

# HOPE HOME NEWS

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**HOPE LUTHERAN CHURCH**

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***Sunday Worship***

**8:00 AM & 10:30 AM**

***Sunday School***

**9:15 AM**

***Church Office Hours***

**8:30 – 3:00 PM**

**Monday – Friday**

**FINANCIAL SUMMARY - NOVEMBER 30, 2017**

	Regular	Building	Memorial	Scholarship Loan	Memorial Garden
Balance Beginning of Year	\$ 79,131.40	\$106,630.01	\$106,347.01	\$ 93,081.10	\$ (6,461.92)
Income - November	33,253.12	2,486.03	28.95	-	-
Income - Jan.-Oct.	325,616.20	45,940.08	25,616.38	10,387.23	2,000.00
Total Income	358,869.32	48,426.11	25,645.33	10,387.23	2,000.00
Expenses - November	30,938.92	99.00	1,119.96	-	-
Expenses - Jan.-Oct.	341,714.95	19,257.60	3,520.70	7,090.00	-
Total Expenses	372,653.87	19,356.60	4,640.66	7,090.00	-
Net Income	(13,784.55)	29,069.51	21,004.67	3,297.23	2,000.00
Net Special Appeals	2,100.79				
Balance End of November	\$ 67,447.64	\$135,699.52	\$127,351.68	\$ 96,378.33	\$ (4,461.92)

**SUMMARY:**

Income exceeded expenses in the Regular Fund for the month of November by \$2,314.20, and for the year 2017, expenses exceeded income by \$13,784.55, giving us a current balance in the Regular Fund of \$67,447.64. Last year the net income for the same period was \$(15,158.58) with a balance of \$62,466.03.

**\*\* The current income statement is posted in the narthex.\*\***

**NEWSLETTER SCHEDULE**

All committees, groups and persons submitting content for the church newsletter should follow the schedule listed below. Articles may be edited so we do not exceed Post Office guidelines. Please email your articles to Nina Weiss ([communications@hopecherryville.org](mailto:communications@hopecherryville.org)). Thank you.

<u>Edition</u>	<u>Article Deadline</u>	<u>Collation Date</u>
February	Friday, January 19 @ Noon	Thursday, January 25 @ 10:00 AM
March	Friday, February 16 @ Noon	Thursday, February 22 @ 10:00 AM

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**SYNOD NEWS**

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Visit <http://nepasynod.org/documents/synod-news/synod-news-2018-01.pdf>



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## GREETINGS FROM THE PASTOR...

*From Pastor Jami Possinger*

From the time my children were little, I can remember encouraging them to say “thank you” when someone complimented them, gave them something or did something special for them. As most parents know – it is something we have to repeat again and again! Thinking about that reminded me that we never outgrow the need to thank people for the good things they do or say.



So this month I’d like to take a moment to thank you for your support of our congregation through the commitments cards you completed for 2018. Just to let you know... as of mid-December a total of **114** giving units filled out Estimate of Giving Cards totaling **\$242,356**. That amounts to **55.4%** of our total estimated income for 2018 which is **\$437,195**. This number exceeds the commitments made in 2017 by **\$37,346**. Additionally, **44** of these commitments were new – people who had never made a commitment to Hope before.

What does this mean for our congregation? Well... it means that although 55.4% of our giving is committed by those who completed Estimate of Giving Cards, we still need to cover the other \$194,839 of estimated income with giving that comes from everyone else. This is both a challenge and a leap of faith that members will step up and fill this gap. It is not too late to complete and submit an Estimate of Giving Card if you have not done so yet. Every penny – every dollar – every week – brings us closer and closer to overcoming that challenge – and we have faith members will take this seriously.

While we are all experiencing the “tightening of our belts” in our own homes – and here at Hope Lutheran Church – these commitments represent your faithfulness to God’s work that happens through the ministries and missions of our congregation. So, thank you for your financial support, for all the ways you volunteer your time and talents, for the myriad ways you share Jesus’ love with others, for allowing the light of Christ to

shine through you! We are a blessed congregation in many ways – blessed to share our blessings in the name of Jesus Christ, the light of the world.

