

HOPE CHURCH



The Calling of Elisha, by Jan Massijs, 1572.

October 4, 2026



Your children are welcome to join us in Worship! They are a valued part of our community and we expect wiggles and little voices (joyful or not).

Reflections

“The point of all this learning is to prepare to add one’s own contribution to the supreme reformation project, which is God’s restoration of all things that have been corrupted by evil . . . When Christians strive to make God’s purposes their own, they tilt forward God’s restoration of all things, the final coming of the kingdom. They think about it, pray for it, study and work in ways that accord with it. Thinking personally as well as globally, they want the kingdom to come in their own hearts as well as in the whole world . . . Redemption extends far beyond personal salvation.”

Cornelius Plantinga

“Work is not, primarily, a thing one does to live, but the thing one lives to do. It is, or should be, the full expression of the worker’s faculties, the thing in which he finds spiritual, mental, and bodily satisfaction, and the medium in which he offers himself to God . . . Let the Church remember this: that every maker and worker is called to serve God in his profession or trade – not outside it. The Apostles complained rightly when they said it was not meet they should leave the word of God and serve tables; their vocation was to preach the word. But the person whose vocation it is to prepare the meals beautifully might with equal justice protest: It is not meet for us to leave the service of our tables to preach the word.”

Dorothy Sayerst

“The place God calls you to is the place where your deep gladness and the world’s deep hunger meet.”

Frederick Buechner

Order of Worship

GATHERING

PRELUDE

When I Survey the Wonderful Cross

When I survey the wond'rous cross
on which the Prince of Glory died,
My richest gain I count but loss,
and pour contempt on all my pride.

Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast,
save in the death of Christ my God:
All the vain things that charm me most —
I sacrifice them to His blood.

See from His head, His hands, His feet,
sorrow and love flow mingled down!
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet,
or thorns compose so rich a crown?

Were the whole realm of nature mine,
that were an present far too small;
Love so amazing, so divine,
demands my soul, my life, my all!

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth!

Serve the Lord with gladness!

Come into his presence with singing!

Know that the Lord, he is God!
It is he who made us, and we are his;
we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

Enter his gates with thanksgiving,
and his courts with praise!
Give thanks to him; bless his name!

For the Lord is good;
**his steadfast love endures forever,
and his faithfulness to all generations.**

*Visitors, let us
know you are
here by this out
and joining us at
the back
after worship.*



*For responsive
readings, the
leader reads the
standard text
and we join in
reading the bold*

Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done; on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

GATHERING SONG

Jesus I Come

Out of my bondage, sorrow and night,
Jesus, I come; Jesus I come.
Into Thy freedom, gladness and light,
Jesus, I come to Thee.
Out of my sickness into Thy health,
Out of my wanting and into Thy wealth,
Out of my sin and into Thyself,
Jesus, I come to Thee.

Out of my shameful failure and loss,
Jesus, I come; Jesus, I come.
Into the glorious gain of Thy cross,
Jesus, I come to Thee.
Out of earth's sorrows into Thy balm,
Out of life's storms and into Thy calm,
Out of distress into jubilant psalm,
Jesus, I come to Thee.

Out of unrest and arrogant pride,
Jesus, I come; Jesus, I come.
Into Thy blessed will to abide,
Jesus, I come to Thee.
Out of myself to dwell in Thy love,
Out of despair into raptures above,
Upward forever on wings like a dove,
Jesus, I come to Thee.

Out of the fear and dread of the tomb,
Jesus, I come; Jesus, I come.
Into the joy and light of Thy home,
Jesus, I come to Thee.
Out of the depths of ruin untold,
Into the peace of Thy sheltering fold,
Ever Thy glorious face to behold,
Jesus, I come to Thee.

PRAISE SONG

By Faith (11am)

By faith we see the hand of God
In the light of creation's grand design
In the lives of those who prove His faithfulness
Who walk by faith and not by sight

By faith our fathers roamed the earth
With the power of His promise in their hearts
Of a holy city built by God's own hand
A place where peace and justice reign

We will stand as children of the promise
We will fix our eyes on Him our soul's reward
'Til the race is finished and the work is done
We'll walk by faith and not by sight

By faith the prophets saw a day
When the longed-for Messiah would appear
With the pow'r to break the chains of sin and death
And rise triumphant from the grave

By faith the church was called to go
In the pow'r of the Spirit to the lost
To deliver captives and to preach good news
In every corner of the earth

By faith this mountain shall be moved
And the power of the gospel shall prevail
For we know in Christ all things are possible
For all who call upon His name

CONFESSION & ASSURANCE

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God in Christ, who endured the cross in your own flesh for our sakes, hear us as we confess our sin. We would be your bold disciples, but we fear suffering; we would carry our cross, but it weighs too heavily. We count the cost of following you—as long as there are benefits; but to renounce all we have is a devastating prospect. Forgive the conditions we make when we try to obey, and free us by your grace to forsake all and follow you.

