

Hope Lutheran Church

4131 Lehigh Drive, Cherryville, PA 18035-1030
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hopecherryville.org

CORE PURPOSE STATEMENT: *People of Hope: working together, with God, to love and serve others...*
August 20, 2017 **Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost**

In Isaiah we hear that God's house shall be a house of prayer for all people and that God will gather the outcasts of Israel. The Canaanite woman in today's gospel is a Gentile, an outsider, who is unflinching in her request that Jesus heal her daughter. As Jesus commends her bold faith, how might our church extend its mission to those on the margins of society? In our gathering around word and meal we receive strength to be signs of comfort, healing, and justice for those in need.

CHURCH STAFF

Pastor	Rev. Jami Possinger	ext. #12
Assistant Pastor	Rev. Brian Rajcok	ext. #13
Pastor Emeritus	Rev. Clark W. Kuntz II	
Administrative Manager	Jane Tretiak	ext. #10
Director of Music	David Ziegler	ext. #11
Treasurer	Trudy Mertz	
Sexton	Bonnie Zmyewski	
Financial Secretary	Deb Gardner	
Communications Specialist	Nina Weiss	ext. #20

SERVICE PARTICIPANTS

9:00 AM

Acolyte	Gavin Hagley
Crucifer	Grace Heffintrayer
Greeter	Adam Holencik
Lector	Michelle Costanzo
Ushers	Kocher and Lehr Team
Communion Assistants	Sharyn Kratzer, Brenda Lehr and Karen Wolfe
Video Volunteer	Sam Koplín
August Altar Guild	Karen Koplín and Roslyn Scott

SERVICE NOTES

HOLY COMMUNION LITURGY

The pamphlet you received this morning for Holy Communion includes the entire service and music. The only portion you need to use your hymnal for are the hymns. The hymns for this morning are as follows:

Gathering Song # 532 "Gather Us In"
 Hymn of the Day # 733 "Great Is Thy Faithfulness"
 Sending Song # 878 "Soli Deo Gloria"

Offering Anthem "El Shaddai" Kimberly Roth, Soprano

Please return the worship pamphlet to be used again through the summer.

TO THE GLORY OF GOD

ALTAR FLOWERS: * In Loving Memory of Gina Lyn Riso, We love you, Dad, Mom and Eric. * In Loving Memory of my Husband, Joseph S. Holubowski's Birthday. We miss you dearly. Love, Wife, Pamela and Family.

BULLETINS: * In Loving Memory of Mother, Rita Hulsizer, Love, Kim and Family. * In Celebration of Betty Billig's Birthday, Love, LeAnn Chandler. * In Celebration of our 59th Wedding Anniversary, by Ralph and Jane Fisher. * In Celebration of Wyatt Holencik's 3rd Birthday, Love, Nana and Pappy.

THE PRESS: * In Loving Memory of my Dad, Howard Strohl, Love and Miss You, Linda.

IN PRAYER TODAY – St. John, Bath (Pastor Jay R. Wetzel).

CONGRATULATIONS – Jessamy Zimmerman and Christopher Benko were married yesterday at Stokesay Castle in Reading.

CONFIRMATION ORIENTATION MEETING – will be held TODAY, Sunday, August 20th from 10:00-11:00am for youth entering 7th or 8th grades (or older if not yet confirmed).

SUMMER WORSHIP - one service at 9:00am (with Holy Communion) during the summer season, continuing through Sunday, September 3rd.

NATIONAL YOUTH GATHERING – There will be a mandatory NYG meeting for youth and parents after the service NEXT Sunday August 27th. If you plan on going to the Gathering this meeting is mandatory and at least one parent must be present.

CHURCH NURSERY – please make a note that now through Sunday, September 3rd, we will not be staffing the church nursery for the 9:00am service. The nursery will be open and you are welcome to take your children in if they need a break, but you will need to stay with them. Thank you.

SUMMER HYMN SING – your favorite hymns will be sung for 15 minutes before each service. Anything goes! Our hymnal has a lot of hymns to choose from, so pick your favorites and we will sing them. In order to accommodate as many requests as possible, we will only sing the first two (2) stanzas of each hymn requested.

CHURCH OFFICE – Summer office hours are from 9:00am – 3:00pm from Monday through Friday. When Jane is out of the office, it will be staffed by our office volunteers (Leslie Daniel, Cindy Kocher, Toni Snyder and Madeline Reph) and Nina Weiss, our Communications Specialist.

VEGETABLE SHARING – do you plant a garden? Do you have more tomatoes, cucumbers, peppers, onions, etc... than you know what to do with? If so, please share your excess vegetables with your church family. Bring them on Sunday mornings and place them on the table in the narthex. Anyone can then take whatever they can use. Thank you! (Sunday mornings **only** please!)