*New Year’s Blessings,  
Pastor Jami*

## **WORSHIP SCHEDULE – JANUARY 2018**

<p><b><u>Sunday, December 31, 2017</u></b> <b>8:00 AM</b> Lessons, Carols &amp; Communion <b>9:15 AM</b> Sunday School <b>10:30 AM</b> Lessons, Carols &amp; Communion</p>
<p><b><u>Sunday, January 7, 2018</u></b> <b>Council Installation at both worship services</b> <b>8:00 AM</b> Holy Communion <b>9:15 AM</b> Sunday School <b>10:30 AM</b> Service of the Word</p>
<p><b><u>Sunday, January 14, 2018</u></b> <b>8:00 AM</b> Service of the Word <b>9:15 AM</b> Sunday School <b>9:15 AM</b> New Member Classes <b>10:30 AM</b> Holy Communion</p>
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<p><b><u>Sunday, January 28, 2018</u></b> <b>New Members Received</b> <b>8:00 AM</b> Service of the Word <b>9:15 AM</b> Sunday School <b>9:15 AM</b> New Member Classes <b>10:30 AM</b> Holy Communion</p>

## **CENTERING ON PRAYER with PASTOR BRIAN**

Centering Prayer will be changing our evening meeting time from Tuesdays at 6:00 PM to Mondays at 6:00 PM in 2018. However, the first week of the month we’ll meet on Tuesday since Monday is New Year’s Day. Wednesday afternoon’s group will remain 2:00 PM. Thus, the schedule for Centering Prayer in January is: Tuesday, January 2 at 6:00 PM, Wednesday, January 3 at 2:00 PM; and Monday, January 15 at 6:00 pm, Wednesday, January 17 at 2:00 PM. We’ll continue reading “The Wisdom Jesus” and newcomers are always welcome!



### **PASTOR BRIAN'S PREPONDERANT BUSINESS**

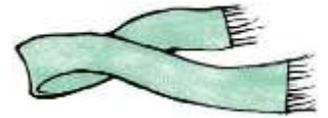
Merry Christmas and a blessed New Year to you all! Christmas is a 12-day festival so we're still celebrating it in the beginning of January. It's ironic to me that our culture starts celebrating Christmas so early and then on December 26<sup>th</sup> (Day #2 of this twelve day festival) it's already over! I was blessed to have had such a wonderful Christmas with you all. I was reminded what a blessing this season is: watching children's eyes light up at St. Stephen's outreach when receiving a gift from our ministry team there; or watching guests at our Friendship Dance cheerfully sit on Santa's lap and meet his elf and reindeer. Worshipping at Hope and listening to our fabulous choir and orchestra is an incredible experience. Playing holiday themed games with our youth at POW and post-confirmation was a joy, as was hearing their perspective on the reason for the season. Reflecting on the previous year, both its blessings and its challenges, I am grateful for my life here and for the blessing you all have been.

One of my favorite things about the time following Christmas is to watch the daylight come back. December 21<sup>st</sup> was the winter solstice, the shortest day of the year; and now we can watch the days grow longer. And then January 1<sup>st</sup> provides a time to make New Year's resolutions, to look at ourselves and consider how we want to live better lives in the coming year. This rhythm of the year is powerful and can reflect our spiritual lives. After the birth of Christ, light shines longer in our hemisphere and we are inspired to make new resolutions about how we can grow more and more into the people God calls us to be. Whether or not we keep our resolutions we know we are loved by God and promised eternal life with Him. But the joy of living in eternity is growing into union with God, something we can mature into a little more each year. Perhaps by taking up a spiritual practice like meditation, or reading our Bible more faithfully, or reciting Psalms and singing a hymn every morning. There are many, many ways we can let our light grow in 2018 and invite the light of Christmas to shine in our lives the whole year round. Blessings to you this New Year and may Christ shine ever brighter in your heart and soul.

*Peace,*  
*Pastor Brian*

### **PRAYER SHAWL**

The group meets the second Thursday of each month at 10:00 AM. All are welcome any time.



### **STORYWEAVERS**

StoryWeavers meets on the second Tuesday of each month at 10:00 AM (Tuesday, January 9). It is a social group for women where topics on all subjects are discussed. There is much laughter, sharing, and sometimes, even tears shed. The meeting is followed by lunch at a variety of restaurants. All women are welcome to attend. For further information, call LeAnn Chandler 610-440-0341.

### **WELCA**

WELCA meets Tuesday January 16<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 AM in Kuntz Hall; special meeting, Part 2 of Robin Morrison's trip to India.

### **LIHEAP ASSISTANCE**

If you need help paying your heating bills, or have a heating emergency, LIHEAP may be able to help you. Brochures and applications are in the rack in the Narthex.

