

# Hope Lutheran Church

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

**February 11, 2018**

**Transfiguration**

The Sundays after Epiphany began with Jesus' baptism and end with three disciples' vision of his transfiguration. In Mark's story of Jesus' baptism, apparently only Jesus sees the Spirit descending and hears the words from heaven. But now Jesus' three closest friends hear the same words naming him God's beloved son. As believers, Paul writes, we are enabled to see the God-light in Jesus' face, because the same God who created light in the first place has shone in our hearts to give us that vision. The light of God's glory in Jesus has enlightened us through baptism and shines in us also for others to see.

## CHURCH STAFF

Pastor	Rev. Jami Possinger	ext. #12
Assistant Pastor	Rev. Brian Rajcok	ext. #13
Pastor Emeritus	Rev. Clark W. Kuntz II	
Administrative Manager	Jennifer Sommers	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 8:00 AM 10:30 AM

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Acolytes	Madison Miller	Ryan McCutcheon
Crucifers	Ava Smith	Emily McCutcheon
Greeters	Betty Rock	Boy Scouts
Lectors	Michelle Costanzo	Boy Scouts
Nursery	Branice & Kim Shoenberger	Samuel & Karen Koplín
Ushers	Mohrey Team	Leibenguth Team Boy Scouts – Offering
AV Assistant	Reece Anderson	Samuel Koplín
Communion Assistants		Bob Small, Sharyn Kratzer & Linda Mery
Altar Guild Feb.	Team 1: Mertz & Romano	
Percussionist	Joe Neupauer	

# Service of the Word

8:00 AM

Gathered by the Holy Spirit, we hear and proclaim the saving word of God for the entire world. We give thanks for that saving word and all the gifts of God, who then sends us to share the good news and to care for those in need.

## Gathering *The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God*

- Prelude
- Announcements
- \* Confession and Forgiveness p 211
- \* **Gathering Song "How Good Lord to be Here" # 315**
- \* Greeting/Kyrie p 213
- \* Canticle of Praise "Glory to God..." p 213
- \* Prayer of the Day

## Word *God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song*

- First Reading 2 Kings 2:1-12
- Second Reading 2 Corinthians 4:3-6
- \* Gospel Acclamation p 216
- \* Gospel Reading Mark 9:2-9
- Children's Message
- Sermon
- \* **Hymn of the Day "Shine, Jesus, Shine" # 671**
- \* Apostles Creed p 217
- \* Prayers of Intercession
- Leader:** Lord, in your mercy. **Cong:** Hear our prayer.

\* Peace

## Thanksgiving *We give thanks for the saving word*

- Offering "High Upon a Mountain" Senior Choir
- \* Canticle of Thanksgiving p 219
- \* Thanksgiving for the Word p 220
- \* The Lord's Prayer p 221

## Sending *God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world*

- \* Blessing
- \* **Sending Song "We are Marching in the Light of God" # 866**
- \* Dismissal
- \* Postlude

*\*please stand if you are able*

# Holy Communion

10:30 AM

## Setting 3

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### Meal *God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ*

- Offering "High Upon a Mountain" Senior Choir
- \* **Offertory Response "Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful" # 182**
- \* Great Thanksgiving p 144
- \* Holy, Holy, Holy p 144
- \* The Lord's Prayer p 145
- Lamb of God p 146
- (Gluten-free wafers in the chalice in front of the baptismal font)*
- Communion (*intinction*)

\* **Post Communion Canticle "Thankful Hearts ..." # 204**

\* Prayer

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**ALTAR FLOWERS:** ☩ In Memory of our parents, Warren and Arlene Huth, on their wedding anniversary, with love from their family; ☩ In Memory of my brother, Jay Hontz for his birthday, with love Judy Stubits

**BULLETINS:** ☩ In Memory of our beloved Mother, Helen Marsh. You are greatly missed, with love Susan Harrell and Nancy Creyer

**IN PRAYER TODAY:** Grace, Belfast, The Rev. Deborah Taylor

**STATISTICS:** Last Sunday's attendance; 8:00 am service – 107 / 10:30 am service 101; **Total offering \$6929.91;** (includes **\$186.00** for the building fund, **\$166.00** for Sunday School).

