

# Hope Lutheran Church

4131 Lehigh Drive, Cherryville, PA 18035-1030  
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[hopecherryville.org](http://hopecherryville.org)

**CORE PURPOSE STATEMENT: *People of Hope: working together, with God, to love and serve others...***

**September 3, 2017 Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost**

The prophet Jeremiah speaks of the incurable wound of his suffering, yet finds in God's words the delight of his heart. When Peter doesn't grasp Jesus' words about suffering, Jesus tells the disciples they will find their lives in losing them. Such sacrificial love is described by Paul when he urges us to associate with the lowly and not repay evil with evil. In worship we gather as a community that we might offer ourselves for the sake of our suffering world.

## 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	Aislinn McDonald
Crucifer	Felicia Paly
Greeter	Ernie Doncsecz
Lector	Sharyn Kratzer
Ushers	Kurinec Team
Communion Assistants	Kim Belletti, Deb Gardner, Lori Kerper
Video Volunteer	Bob Small
September Altar Guild	Loretta Weil, Marge Zimmermann, Pat Schimaneck, Judy Christman

## 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 # 879 "For the Beauty of the Earth"  
 Hymn of the Day # 808 "Lord Jesus, You Shall Be My Song"  
 Sending Song # 548 "Rise, O Church, like Christ Arisen"

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

### TO THE GLORY OF GOD

**ALTAR FLOWERS:** ☞ In Celebration of our 22<sup>nd</sup> Wedding Anniversary! ☞ In Celebration of Helene Mery's Birthday, Love, Kim and Dan Belletti. Happy Birthday Mom!

**BULLETINS:** In Celebration of Lauren Verret and Matt Januski's Wedding, Love, Mom, Ron and Family. ☞ Happy Birthday wishes for Jim Gardner's 70<sup>th</sup> Birthday tomorrow (September 4<sup>th</sup>), Love, Deb and Family.

**THE PRESS:** ☞ In Celebration of Helene Mery's Birthday, Love, Kim and Dan Belletti. Happy Birthday Mom!

**OUR SYMPATHY** – to family and friends of Curtis Renner. Curtis entered eternal life on August 27<sup>th</sup>. Please keep them in your prayers.

**CONGRATULATIONS** – Lauren Verret and Matt Januski were married yesterday! Best wishes to Lauren and Matt.

**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 (website and Facebook).

**IN PRAYER TODAY** – Holy Trinity, Catasauqua (Pastor Jimmy Lee Werley, Interim).

**CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED** – TOMORROW, Monday, September 4<sup>th</sup> in observance of Labor Day.

**HOPE CHURCH'S YARD SALE** – THANK YOU, THANK YOU! We just had another successful yard sale. We couldn't do it without all of our wonderful volunteers and all of your donations. Great job everyone!

**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:

09/03/17 Barbara Burns and family  
 09/04/17 Alyce, Abygail, Alyzah, Ashlyn Borger and family  
 09/05/17 Betty Billig and family  
 09/06/17 Miriam Burbes and family  
 09/07/17 Earl, Alberta Bloss and family  
 09/08/17 Timothy, Marjorie, Paige Beil and family  
 09/09/17 Miriam Borger and family

**CHURCH OFFICE** – Church office hours for the fall will resume on Wednesday, September 6<sup>th</sup>. The hours will be Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday from 7:30am-4:00pm and Tuesday will remain 9:00am-3:00pm.

**NEW MEMBERS CLASSES** – have been scheduled for Sundays, September 17<sup>th</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup> and October 1<sup>st</sup>. 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.

**PENNY PARTY** - The Northampton Area Food Bank is sponsoring a **PENNY PARTY** on **Sunday, September 24<sup>th</sup>** in Kuntz Hall of Hope Lutheran Church. Doors open at **1:30pm** and the fun begins at **2:00pm**. There will be refreshments, a raffle, and bake sale in addition to the Penny Party. So bring your pennies, spare change and even a few dollars for a chance to win food or household items and even some baked goods for just pennies at this fun-filled event. Hope to see everyone there!

**CAR WASH FOR A CAUSE** - Youth group will be holding its annual car wash early this year! Rather than have it in May we'll have it September 23<sup>rd</sup> from 9:00am-2:00pm. Cars are \$5.00, trucks \$7.00, and you can save some money by answering Bible trivia questions correctly! Hot dogs, drinks, and baked goods will also be available for purchase. Half of the proceeds go to youth group's ELCA National Youth Gathering next summer, and half go to a charity our Confirmation students' choice! Rain date is September 30<sup>th</sup>.

