

THIS WEEK AT HOPE
SIXTH SUNDAY IN LENT
APRIL 21, 2019
EASTER SUNDAY

Sunday Worship Service at 9:30 a.m.
held in Jones Chapel

Pastor: Rev. Mary Jane Kirby

Childcare is available.

Choir practice after Worship

HOPE SUNDAY SCHOOL

Ages 3 to 12 years - All children are welcome!

Flowers for the Living Cross and Easter Egg Hunt immediately following Worship Service.

MONDAY

Church Office is Closed on Mondays.

FRIDAY

Adult Bible Study/Prayer Group 1:15 p.m. All are welcome!

NEXT WEEK AT HOPE
SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER
APRIL 28, 2019

Sunday Worship Service at 9:30 a.m.
held in Jones Chapel

Pastor: Rev. Mary Jane Kirby

Baptism, Sara Rosson

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BIRTHDAYS OF THE WEEK

Apr. 24 Kristin Wojnovich
Harold Peabody
25 Victoria Wren
27 Evelyn Kinard



IN APPRECIATION

We welcome and thank our Trumpeters, Anthony and John Di Valerio for sharing their talents and bringing joy to Hope each year with their inspirational music at our Easter Sunday Service.

SUNDAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE

April 28th Baptism and New Members,
Holy Humor Sunday

MAY COMMITTEE MEETING

Hope's Leadership Team Committee will meet Thursday, May 2 at 7:15 p.m.

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.

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT:

"Jesus knew the Father had given everything into his hands and that he had come from God and was returning to God." - John 13:3 (CEB)

This phrase from John's Gospel stuck with me from the Holy Thursday readings: "Jesus knew...that everything had been given into his hands." He knew that God gave him everything that he needed to fulfill his mission. I believe that God gives us what we need to fulfill our mission (our calling, our purpose) as well. This truth was doubly affirmed when I was going through some Easter papers from a previous year and found this Easter letter which David from Union's Sunday School wrote when he was thinking about what Easter means. I think he captured it quite well. David was in maybe third or fourth grade at the time and he wrote:

"Dear Jesus, I don't know how you are risen from the dead. I bet you did it so you could love more. I bet so you could give more gifts of God. Love the Lord Jesus and God (Love, Hope, Joy, Peace)."

I agree, David. You (Jesus) did it so your love would expand more and more throughout this world and the gifts you give us are for sharing. Share the Easter joy, friends. That is our stewardship call. Love is the way forward and Jesus showed us that it all means life for us and life for those who embrace this great, good news!

Question for the Faith Journey: *Will I embrace the love that Jesus won for me on the cross and will I nurture that love so that, by the grace of God, I can keep giving it away?*

HOLY HUMOR SUNDAY: Next week in worship (April 28) we will remember that our Lord calls us to live in the joy of His resurrection and calls us to find hope and laughter and blessing in our fellowship. You are invited to bring along with you an amusing story or riddle or joke. Please keep it brief and in good Christian humor. We know you will! Share something that amuses you and causes you to smile. (If you don't want to share it yourself feel free to write it down so that the pastor can share it.)

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Pastor Mary Jane is glad to announce that we will celebrate the joy of this Easter Season on Sunday, April 28th at 2:00 p.m. as a Worship Service for the folks at Wesley Enhanced Living gets its start. The folks there were looking for a Christian worship service and we are so thankful that we could help get this started. That first service will be held on the 28th. I will be leading the service every 4th Sunday. I would so appreciate it if a few folks from Hope would be able to accompany me to Wesley Enhanced Living to help with wheelchairs and to provide support. Please let me know if you can help. The Lord is always giving us new opportunities. God is doing a new thing!

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



DEEP BLUE:

Be with God
Love God and Neighbor
Understand themselves as Children of God
Explore Faith and the Bible

SUNDAY SCHOOL IS BACK AT

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 began 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.

NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER

Each year National Day of Prayer is held at Rose Tree Park, Media, Rte 252 & Rt. 1. The event will take place on Thursday, May 2nd at 11:30 a.m. All are welcome.



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!

UPCOMING EVENTS

JAZZ VESPERS AT UNION, UMC

APRIL 28, 2019

7:00 p.m.

**Featuring: "The Dennis Fortune Trio"
With Special Guest "Ms. Brenda Smith"**

**Celebrating International Jazz Day -
2019**

HEALTH MINISTRIES

Community Forum - April 30th at Union

Single-player health coverage, also known as Medicare for All, is being looked at favorably by about 60% of Americans. Do you agree? Learn how this system would work. Dave Steil from Health Care 4 All PA will explain the system and answer your questions at our Community Forum on Tuesday, April 30th at 7:30 p.m. at Union. Invite your neighbors to this informative session. United Methodist Women will be providing refreshments including healthy options.

FELLOWSHIP DINNER

FELLOWSHIP TOGETHER

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

A Fellowship dinner for Union and Hope will be held at Hope UMC, 1108 Steel Road on Sunday, May 19th at 6:00 P.M. This is a way to get to know our Brothers and Sisters from Union and enjoy a time of Fellowship together. Everyone is encouraged to attend and bring your Favorite Covered dish.