PRAYERS FOR THE WEEK – The Congregational Council is encouraging all our members to grow in their spirituality through a regular Prayer Life. One way of doing this is by lifting up in prayer one family from our church each day of the year. This week's families are:

- 08/20/17 Jeffrey, Gina, Julia, Jonathan Barber and family
- 08/21/17 Kelly Barry, Aiden, Nicholas Maltese and family
- 08/22/17 Mark, Karen Bateman and family
- 08/23/17 Tammy, Gavin, Preston, Paige Bauer and family
- 08/24/17 Heather, Laura, Anna Bealer and family
- 08/25/17 John, Susan, Jonathan Bednar and family
- 08/26/17 Antoinette Beers and family

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LAST DAY TO APPLY - PT ADMIN. MANAGER/SECRETARY - position available at Hope Lutheran Cherryville. Duties include: support ministerial staff and church office operations. M-F ~30 hr/wk. Candidates must be self-motivated with effective communication and organizational skills and ability to work with computer software programs. Background clearances required for employment. Application available at www.hopecherryville.org. Submit application and letter of interest by **TODAY, 8/20/17**.

HOPE CHURCH'S YARD SALE – THANK YOU for all of your donations, we are gearing up and getting ready for our annual yard sale on Labor Day weekend. The deadline to bring items is NEXT SUNDAY, AUGUST 27th The yard sale at Hope Church will be held on Friday, September 1st from 8:00am -2:00pm (*special early bird entrance at 7:00am for \$10.00 fee*) and Saturday, September 2nd from 8:00am – 1:00pm. Food and drinks will be available to purchase. Also, there will be a bake sale. Sign-up sheets are located in the narthex, please sign up TODAY if you can help in any way. Questions, please call Doris Zellers at 610-703-8550. Hope to see you there!

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION – Help wanted! Please contact Michelle if you are interested in teaching Sunday School. Help is needed for Grades 3 and 4 for the 2017 – 2018 school year.

SUMMER WORSHIP SURVEY – Your input is needed! Please take a minute to answer this short survey about the change Hope made this summer! There's a paper version, or it's available online (web site and Facebook).

CARD SHOWERS – Betty Billig will celebrate her 92nd birthday on August 22nd. Please send birthday cards to Betty at 1801 Newport Avenue, Apt. 105, Northampton, PA 18067. Also, a card shower has been requested for Ruth Holtzer (Kathryn Strohl's sister). Ruth will celebrate her 99th birthday on August 28th. Please send her cards to Mahoning Nursing Home, 397 Hemlock Drive, Lehighton, PA 18235.

STATISTICS – Last Sunday’s attendance; 9:00am service – **167**; **Total offering - \$5,922.16**; (includes **\$381.00** for the building fund).

CHURCH SOFTBALL TEAM – the season ends this weekend with a tournament. Call Lou Ventura at 610-413-8502 or email him at louis.m.ventura@jci.com for more information. Good luck Hope Church! You can also check out their Facebook Group (Hope Lutheran Softball) for more information!

BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS - Each year when Sunday School ramps up for the fall we take time in worship to bless the teachers as they begin a new year of teaching. This year, as summer draws to a close and the new school year begins for our youth we’d like to take the time to bless their endeavors as well. **So NEXT Sunday, August 27th we invite all children to bring the backpacks they will be using for school in the 2017-2018 academic year to church and have them blessed during worship!** We’ll be offering this opportunity at both worship services. Parents and other adults are invited to bring along their laptop bags, briefcases or folders and have them blessed as well! We will also include bus drivers, cafeteria workers, principals, teachers and all who work in the school systems in our prayers so we hope you will all join us for worship! Let’s all start off a new school year with God’s blessings.

NEW MEMBERS CLASSES – have been scheduled for Sundays, September 17th, 24th and October 1st. The classes will be held from 9:15 to 10:15 in Kuntz Hall. Call the church office for more information at 610-767-7203.

SAVE THE DATE – the Northampton Area Food Bank will be sponsoring a Penny Party on Sunday, September 24th in Kuntz Hall. More details to follow!

ELECTRONIC GIVING - A Simple and Convenient Way to Give! If you think you may miss church services this summer due to travel or other commitments, consider setting up an automatic giving schedule. Your consistent support is vital to our church, especially during summer months. To set up a recurring contribution, visit the church website at www.hopecherryville.org and locate the electronic giving page.



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CALENDAR OF THE WEEK

For complete rehearsal schedules, see the online calendar
at calendar.hopecherryville.org

Today	Holy Communion Confirmation Orientation Sunday School Teacher Meeting	9:00am 10:00am 10:00am
Monday	Mutual Ministry	7:00pm
Tuesday	Pastor's Pericope Meeting	8:30am
Thursday	Newsletter Collation Pastor's Bible Study Hope's Helping Hands Meeting	10:00am 10:00am 6:00pm
Saturday	Yard Sale Set Up	<i>See sign-up sheets</i>
Next Sunday	Blessing of the Backpacks Holy Communion National Youth Gathering Meeting Yard Sale Set Up	9:00am 9:00am 10:15am <i>See sign-up sheets</i>

REMINDER TO WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

Sunday, August 27	9:00am
Acolyte	Emily McCutcheon
Crucifer	Ryan McCutcheon
Greeter	Sharyn Kratzer
Lector	Chris Steigerwalt
Communion Assistants	Linda Mery, Earl and Toni Snyder
Ushers	Snyder Team
Video Volunteer	Reece Anderson
August Altar Guild	Karen Koplín, Roslyn Scott
August Sign Changers	John and Lynda Kaspern
August Lock Up	Jane and Ed Tretiak