### **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, listen to radio, check our website at [www.hopecherryville.org](http://www.hopecherryville.org) or as a last resort, call the church office (610-767-7203).



### ELECTRONIC GIVING

Thank you for all you do to support our mission during the holidays and throughout the year. As you plan for the year end and look forward to a new year, please consider additional giving to your church. For your convenience, we offer electronic giving options for one-time gifts and recurring contributions. Visit the church website at [www.hopecherryville.org](http://www.hopecherryville.org) and locate the Online Giving page.

Online Giving

### GIVE FROM YOUR SMART PHONE

Make a contribution from your smart phone anytime by locating the Online Giving link on our home page...  
[www.hopecherryville.org](http://www.hopecherryville.org).



Monday January 15<sup>th</sup>  
7:00 – 9:00 PM  
Kuntz Hall



### HOSPITALIZED?

If you, or a family member, are hospitalized, please remember to give our church code which is 251. Also, please call the church office in addition to giving our code. We do not always receive your information when calling the hospitals. Also, if you are moved to a rehab center, please let us know that as well. We can only visit you if we know where you are! Thank you.

### AUDIO/VISUAL SQUAD

#### **WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS NEEDED**

We are in need of volunteers to join the AV Team of Hope Lutheran Church! Training will be provided to all newcomers, and a basic understanding of Windows 10 System is helpful. Please contact Pastor Jerry Mraz at 610-440-3435.

### COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS – NOVEMBER 2017

- ⚓ **AmazonSmile** is a simple and automatic way for members to support Hope as a charitable organization every time you shop. To shop at **AmazonSmile**, simply go to [smile.amazon.com](http://smile.amazon.com) and purchase your items. When you do this the **AmazonSmile** Foundation will donate 0.5% of the qualifying purchase to Hope.
- ⚓ The next Coffee with the Council is set for Sunday, January 14<sup>th</sup> at 9:15 AM in Kuntz Hall. Come and join council members for some refreshments and to share your insights, concerns and ask questions.
- ⚓ The Youth Group will again host the annual Valentine Dinner on Saturday, February 10<sup>th</sup> (snow date is Sunday, February 11<sup>th</sup>). Tickets will be available after worship services in January.
- ⚓ The parking lights have been upgraded to more efficient and brighter LED lights. The Property Committee is continually looking at ways to provide safe and secure access to Hope and this is one of their newest changes.
- ⚓ Council is looking into the concern that came out of the Annual Meeting in November regarding church security on a Sunday morning. A series of articles and security suggestions from the Department of Homeland Security were part of council's meeting packet and will be reviewed by all council members for the meeting in January for further discussion.

### ANNUAL MEETING BALLOT RESULTS

Congratulations to our elected and re-elected Council Members:

† Lee Creyer, Trish Ninos, Manfred Steiner, Susan Stephens

Congratulations to our elected Nominating Committee Members:

† Michelle Costanzo, Tim Lockard, Linda Mery, Stephanie Patterson, Bob Small, A.J. Szwast

Our 2018 council will be installed at both services on Sunday January 7<sup>th</sup>.



## FIRST HOLY COMMUNION



First Holy Communion Classes will begin January 7<sup>th</sup>. Holy Communion classes are open to current 5<sup>th</sup> grade students and any student in 6<sup>th</sup>, or 7<sup>th</sup> grade who did not receive the Communion Preparedness Classes.

- ✦ Classes will be held each week from January 7, 2018 through March 4, 2018. There are nine Sundays to get the children prepared, they must attend at least six times. Make-up work will be required for any missed classes.
- ✦ First Holy Communion will be on March 11, 2018 at the 10:30 AM service. There will be a reception with cake and beverages following the service.
- ✦ Rehearsal will be held March 10, 2018 at 9:30 until 11:00 AM in the sanctuary.
- ✦ There is a \$15.00 donation requested for each student to help defray material cost and can be given to the teachers.

## VALENTINE'S DINNER



Youth group's annual Valentine's Dinner will be Saturday February 10. Tickets will be for sale at the four Sunday services preceding the dinner on January 14, 21, 28 and February 3. Thanks for all your support in years' past and we look forward to serving you again this year! Watch the bulletin for ticket sale and menu information.



## NEW MEMBER CLASSES

Please help us spread the word! If you know anyone who may be interested, please let the office know. Classes are on January 14, 21, and 28 (reception).