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

I have been crucified with Christ. It is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me. And the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the

Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.

Galatians 2:20

RENEWAL SONG

O Come To The Altar

Are you hurting and broken within
Overwhelmed by the weight of your sin
Jesus is calling
Have you come to the end of yourself
Do you thirst for a drink from the well
Jesus is calling

O come to the altar
The Father's arms are open wide
Forgiveness was bought with
The precious blood of Jesus Christ

Leave behind your regrets and mistakes
Come today there's no reason to wait
Jesus is calling
Bring your sorrows and trade them for joy
From the ashes a new life is born
Jesus is calling

Bear your cross as you wait for the crown
Tell the world of the treasure you've found

COVENANT OF BAPTISM (8:30am)

Noah Andrew Morganti

Jesus Loves You (8:30am)

Jesus loves you, this we know
For the Bible tells us so
Little ones to Him belong
We are weak, but He is strong.

Yes, Jesus loves you,
Yes, Jesus loves you,
Yes, Jesus loves you,
The Bible tells us so.

PASSING OF THE PEACE OF CHRIST

May the peace of Christ be with you.
And also with you.

LIFE TOGETHER

CHILDREN DISMISSED

*Children ages 3
years through
kindergarten
dismissed*

PREACHING OF THE WORD

**“The Call of God: To Himself and To His World”
David Speakman**

¹⁹ So he departed from there and found Elisha the son of Shaphat, who was plowing with twelve yoke of oxen in front of him, and he was with the twelfth. Elijah passed by him and cast his cloak upon him. ²⁰ And he left the oxen and ran after Elijah and said, “Let me kiss my father and my mother, and then I will follow you.” And he said to him, “Go back again, for what have I done to you?” ²¹ And he returned from following him and took the yoke of oxen and sacrificed them and boiled their flesh with the yokes of the oxen and gave it to the people, and they ate. Then he arose and went after Elijah and assisted him.
1 Kings 19:19-21

This is the Word of God for the people of God.
Thanks be to God!

Sermon Notes

Church Events



Full list on p. 13

RESPONSE

SONG OF RESPONSE

Your Word (Isaiah 55)

Your Word will do
What you sent it to do
Your Word has overcome
Your Word is true,
And it's taking root
Making all things new in us

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

OFFERTORY

Take Up Your Cross

If anyone would come after me
Let him deny himself
Take up his cross
Follow me

Whoever would save his life
Will lose it
Whoever loses his life for me
Will find it

If anyone claims to worship God
Let him give all away
Take up his cross
Follow me

What would it profit a man
If he gains the whole world
And forfeits his soul
What would it profit a man at all

What would it profit a man
If he dies with a barn full of silver and gold
What would it profit a man at all

If anyone would come after me
Let him deny himself
Take up his cross
Follow me

DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;

Prayer Form



Online Giving



Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost!

COMMUNION

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Therefore, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

COMMUNION SONG

Just As I Am (Agnus Dei)

Just as I am, without one plea
But that your blood was shed for me,
And that You bidd'st me come to Thee,
O Lamb of God, I come.

Just as I am, and waiting not
To rid my soul of one dark blot,
To You, whose blood can cleanse each spot,
O Lamb of God, I come,
O Lamb of God, I come.

O Lamb of God, who takes away
the sins of the world, have mercy
For not but all I am to you I bring
O Lamb of God, I come.
O Lamb of God, I come.

Just as I am, though tossed about
With many a conflict, many a doubt,
Fights within and fears without,
O Lamb of God, I come.

Just as I am You will receive,
Welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve;
In this promise I believe,
O Lamb of God, I come.
O Lamb of God, I come.

Just as I am, your love unbound
Has broken ev'ry barrier down;
To be yours forever found,

O Lamb of God, I come.
O Lamb of God, I come.

SENDING

SENDING SONG

Take My Life and Let It Be

Take my life and let it be
Consecrated Lord to Thee
Take my moments and my days
Let them flow in ceaseless praise
Let them flow in ceaseless praise

Take my hands and let them move
At the impulse of Thy love
Take my feet and let them be
Swift and beautiful for Thee
Swift and beautiful for Thee

Take my silver and my gold
Not a mite would I withhold
Take my intellect and use
Ev'ry pow'r as Thou shalt choose
Ev'ry pow'r as Thou shalt choose

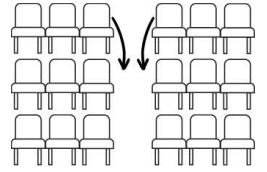
Take my will and make it Thine
It shall be no longer mine
Take my heart it is Thine own
It shall be Thy royal throne
It shall be Thy royal throne

BENEDICTION

Now may the God of peace himself sanctify you completely, and may your whole spirit and soul and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. He who calls you is faithful; he will surely do it.

