

# The Messenger November



**2019**

**HOPE LUTHERAN CHURCH  
1901 MIDDLEBOROUGH RD,  
ESSEX MD 21221**



## **Thanksgiving Eve Worship**

Wednesday, November 27, 2019

7:00 PM in the Sanctuary

Join us as we give thanks to God for all our  
blessings!

## For All the Saints



*Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith.*  
- Hebrews 12:2

During the month of November, our thoughts literally turn heavenward. On November 3<sup>rd</sup>, the church celebrates All Saints Day, a time when we rejoice in the hope we have as Christians that those who die in the faith still live in Christ. As the month of November continues, we start to move into a time of the church year in which we hear readings about the end of time and the return of Christ. During November our minds are indeed turned heavenward, but we can also look to the saints all around us right here on earth.

The scriptures say we are surrounded by a great cloud of witnesses in the faith (Hebrews 12). During Sunday morning worship, this is literally true. You are seated with Christians in front of you, behind you, and next to you. Consider one group of Christians in particular – our elderly members. Some of our elderly members may not physically be with us on Sunday. Some may be homebound, in a hospital, or in a care facility; but that does not mean they are any less with us in the faith of Christ. These members are truly saints whom we should desire to emulate and respect.

In the United States we live in a relatively youth-obsessed culture. We like our bodies to look and feel youthful. We generally look down on the aging process. Most of us groan when the wrinkles appear, and we moan when the aches get worse. But why should we look down on aging even with all its wrinkles and aches? Those lines and wrinkles are not signs of depleted youth. As Christians, we should see every line and wrinkle as the beauty mark of someone Christ has sustained in the faith over many years. As our bodies slow down we don't have to grow angry that we can't do the things we want to do. On the contrary, we can give thanks that Christ is drawing us closer to what He wants to do – give us eternal life.

We have living saints among us who emulate faithfulness to Christ on a daily basis. Our elderly members are fellow Christians who have seen life, lived through what many of us are just now going through, and have come out the other end sustained by faith in Christ. We should strive to be like these living saints. After all, as Christians, shouldn't we want to live lives of faith right now in this world, and ones that will be celebrated for all eternity with our living Savior, Jesus Christ our Lord, the author and perfecter of our faith.

Thanks be to God,

Pastor Meheret



Food for Thought for the 2019-2020 school season is well under way and is now responding to an increased need for weekend nutritional support to needy students at Middleborough School. We are grateful that we have the resources to address this need at this time for 14 children and thank all of you who help make this possible.

We have just received the Fall 2019 menu ideas from Food for Thought Baltimore County. For those of you interested in donating food items, a few new ideas to add to our food list include seasoned tuna tear open packets, tuna and cracker snack kits, Campbell's Yes sipping cups Harvest Carrot soup, Giant single serve veggie cups, and Wholesome Pantry apple cinnamon freeze dried fruit crisps.

We greatly appreciate recent monetary donations to Food for Thought, dedicated "To the Glory of God" by the Ogles, Schweitzers, Koons, Dora Price, Mary Emge, Eric Eszes, and Trudy Grauer. Food items that have been contributed are also truly appreciated as are gifts of time provided by our faithful volunteers!



**PRAYER CONCERNS:** Edgar Amos, Jr., Louise Amoss, Gail Anuszewski, Bob Baker, Connie Baker, Dennis & Gail Berry, Evelyn Blazek, Mary Bodenschatz, Debbie Bryant, Debbie Button, Margaret Cain, Blanche Cardelli, Julie Carl, Sharyl Clark, Shirley Cosgrove, Ed Cornelius, Beulah Craig, Patrick J. Curran, Freddie Ditmar, Gloria Eckles, Lois Farber, Cassandra Fleckenstein, Matthew Floyd, Marina Ford, Sara Garrett & Family, Cassidy Gore, Daniel Hanke, Sharon Harris, Juliana Hasson, The Hays Family, Beverly Hoffman, Karen Hoffman, Karen Holzopfel, Timothy Hostetler, Loretta Jefferson, Leondra Jefferson, Jack Kincaid, Michelle Kincaid, Mickey Koontz, Joshua Kraeger, Lynne Lake, Michael McCoy, John Micklos, Jim Nemec, Laurie Nemec, Frank Neukam, Rick O'Dea, LeRoy (Jim) Ogle, Pat Ow-

ens, Francesca Prado, Mike Porter, Inez Rasinski, Cliff Rodney, Lucille Rose, Jeff Sanders, Connie Sanders, Jeanine Schenning, Debbie Schmidt, The Schepers Family, Barbara Shelly, Kevin Shields, Vivian Smith, Eloise Somogyi, John Stiemly, Penny Wallace, Lucille Watson, Richard Wrobel, Susan Yelton, Our Congregation, All First Responders and all active and reserve members of our armed forces.

