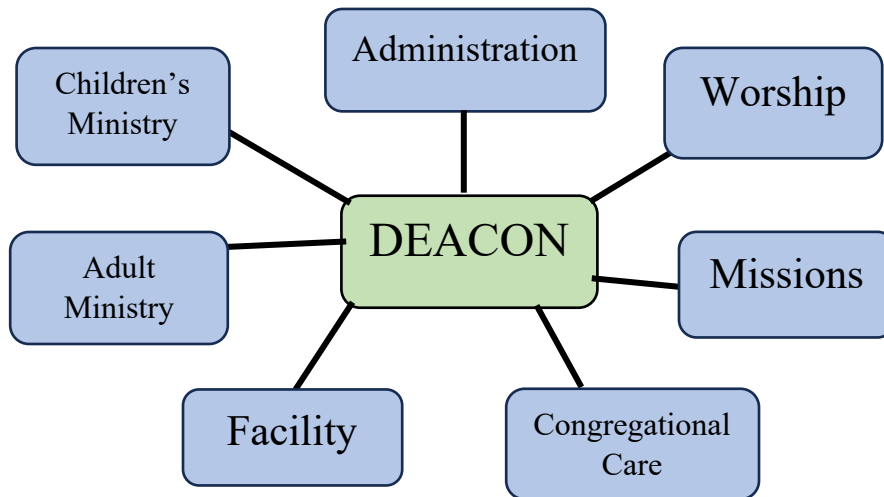
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Pastor Mickey Klink

Introduction: In this text we are exhorted to think soberly of ourselves and serve others as a response to God’s grace to us.

Review: Deacons are the ministry leads and staff who oversee the core ministries of the church. They are commissioned by the **pastor-elders** and **serve as** servant leaders over the many **volunteers** who serve in their areas of ministry.

1) Leadership Areas for the Office of Deacon at Hope Church:



*Designed by Ruth Klink

2) God’s Design for Hope Church:



3) An Exhortation to the Body of Christ at Hope Church

- Allow the grace of the gospel to transform your service to God (vv. 1-2).
- You will allow the gospel to work in you when you think of yourself with sober judgment and when you use the gifts God has given to you for his service (vv. 3-8).

Response

Let us think and serve differently “in view of God’s mercy” (v. 3).

Sunday Text Questions

Romans 12:1-8

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Read the text aloud and discuss together any significant observations or issues needing clarification.

- 1) How would you explain the importance of deacons in a local church to a new Christian?
- 2) Based upon v. 1, how does “God’s mercy” help motivate a Christian to “offer your bodies as a living sacrifice ... to God?”
- 3) The apostle Paul says that “each member [Christian] belongs to all the others” (v. 5). What does that mean, and how should that direct how we relate to one another?
- 4) What does Paul mean when he says, “We have different gifts, according to the grace given to each of us” (v. 6)? How does that make every person and their gift significant? How does that help us avoid competition or comparison?
- 5) How has this series on the office of deacon helped you understand the ministry of deacons or God’s design for the church?
- 6) Do you think you would be a good deacon, why or why not?
- 7) In what other ways, if any, did this passage speak into your life to teach, rebuke, correct, or train you in righteousness (cf. 2 Timothy 3:16)?

Further study this week: Passages related to the message of this week’s text: Matthew 6:33 (Mon); Colossians 3:23 (Tues); Matthew 6:24 (Wed); Romans 14:8 (Thurs); 2 Corinthians 5:17 (Fri).



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HOLIDAY SERVICE TIMES

SUNDAY MORNING SERVICE

DECEMBER 22 AT 9:30 AM

NO GROWTH HOUR CLASSES

CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES

DECEMBER 24 AT 2:30 PM & 4 PM

FAMILY ROOM AVAILABLE; NO CHILDCARE

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