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**CHRISTIAN EDUCATION/SUNDAY SCHOOL** - Rally Day is **NEXT Sunday, September 10<sup>th</sup> at 9:15 AM**. All children should meet in their classrooms and will participate in Rally Day as a class. This year's theme for Rally Day and the school year is "Hometown Hero". The children will see how each of us can do something to help our neighbors. Reminder: each child must register each year for Sunday School. Be sure to include a parent's email to receive the new Sunday School newsletter, we will send it out regularly. Forms are available in the office.

**POST-CONFIRMATION** - Starting Sunday, September 17<sup>th</sup> during the Sunday School hour (9:15 AM); high school students are invited to a new post-confirmation program! We will meet the first and third Sundays of every month, have discussions, and do various activities. The group will pretty much be whatever you want to make it, so come to our first meeting and let's get the year off to a good start!

**CHICKEN & WAFFLE DINNER** - Youth group's Chicken & Waffle Dinner will be held Saturday, October 7<sup>th</sup> from 4:00-7:00pm with seatings every half hour. Tickets are \$10.00 for adults and \$4.00 for children ages three to seven, and a waffle and ice cream dessert only option for \$4.00. Tickets will be available Sunday after both the 8:00am & 10:30am services on September 10<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup>, and October 1<sup>st</sup>. Thanks for your support!

**WOMEN OF THE ELCA** - All those attending the breakfast at St. John's in Nazareth please meet at the church at 8:00am on Saturday September 9<sup>th</sup> to carpool over to their church. Remember to wear RED as we continue to celebrate 500 years.

**PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY** – will resume their meetings on Thursday, September 14<sup>th</sup> at 10:00am. All are welcome to attend. For more information, please contact Jo Anne Creyer at 610-262-3204.

**WELCA** - meets September 19<sup>th</sup> at 9:00am in the Adult Sunday School room in front of Kuntz Hall.

**CARD SHOWER** – Jean Hoanzl will celebrate her 92<sup>nd</sup> birthday on September 4<sup>th</sup>. Send cards to Jean at Gracedale County Home, 2 Gracedale Avenue, Nazareth, PA 18064.

**BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENING** - The next blood pressure screening by the Wellness Team is on Sunday, September 10<sup>th</sup> following worship in the conference room.

**JOURNEYS THROUGH GRIEF** – a six-week seminar for those who are grieving. Monday mornings from 10:30am-12:00pm from October 9<sup>th</sup> through November 6<sup>th</sup> at Luther Crest, 800 Hausman Road, Allentown. There is no fee to participants thanks to the generosity of J. S. Burkholder Funeral Home. Registration is required, please contact Sylvia Havlish at 610-395-5045 or [www.lutherancongregationalservices.org](http://www.lutherancongregationalservices.org).

**LEHIGH TOWNSHIP BUS TOUR** – The Lehigh Township Historical Society is sponsoring a bus tour "Once Around the Township" showcasing 17 former one and two room schoolhouses in Lehigh Township. This narrated tour will give some history and stories about each of the schools as we drive by the various buildings. Tours depart at 11:00am and 12:30pm from St. Paul's Schoolhouse in Indianland. The cost is \$10.00 for ages 6 through adult (\$5.00 under age 6). Please call the Historical Society office at 610-440-0151 (leave message) to request ticket reservations. For more information visit our website: [www.lehightownshiphistoricalsociety.org](http://www.lehightownshiphistoricalsociety.org) or call Judy Dieter at 610-767-9170 for more information or to purchase tickets.

**THRIVENT WOMEN'S EVENT AT POINT PHILLIPS PERENNIALS:** "Making a plan for each stage of life" - Ladies, this is for you! Did you know 80% of women outlive men? Let's talk about what you should know and be planning for *right now*! Come enjoy a lovely day outdoors and take some time to talk together.