***Please notify our church office or Pastor if you want to add or delete any names from the Prayer List.***



# **Bible Study and Small Groups**

At Hope Church we take seriously the Great Commission of the Risen Jesus to "go, make disciples of all nations... teaching them..." We offer a variety of opportunities for people of all ages to deepen their faith through small group Bible study. To register, call (410) 686-7587 or email [hopelsecretary@outlook.com](mailto:hopelsecretary@outlook.com).

## **Monday Morning Pastor's Class**

meets Mondays 10 AM— 11:30 AM in the church office. We are currently studying the Gospel of John. All are welcome!

## **Wednesday Night Bible Study**

meets Wednesdays 7 PM—8:30 PM in the choir room. Currently studying "Responding to God's Grace" from Augsburg Adult Bible Study Series during the Fall season. Please join us!

## **Saturday Morning Breakfast Bible Study**

meets 8 AM—9:30 AM at Alice's Restaurant on Eastern Blvd. every Saturday. Follows the same curriculum as the Wednesday night bible study group.

# Bible Study

*A Prayer of  
Thanksgiving*





# Worship Scriptures



<p>November 3</p> <p>All Saints' Sunday</p>	<p><a href="#">Isaiah 1:10-18</a>  <i>Learn to do good, seek justice and rescue the oppressed.</i></p> <p><a href="#">Psalm 32:1-7</a>  <i>All the faithful will make their prayers to you in time of trouble. (Ps.32:6)</i></p> <p><a href="#">2Thessalonians 1:1-4, 11-12</a>  <i>Faith and love amid persecution and adversity.</i></p> <p><a href="#">Luke 19:1-10</a>  <i>Zacchaeus climbs into a tree to see Jesus.</i></p>
<p>November 10</p>	<p><a href="#">Job 19:23-27a</a>  <i>I know that my Redeemer lives and I shall see God.</i></p> <p><a href="#">Psalm 17:1-9</a>  <i>Keep me as the apple of your eye; hide me under the shadow of your wings. (Ps.17:8)</i></p> <p><a href="#">2 Thessalonians 2:1-5, 13-17</a>  <i>The coming of the Lord Jesus.</i></p> <p><a href="#">Luke 20:27-38</a>  <i>Jesus speaks of the resurrection, the God of the living.</i></p>
<p>November 17</p>	<p><a href="#">Malachi 4:1-2a</a>  <i>A day of blistering heat for the arrogant; a day of healing sun for the righteous.</i></p> <p><a href="#">Psalm 98</a>  <i>In righteousness will the Lord judge the world. (Ps. 98:9)</i></p> <p><a href="#">2 Thessalonians 3:6-13</a>  <i>Do not be idle, but do what is right for the sake of Christ.</i></p> <p><a href="#">Luke 21:5-19</a>  <i>Jesus speaks of wars, endurance, betrayal, and suffering for his sake.</i></p>
<p>November 24</p> <p>Christ the King Sunday</p>	<p><a href="#">Jeremiah 23:1-6</a>  <i>Coming of the shepherd and righteous Branch who will execute justice.</i></p> <p><a href="#">Psalm 46</a>  <i>I will be exalted among the nations. (Ps. 46:10)</i></p> <p><a href="#">Colossians 1:11-20</a>  <i>Hymn to Christ, firstborn of all creation, peace through his blood.</i></p> <p><a href="#">Luke 23:33-43</a>  <i>Jesus is crucified between two thieves; you will be with me in paradise.</i></p>
<p>November 27</p> <p>Thanksgiving Eve</p>	<p><a href="#">Deuteronomy 26:1-11</a>  <i>The offering of the first fruits.</i></p> <p><a href="#">Psalm 100</a>  <i>Enter God's gates with thanksgiving. (Ps. 100:4)</i></p> <p><a href="#">Philippians 4:4-9</a>  <i>Do not worry about anything.</i></p> <p><a href="#">John 6:25-35</a>  <i>Jesus is the bread of life.</i></p>