Happy New Year ♡ Happy New Year ♡ Happy New Year

## WOMEN OF FAITH

*Our mission is to enhance lives of women through service, fellowship and education.*



We are hosting a movie night at the church on Monday, January 22<sup>nd</sup> at 6:00 PM. The feature is "The Shack". All are welcome! On Monday, February 26<sup>th</sup> we will be making fleece blankets...if you can tie a knot you can make a beautiful blanket which will be used for older children baptized here at Hope Church. Join us at any time for any of the events you may be interested in. Questions, please call Jane Tretiak at [610-767-0918](tel:610-767-0918).

## 2017 ANNUAL REPORTS

Were due by January 31, 2018... Each group or committee meeting at Hope Church is expected to submit one. The report should include past accomplishments and future goals. Please email your report to Jane at [office@hopecherryville.org](mailto:office@hopecherryville.org).

## FLOWER SPONSOR CHART

The flower chart for 2018 is now available. Two sponsors (*and only two*) of \$15.00 each are needed each week. Sponsor envelopes are next to the chart, and are due to the office two weeks before the sponsorship.

## BULLETIN SPONSOR CHART

The bulletin chart for 2018 is posted on the narthex bulletin board. Three sponsors are needed per week at a cost of \$8.50 per sponsor.

## PRESS SPONSOR CHART

The press sponsor chart for 2018 is posted on the narthex bulletin board. One sponsor is needed per week at a cost of \$6.00 per sponsor



Sunday January 28<sup>th</sup>

7:30 AM – 12:00 PM

## WELLNESS TEAM

### *Alcoholism and Alcohol Abuse*

For most adults, moderate alcohol use is probably not harmful. However, about 18 million adult Americans have an alcohol use disorder (AUD). This means that their drinking causes distress and harm. It includes alcoholism and alcohol abuse.



Alcoholism, or alcohol dependence, is a disease that causes

- Craving - a strong need to drink
- Loss of control - not being able to stop drinking once you've started
- Physical dependence - withdrawal symptoms
- Tolerance - the need to drink more alcohol to feel the same effect

With alcohol abuse, you are not physically dependent, but you still have a serious problem. The drinking may cause problems at home, work, or school. It may cause you to put yourself in dangerous situations, or lead to legal or social problems.

Another common problem is binge drinking. It is drinking about five or more drinks in two hours for men. For women, it is about four or more drinks in two hours.

Too much alcohol is dangerous. Heavy drinking can increase the risk of certain cancers. It can cause damage to the liver brain and other organs. Drinking during pregnancy can harm your baby. Alcohol also increases the risk of death from car crashes, injuries, homicide, and suicide.

For more information, check the bulletin board in January.

**Blood Drive:** January 28, 2018 in Kuntz Hall from 7:30 AM to 12:00 PM. Sign-up Sundays in January or online at [giveaPint.org](http://giveaPint.org) and use code 0288.



Beginning this month, our monthly blood pressure screenings will change to the Sundays Church Council has their coffee hour. We will "tag along"

and set up in one corner of the room in Kuntz Hall. See you January 14.

Any time you feel the need to have your blood pressure checked, Pastor Jami can point you to a member of the team and we will be glad to check your pressure.

Also, be sure to peruse the information available on our carousel in the narthex; we're always adding new health-related literature.

	<p><b>The next Blood Pressure Screening by the Wellness Team is on Sunday January 14<sup>th</sup> following worship in Kuntz Hall</b></p>
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## HOPE'S HELPING HANDS

Back by popular demand, Hope's Helping Hands will again be selling delicious meat pies and apple dumplings to help everyone get through the post-holiday blues and the cold days of winter.



Helping Hands members will be located in the narthex after church services on **January 28<sup>th</sup>** and **February 4<sup>th</sup>** to take orders. The homemade meat pies and apple dumplings are made from scratch by Zook's Homemade Pies in Lancaster. Pies are 9 inches in diameter and can be ordered in either chicken, beef or sausage and are \$10.00 each. The apple dumplings can be purchased in either single or twin packs. Single apple dumplings sell for \$3.50 and the twin pack is \$6.00. All orders must be received and pre-paid by **February 8<sup>th</sup>**. Delivery will be on **Saturday, February 24<sup>th</sup>** at the church from **9 AM to 11 AM**. Unable to make it to church on the order dates, no problem, just call Leslie Daniel at 610-216-1340 to place your orders. Thank you in advance for your continued support of Hope's Helping Hands Mission Team. Our fundraising allows us to assist others in need without putting additional pressure on the church budget while doing God's work.

