

**THIS WEEK AT HOPE**  
**SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**  
**MAY 26, 2019**

No Sunday School  
GPCC Worship Service 11:00 a.m.  
Outdoor Memorial Service at Union  
combined with Temple Lutheran &  
Hope UMC 10:00 a.m.

**There is NO 9:30 a.m. service at Hope  
for this week ONLY**

**No Children Bible Study for this  
Sunday Only.**

**MONDAY**

**Church Office is Closed on Mondays.  
Memorial Day (USA)**

**FRIDAY**

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

**NEXT WEEK AT HOPE**  
**SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**  
**June 2, 2019**

**Sunday Worship Service at 9:30 a.m.**  
**Pastor: Rev. Mary Jane Kirby**  
**Communion Sunday**  
**HOPE SUNDAY SCHOOL Ages 3 to 12**  
**years - All children are welcome!**  
**Childcare available this morning,**  
**outdoor service.**  
**GPCC Service 11:00 a.m.**



**BIRTHDAYS OF THE WEEK**

May 26 Ann Eves  
Mike Cutillo  
27 Donna Parson  
30 Doris Peabody  
Janice (Cutillo) De Franco  
31 Lillian Magro

**VISITORS WELCOME TO HOPE**

**Please sign the visitor's card in the  
pews.**  
**Thank you,**

**BIBLE STUDY AT HOPE**

You are 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.

**STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL**  
**THURSDAY, JUNE 6**

Union UMC is having their annual  
"Strawberry Festival" on June 6<sup>th</sup> from  
5:00 to 8:00 p.m. Supper of hot dogs, side  
dishes, chips and strawberries and ice  
cream, baked table and Gift Shop Table.  
All are invited to attend.

**STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT:**

*"On either side of the river is the tree of  
life with its twelve kinds of fruit, producing  
its fruit each month; and the leaves of the  
tree are for the healing of the nations."*

Revelation 22:2b

As we reflect upon stewardship, we  
remember again that stewardship is taking  
good care of all that is entrusted to us. We  
think about good use of our resources, our  
assets, our gifts – all of it to be used in a  
way that brings glory to God and blessings  
to God's people, we are also stewards of  
our relationships. This is a glorious day  
for relationship. Thank you, Lord! We  
gather in God's beautiful environment to  
remember that we are called to be one  
people in Christ. We greet old and new  
and renewed friends and we recognize that  
God has blessed us to be together. We  
remember that others have gone before us  
to give of themselves, many of them who  
gave all, and we give thanks. Pastor Tim  
calls this time together "Mass on the  
Grass." I like that and sometimes we  
Protestants don't always get the meaning  
of the term "Mass" that our Catholic  
brothers and sisters use to refer to their  
worship. "Mass" means "dismissal." The  
celebration takes its name from the  
sending forth that occurs at the end of  
every Mass. We celebrate coming  
together and our unity and we celebrate  
being called to go forth and to live the  
story, to live the faith. Go forward today  
to nurture relationships and live tenderly  
and in great thanks and appreciation for  
one another.

**Question for your Faith Journey...**

*As I am sent forth today from worship,  
how will I be a good steward of the  
relationships of my life? How will I honor  
those who have gone before me?*

**MEMORIAL SUNDAY OUTDOOR**  
**WORSHIP AND COMMUNITY**  
**PICNIC MAY 26<sup>TH</sup>!**

**TODAY!** We will move from worship to  
fellowship with a Picnic - hot dogs and  
hamburgers will be grilled.

Please be sure to stay and enjoy the food  
and fellowship!

**COMMUNION STEWARDS**

The beginning of each month on Communion  
Sunday, Communion Stewards are an  
important part of the service. They purchase  
and prepare the elements for Communion.  
This is a once a year commitment. Presently  
volunteers are needed for the month of July  
and September. If you are interested e-mail or  
call the Church office. Thank you.

**JAZZ VESPERS AND ICE CREAM**  
**SOCIAL AT UNION UMC**

Featuring "The Sir John Spence Quintet"  
"Celebrating Art Blakey of the Jazz  
Messengers @ 100!"

Sunday, June 23, 2019 at Union UMC,  
200 Brookline Blvd. at 7:00 p.m All are  
welcome!



**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.

**WESLEY ENHANCED LIVING**

Pastor Mary Jane is glad to announce that she will be leading a worship service at Wesley Enhanced Living every 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday at 2:00 p.m. **The service for May will be held on Sunday May 26<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 p.m.** The folks there were looking for a Christian worship service and we are so thankful that we could help get this started. The first service was held on April 28<sup>th</sup>. 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!

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL**

It's not too early to start thinking of Vacation Bible School. Union will hold VBS beginning Tuesday July 9 thru Thursday July 11, 2019 from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. The theme is "Who is My Neighbor?" Each evening begins with a light supper for the children and their families. Children ages 4 - 10 are invited.

**SUMMER CAMP**

There are wonderful opportunities for children and youth at the four Conference Camps. Camping brochures are available on the table outside the Jones Chapel. A week or even three days at camp will bring so much blessings to the children. Please contact the camp for information and consider sending your child.



**ITEMS OF GREATEST NEED:**

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| Pasta sauce  | Mustard     |
| Ketchup      | Oatmeal     |
| Canned Fruit | Cold Cereal |

**FOOD BANK**

**CONTINUED NEEDS:**

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|-----------------|-------------------|
| 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.**

***ADOPT-A-SOLDIER PROJECT***

***Summer support for troops abroad.***

We will send the next packages to **SSG Reagan Q. Cruz** (Civil Affairs NCO), our recent contact for a large group of Army soldiers stationed in Afghanistan (200 men & 55 women) who provide logistical support of troops, equipment, food, etc. For some of the younger soldiers this is their first deployment and being away from home is difficult. They request snacks and various toiletries, and small flashlights. The care packages are shared with all soldiers in the group, as needed, and all items are greatly appreciated.

We mailed 3 boxes just before Easter, and we received a very nice thank you letter from one of the soldiers, expressing gratitude for being remembered by caring strangers-----

The letter is in the basket in the lobby for all of you to read.

Requested items include: **toiletries** (chapstick, sunblock, foot spray, deodorant, toothpaste, body wipes, lotion, eye drops etc.), **snacks** (nuts, sunflower seeds, cookies, crackers, ramen, granola bars, jerky, coffee & filters, fruit cups, **flavoring for water (Mio, Crystal Light)**, tea bags, peanut butter, cough drops, etc.), as well as laundry pods, paperback books, magazines, small games, postcards, pocket multi-tools, and white or black crew socks.

Thank you to everyone for continuing such generous support to bring a bit of home comfort to our troops deployed abroad.

Boxes will be sent by July 1, so please place items in the basket by late June.

**Many thanks from the Outreach Committee,  
 Linda Gonzales**