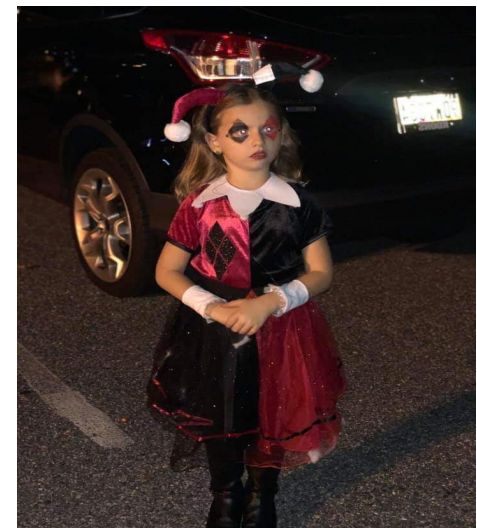
# All Star Learning Center Trunk or Treat



**Trunk or Treat was a huge success! There were more than 21 trunks, and we had over 1,000 Trick or Treaters bless us with some wonderful costumes. Thank you to the volunteers, the decorated vehicles and the children for contributing to the success of this year's trunk or treat.**



# All Star Learning Center's Trunk or Treat Photo's







# NOVEMBER

## BIRTHDAYS

1	Lynda Frueh	15	Peggy Talbott
2	Amber Wallace	18	Collin Peluso
3	Steven Kahl	21	Adam Talbott
5	Jacob Bender	23	Robert Williams
6	Bill Faust	24	Barbara Chambers
6	Layana Delguidice	24	Neveah Delguidice
8	Reiva Robinson	25	Claudia Reynolds
11	Ryan O'Donnell	28	Donna Smith
11	Doris Schmidt	29	Denise McLaughlin
11	Elizabeth Talbott	30	John Hoffman
12	Bob Leap		



*Happy Birthday To You*



Please contact the office if you would like to add or remove your name from our birthday list. Thank you!











# ALL SAINTS Sunday

On All Saints Sunday, November 3th, we remember that the Church of Jesus Christ is much bigger than we think, because it is composed not only of all believers now living on earth, but also all those who have gone before us in the faith. On this Sunday we remember all those who have gone to the Church Triumphant during the past 12 months.

Members, family and friends of Hope Church who will be remembered this year on All Saints Sunday include:



**Evelyn Patricia Dickens (Pat)**

**Mary Dunlap**

**Thelma Gnaef**

**Connie Hagenbuch**

**Walter E. Johnson, Jr.**

**June Protani**







## HOPE LADIES CHRISTMAS DINNER

We cordially invite the ladies of our congregation to a fellowship Christmas dinner to be held on Tuesday, December 10, 2019 at 6:30 pm at “By the Docks” restaurant on Eastern Blvd. Each lady is responsible for her own meal. If you would like to attend, please contact Carol Ogle no later than December 1, 2019 at [ogle728@aol.com](mailto:ogle728@aol.com) or 410-687-6580.



### **HOPE'S WINTER CONGREGATION MEETING:**

will be held on **Sunday, December 1, 2019** at approximately **11 AM**. There will be light refreshments before the meeting. The business of this meeting will be to approve the 2020 Budget, elect new officers and members at large and go over our financial information. Anyone interested in holding a position on the Congregation Council there is still time to be a part of this important ministry of the church. Please make a note on your calendar for this important meeting.





We will be preparing and distributing our traditional Thanksgiving Hope Baskets again this year. We are looking for donations of the items shown below. Monetary donations for the food baskets and gifts cards for the turkey's may be made by using pew envelope and clearly marking it for Thanksgiving Hope Basket and placing it in the offering plate.

If you know of a family that is in need for Thanksgiving, please let us know by using the yellow cards and indicate that there is a message on the back of the card. Include your phone number and someone will contact you for more information.

Please note that if you donate any of these items we need your receipts so we can get matching funds from Thrivent. If you have any questions, please see Linda Moler (443-730-3576 or Sandy Cincinnati (443-324-8355.