Monday, September 18<sup>th</sup>

12:00 - 2:00pm

Lunch Provided

Garden Tour and Discussion by Kay and Herb Johns

Followed by a brief discussion with Kristen

RSVP by 9/13 Necessary: Call Kristen's office at 610-625-5680

Hosted by Kristen Edelman-Weiner

**FANTASY FOOTBALL** - Pastor Brian is organizing a Fantasy Football League for Hope! If you are interested in joining, email him TODAY, the draft will be TONIGHT, September 3<sup>rd</sup> at 9:00pm. Pastor Brian's email is [asstpastor@hopecherryville.org](mailto:asstpastor@hopecherryville.org).

**STATISTICS** – Last Sunday’s attendance; 9:00am service – **208**; **Total offering - \$6473.98**; (includes **\$154.00** for the building fund).

**ENJOY THE CONVENIENCE OF ELECTRONIC GIVING** - Consider electronic giving as a way to automate your regular weekly contributions. Electronic giving offers convenience for members and provides much-needed contribution consistency for our congregation. To set up a recurring contribution, visit the church website at [www.hopecherryville.org](http://www.hopecherryville.org) and locate the Online Giving page.



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**YOUTH GROUP EVENTS**

**PIZZA ON WEDNESDAY (POW) 9/13**

Our first POW of the school year will be Wednesday, September 13<sup>th</sup> from 5:30-8:00pm. Come for pizza, games, devotion, and worship at Emmanuelville! Email me if you're interested.

**POTATO PICKING 9/16**

Our youth group event for September is Potato Picking. Meet at church at 7:30am on Saturday, September 16<sup>th</sup> and be in Kutztown from 9:00am-1:00pm. Youth group will bring potatoes to food banks afterward. Everything should be wrapped up by 3:00pm. If you're in Confirmation this counts as an Outreach Event! Email me if you're interested; we'll also have a sign-up on the youth board.

**CAR WASH 9/23**

Youth group is having a car wash on Saturday, Sept 23<sup>rd</sup>. If you are in Confirmation or going to the National Youth Gathering this is a required event. It is also open to any youth group members of Hope. Come on and help out for a shift (8:30-10:30 or 10:15-12:30 or 12:15-2:30). You can sign up here: <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0b4da8af2da0fb6-carwash>

**ALLENTOWN RESCUE MISSION** – would like to invite members of the church who volunteer throughout the year at the Rescue Mission to a Volunteer Appreciation event at the Comfort Suites Hotel on Hamilton Boulevard in Allentown on September 16<sup>th</sup> at 10:00am. Please speak to Marge Zimmermann for more information. Also, the Allentown Rescue Mission’s annual spaghetti dinner will be held on Saturday, October 14<sup>th</sup>. Our shift to help will be from 2:30-5:00pm.

**CALENDAR OF THE WEEK**

For complete rehearsal schedules, see the online calendar at [calendar.hopecherryville.org](http://calendar.hopecherryville.org)

<b>Today</b>	Holy Communion	9:00am
<b>Monday</b>	Church Office Closed	
<b>Tuesday</b>	Centering Prayer	6:00pm
<b>Wednesday</b>	Soup Group and Delivery	9:00am
	Preschool Orientation (4 year old)	9:30am
	Staff Meeting	10:00am
	Centering Prayer	2:00pm
	Worship and Music	7:00pm
<b>Thursday</b>	Preschool Orientation (3 year old)	9:30am
	Pastor’s Bible Study	10:00am
	Property	7:00pm
<b>Next Sunday</b>	Service of the Word	8:00am
	Sunday School (RALLY DAY)	9:15am
	Holy Communion	10:30am

**SCHEDULES** – Watch your email for your new schedules to be sent this week!

**REMINDER TO WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS**

<b>Sunday, September 10</b>	<b>8:00am</b>	<b>10:30am</b>
<b>Acolyte</b>	Ashley Patterson	Arianna Patterson
<b>Crucifer</b>	Alexa Rousenberger	Crysta Strohl
<b>Communion Assistants</b>		Bob Small Earl Snyder Toni Snyder
<b>Greeter</b>	Dolores Reenock	Lee and Georgene Blose
<b>Lector</b>	Nancy Biechy	Doug Daniel
<b>Nursery</b>	Sonya and Thomas Spohn	Gina and Daedra VanLuvanee
<b>Ushers</b>	Mohrey Team	Leibenguth Team
<b>September Altar Guild</b>	Loretta Weil, Marge Zimmermann, Pat Schimanek, Judy Christman	
<b>Sept. Sign Changers</b>	Chip Hunsicker	
<b>September Lock Up</b>	John and Bonnie Zmyewski	