



Mission & Values

MISSION

**HOPE is called by God to look beyond ourselves.
We walk together in faith,
treasuring all people and sharing with them
the love, hope and acceptance that is in Christ.**

HOPE VALUES

**All people without exception
Serving Generously
Spiritual Nourishment
Our Connection with Creation**

This Week at HOPE June 10, 2026

A Weekly Word: Peace, Dear Ones

By Pastor Annie Ladnier

Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid. John 14:27

As our time together has been ebbing away, this verse came springing to the forefront of my mind. I have been clinging to it like a child does her security blanket. For certainly, it is, and always has been, and always will be, the peace of Christ that sustains us. In fact, many (perhaps most) of the weeks we have gathered for worship, I often started us with a centering breath—a moment to pause, fill our lungs with air, drop our shoulders, and exhale a sigh of relief. We inhaled the Spirit's very presence into ourselves, and we exhaled all of our weekly distractions so that we could simply be present with one another and our God. "My peace I give to you."

I have been taking a lot of deep breaths as of late.

With each one, I feel the slightest bit more of God's presence with me and it is bringing me peace, though not without my resistance. That's something we don't talk enough about, I think—how it is very much the work of the faithful to be resistant and stubborn at times. I think of Jacob wrestling with God near the ford of the Jabbuk in Genesis 32. His hip gets bent out of joint, and he refuses to let go of God without a blessing. God renames him from, "Jacob," to "Israel." Israel in Hebrew literally means, "he who struggles with God." It's fitting that God's people go on to be named as a group, "Israel." We assuredly are apt to wrestle with, struggle against, refuse to hear, stubbornly resist, but ultimately demand a blessing from our God. And God stays in the ring with us. God often bends us "out of joint" every time our faith causes us to let go of previously held assumptions, beliefs, attitudes and behaviors. And God gives us a new way of being in the world, naming us "child of God." It isn't usually comfortable. Like Jacob, it often comes in the aftermath of other turbulent events in our lives. Like Jacob we are changed because of our encounter with God, left limping and yet always moving forward. Jacob called the place where he wrestled with God, "Penial" which means "face of God."

Saints of HOPE, as I wrestle with God in my leaving of you, you will (and always have been) the very face of God to me. For here, I have seen God face to face, over and over. From the way Madison and Lisa Ziebarth so immediately offered to care for my babies, and the way a whole crew took over as they grew bigger, to the faces of our little ones on Wednesday nights, to witnessing the countless ways so many of you consistently and effortlessly tend to one another in your phone calls, and meals delivered, and coffee poured, and dishes cleaned, and candle oil filled, and meetings led, and meetings attended, and lawns mowed, and air filters replaced, and gardens weeded, and decorations hung, and musical selections rehearsed and shared, and livestreaming services figured out, and homes opened and roles stepped into, no matter what.

Oh beloved, there is not a single one of you who has not shown me the face of God or the love of Jesus. You have done it for me, for one another, and for "the least of these" in our midst. Of course, it hasn't always all happened without our collective wrestling. After all, we are still in the process of becoming what God is transforming us into. I am so grateful that we have been partners in this "becoming" for the last seven years. I hope I have helped reveal God's Kingdom to you and planted seeds for how you might continue doing that for others. I hope you have come to know a more gracious, patient, and justice-seeking God and that you now understand that God's justice is not retributive but is always seeking after the wholeness of God's children. Most of all, I hope you have come to know that you are immeasurably loved by a God who named you and claims you and never forsakes you.

May you go forth in the peace of THAT God. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not be afraid, for God has plans for you and they far surpass your wildest imaginations.

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Congregational Life invites you to prepare a favorite dish for our farewell to honor Pastor Annie.

Bring a wholly (holy) delicious dish like a salad, sandwich, main course or dessert on Sunday, June 14.

We'll dine in WOTS after the service. Plates, flatware and beverages will be provided.

Let's laugh and cry together as we wish Pastor Annie and her family well on their new journey.



Next Steps

In the coming days you will receive additional information regarding the next steps for Pastor Annie's departure and HOPE's next phase of ministry. Make sure to check your email for updates!

Pastor Annie has shared this future contact information:

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We still have the following roles open in the next 2 weeks!
Please consider signing up:

June 21st Needs

Ushers/Greeters
Worship Assistant
Communion Assistant
AV Assistant
Flowers

June 28th Needs

Prayer Reader
Communion Assistant
Coffee
Flowers

IF YOU CAN SERVE PLEASE [SIGN UP HERE!](#)

Want to help but not sure what the job entails?
Learn more in our [Worship Volunteer Guide](#)



NEXT SESSION: Thursday, June 11th @ Swinging Bridge
NEXT TOPIC:



To get the most out of our time together, please peruse the SESSION’S HOMEWORK (SEPARATE ATTACHMENT)

Of course, as always, grace abounds, and you can still participate in the session even if you don’t get to the “homework.” It just will add some depth to the conversation!

These sessions are recommended for anyone 18+. Swinging Bridge does have NA options and serves food, so please come, bring a friend, and enjoy digging into our faith in a new way!