**"SOUPER" BOWL OF CARING:** THANK YOU to everyone who gave coins and donated to our Souper Bowl of Caring. We raised \$625.00 for world hunger!

**SPONSORSHIP CHARTS:** Please note the Sponsorship Charts for 2018 are up and located in the Narthex. Please take a moment to select your sponsorship dates for Flowers, Bulletins and The Press. Should you have any questions, please contact Jennifer in the Church Office at 610-767-7203. Lots of dates are still available! Please feel free to take home your sponsored Altar Flowers after the 10:30 am service.

**AUDIO/VISUAL COMMITTEE:** We are looking for volunteers to join this committee and learn to run the AV equipment during service. There will be a meeting on February 18<sup>th</sup> after the 10:30 am service at 11:30 am in the back of the church near the AV room. Please try to attend in order to work out scheduling and train for new features that have been enabled. If you know anyone interested in joining the team and volunteering their time, please encourage them to come to the meeting. Any questions, please contact Bill Anderson at 610-261-4744.

**BOY SCOUT SUNDAY:** We welcome Scouts from Cub Pack 242 and Boy Scout Troop 242 to our worship this morning. Thank you to the Scouts and their leaders for their participation today and their service and dedication all year.

**LAMPa NEWS:** Do you have a heart for social justice and advocacy? Join Pastor Brian on Wednesday, February 28<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm (before Lenten worship) to discuss LAMPa, Lutheran Advocacy Ministry in Pennsylvania. We will look into existing LAMPa materials and brainstorm our own ideas for advocating for the poor and oppressed in our neighborhood, our nation, and our world. Email Pastor Brian with any questions at [asstpastor@hopecherryville.org](mailto:asstpastor@hopecherryville.org). Hope to see you there!

**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:

02/11/18	Wescott and Holubowski and family
02/12/18	James, Donna Hoppes and family
02/13/18	David, Gloria Hoppy and family
02/14/18	Sharon, David, Miah Hornyak and family
02/15/18	Michelle, Dawson, Ryleigh Hughes and family
02/16/18	Michael Hunsicker and family
02/17/18	Wilmer Jr., Sandra Hunsicker and family

**SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP NEWS:** To improve our security on a Sunday morning, the door at the Hanson Hall exit will no longer be unlocked. Please use the doors in the main parking lot or the double doors on the Route 248 side of the building. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

**YOUTH GROUP CANDY SALE:** Youth Group is selling homemade Easter Candy with pickup dates on March 18<sup>th</sup> and March 25<sup>th</sup>. Please sign-up on the Youth Bulletin Board to place your order!

**CLOTHING DRIVE:** The Annual Youth Group clothing drive will be held the week of March 5<sup>th</sup> through March 9<sup>th</sup>. Start saving your used clothing (in good shape) to be donated to the cause!

**ENJOY THE CONVENIENCE OF ELECTRONIC GIVING:**

Just as you rely upon receiving income on a regular basis, Hope Lutheran relies on your regular contributions. We appreciate the efforts of the congregation members to make consistent offerings throughout the year – especially during inclement weather conditions or during popular winter travel periods. To assist you, we provide a convenient electronic giving option for setting up recurring contributions. Visit the church website at [www.hopecherryville.org](http://www.hopecherryville.org) and locate the Online Giving Page.

If you regularly give online and no longer want to receive church envelopes, please contact Jennifer in the church office at 610-767-7203 or by email: [office@hopecherryville.org](mailto:office@hopecherryville.org) and we will remove you from the mailing list.



**Simply scan this code with your device.**

*\*you may need to download a free QR reader app first!*

**WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS:** We are in need of more congregation members to join in this ministry as Communion Assistants, Ushers, Altar Guild and Audio/Visual volunteers. Thank you to all who share their time and talents in making services run smoothly here at Hope Church! If you are interested in serving, please contact Jennifer in the church office at 610-767-7203 or [office@hopecherryville.org](mailto:office@hopecherryville.org).

**PICTURES HAVE ARRIVED:** If you had your picture taken for the directory and did not purchase a package, your free 8 x 10 picture has been delivered to the Church Office. Please contact Jennifer at 610-767-7203 or email: [office@hopecherryville.org](mailto:office@hopecherryville.org) to make arrangements to pick up your picture.

