

...Our Beliefs

...about **God**: God is love. We are drawn to God by overwhelming, unconditional, irresistible love. God is one and three, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

...about **Jesus**: Jesus is the Son of God, fully God and fully human. Jesus is Lord of our lives. Jesus is a friend and a brother. Jesus saves. Jesus is alive.

...about the **Bible**: The final truth about our salvation is found in the Bible, God-inspired words, preserved by the Holy Spirit, to help us know God and God's will.

...about **Salvation**: Because of our *sin* we cannot save ourselves from eternal death. We are saved by the work of Jesus on the Cross. We are saved by *grace* alone, through *faith* alone.

...about the **Church**: we exist to worship God and to be the hands and feet of Jesus in the world. We are a **covenant community** accountable to God and each other.

...about **Discipleship**: all believers are called to be transformed and transforming followers of Jesus Christ, bringing mercy and compassionate **justice** to children, families and communities.

...about **Prayer**: God offers us this most important way to engage in a two-way conversation with God. Prayer is vital for our lives and our families.

...about **Serving Together**: God calls both men and women to serve alongside each other as Teachers of God's Word and to the Church Offices of Minister of Word and Sacrament, Elder and Deacon.



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... Membership

Hope Church welcomes the participation of everyone in worship and our community life. For those interested in professing or re-affirming their faith or transferring their membership, Pastor Bill offers "Profession of Faith" sessions periodically or upon request. These sessions are then followed by a meeting with the Elders and a public profession of faith held during a worship service. Hope Church will also accept a Transfer of Membership. If you would like to explore what it means to profess your faith with Hope Church, please contact Pastor David.

*Dear Friend,
We invite you to ask how Hope can help
you and your family on your pilgrim
journey of faith!*

*~ Pastor David
and the Pilgrim Community of Hope*

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FOR OUR GUESTS



Welcome to Hope Church

Authentic Worship

Genuine Hospitality

Transforming Discipleship

Sunday Schedule

9:20 a.m. Coffee & Fellowship

10:00 a.m. Worship

10:15 a.m. Children In Worship*

11:00 a.m. Coffee & Fellowship

(*September—May)

HOPE CHURCH OFFERS...

... Authentic Worship

We gather as a community each Sunday to worship God in a way which praises God for his faithfulness, fills our hearts with God's love, and teaches our minds the wisdom of Scripture.

... Genuine Hospitality

We offer food and friendship on Sunday mornings and throughout the week. Join us at the weekly Coffee & Fellowship, Hope Café and the monthly FirstHope Community Meal.

... Transforming Discipleship

Family-friendly environment ... nursery, children's worship, children and youth activities, and adult discipleship opportunities designed to help you find your purpose in life!

... Our Mission

We are called to be a Pilgrim Community of Hope serving God in this City.

... Our Vision

We live out our Mission by:

- Knowing and loving God and His people.
- Reaching out to and enfolding the searching and hurting.
- Being and forming more committed disciples.

... Opportunities to Serve

We offer a variety of opportunities for adults, youth and children to serve Christ, to grow closer to God in the study of his Word, and to develop relationships with friends, old and new.

These opportunities include:

- Adult Choir (Christmas and Easter)
- Bible Studies
- Children & Youth Ministries
- Drama Team
- FirstHope Community Meal
- Hope Café
- Love INC
- Media Team
- Praise Team
- Prayer Team

...Worship and Sacraments

Worship

We worship each Sunday at 10:00 a.m. Worship Services are about 65 minutes in length. We sing contemporary praise songs and classic hymns of our faith. We read Scripture and share the Word. We confess our sins, receive God's love, share our joys and concerns and spend time in prayer. We believe that this is the content of an authentic worship experience. Our worship is informal ("come as you are!") yet properly aware of the fact that we worship a holy God.

The Lord's Supper

We celebrate the Lord's Supper during worship monthly. We practice an open Communion table, meaning all baptized Christians are welcome to share the Bread and Cup as we meet Jesus around the Table.

Baptism

We celebrate Baptism during worship. We baptize infants, children and adults, usually by "sprinkling" water. Baptism doesn't "save us", but it is a sure "sign and seal" of God's abiding love and care.