HOPE happenings

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Building Hope. Embodying Grace. A Reflection from Pastor Shawn

It's hard to believe that it has been two and a half months since the first wall was set at Hope. Setting those walls is something I will not soon be able to forget, and not merely because of what they stand for. You see, standing those initial walls was not without some drama on my end.

When the telescoping handler was delivered to Hope it did not take long for me to claim a role as the principle operator. Some guys (and it doesn't matter the age) simply love construction equipment, and I am one of them. For days I oriented myself on the machine moving stacks of wood from one place to another. When the day came to pick up the 20'x20' wall sections I was cautious but prepared. One at a time, I picked up each section and moved it to its permanent home in the new building.

Things were going great, and my confidence operating the machine was growing. Then it happened. The time came to set the wall in the farthest corner, around the excavator, and over the foundation wall for the front of the building in a strong wind. I was getting good, but not that good. I approached the task, but I ended up setting the wall on the ground two-thirds of the way to its ultimate destination after coming to the realization that it was set, the wall on the ground or get set on the ground by the wall. It tested my skills, and I definitely failed.

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WORSHIP NOTES

8:30am: Band Led 10:30am: Piano & Organ Led

Sunday, September 1— **12th Sunday after Pentecost** Readings: Proverbs 25:6-7 Sirach 10:12-18 Gospel: Luke 13:1-8, 15-16

Sunday, September 8– **13th Sunday after Pentecost** Readings: Deuteronomy 30:15-20 Philemon 1-21 Gospel: Luke 14:25-33

Sunday, September 15– **14th Sunday after Pentecost** Readings: Exodus 32:7-14 1 Timothy 1:12-17 Gospel: Like 15:1-10 Sunday, September 22**– 15th Sunday after Pentecost** Readings: Amos 8:4-7 1 Timothy 2:1-7 Gospel: Luke 16:1-13

Sunday, September 29– **16th Sunday after Pentecost** Readings: Amos 6:1a, 4-7 1 Timothy 6:6-19 Gospel: Luke 16:19-31



I wish to most sincerely thank the congregation of Hope Lutheran Church for all you have done for me during my tenure in Arcade.
The ever so kind words you shared a few Sundays ago, along with the gift of the Shalom plaque will be always remembered.
I have been so richly blessed by our association in and for ministry

in the Arcade area. Your acceptance, support and love of me and our ministries together have meant and continue to mean so very much to me. As I prepare to relocate, please know each of you will remain in my heart. I pray that your ministries, both individually and in conjunction with the greater community, might continue to be richly, powerfully and lovingly blessed.

Shalom, my friends, Shalom!! Pastor Bob Dievendorf

Building Hope. Embodying Grace. cont.

Eventually we stood the wall, and I approached the task with new focus and concern. That night I barely slept. The task of operating the machine remained. The next day I returned to the job site with phrases running through my head: Slow is fast. Safety first. I told myself that I would not push the equipment or myself. There would be no more mistakes.

I got into the cab of the forklift that morning, and went to move a pile of wood closer to our build site. And it happened. While picking up the wood, I smashed the forks directly into the foundation wall and crumbled the concrete. So much for taking it slow, doing it right, and not making a mistake.

While some guys who saw it laughed it off, I sat in the cab with a competing set of emotions: complete disappointment and raging anger. I went to tell Mike, our leader, what happened and



to hand him my keys to the tele-handler. I was done. But his response not only surprised me, it was healing. He told me that would not be our last mistake, that we can fix it, and to get back into the cab. **It was grace.**

When I think about what God is up to in our building at Hope, I used to think doing it ourselves would be a liability. I now believe it is one of the greatest parts of the project. You see, we are building more than a community center, we are building a community. A community where all have gifts to share, where no one has to be perfect, and where grace abounds. We are building a community where effort is celebrated and shame has no place. We're building God's kingdom, and, in the end, isn't that what it has always been about?

The world has enough disappointment. The world has enough anger. The world has enough insecurity. The world has enough doubt. The world has enough pessimism. Thank you, Hope, for embodying grace. Thank you for making lifting 3,700 lbs. of drywall in an afternoon surprisingly joyful. Thank you for being God's life, and a beacon of light. Let's keep the ball rolling, and the building going.