**Sauerkraut**

**Green Beans**

**Instant Potatoes**

**Sweet Potatoes/Yams**

**Cranberry Sauce**

**Peas**

**Bread / Rolls**

**Pies**

**Stuffing Mix**

**Turkey Gravy**

**Corn**



## Stewardship Campaign

Our 2020 stewardship campaign is underway. Please refer to my letter in this month's Messenger which explains how your time, talent, and contributions help us continue our ministries at Hope Lutheran Church. As we prepare for our December congregational meeting on December 1<sup>st</sup> which presents our 2020 budget, we use your pledge commitments to estimate our income for the year. Your financial pledges are critical to ensure we can continue to serve our community and spread God's word. Commitment cards are in the narthex or you can complete the cut-off included in the Messenger. We request that pledges be submitted by November 24 in order to have them for our December meeting.

Blessings,

Joan Schweitzer, Financial Recording Secretary



**HOPE'S WINTER CONGREGATIONAL MEETING** will be held on Sunday, December 1, 2019 after our one worship service at 9:30 AM. The business of this meeting will be to approve the 2020 Budget, elect new officers and members at large and go over our financial information. Please make a note on your calendar and attend this important meeting.



**Thanksgiving Eve Worship**  
**November 27, 2019, 7 PM**



**Sunday, November 24th is:**



# ***Hope Evangelical Lutheran Church***

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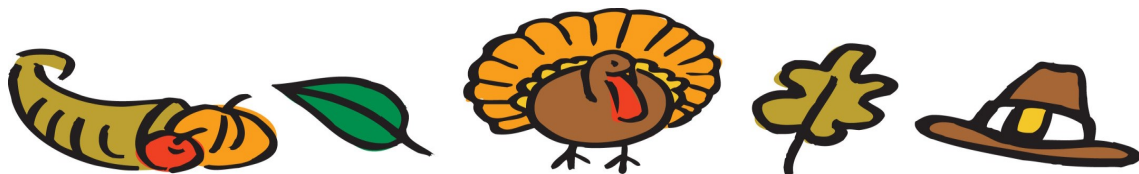
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SO MANY BLESSINGS

## Duty Schedule for: November 2019

9:00	Nov 3	Nov 10	Nov 17	Nov 24	Thanks Eve 27
Assist and lector	Colan Kahl Eric Carl	Bob Schweit- zer	Joan Schweitzer	San Dee Koons Cary Koons	San Dee Koons Cary Koons
Server	Patty Horney	<b>Robin Smith</b>	Thea Melton	Joan Schweit- zer	Brandi Miner
Usher/greeter	Frank Schmidt Thea Melton	Rick Calo <b>Carol Ogle</b>	Eric Eszes Sue Alexan- der	Ed Klinge- stein Carolee Calo	Robin Smith TBD

10:30	3	10	17	24	
Assist	Colan Kahl	Deacon Rob- in Palmer	John Kelly	Lori Comotto	
Lector	Lynne Lake Jack Crout	John Kelly	Debbie Can- non	Sharyn Kahl	
Server	Denise McLaughlin	Peggy Tal- bott	Sandy Cin- cinnati	Jess Kahl	
Usher/Greeter	Lynne Lake Jack Crout	Linda Moler Jeanne Faust	Mary Emge Debbie Can- non	Donna Smith Eric Eszes	
Altar Set Up	Colan Kahl	Bob Schweit- zer	B. Schweit- zer	Colan Kahl	Schweitzer (on Tuesday)
Children's Church	Ruth Kraeger	Lynne Lake	Marge Carl	Brandi Miner	
KBZ	Carolee Calo	Brandi Miner	Lynda Frueh	Denise McLaughlin	
Counters	Colan Kahl Trudy Grauer	Bob Schweit- zer Jeanne Faust	Linda Moler Deloris Phil- lips	Donna Smith S/S Kahl	
Altar Flowers	Sharyn Kahl Faust	Schweitzer Open	S. Kahl Open	S. Kahl Open	
Unavailable	San Dee K. Linda M. Joan/Bob S. Sue Alexan- der Brian/Lynda F. Carol Ogle	Sue Alexan- der	Patty Horney Lori Comotto	Patty Horney Sue Alexan- der	Joan/Bob S. Sandy C. Patty Horney



# Christmas Poinsettias



*In Memory  
Or  
In Honor*

*or To the Glory of God*



## **CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS**

Time to order red poinsettias to help beautify our altar for Christmas. The cost is \$8.50 each and the ordering deadline is Sunday Dec 1st. Please fill in the information below and place along with your payment in the offering plate or drop off at the office. Make checks payable to Hope Lutheran Church. You may pickup your poinsettias after the late service on Christmas Eve.

**NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_

**No. of Poinsettias:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Total \$** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date Paid:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Cash:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Check No.** \_\_\_\_\_

**IN MEMORY OF/ IN HONOR OF/ or TO THE GLORY OF GOD**  
(circle one please)

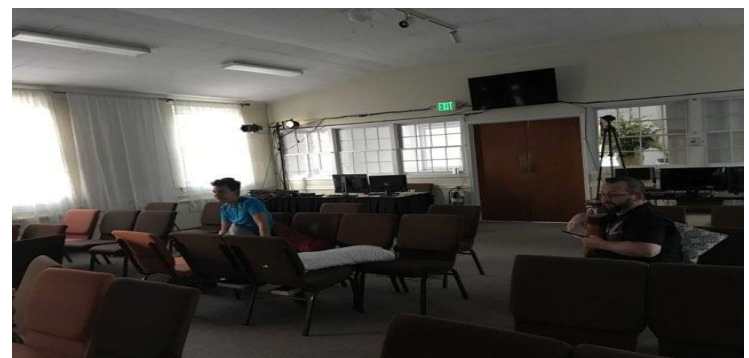
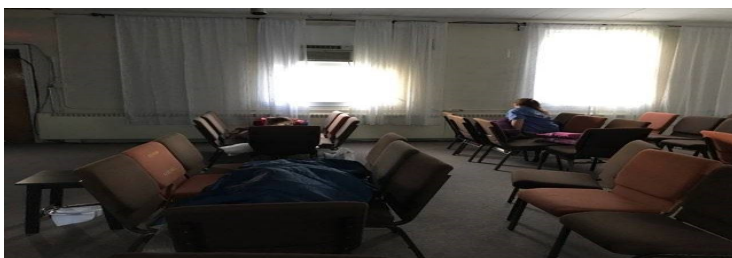
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# Youth Activities

*Essex Day 2019*



*Movie Night & Lock-In*



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2  <b>8:00 AM</b> Breakfast Bible Discussion at Alice's Restaurant
3  <b>Food for Thought</b> <b>Bag Packing</b> <b>9:00 AM Traditional Communion</b> <b>10:30 AM</b> Family Contemporary Communion <b>10:30 AM</b> Kidz Bible Zone	4  <b>10:00 AM</b> Bible Study	5  <b>5:30 PM</b> No Confirmation Class In the Summer	6  <b>7:00 PM</b> No Evening Bible Study in the Summer	7  <b>7:00 PM</b> No Choir Practice in the Summer	8	9  <b>8:00 AM</b> Breakfast Bible Discussion at Alice's Restaurant
10  <b>9:00 AM</b> Traditional Communion <b>10:30 AM</b> Family Contemporary Communion <b>10:30 AM</b> Kidz Bible Zone	11  <b>10:00 AM</b> Bible Study	12  <b>5:30 PM</b> No Confirmation Class In the Summer	13  <b>7:00 PM</b> No Evening Bible Study in the Summer	14  <b>7:00 PM</b> No Choir Practice in the Summer	15	16  <b>8:00 AM</b> Breakfast Bible Discussion at Alice's Restaurant
17  <b>9:00 AM</b> Traditional Communion <b>10:30 AM</b> Family Contemporary Communion <b>10:30 AM</b> Kidz Bible Zone	18  <b>10:00 AM</b> Bible Study	19  <b>5:30 PM</b> No Confirmation Class In the Summer	20  <b>7:00 PM</b> No Evening Bible Study in the Summer	21  <b>7:00 PM</b> No Choir Practice in the Summer	22	23  <b>Thanksgiving Decorating</b> <b>8:00 AM</b> Breakfast Bible Discussion at Alice's Restaurant
24  <b>9:00 AM</b> Traditional Communion <b>10:30 AM</b> Family Contemporary Communion <b>10:30 AM</b> Kidz Bible Zone	25  <b>10:00 AM</b> Bible Study <b>7:00 PM</b> Council Meeting	26  <b>5:30 PM</b> No Confirmation Class In the Summer	27  <b>7:00 PM</b> Thanksgiving Eve Service	28  	29	30  <b>8:00 AM</b> Breakfast Bible Discussion at Alice's Restaurant





# STEWARDSHIP



Time ♦ Talent ♦ Treasure

What do you think of when you hear the word “steward”? Do you think of finances? Do you have visions of your church running a giving campaign? Does taking care of the environment come to mind?

