

THIS WEEK AT HOPE
FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT
MARCH 31, 2019

Sunday Worship Service at 9:30 a.m.
held in Jones Chapel
Pastor: Rev. Mary Jane Kirby
Childcare is available.
Choir practice after Worship
GPCC Service 11:00 A.M. Main
Sanctuary
HOPE SUNDAY SCHOOL BEGINS
Ages 3 to 12 years - All children are
welcome!

MONDAY
Church Office is Closed on Mondays.

WEDNESDAY
GPCC Service at 7:30 p.m.

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

NEXT WEEK AT HOPE
FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT
APRIL 7, 2019

Sunday Worship Service at 9:30 a.m.
held in Jones Chapel
Communion Sunday
Pastor: Rev. Mary Jane Kirby
HOPE SUNDAY SCHOOL Ages 3 to 12
years - All children are welcome!
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Choir practice after Worship



BIRTHDAYS OF THE WEEK
Apr. 1 Morgan Shanahan

CHANGE OF ADDRESS
Please correct your records Jackie & Bill Engler have relocated to the following address:
Wesley Enhanced Living (WEL)
100 Halcyon Drive
Apt. L-1
Media, PA 19063

Bill: s address
The Meadows - Room 146
100 Halcyon Dr., Media, PA 19063

ALTAR FLOWERS
Arrangements have been made with Kenny's Flowers in Media to provide fresh altar arrangements when requested. Each arrangement cost \$25.00. There is a sign up sheet on the table outside of Jones Chapel. would like to become a Lay Reader or if you would just like to know more!

EASTER FLOWERS
Enclosed is a form for Easter Flowers to beautify the Chapel for Easter. **All orders should be in the church office by Sunday April 14th.** The price for plants: Tulips and Hyacinths \$9.00 per plant and Easter Lilies are \$10.00. Any questions please see Gloria Downs on Sundays or contact the church office 610-446-3351.

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT:

“Clothe yourselves with the new self, created according to the likeness of God in true righteousness and holiness.”
– Ephesians 4:24

The above verse precedes the section before us in worship today, but it sets the stage. In Christ, we are a new creation. Therefore, we must clothe ourselves with a new self, a self that reflects our Lord. We are reminded that we are stewards of this life that God has given us in Christ. We noted at Bible Study that our life with Christ is based on relationship, not rules. Yet here in Ephesians Paul has given us some insight into what the Christian life looks like. I encourage you to step aside today and read Ephesians 4:25-32 for yourself. Is this the life that you are leading? How can you walk more faithfully? How can you live more faithfully in community?

Question for the Faith Journey:
How am I living a life of kindness and forgiveness? Do I still have the work of forgiveness to complete?



APRIL 27TH FLEA MARKET

We will have our flea market on Saturday April, 27th. Advertised 8-1, set up starting at 6:45 thru 7:45 a.m. We will then close the lot for all vehicles until 1:00 p.m.

The price will be \$15.00 per parking spot. When you respond please make sure I have your first and last name, a good contact # and how many spots you would like reserved. You may mail checks or drop off cash to the church, the number to the church is 610-446-3351 for hours to drop off Money.

IMPORTANT:
Checks should be made out to Cassie Popky with “Flea Market” in the memo. We will not be able to do a “pay at door” this time. There were too many people that were no shows at the last few. We will not hold spots that are not paid for upfront.

As in the past, if it is a rainout I will either choose a rain date (TBD) or meet you in front of the church the day of to return your money.

Please remember this is church grounds, so no alcohol, guns or illegal items may be sold. We ask everyone to stay on the lot until 1:00 p.m., we can not have cars driving in and out when there are people walking around.

Thank you,
Cassie

LENTEN SERIES

This Lent we will begin a Worship Series entitled “**Roll Down, Justice!**” beginning Ash Wednesday and continuing through Easter Day. May we, as a family of faith, grow in love and faithfulness together. Lent is a time to remind ourselves who we are called to be in this world. This Lenten series is inspired by Amos, a prophet whose message is that God calls us to let “justice roll down like waters.” Worship without justice is not acceptable, for worship must move us to action on behalf of the oppressed. We will find inspiration this Lent as we sing and pray and live tuned in to the heart of the Gospel – proclaiming God’s love for all people.

LENTEN WORSHIP SERIES:



(AT UNION UMC: 7:00 P.M.)

Sunday, March 31: LENT 4 – “I Choose Love: Communities of Forgiveness” Luke 23:32-43

LENTEN STUDY: Wednesdays at 7 p.m. at Union, starting March 13 and continuing through April 17. **Seven-Mile Miracle: Journey into the Presence of God through the Last Words of Jesus.** It will be a meaningful journey.



It’s Good Friday. The Son of God is giving up his life. What does he want to say to us in His final hours? What does He tell the people standing at the foot of the cross, to pass down to the ages? He speaks only seven short statements. Words of forgiveness, salvation, relationship, abandonment, distress, triumph, and reunion. Seven statements that mean everything. This study will help us to consider how Jesus’s last words offer mile markers for our journey in relationship with God.

BIBLE STUDY AT HOPE

You are also very welcome to be a part of Bible Study right here at Hope on Friday afternoons at 1:30 p.m. in the Conference Room. In this Lenten season the group is studying in a harmony of all of the Gospels and walking with Jesus through Holy Week. You will be blessed to journey with them!



DEEP BLUE:

Be with God

Love God and Neighbor

Understand themselves as Children of God

Explore Faith and the Bible

SUNDAY SCHOOL IS COMING BACK TO HOPE!

Thanks to the planning and commitment of a committee of Elizabeth McKelvey, Andy Merrill, and Brittany Welding, and the prayers of you all, we are pleased to announce that Sunday School for Children ages 3-12 will begin on today, March 31 during the worship hour at 9:30 a.m. The children will stay through the Children’s Time and then begin Sunday School.

Please spread the word! All welcome!

TEACHERS AND SUPPORT TEACHERS NEEDED!

Please see Pastor Mary Jane if you would be willing to help with Sunday School as a teacher or a support person to help at times.



ITEMS OF GREATEST NEED:

Pasta sauce	Mustard
Ketchup	Oatmeal
Canned Fruit	Cold Cereal

FOOD BANK

CONTINUED NEEDS:

Peanut Butter	Canned Chicken
Canned Tomatoes	Canned Potatoes
Pasta	Canned Tuna
Dish Soap	Paper Towels
Coffee	Tea
Shampoo	Dish Soap
Deodorant	Laundry Detergent
Toilet Paper	Bath Soap

NO CANNED BEANS PLEASE

***Please leave the items by the food closet door or in the cart outside the church office.**

Thank you for sharing your blessings with the food bank!