April/May 2025 Calendar

Sunday, April 27 6:00pm Youth Group

Wednesday, April 30

10:00am Women's Sermon Study10:30am Word and Prayer5:30pm No Family Meal6:30pm Awana Closing Ceremonies6:30pm Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, May 1

8:30am Men's Small Group6:00pm Divorce Care Group6:30pm 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 Lay Elders

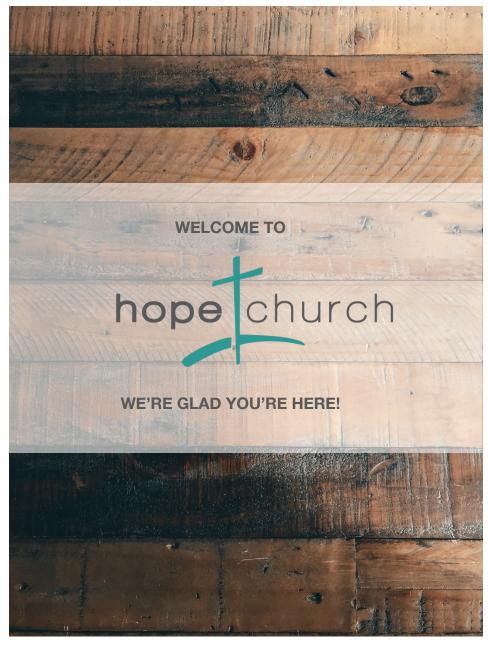
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Office Hours: Monday – Thursday 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM



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

April 27, 2025

Sunday Worship 8:00 AM and 10:45 AM

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

Growth Hour 9:30 AM - 10:15 AM

- Introduction to the Holy Spirit by Doug Juhlin in the Worship Center
- Virtue: On Christian Character by Casey Ehlers in Fellowship Hall
- Middle School Class in Loft
- High School Class in Fireside Room
- 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
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- Previous sermons

Welcome Cart:

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

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

Ways to Give:







In the collection box as you exit

On our website hopechurchroscoe.com

On our app Church Center

Scan the QR code or go to the "Giving Report" page on our app for more info on YTD giving.





Upcoming May/June Growth Hour Classes: A Theology of Happiness by Jordan Taylor (Fellowship Hall) and The Bible in American History by Bryan Ott (Worship Center)

Awana Awards Ceremony will be held on Wednesday, April 30, at 6:30pm in the Worship Center. The congregation is invited to come and see what our kids have accomplished and to enjoy a cup of Culver's custard with us after the ceremony.

Vacation Bible School is July 14–18! Join us on this True North adventure. There are volunteer positions for everyone! Child registration opens Wednesday night, April 30, online and on the app.

VBS Workdays will be every Wednesday in May from 6-8pm in Drake Hall. We will have projects for every age! Children under the age of 12 must have parental supervision. Contact dawn@hefc.net with questions.

Our next **Church Chat** is Wednesday, May 14, at 6:30pm in the Worship Center. We will be discussing the ministry reports and business meeting packet being sent out next week. Mark your calendars for our **Annual Congregational Business Meeting** on Sunday, May 18, at 9:30am during the Growth Hour time slot.

Join us for our Family Camping Trip coming up June 18-21, 2025. It's open to everyone—young ones, seniors, singles, couples, families! Email katie@hefc.net if you have questions.



Holy Sexuality

10th in the "Thessalonians" Series 1 Thessalonians 4:3-8 April 27, 2025 Pastor Mickey Klink

Introduction: In this text, we are given God's will to avoid sexual immorality and to pursue a holy sexuality.

1) It is the will of God for Christians to avoid sexual sins (vv. 3, 6b- 8).
2) A Christian is called to manage their body and sexual desires in a holy and honorable way (vv. 4-6a).
Pastoral Application: "Purity Culture" vs. Holy Sexuality
• It overemphasized the importance of sex.
It de-emphasized grace and morphed into a legalistic moralism.
It added unnecessary and unbiblical rules to male-female relationships.
• It made sexuality self-focused rather than other-focused; it motivated us by ourselves rather than the covenant of marriage and our covenant with God.

<u>Summary</u>: What God is calling Christians toward is a life of holy sexuality that commits to the sanctifying work of the Spirit in such a way that the use of their bodies, their responses to sexual desires, and their expressions of intimacy toward others is holy, God-honoring, and loving to their siblings in Christ.

Response

Lord, help us to avoid sexual sins and learn to control our bodies in ways that are holy and honorable.

Sunday Text Questions

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ad the text aloud and discuss any significant observations or issues needing clarification together.	
1)	If you were to diagnose the sexual sickness of our culture today, what would your diagnosis be?
2)	How serious should we take a command from God when he explicitly calls it his "will" (v. 3) and that we will be punished for not obeying (v. 6)? Why is sexual sin so pervasive in the church if God clearly condemns it?
3)	V. 3 mentions being "sanctified," the process that begins at conversion and only ends at the return of Christ, in which God frees us from slavery to sin and forms us into the image of Christ by his Spirit. How have you seen the process of sanctification happen in your Christian life?
4)	How should a Christian apply Paul's command in vv. 4-5: "learn to control your own body in a way that is holy and honorable, not in passionate lust like the pagans, who do not know God?"
5)	In regard to v. 6, how could sexual immorality "wrong or take advantage of a brother or sister?"
6)	If sex belongs solely to the covenant of marriage, how does that principle give guidelines for the way a Christian–married or single, young or old–commits to avoiding sexual immorality?
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: 1 Corinthians 6:18 (Mon); Hebrews 13:4 (Tues); Matthew 5:28 (Wed); Colossians 3:5 (Thurs); Romans 6:11-14 (Fri).



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