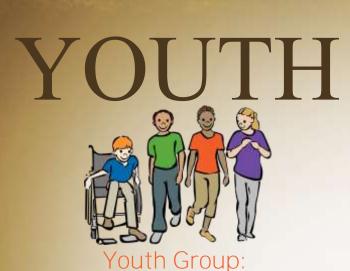
In Our Prayers:

We pray for Matthew Nourse, Curt Emery, Luke Fries, Ben, Jaysen Bray, Kyler Limburg, Dave Carr, Paul Sanders, Betty Offhaus, Traci, Joan Taylor, Roger Day, Matt Weaver, Mary Ann, Jerry Webster, Mary Dell, Katie Offhaus,, Sue Adams and family, Matt Stania, Jackson Mason, Dolly Buchhardt,, Sandy Harris, Josephine Hill, Doug Lavery, Carrie Ruffin, Suzanne & Otto Struckman, Gary Beiersdorf, Rev. John Fehringer, Ken Babbitt, Dr. Gordon Comstock, Catherine, Jay May, Lisa Granger, Dan Petrie, Ed Cole, Lois Millville, Theresa Swift, Joe Strobele, Jr., Charles Karnth, Wade, Joni Cuff, Betsey Koerner, and Don Tober.

We also pray for all those who are struggling with drug and alcohol addictions and also pray for the victims of all forms of abuse. We continue to keep our Servicemen and women, who are serving at home and overseas, in our prayers.

EVENTS at a GLANCE Sentember

September 1:	Sunday Services- 8:30am & 10:30am			
September 3:	Quilting: 10am-2pm Hope Archery: 6:30pm NO Youth Group			
September 5:	Tent Take Down at Turkey Run– Volunteers needed			
September 6:	Hope Preschool Orientation: 9:30am			
September 8:	Sunday Services- 8:30am & 10:30am			
September 9:	First Day of Hope Preschool: 9:30am Church Council: 6:30pm			
September 10:	Quilting: 10am-2pm Youth Group: 6:30-8pm Hope Archery: 6:30pm			
September 11: Hope Respite: 10:30am-2:30pm				
September 15:	Sunday Services- 8:30am & 10:30am			
September 17:	Quilting: 10am-2pm American Red Cross Blood Drive: 11:30am-5:30pm Youth Group: 6:30-8pm Hope Archery: 6:30pm			
September 19:	Ladies Book Club #2 at Carol Boldt's Home:7pm			
September 21:	Sunday Services- 8:30am & 10:30am			
September 24:	Quilting: 10am-2pm Ladies Book Club #3 at Hope: 2:30pm Youth Group: 6:30-8pm Hope Archery: 6:30pm			
September 25:	Committee Coffee House: 6:30pm			
September 26:	Book Club #1 at Carol Hannon's Home: 7pm			
September 29:	Sunday Services- 8:30am & 10:30am Family Fun at Arcade Lanes– 12:30-2:30pm Confirmation: 5-7pm			
September30:	Ale House Church at Main Street Grille:7pm			



Middle & High School Youth

Middle and High School Students are invited every Tuesday evening from 6:30-8pm for fellowship, food and fun! We are excited to welcome back Zach Wiedemann this fall to lead the youth group with Pastor Shawn. Fall Youth Group will kick off September 10! Bring a friend and a few dollars for pizza.

Confirmation:

7th-9th Graders

Confirmation for Hope's 7th-9th graders begins on September 29th from 5-7pm. Confirmation classes are offered one Sunday a month for 9 months with the purpose of helping our children grow in their faith, articulate what they believe and what it means to follow Jesus. If your child desires to take part in Confirmation this year we invite them to the first class on September 29th.

Family Day:

All ages!

We are having a Hope family day at the Arcade Lanes on Sunday, September 29 from 12:30-2:30pm. Sign-up on the bulletin board so we can reserve lanes. The cost will be \$5 a person, not to exceed \$20 a family. Financial assistance is available.





This year marks the 40th year of Hope's Preschool where we have been providing early childhood development for 3 and 4-year-old children in our area.

This year we will be welcoming 19 children to our three day a week program. It is our mission to provide a safe place for children to learn and grow while knowing they are loved, valued and nurtured in their development. This year we are excited to be welcoming two new staff members to our Hope Preschool Family in an effort to provide quality programming to the families who choose Hope Preschool.

Hope Preschool Director: Julie Tingue

Julie will be taking on the role of Hope's Preschool Director in addition to her role at Hope as Ministry Coordinator where she coordinates many of our children's ministries. Julie graduated from West Virginia University with a degree in Agricultural Education and taught preschool in Maryland prior to her move to New York.