## EVANGELISM

The Evangelism committee would like to thank EVERYONE who helped in ANYWAY to make our 18<sup>th</sup> annual nativity display another successful one. This is a big project and we could have not done it without the help of so many of you. Yes, it is a very big project, but the end results are so beautiful. This year we had over 200 nativity scenes.

The goal of this display is to remind people that Jesus is the reason for the season. When you come here to see the display, you can enjoy the peaceful serene atmosphere. It is a very relaxing that helps to set the mood for your Christmas season.

We had a children's center available with several nativity crafts and a story to be heard but sadly, we had very few young children come to the display and only five children benefited from this part of our annual display. But all of our Sunday school children get to come and witness the beauty and learn about the birth of Christ.

You provided loads of wonderful desserts for the many visitors to enjoy. And the talents that were shared throughout the weekend were great to hear.

The monetary donations have been divided equally between two sites. \$165.00 has been sent to Peters Elementary School in Slatington for the guidance counselor to assist a local family. And presents and a Redner's gift car were given to a mother with two young children in Northampton's Sigfried school to make Christmas merrier for them.

God's blessings to all and a very merry blessed Christmas.

**Evangelism Meeting** - The next meeting of Hope's Evangelism meeting will be held January 4, 2018. This committee would love to welcome some new members to it. You and new ideas will be warmly received. Much can be done with the help of many. We meet the first Thursday of each month at 6:00 PM. Some of the projects this committee undertakes includes the annual nativity display, a worship service and luncheon on day of prayer, the picnic at Indian Trail Park each July, an evening Bible study and a monthly worship service for the residents of Northampton Village We could do more, but we definitely need more hands and some new ideas. Please consider joining Hope's Evangelism

committee. Even if you are unable to come to our meetings but would be willing to help with some of our projects, that would be wonderful.

For further information about Hope's Evangelism Committee or any of our events, please contact Sharyn Kratzer (610) 261-1277.

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 <p><b>Redner's</b> WAREHOUSE MARKETS SAVE-A-TAPE PROGRAM</p>	We earn 1% on your Redner's purchase! Just submit your <b>whole</b> receipt in the box in the narthex. Good for three years!
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## 20<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL SPRING BASKET SOCIAL

**Save the date! April 13, 2018**

### CHURCH DIRECTORY

Put names with faces and be a part of our new church family directory. We are partnering with Lifetouch to tell our story. These very convenient photographs will be taken at the church. The directory will not be complete without you! Portrait dates are as follows:

- Wednesday, December 27 through Friday, December 29: 2:00 PM – 9:00 PM
- Saturday, December 30: 10:00 AM – 5:00 PM
- Tuesday, January 2 through Friday, January 5: 2:00 PM – 9:00 PM
- Saturday, January 6: 10:00 AM – 5:00 PM

**\*\*Appointments required! Please call the office.**

## CONFIRMATION

Confirmation Level 1 students will be meeting their mentors on Saturday January 20 at a brunch in Kuntz Hall from 9:00 - 10:30 AM. This is a mandatory event for all Level 1 Confirmation students. Hope you're excited to meet your mentors!

Level 2 students will be visiting a Hindu Temple on Friday evening January 19. We'll meet at Hope at 6:30 PM and join them for their worship 7:30 - 8:00 PM. We should be back by about 9:00 PM. Hope you're looking forward to this interesting visit!

Please call or email Pastor Brian if you have scheduling issues or questions about hours!

## YOUTH GROUP

**POW:** Wednesday January 10<sup>th</sup>  
5:30 - 8:00 PM Meet at Hope at 5:30 PM for pizza, games and devotions. Together we'll head to Emmanuelsville for worship, and we'll be back by 8:00 PM. Hope to see you then!



Youth group will also be going to Blue Mountain this month! We'll go snow tubing together on Friday night January 26 from 6:00 - 9:00 PM. We'll meet at Hope at 5:00 PM and be back by 9:30 PM. Hope you can make it!

The next **National Youth Gathering meeting** will be Sunday January 21 following the late service, ~11:30 AM, in Kuntz Hall.

**Valentine's Dinner!** Mark your calendars for youth group's annual **Valentine's Dinner** on Saturday February 10<sup>th</sup>. Tickets will be for sale at the four Sunday services preceding the dinner on January 14, 21, 28 and February 3. It's one of our biggest fundraisers and if you're going to the Gathering, you and your parents are expected to help. There'll be lots of opportunities for fundraising points at this event!