A steward is someone who conducts, supervises, or manages something, especially something entrusted

to his/her care. In the Bible stewardship can be defined as utilizing and managing all resources God provides for the Glory of God and the betterment of his creations. “The earth is the Lord’s and everything in it, the world and all who live in it.” (Psalm 24:1) And from a hymn “We give thee but thine own, whate’r the gift may be; All that we have is thine a-lone, A trust O Lord from thee. “

Biblical stewardship is one of the primary ways God calls us to live our lives. God created everything. God owns everything. God commands us to give generously-of our time, our special gifts and talents and our resources. Stewardship is NOT just about finances. There is more to Hope Lutheran Church than just what you see on Sunday morning! Think about the ministries Hope supports: outreach to those in need (Food for Thought, Streets of Hope, Esther Fund), worship, youth, property, fellowship just to name a few. All these things are planned and prepared by leadership and staff who are deeply committed to our becoming who it is God is calling us to be. The ministries and mission of our church take place because of the time, talents and financial gifts our members and friends choose to offer.

The decision to give of ourselves is a choice, but as followers of Jesus, it really isn’t an option. We are encouraged to give something out of thanksgiving for what God has done and provided and as a sign of faithfulness and commitment to be a part of the good things that God is continuing to do in our community, country and world. We have been given God’s most precious gift, his son, Jesus Christ, and we are invited to respond to what God has given us with generosity of our own. There is a joy to be found in practicing generosity and it begins with a simple step of commitment to contribute—of our time, of our special talents, and of our finances.

Listed separately are ways in which you can give of your time and talent. Please consider how you might be able to share your gifts in promoting these special ministries. Obviously, your financial contributions are enabling this house of God to continue these wonderful ministries. To that end we are asking you to pray about how you want to answer the challenge to grow and we invite you to consider making a pledge to give in a regular and disciplined way. If you have not pledged in the past, perhaps you will consider doing so for this coming year. If you have pledged previously, perhaps you will consider taking a step up by increasing your financial gift for the coming year. You may pledge a weekly gift or a monthly gift. Your pledges are confidential. We have our gift of giving cards at the church. You may pick one up at our services or request one be sent to you by calling the church office. Or you can fill in the sheet below and mail it to Joan Schweitzer c/o Hope Lutheran Church using the church address. As we prepare for our December Congregational meeting which presents the 2019 budget, we use the pledges as one source to estimate our income for the next year.

Thank you and God’s Blessings,  
Joan Schweitzer, Financial Recording Secretary

## My Commitment To My Church

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

In grateful recognition that all my time, treasure, and ability come from God, I gladly join with others in support of Christ’s church.

Per week \_\_\_\_\_ Per month \_\_\_\_\_

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ for local ministries, including worship, education, pastoral service, church care  
and upkeep, and the world of outreach of the church.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

# STEWARDSHIP



Time ♦ Talent ♦ Treasure

Stewardship is utilizing and managing all resources God provides for the glory of God and the betterment of His creation. The central essence of stewardship is managing everything God brings into our life in a manner that honors God and impacts eternity.

We have many Ministries here at Hope. If you are interested in serving with any of these Ministries, please circle one or more below.

- ♦ Outreach Ministries: Food for Thought, Thanksgiving and Christmas Basket, Streets of Hope Men's shelter
- ♦ Worship Ministries: Assisting Ministry, Lector, Communion Server, Usher, Choir, Counting Offerings, Sunday School/Children Ministry
- ♦ Youth Ministry
- ♦ Confirmation Class
- ♦ Congregation Council
- ♦ Stewardship Committee
- ♦ Property Committee
- ♦ Fellowship Ministry/Coffee Hour

If you have a talent or skill that you would like to offer in service to God and God's people through Hope, please indicate in the space below. Some examples include, but are not limited to: general repairs, computers, website design, photography, baking, knitting, painting, drawing, singing, playing an instrument, event planning, gardening, etc.

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**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone Number:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

Saving Grace: A Minnesota man who opted to have “Jesus Saves” printed on his running bib collapsed during a race. Behind him, a registered nurse anesthetist, a man named Jesus, performed CPR and helped save his life.

