May 2025 Calendar

Sunday, May 18

9:30am Business Meeting 6:00pm Youth Group

Tuesday, May 20

8:00am White Cross 6:30pm Hope Knitters

Wednesday, May 21

9:30am-12:30pm Safe Families Team Open House 10:00am Women's Sermon Study 10:30am Word & Prayer 6:00pm VBS Workday

Thursday, May 22

8:30am Men's Small Group6:00pm Divorce Care Group6:30pm Women's Sermon Study

Friday, May 23

6:30pm Women's "May it Be" Prayer Night

Pastors & Elders at Hope

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

Mickey Klink

Senior Pastor

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Pastor of Worship & Implementation

Casey Ehlers

Pastor of Discipleship & Hospitality

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Pastor of Student Ministries

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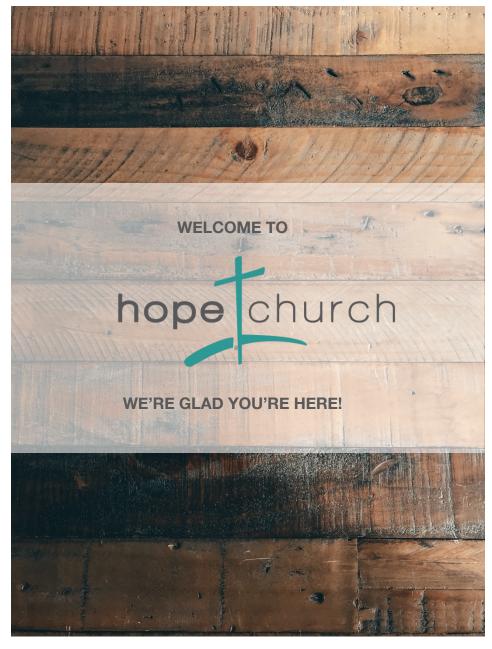
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Office Hours: Monday – Thursday 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM



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

May 18, 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

- The Bible in American History by Bryan Ott in the Worship Center
- A Theology of Happiness by Jordan Taylor 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
- 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
- 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.





Reminder: Today at 9:30am is our **Annual Congregational Business Meeting**.

Willow Women's Center New Infant Clothing Drive: We are running a collection for the Willow Women's Center from Mother's Day to Father's Day! They are currently in need of new infant clothing this year so that is what we will be collecting. We will have a display in the lobby through Sunday, June 15, where you can drop off any donations.

Our Community Memorial Day Picnic is approaching! Join us on Monday, May 26, 11am-1pm at Leland Park. Grab some door hangers in the lobby to pass out in your neighborhood. There will be music, games, and free food at this event for all ages. We're still looking for a few volunteers. Sign-up online to help serve or reach out to thomas@hefc.net.

Child Registration is open for VBS July 14–18! Join our volunteer team on this True North adventure.

VBS Workdays will be every Wednesday in May from 6–8pm in Drake Hall. We will have projects for every age, and children under the age of 12 must have parental supervision.



Comfort for Those Who Mourn

12th in the "Thessalonians" Series 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18 May 18, 2025 Pastor Mickey Klink

Introduction: This text informs us about "those who sleep in death" and encourages us to rest in resurrection hope.

1)	This text is intended to comfort us with the hope of the gospel when we mourn the death of a Christian (v. 13).
2)	Allow the truth of Christian hope to grab hold of your hearts and imaginations regarding the death of the children of God (v. 14, 18).
	¹⁴ For <u>we believe</u> that Jesus died and rose again, and <u>so we believe</u> that God will bring with Jesus those who have fallen asleep in him.

Response

Lord, thank you for comforting those who mourn. Help us to comfort and encourage others with gospel hope.

A helpful resource: "Death and Dying: A Catechism for Christians:"

Website Link: <u>ca.thegospelcoalition.org/article/death-and-dying-a-catechism-for-christians/</u>

Sunday Text Questions

1 Thessalonians 4:13-18 May 18, 2025 Pastor Mickey Klink

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

1) How does the following quote by J. I. Packer offer insightful commentary on how Christians should and should not think about death? "It has become conventional to think as if we are all going to live in this world forever and to view every case of bereavement as a reason for doubting the goodness of God. We must all know deep down that this is ridiculous, but we do it all the same. And in doing it, we part company with the Bible, with historic Christianity, and with a basic principle of right living, namely, that only when you know how to die can you know how to live." 2) This text is one of many in Scripture that defines death using the metaphor of "sleep" (v. 13). What makes this a good metaphor for understanding death from the Christian perspective? 3) Paul assumes or expects in v. 13 that Christians will grieve death differently than the world (non-Christians). Why should Christians grieve differently? 4) Related to the last question, how is Christian grief still true grief, and what does Christian grief look like? 5) V. 14 offers a confessional statement. How does that statement explain both the source and reason for a Christian's hope when they lose a loved one? 6) How is a proper understanding of resurrection hope encouraging to you, and how can the message of this text be used to "encourage one another" (v. 18)?

Further study this week: Passages related to the message of this week's text: Isaiah 40:31 (Mon); Romans 15:13 (Tues); Romans 12:12 (Wed); Romans 8:24-25 (Thurs); Hebrews 11:1 (Fri).

in righteousness (cf. 2 Timothy 3:16)?

7) In what other ways, if any, did this passage speak into your life to teach, rebuke, correct, or train you



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