

**THIS WEEK AT HOPE**  
**2<sup>nd</sup> SUNDAY AFTER THE**  
**EPIPHANY**

**JANUARY 20, 2019**

**Sunday Worship Service at 9:30 a.m.**  
**held in Jones Chapel**  
**We welcome Hope's new pastor**  
**Rev. Mary Jane Kirby**  
**Childcare is available.**  
**Choir practice after Worship**

**MONDAY**

**Church Office is Closed on Mondays.**  
**Observance of Rev. Martin Luther**  
**King, Jr.'s Birthday**

**FRIDAY**

**Bible Study 1:30 p.m. in the Conference**  
**Room.**

**NEXT WEEK AT HOPE**  
**3<sup>rd</sup> SUNDAY AFTER THE**  
**EPIPHANY**

**JANUARY 27, 2019**

**Sunday Worship Service at 9:30 a.m.**  
**held in Jones Chapel**  
**Welcome to Hope's new Pastor Rev.**  
**Mary Kirby**  
**Childcare available**  
**Choir practice after Worship**

**SUNDAY LAY READERS NEEDED**

Please consider becoming a Sunday Lay Reader. You will be scheduled to read once a month and the scripture is e-mailed to you on Thursday/or Friday to go over. Contact the church office if interested.



**BIRTHDAYS**

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Jan. 23 Dick AmEisen  
Laura Reisch  
24 Amanda Osborne

**ANNIVERSARY WISHES**

Best wishes to Tom and Lisa Osborne celebrating their Wedding Anniversary on January 22<sup>nd</sup>.

**2019 OFFERING ENVELOPES**

Envelopes for 2019 are on the card table outside of Jones chapel. Using your Sunday envelopes helps the counters in recording contributions to the correct contributor.

**Please check to see if anyone accidently picked up offering envelopes marked #5 with the label marked Ron Brunner. Kindly return to the church office. Thank you**

**SLEEPING MAT PROJECT**

**From Sally Kiner:**

Thank you for supporting the sleeping mats for the homeless project. We have an abundance of bags to the extent that the storage space is overflowing. Please do not bring additional bags to donate at this time. Thank you.

**STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT:**

*“His mother said to the servants,  
“Do whatever he tells you.” John 2:5*

This familiar story of Jesus' first miracle (according to John) of turning water into wine holds much meaning and we are looking at that today. I have to admit, when I first began to study this story, I thought, “Okay, a place to begin with miracles. That's great. Jesus saved a family from embarrassment because he fixed their wine situation.” But it is so much more than that. We look more deeply into this story. What does it tell us about Jesus? What message does it convey? What about us? A clue is found in the brief verse above. His mother said to the servants: (note: surely, we are servants of the Lord) “Do whatever he tells you.” We learn what it is that Jesus calls us to do by walking with him each week and journeying with him, just as those first disciples did.

Question for the Week ahead: *What do you want me to do, Jesus?*

**YOUTH, Grades 6-12:**

**Gretna Glen Camp and Retreat Center's Free Youth Group Night is Sunday, January 20, weather permitting.** We will leave from Union church by 2:30 p.m. and return about 8:30 p.m. Please let Pastor Mary Jane know of any youth that would like to attend. She

would be glad to help with transportation as needed. It is always a fun time at Gretna; an evening of faith building, fun activities, music, and snacks! Please call Pastor Mary Jane, 610-69-6703, for more information or to indicate interest!

**FOOD BANK**

The next Food Bank is Saturday, January 19, 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. We have been blessed with generous donations over the past month, but many clients have visited the food bank and there are items that we need to restock. We do, of course, appreciate any items you wish to donate, but the items in greatest need as of January 1, 2019 are laundry detergent, coffee, jelly, peanut butter, shampoo, deodorant, tooth paste, ketchup, and pasta sauce (please no glass jars).

Thank you for your continued support of this outreach project to the community.  
Sally Kiner  
Food Bank Coordinator

**CHURCH JUMBLE AT UNION, UMC**

**Saturday February 9th**  
**9 am to 1 pm**

Church Jumble (rummage sale) will held at Union, UMC to raise money for the church. There will be books, household items, toys, holiday decorations, etc. for sale. During the event, the UMW will sell hot dogs and baked goods to raise money for their UMW mission work.