Interim Preschool Teacher: Janet Campana Janet was a preschool teacher for over 20 years. She used to own her own preschool on Main Street in Arcade, Rhymes and Reasons. Janet later taught preschool at Arcade Elementary. We are excited for her experience,



knowledge and love of children that she brings to Hope Preschool.

OPPORTUNITIES

TO GIVE & SERVE

TENT MOVE: We are seeking a handful of volunteers to take down our tent and put it away for the winter. We will meet at Turkey Run Golf Course to take it down on Thursday, **September 5 at 2pm**. Please contact Pastor Shawn if we can count on you to help.

BLOOD DRIVE: Please consider donating as the need is always constant. A blood drive is being held on Tuesday, **September 17 from, 11:30am-5:30pm**. Call or go online to set up an appointment or simply swing by during the drive.



PRESCHOOL SCHOLARSHIP: We have families that are looking for financial assistance for the upcoming school year at Hope Preschool. The cost of tuition is \$110/month. If your family would be interested in sponsoring a portion of the tuition for a family, please see the church office.

HOPE IS BUILDING: We are so grateful to our church members and families for their support of our building this far. With the exception of the roof and the concrete all work has been done 100% by volunteers. We are so proud of this accomplishment. There are always jobs to complete and if you are interested please call the church office to inquire. You can also join the volunteer list by emailing julie@hopearcade.org.

SPROUTING HOPE: The new school year brings new changes for our Sprouting Hope Children's Ministry. We have a few very special teachers who will be rotating teachers for our 8:30am service on a regular basis. Our 10:30am service is still in need of volunteers for the fall, a sign-up sheet is located on Hope's bulletin board. Also new is that we are having the children come back into the service during the sharing of the peace. We are excited to share this component of the service with our little ones.

MENS GROUP AT FRIENDS OF NIGHT PEOPLE IN OCTOBER: The men of our church are invited to take part in a service project on **October 3** at Friends of Night People in Buffalo. 10-12 Men are asked to attend this service project which will involve serving dinner and drinks, cleaning trays and helping in the clothing closet. We will carpool from church at 3:30pm, will serve from 5-7:30pm and then go out to dinner before returning home to Arcade.

QUILT SHOW: Hope's Quilt Show will be held on Friday, Saturday and Sunday, **October 18, 19, and 20.** There are signup sheets on the Shelf for donation and volunteer requests. Please check and see how you may be able to help. The quilt,("New Hope") on display in the Parish Hall, was made by the ladies in our Quilt Group. A drawing for the quilt will be held on Sunday, Oct. 20th. If you wish to purchase tickets or would be willing to sell some for us, please get them in the church office.







Gods Work Our Hands: Check out our awesome volunteers who have spent countless hours getting us to this point in our building project! We could not have done it without them!













Summer VBS: TO MARS & BEYOND!

We enjoyed hosting over 70 children at our summer Vacation Bible School where we taught bible stories through Godly Play, crafts, snacks, games, mission projects and music! We are so thankful to the volunteers that made this happen!



















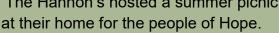






 Our 4th Annual Hope FORE a Future Golf Tournament raised over \$13,000 for the building. We hosted 20 teams and are forever grateful for the golfers, volunteers and sponsors!







▲ The Youth Group enjoyed a trip to Darien Lake thanks to the McCarthy family this summer!



▲ Hope Volunteers made a meal for the famlies at Ronald McDonald House in July.



▲ July & August Respite programing including celebrating the 4th of July and County Fair Time. We appreciate the donation of lunch from both Arcade McDonals & Arcade UCC this summer!

CELEBRATIONS

Birthdays...

1- MICHAEL CAMPANA 2- CORA FLEISCHMAN 2- ANNA TAVERNIER **3- BETH MILLER** 6- MEGAN TITUS 7- DELANEY PETRI 7- MEGAN SONNER 8- CARMEN PETRILLO 8- TRACEY WOOD 8- RUTH ZIMMERMAN 9- ROBERT VOSSLER **11- STEPHANIE MILKS** 12- CODY SMITH **12- MADELYN TAVERNIER** 13- ELOISE LAMBERT **15- TRACY BLISS**