Submitted by: Denise McLaughlin

## 5 Finger Prayer

4) The **ring finger** is the weakest. Pray for the sick, poor, and those most in need.

5) The **pinkie finger** is the smallest. Pray for **yourself** and your own needs.

3) The **middle finger** is the tallest. Pray for **leaders** in government, business, and the church.

2) The **pointer finger** is used to give directions. Pray for **teachers**, coaches, therapists, doctors, and first responders.

1) Your **thumb** is closest to your heart, so pray for those closest to you - your **family and friends**.





# Church Humor

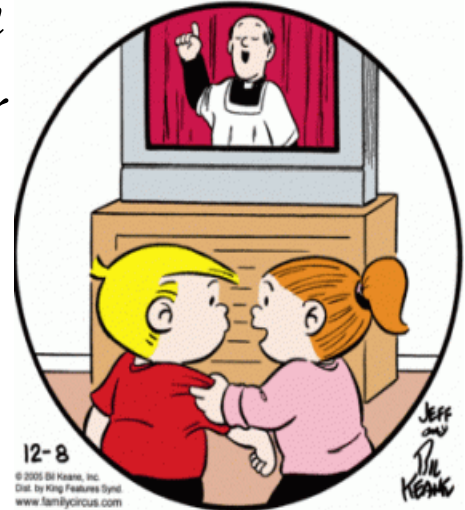


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Bill and  
JEFF  
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"Mommy, was Joan of ark married to Noah?"



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Jeff and  
Bill  
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"Hear that? People in heaven have ever-laughing life."



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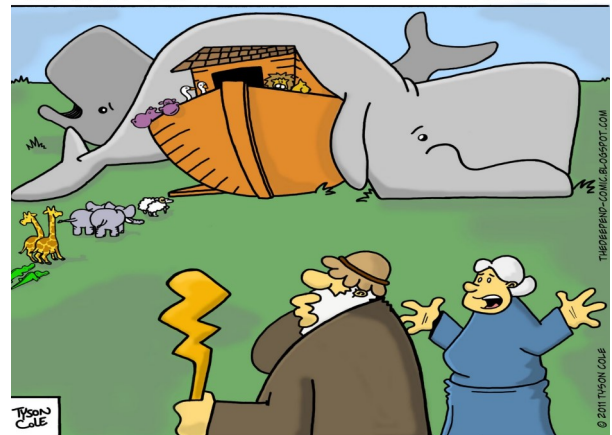
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Bill and  
JEFF  
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"Sorry, that doesn't apply to your mother."

THE DEEP END

TYSON COLE



"MAYBE THE WHALES WOULD BE OK STAYING IN THE WATER."



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"If telemarketers call, invite them to church."

**October 31, 1517**

**502 Years Ago**

Five hundred and two years ago, on October 31, 1517, the small town monk Martin Luther marched up to the castle church in Wittenberg and nailed his 95 Theses to the door, thus lighting the flame of the Reformation—the split between the Catholic and Protestant churches.

### **A word from Martin Luther**

The death of Christ is the death of sin, and His resurrection is the life of righteousness, because through His death. He has made satisfaction for sin, and through His resurrection He has brought us righteousness. And thus His death not only signifies but actually effects the remission of sin as a most sufficient satisfaction. And His resurrection is not only a sign or a sacrament of our righteousness, but it also produces it in us, if we believe it....(Luther, M. Vol.25: Luther's words, Lectures on Romans. J.J. Pelikan, H.C. Oswald & H.T. Lehmann, eds. Saint Louis: Concordia Publishing House, 1999, c.1972.)

*Shared by: John Micklos*





# Essex Day 2019





October 21, 2019

Hope Evangelical Lutheran Church  
1901 Middleborough Rd  
Baltimore, MD 21221

Dear Friends at Hope Evangelical Lutheran Church,

Thank you for your donation to Churches for Streets of Hope. Your gift of \$501.62 on 10/9/19 helps us to keep our cold weather shelter for men open all throughout the season. We have you to thank for helping our homeless neighbors stay warm and fed in the coldest part of the year.

We are always blessed to have your support. This shelter, these people, are your ministry. God's work in caring for our fellow men on the streets is happening right now because of your prayers, your invaluable volunteer time, and your contributions throughout the year.

I thank you personally for your dedication, and I pray that the Lord blesses you for the many ways you continue to serve Him and His purposes.