**PICTORIAL DIRECTORY NEWS UPDATE:** A make-up photo shoot has been scheduled for February 24<sup>th</sup> from 11:00 am – 5:00 pm. If you were unable to make an appointment due to a scheduling conflict or if you had to cancel due to illness or inclement weather, this will be the last opportunity to have the photo taken here at Hope Church for the new directory. Please contact Linda Mery at 610-767-7150 for appointment times!

**ASH WEDNESDAY/LENT:** Services will be held at 11:00 am and 7:00 pm on Ash Wednesday, February 14<sup>th</sup>. The Wednesday Lenten services will be held at 11:00 am and will be centered on “the Fruits of the Spirit”. The evening Lent Services will be at 7:00 pm on Wednesdays commencing February 21<sup>st</sup> through March 21<sup>st</sup> will focus on “The Power of Forgiveness”.

**NURSERY SCHOOL REGISTRATIONS:** The Nursery School is now accepting new registrations for the next school term. If you or someone you know is interested, please contact Ms. Deb Gable at 610-767-7523 for more information on enrollment.

**SUBMISSIONS FOR BULLETIN INSERTS:** Please remember to submit all submissions for the Bulletin Inserts to the church office by Thursday morning for inclusion into the Sunday Bulletin.

**SHARING OF THE PEACE:** During this cold and flu season, please feel free to share the peace verbally without shaking hands.

**HOLY COMMUNION:** Please remember as you take communion for the first time this year, to complete the hospitality pad indicating you received Holy Communion.

**POST-CONFIRMATION CLASS REMINDER:** Please mark your calendar this group will meet today and February 18<sup>th</sup> at 9:15 am.

**KITCHEN FREEZER:** Any groups that have items that are able to be removed from the freezer in Kuntz Hall kitchen are asked to do so prior to Friday, February 23<sup>rd</sup> so that the meat pies and apple dumplings can be placed in the freezer for distribution on Saturday, February 24<sup>th</sup>. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated.

**FROM HOPE'S HELPING HANDS:** Meat pies and apple dumpling order pick-up will be SATURDAY, February 24<sup>th</sup> from 9:00am to 11:00am in Kuntz Hall Kitchen. Please use the kitchen door on the side of the building to enter as there is another event going on at the church that will be using Kuntz Hall. Thank you to everyone who participated in our recent fundraising event. See you on SATURDAY for pick-up.

**FOOD BANK NEWS:** March is Hope Church Month at the Northampton Food Bank. We are responsible for providing volunteers to staff the food bank during packing and distribution days during the month of March. Please see the sign-up sheet in the Narthex on the bulletin board for days and times. Please consider joining us as we serve the community in this very important outreach.

**SOUP GROUP NEWS:** The Soup Group will meet on Monday, February 12<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am to pack and deliver soup to the homebound members.

**IS THERE CHURCH:** If the weather is extremely bad on any given Sunday, and you are wondering if Sunday Church School, worship services, or evening activities are cancelled, please check WFMZ either online or TV or check our website at [www.hopecherryville.org](http://www.hopecherryville.org).

**WELCA NEWS:** The next meeting of WELCA will be February 20<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 am.

**WOMEN OF FAITH:** Join the Women of Faith on Monday, February 26<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm in Hanson Hall as they make fleece blankets for older children who are baptized here at Hope Church. If you can tie a knot, you are able to help make these lovely blankets.

**REMINDER TO WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS**  
**ASH WEDNESDAY EVENING SERVICE AT 7:00 PM**



<b>Acolyte</b>	<b>Crucifer</b>	<b>Greeter</b>	<b>Usher Team</b>	<b>Comm. Asst.</b>	<b>Lector</b>
Daedra VanLuvanee	Owen Laury	Betty Krupa	Snyder Team	N/A	N/A

## REMINDER TO WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

### SUNDAY WORSHIP

<b>Sunday, February 18th</b>	<b>8:00 AM</b>	<b>10:30 AM</b>
<b>Acolyte</b>	Reece Anderson	Jevin Fritz
<b>Crucifer</b>	Sarah Bird	Aislinn McDonald
<b>Communion Assistants</b>	Brian Schell, Betty Rock, Vicki Steiner	
<b>Greeter</b>	John Zmyewski	Larry Creyer
<b>Lector</b>	Chris Steigerwalt	Allison Lockard
<b>Nursery</b>	Antonio & Janet Franco	Anna & Heather Bealer
<b>Ushers</b>	Livermon Team	Amey Team
<b>AV Assistants</b>	Charles Kutzler	Wayne Mery
<b>February Altar Guild</b>	Team 1: Mertz & Romano	
<b>Feb. Sign Changers</b>	Larry Creyer	

