

THIS WEEK AT HOPE
9th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
AUGUST 11, 2019

Sunday Worship Service at 9:30 a.m.
Pastor: Pastor Mary Jane Kirby
Baptism: Karalyn McKelvey
Childcare is available.
GPCC Worship 11:00 a.m.

MONDAY
Church Office is Closed on Mondays.

WEDNESDAY
GPCC Service at 7:30 p.m.

Bible Study at Union 7:00 p.m. "Taste & See"

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

SATURDAY
Food Bank 1:00 to 3:00 p.m.

NEXT WEEK AT HOPE
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AUGUST 18, 2019

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Childcare available
GPCC 11:00 A.M.



BIRTHDAYS OF THE WEEK
August 15 Kathy Cherwinski
18 Amber Mattoon

WELCOME TO HOPE
Please sign the visitor's card in the pews.
Please place visitor's card in the offering plate. Thank you!

BIBLE STUDY AT HOPE
Adult Bible Study has resumed on Fridays in the Conference Room at 1:15 p.m. All are welcome!

CALENDAR UPDATE FOR SEPTEMBER
September 1 - Worship at Temple Lutheran Church, Brookline Blvd., Havertown at 9:30 a.m.
September 8 - Communion Sunday
September 15, 22 - Lectionary Sundays
September 29 - Healing Service during worship

WITH MUCH APPRECIATION
Thank you to Kathie Friedenberg and Linda Gonzales for all their hard work on one of the warmest days of summer. They cleaned up the flower beds and pulled up

all weeds around the church property. Thank you!

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT:
"...and what does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, And to walk humbly with your God?" - Micah 6:8

On this Sunday when we talk about the nature of God's kingdom and our call to live fully as disciples of our Lord and His Kingdom, I couldn't help but include Micah 6:8 (above). Jesus came to bring God's Kingdom on earth. Jesus has entrusted us with this kingdom and how we receive it and care for it is very important. It is our stewardship. So we must ask ourselves, "Are we living in God's way?" "Is Jesus and His way of peace my way?" or "Am I living each day as more of a citizen of the kingdom of the earth?" That last question sort of catches us short, at least it does me. We find that when we consider what it means to be a steward of God's kingdom, we are thinking of things like mercy, compassion, and living justly with one another, not turning our backs or our hearts away from someone who is having a tough time of it. When we put others first and focus on living the love of Jesus, we find that we are suddenly walking humbly with our God. I pray that you may have deep joy in this journey today.

Question for your Faith Journey...
Am I living a life that honors God and blesses others? What have I been putting

off doing that may bring blessing and justice and peace to someone else?

BAPTISM
In Baptism we welcome Karalyn McKelvey daughter of Dale and Sara McKelvey to our Hope Family.

COMBINED WORSHIP SEPTEMBER 1! Please mark your calendar and remind our sisters and brothers at Hope that our Sunday worship on September 1 will be at Temple Lutheran Church, 501 Brookline Blvd, at 9:30 a.m. We join with Union and Temple Lutheran Church several times during the summer to celebrate our unity in Christ and we choose the summer holidays to do this. There will not be a 9:30 a.m. worship service here (at Hope) that day. Please plan to participate in Community worship!

SUNDAY SCHOOL WILL BE STARTING SOON FOR OUR CHILDREN!

Those who are willing to help with Sunday School, following the lesson outline prepared and assisting with the children, are asked to let Pastor MJ know when you can help. We are asking for two persons for each Sunday. Please choose a Sunday (first, second, or fourth) that would work for you. We will help you prepare to be a part of this vital ministry! Thank you.

Sunday School begins September 8.

OUTREACH - CONNECT BY NIGHT

Thank you to all for your support in responding to all Outreach Programs. Especially many thanks to you for the abundance of snacks and drinks you donated to the guest of Connect by Night. As you know this request was short notice and without your support it would not have been a success.

TASTE & SEE BIBLE STUDY

The remaining Bible Study date for Taste and See is Wednesday, August 14th at Union, 7:00 p.m. All are welcome. Please join us and invite a friend!

WESLEY ENHANCED LIVING

Pastor Mary Jane is glad to announce that she will be leading a worship service at Wesley Enhanced Living every 4th Sunday at 2:00 p.m. Due to vacations there will be no service in August. **The next Worship service will be held on September 22nd 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 28th. 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!



Hope UMC Food Bank WISH LIST

As of 6/20/19

pasta sauce	peanut butter
canned fruit	soup-as-a-meal
canned chicken	potato/rice products
pasta	canned tuna
mustard	ketchup
jelly	hot cereal
cold cereals	peanut butter

bath soap	shampoo
laundry detergent	paper towels
tooth paste	dish soap
toilet paper	deodorant

*** No green beans, corn, or mixed vegetable, please. We have a surplus of those items.**

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

*** No glass, please.**

Thank you for sharing your blessings with the food bank!

Sally Kiner

NEWSLETTER

All articles for the September newsletter should be in the church office by August 20th. Thank you.



SPREAD THE WORD

Hi All,

We will have our **flea market on Sat Oct. 26th**. Advertised 8-1, set up starting at 6:45 thru 7:45 AM. We will then close the lot for all vehicles until 1PM.

The price will be **\$15 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.

Checks should be made out to Cassie Popky with "Flea Market" in the memo.

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.

Thank you
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CARE TO CARE WITH HEARTFELT APPRECIATION

From: Andy Merrell

I just wanted to send an email out to the Hope Leadership team. First, thank you for your prayers, emails, cards, letters, etc. over the last month. This has been a very challenging time for my family. Here are a couple of updates:

1) After an intense 3 months since her initial diagnosis, Helen Rennard (Jacqui's mother) died this afternoon. She was at her home, surrounded by her cats and with Jacqui holding her hand. While there are a lot of "details" that need to be worked through, we were relieved that she passed peacefully and in the manner she most wanted. Pastor Mary Jane Kirby has consented to preside over a small memorial service for Helen. This will take place in Phoenixville with immediate family and a few of her close friends.

2) My pacemaker surgery has gone very well so far. I have had two follow up appointments and the results are very promising. I should be able to resume all aspects of my life without restrictions by the end of August.

Again, thanks for all your kind words and continuing prayers. Special thanks to our Pastor, who has been very supportive.

Andy