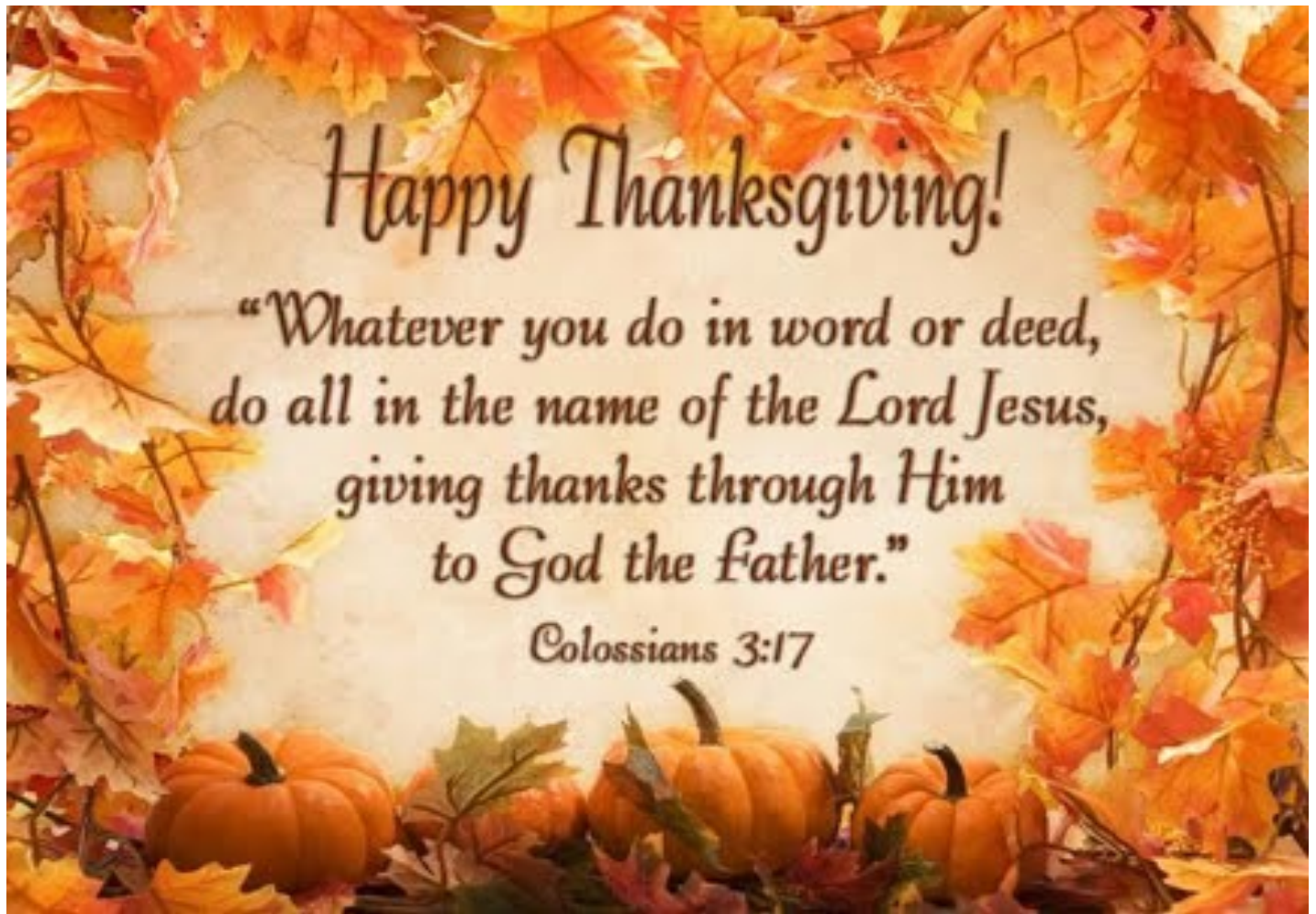
Sincerely,

Patrick Dickerson  
Executive Director

*Thank you all for your  
continued support of  
this ministry. May God's  
light and love shine through  
each one of you for His glory.*

In compliance with IRS Code section 170 (f) (8), this letter serves as verification that your gift of \$501.62 is tax-deductible since you have received no goods or services in connection with these gifts to our organization.





## **NewsLetter** **DEADLine**

**Articles for the December Messenger must be submitted to church secretary by Monday November 18, 2019. Thank you.**