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

<b>DAY OF WEEK</b>	<b>EVENT</b>	<b>TIME</b>
<b>TODAY</b>	Sunday School	9:15 am
<b>Monday</b>	Soup Group & Delivery Finance Committee Meeting Church Council Meeting	10:00am 6:00 pm 7:00 pm
<b>Tuesday</b>	Story Weavers VBS Leader Meeting	10:00 am 7:00 pm
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>ASH WEDNESDAY</b> Staff Meeting Ash Wednesday Mid-Day Service POW (After pizza & games, will attend church service) Ash Wednesday Service	9:00 am 11:00 am 5:30 pm 7:00 pm
<b>Thursday</b>	Pastor's Bible Study Bible Study – Room #133 Mutual Ministry Meeting – PJ's Office	10:00 am 7:00 pm 7:00 pm
<b>Friday</b>	Newsletter Deadline	
<b>Saturday</b>		
<b>Next Sunday</b>	Post-Confirmation Sunday School Youth Leader Meeting	9:15 am 9:15 am 11:45 am

## **A SCOUT PRAYER**

(Based on the twelve points of the Scout Law – **in bold**)

**Scout:** Let us pray for Scouts, for Scouters, and for all people.  
Because we have failed in the trust others placed in us, we pray for forgiveness and for renewal to be **TRUSTWORTHY**.  
Lord in Your mercy,

**Congregation: Hear our prayer.**

**Scout:** For strength to be **LOYAL** to our calling in baptism as His disciples in the world.  
Lord in Your mercy,

**Congregation: Hear our prayer.**

**Scout:** For forgiveness when we saw the need to help and passed that need by, when we failed to ask if we could be **HELPFUL** to a friend or a stranger.  
Lord in Your mercy,

**Congregation: Hear our prayer.**

**Scout:** For the spirit to be **FRIENDLY** to all people and even to those who are unfriendly to us.  
Lord in Your mercy,

**Congregation: Hear our prayer.**

**Scout:** For the ability to be **COURTEOUS** to all people, but especially to the elderly, the disabled, and the little children.  
Lord in Your mercy,

**Congregation: Hear our prayer.**

**Scout:** For a heart that rejoices in being **KIND** to people, to animals, and to the earth on which we live.  
Lord in Your mercy,

**Congregation: Hear our prayer.**

**Scout:** For the will to discipline ourselves to be **OBEDIENT** to the will of our God, and not to our selfish desires.  
Lord in Your mercy,

**Congregation: Hear our prayer.**

**Scout:** For a **CHEERFUL** spirit to see us through disappointing events in our lives, for a faith that believes God will bring some good, even from events that cause us pain and sadness.  
Lord in Your mercy,

**Congregation: Hear our prayer.**

**Scout:** For an appreciation that all that we have is the gift of our gracious God, for a mind and a heart that will be **THRIFTY** in managing the resources God has entrusted to our care.  
Lord in Your mercy,

**Congregation: Hear our prayer.**

**Scout:** For the courage not to be afraid of doing what is right, and to be **BRAVE** in working for justice.  
Lord in Your mercy,

**Congregation: Hear our prayer.**

**Scout:** For the will to work to keep **CLEAN** our minds, our hearts, and our land.  
Lord in Your mercy,

**Congregation: Hear our prayer.**

**Scout:** For the gift to be **REVERENT** to God, who values all that He has created; for reverence for people, for animal life, for the earth and all its resources - all precious in God's sight.  
Lord in Your mercy,

**Congregation: Hear our prayer.**

**Scout:** Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all people the people and all the needs we bring before you in our prayers. We pray today especially for:

We also ask Your blessings on those we mention silently in our hearts:

**(silence)**

**Pastor:** Merciful and Gracious God, hear our prayers, restore us to the joy of your salvation and uphold us with your Holy Spirit, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