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**Outdoor Worship Begins
Sunday, June 14th!**



**SUMMER EVENTS:
CHECK BACK SOON ON ADDITIONAL SUMMER OPPORTUNITIES**

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Please lift up the following people in prayer

Chuck Reid (Friend of Carl Warren)
David Anderson (Brother of Karen Brohaugh)
Caitlyn Huls (Granddaughter of Olive Olson)
Mark & Patti Johnson (Friends of Paula & Phil Klacan)
Kjersti Olson Duncan (Family friend of Diane Clark & Karen Rodewald)
Steve Feyereisen (Uncle of Jeff Rodewald)
The Family of Sue Ammerman (Friend of Nancy Sailer)
Steve Stocker (Friend of Karen & Jeff Rodewald)
Deanna Monson & Family (Mother of Lisa Ruehlow)
Jerry Gibson (Father of Karen Rodewald and Diane Clark)
Lisa Perlth Farley (Friend of Faye Perkins)
Sam Morrisette (Friend of Jeff & Karen Rodewald)
Mark Willink (Brother of Paula Klacan)
Family of Betty Pierce (Friends of Mary Thompson)
Doug Rudesill
Mary Lynn and Len Wiskerchen (Friends of Faye Perkins)
Rev. Ron Johnson (Friend of Karen Rodewald)
Sue Tarr (Friend of Faye Perkins)
The Family of David Boock
Mary Klacan
Lois Rosenthal (Mother of Jeff Rosenthal)
Leslie Randall (Sister of Vicki Siebold)
The Family of Jill Siebold (Daughter of Gary Siebold)
Ed Paulson and family
Gwen Paulson and her son Chad Sequin (Friend of Bill & Kay Montgomery)
Amanda Olson (Olive Olson's daughter)
Jim Deming (friend of Marc & Martie Guthrie)
Cathy Hjersjo (Friend of Darcy Boock)
Sylvia Secrist (Friend of Paula & Phil Klacan)
Carol Prince (Friend of Betty Lou Oppegard)
Brent Larson (Friend of Bill & Kay Montgomery)
Bob Schuder (Father of Sarah Bondhus)
Family of Rosina Hendrikson (Family of Mary Thompson)
Marcus Stack (Friend of Steve & Karen Kaste)
Rhiannon Bondhus (Niece of Bondhus family)
Eden Annoye (Relative of Debra James)
Fatma Aljarrah (Friend of Faye Perkins)
Michael Jacobson (Brother of Linda Jacobson)
Dennis & Sandy Schultz (Friends of Bill & Kay Montgomery)
Hannah Forward
Daryl Kleeman (Brother of Darcy Boock)
Lee Hill (friend of Naomi)
Gary Siebold
David Hendrickson

June Birthdays



June Baptisms

Martie Guthrie
Sean James
Gary Siebold

Name	Birthday
Cara Getschel	2-Jun
Carol Knudsen	5-Jun
Peter Nelson	7-Jun
Naomi Brandt	9-Jun
Elizabeth Rodewald	14-Jun
Eric Rodewald	14-Jun
Louie Bernard	15-Jun
Mark Ziebarth	15-Jun
Ainsley Neuhaus	17-Jun
Denise Burkett	26-Jun
Douglas Rudesill	26-Jun
Daniel Malaney	29-Jun
Edward Paulson	29-Jun
Steve Meyer	29-Jun



	Date	Celebrating Years
Larry & Lynda Meyers	5-Jun	44
Keith & Lisa Ruehlow	9-Jun	36
Douglas & Susie Rudesill	7-Jun	46
Joe and Connie Kurten	11-Jun	55
Mark & Lisa Ziebarth	12-Jun	39
Sara & Jon Filarsky	14-Jun	12
Bill & Kay Montgomery	17-Jun	65
Joseph McIntosh & Faye Perkins	18-Jun	41

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**DON'T FORGET!
MISSION TEAM HAS YOUR KWIK TRIP
GIFT CARDS & CAR WASH CARDS!**

HOPE's Mission Ministry reminds you that Kwik Trip Gas cards and Car Wash cards are available to you as part of our fundraising for Our Neighbor's Place!

Gas Cards: \$25/\$50 amounts

Car Wash Cards: \$36 for 5 Ultimate Washes

*Portion goes directly to ONP!

Cards available every Sunday and Mon-Wed, 8:30-3:00 in the church office.

Checks payable to "Our Neighbor's Place," cash also accepted.

Office Admin, Olive Olson, Pastor Annie, or any member of our Mission Team can assist you in getting a card.

Thank you for your continued support of Our Neighbors' Place!

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All are invited & needed
to participate in the leading of worship!
Please prayerfully consider sharing y
our time and talents!

[SIGN UP HERE](#)

Want to help but not sure what the job entails?
Learn more in our [Worship Volunteer Guide](#)



Did you know HOPE is on Facebook in TWO places??

[Public HOPE Facebook Page](#)

For public information, events, and Gospel sharing

[Private HOPE Facebook Group](#)

For private events, picture sharing, sharing joys & prayer concerns,
and living out our faith together

Make sure to like, follow, and join both to stay up to date!