16- MELISSA BROWN 16- DEBBIE CARR 16- MARY SONGSTER-ALPIN 17- KIM WITTENRICH 19- ANTHONY PETRILLO 20- KARA BOLDT 21- JIM ALPIN 23- JENNIFER BLACKWELL 24- KAITLYN WOOD 26- JIM FLEISCHMAN 28- TYCE MONIN 29– SANDRA ASHWORTH 29- ANDREW DEAHN 29- ELEANORA WINFIELD 30- KOLE HAMMELL



4- ASHLEY & ANDREW BARTZ 6- DOUG & MARY LOU MERLAU 8- BOB & JODIE BUCHHARDT 8- MARGIE & GARY RUNG 9- EDLA REYNOLDS & KEN-NETH BABBITT 12- DAVID & JEANNE HOLMES 21- STEVE & SUE METZGER 29- MARCY & TIMOTHY SONNER 30- JUDY & JOE STROBELE 30- ALBERT & JUDITH NOBLE

Save the Date...

October 3– Men's Group at Friends of Night People October 14– Church Council October 18,19,20– Hope Quilt Show & Chicken & Biscuit Dinner October 23– Coffee House October 27– Reformation Sunday October 28– Ale House Church



SERVING IN WORSHIP

	September 8	September 15	September 22	September 29
Sunday Steward: 8:30 am	Cora Blackwell	Tracey Wood	Paul Fehringer	Mary Songster-Alpin
Greeters: 8:30am	Joanne Offers	Missy Pleace	Smith Family	Diane Gibbs
AV Tech: 8:30 am	Cora Blackwell	Angie Tavernier	Jim Alpin	Jacob & Ernie
Acolyte: 8:30 am	Cecelia Titus	Cody Smith	Makenna Smith	McKenna Krist
Assisting Minister: 8:30 am	Tracey Wood	Mary Songster Alpin	Joanne Offers	Marjorie Webster
Children's Church: 8:30am	Amy Thomson	Anna Tavernier	Deb Wood	Amy Thomson
Lector: 8:30am	Joanne Offers	Jim Alpin	Monica Reding	Cora Blackwell
Prayers: 8:30 am	Angie Tavernier	Jen Blackwell	Dale Deahn	Tracey Wood
Ushers: 8:30am	Betsey Craft & Diane Gibbs	Mike Sonner Barb Sonner	Andy Bartz Jason Gerhard	Bev Hallock Betsey Craft
HC Assistants: 8:30am	Barb Sonner Margie Webster Ashley Bartz	Margie Webster Brian Tavernier Tyler Bley	Angie Tavernier Ernie Floyd Kim Boldt	Missy Pleace Jenni Smith Jen Blackwell
Sunday Steward: 10:30 am	Carol Boldt	Bob Vossler	Margie Rung	Carol Boldt
Greeters: 10:30 am	Pauline Brown	Carol Boldt	Sharlene Vossler	Kim Offers
AV Tech: 10:30 am	Cindy Struckmann	Stephen Struck- mann	Cindy Struckmann	Carol Stafffehl
Acolyte: 10:30 am	Kristofer Burfield	Tyce Monin	Gavin Hammell	Trey Monin
Assisting Minister: 10:30 am	Sue Dressel	Sue Farris	Bob Vossler	Stephen Struckmann
Children's Church: 10:30 am	Julie Tingue	Julie Tingue	Volunteer Needed	Volunteer Needed
Lector: 10:30 am	Janice Page	Sharlene Vossler	Al Boldt	Jodie Buchhardt
Prayers: 10:30 am	Paul Rigerman	Bob Vossler	Kim Offers	Sue Farris
Ushers: 10:30 am	Jamie & Rachel Kittleson	Kathy LaScala Sandi Bennett	Bob & Jodie Buchhardt	Len & Sue Dressel
HC Assistants: 10:30 am	Payeton Burfield Ruth Zimmerman Jodie Buchhardt	Ellen McCarthy Cindy Struckmann Rachel Kittleson	Carol Boldt Kathy LaScala Sue Dressel	Brenda Schmidt Ellen McCarthy Cindy Struckmann
Altar Guilds:	Ellen McCarthy Barb Sonner	Cindy Struckmann Tracey Wood	Carol Boldt Sue Dressel	Barb Sonner Margie Rung
Coffee Hour:	Diane Gibbs	Brenda Schmidt Sandy Ashworth Dorothy Rasmus- son	Bartz Family	Titus Family
Counters:	Mike Sonner	Joanne Offers Kelly Thomson	John Kossow	Jamie & Rachel Kittleson

In everything there is hope.





Arcade, New York

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