## POST-CONFIRMATION

Post-Confirmation's Christmas Party was a blast and I'm looking forward to our meetings in January. Mark your calendars for our January meetings which will be January 7 and January 21 during the Sunday School hour 9:15 - 10:15 AM. See you there! ~PB



## 2017 OFFERINGS

Please "catch up" with your 2017 commitment or "intended" giving by the end of December or give an extra gift before the end of the year. Let's keep Hope's ministries STRONG!! Thank you! 2017 Offerings must be received or postmarked on or before December 31, 2017 to receive credit for this year. Any offerings received after January 1, 2018 MUST be credited as 2018 contributions.

## 2017 SUNDAY CHURCH SCHOOL TAX STATEMENTS

Statements to be used for income tax purposes will be given only to those who request them. Please provide your name and envelope number with your child's offering, or phone Nancy Creyer at 610-767-8942 (leave message). Statements will be completed in January of 2018.

## DID YOU RECEIVE HOLY COMMUNION THIS YEAR?

Did you complete the hospitality pad indicating you received Holy Communion? If you didn't or you're not sure, please complete the Hope hospitality pad next time you receive communion. Our constitution requires active members to receive communion regularly.

## NORTHAMPTON AREA FOOD BANK

Just a quick look ahead as March is Hope Church month at the food bank. We are responsible for providing volunteers to staff the food bank during their packing and distribution days during the month of March. Watch for a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board in February for days and time slots. Please consider joining us as we serve the community in this important outreach event. Any questions, please contact Leslie Daniel at 610-216-1340.



# HOPE LUTHERAN CHURCH

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## HOPE LEADERSHIP

### STAFF

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## CONTACT INFORMATION

New membership, baptisms, funerals, weddings, change of address, van requests, memorial sponsors, hospital admissions, facility rentals	<b>Call the church office 610-767-7203</b>
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REGARDING	CALL	PHONE NO.
A/V Committee	Pastor Jerry	610-442-8156
Basket Cmte	Linda Sidor	610-767-8372
Boy Scouts	Tom Nichols	570-905-6319
Church Website	Tom Perry	610-261-0743
Confirmation	Pastor Brian	610-767-7203
Cub Scouts	Emily Hassler	610-760-1547
Evangelism	Sharyn Kratzer	610-261-1277
Finance	Doug Daniel	610-767-7918
Girl Scouts	Karen Zimmerman	610-760-1887
Hope Fest	Josh Larkin	610-844-5832
Hope's Helping Hands	Leslie Daniel	610-767-7918
Memorial Garden	Barry Ritter	610-428-2320
Mentor Leaders	Trish Ninos	610-360-6034
Mutual Ministry	Charlie Kutzler	610-262-4588
Preschool	Deb Gable	610-767-7523
Outreach / Soup	LeAnn Chandler	610-440-0341
Prayer Chain	Dolores Reenock	610-767-6698
Prayer Shawl	JoAnne Creyer	610-262-3204
Property	Charlie Kutzler	610-262-4588
SCS / Christian Ed	Michelle Hughes	484-547-4585
Senior Center	Karen Ferraina	610-767-2977
Social Ministry	Marge Zimmerman	610-217-8324
Stewardship	Jim Gardner	610-767-8421
VBS	Kathy Ziegler	610-262-9197
WELCA	Judy Dieter	610-767-9170
Women of Faith	Jane Tretiak	610-767-7203
Worship Arts	Pastor Jami	610-767-7203
Worship & Music	Janet Filchner	610-262-5215
Youth Group	Steph Maurer Stacey Ziegler	610-262-9197
Yard Sale	Doris Zellers	610-703-8550

## 2018 CONGREGATIONAL COUNCIL

Kim Belletti	Katie Weiss	Jim Gardner
Lee Creyer	Allison Lockard	Trish Ninos <i>President</i>
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**CORE**



**PURPOSE**

*Statement*

People of Hope:  
 working together, with God,  
 to love and serve others...



*A Special*  
**THANK YOU**



***Dear Friends of Hope Church,***

Thank you for all the cards and concerns. My surgery went well and I am on the road to recovery. With the support of the church and the pastors, it made it much easier.

Thank you everyone for everything,

***Loretta Weil***

***Dear Church Council,***

We wanted to thank you for helping to pay for new air conditioners in the nursery school rooms. They worked great on those warm fall days!

Thank you so much for your support of the preschool.

God Bless!

***Nursery School Board***

# january 2018

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