1 Thessalonians 5:23-24

COMMUNION INSTRUCTIONS



We invite those seated furthest away from the pulpit to come to the table first.



Wine is the darker liquid and grape juice is the lighter liquid.



Young children who have made a profession of faith may partake in the Lord's Supper when they have met with and been approved by the Session.



There are example prayers in the back of the bulletin if you choose to spend this time in prayer and reflection.

PRAYERS AND MEDITATIONS

Prayer for Those Struggling with Sin

Lord Jesus, grant that I may see in you the fulfillment of all my needs and may turn from every false satisfaction to feed on you, the true and living bread. Enable me to lay aside the sin that clings so closely, and run with perseverance the race set before me, looking to you, the author and perfecter of my faith. Amen.

Prayer for Those Searching for the Truth

Jesus, you claim to be the way, the truth, and the life. Grant that I might be undaunted by the cost of following you as I consider the reasons for doing so. If what you claim is true, please guide me, teach me, and open to me the reality of who you are. Give me an understanding of you that is coherent, convincing, and that leads to the life that you promise. Amen.

Prayer of Belief

Lord Jesus, I admit that I am weaker and more sinful than I ever before believed, but through you I am more loved and accepted than I ever dared hope. I thank you for paying my debt, bearing my punishment on the cross, and offering forgiveness and new life. Knowing that you have been raised from the dead, I turn from my sins and receive you as Savior and Lord. Amen.

Prayer Requests

Please fill out the prayer card under the seat in front of you and drop it in the offering basket, or you may scan the QR code for our online prayer card.

LIFE TOGETHER

HOPE FOR THE CITY

Mt. Tabor HS Student Hygiene Products Drive: Drop off next to church office. See Looking Up for specific items needed.

Snack for Speas Staff - Oct 13: Sign up in Looking Up or see Elissa Dowlen.

YoungLives: Childcare is needed on Monday nights. See Looking Up for signup.

CHURCH LIFE

Adult Sunday School: Hope Explored (Oct), and 2nd Samuel (Fall).

First Wednesday Fellowship - Oct 7 5:30-7pm: Breakfast for dinner.

Kingdom Ministry Prayer Service - Oct 7 7pm: Gather in 107.

Fall Fest - Oct 18 5-7pm: Dinner | Games | Live Music.

Pickleball League - Oct 10 & 31 9-11am & 14 7-8:30pm (all skills). Oct 28 7-8:30pm (Newbies/Beginners).

PARENTS & CHILDREN

Youth Service Project - Oct 11 4:30-7pm: Register now.

Mystery Dinner - Oct 16 6:15-8pm: HS serving MS. Register now!

Kids Praise - 2nd & 4th Sundays 4:30-5:30pm: Resumes for 3rd-5th Grade Sept 13.

Kids Connection - *October Verses* - Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied. Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy. Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God. Matthew 5

For fuller information
or to register:



Ready to Serve? Take our
Ministry Match survey!



Sign up for our
email newsletter



As of Sept 29	Actual to Date	Budgeted	Difference	
Income	\$983,600	\$1,030,958	-\$47,358	-4.59%
Expense	\$1,165,488	\$1,173,917	-\$8,429	-0.72%
Surplus (Deficit)	-\$181,889	-\$142,959		

Annual Ministry Budget: \$1,558,309

MAKING ROOM FOR MORE UPDATE

Campaign Goal	Campaign Commitments	Gifts Received Beyond Commitments	Total Funds Received to Date
\$9.4 million	\$5,243,302	\$771,324	\$4,917,803

LEADERSHIP

Deacons

Michael Mitchell	Ben ZumMallen	Nick Hansell (Sabbatical)
Tim Musser	Charles Ashton (Sabbatical)	Ernie Hobbs (Sabbatical)
Phil Nichols	Dick Erali (On Leave)	David Orris (On Leave)
Jim Scarlett	Mark Evans (Sabbatical)	John Reed (On Leave)

Elders

Brett Anderson	John Lenham	Jeff Trollinger
Nathan Beam	Taylor McDaniel	Blair Whitworth
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Contact information for our Elders, along with profiles for all of our leadership can be found at hopechurchws.org/leadership.

WELCOME

We would love to meet you after the service. If we do not get the opportunity to seek you out, please join us at the Welcome area in the back of the sanctuary.

OUR VISION

As Hope Presbyterian Church, we long for every person to receive and thrive in the **embrace** of the Father, to be **equipped** as disciples of the Son, and to **engage** the world by the power of the Spirit.

OUR MISSION

As a fellowship of broken-yet-redeemed believers, we invite our community in and around Winston-Salem to experience with us **true hope for real life** through the good news of Jesus Christ and His Kingdom.

NEXT STEPS

Want to learn more about Hope? You can read all about us, including our next membership class, on our website: hopechurchws.org. Complete a Connection Card below and one of our staff will reach out to you. We'd love to grab lunch or coffee and get to know you!

