

ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost

9:30 a.m. November 12, 2017

WELCOME AND TIME OF GREETING

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE Philip King, Organist

CALL TO WORSHIP (Responsive)

Leader: Give thanks to the Lord, for God is good.
People: God’s steadfast love endures forever.
Leader: Choose this day whom you will serve.
People: We will love and serve the Lord.
Leader: Let us worship God.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

*HYMN 840 “When Peace like a River”

CHILDREN’S TIME

JOYS AND CONCERNS

INTERLUDE

PASTORAL PRAYER & LORD’S PRAYER

ANTHEM “As Long As I Have Breath” Sue Farrar
Chancel Choir

SCRIPTURE READING Psalm 78:1-7 Pew Bible, Page 724

GIVING THANKS WITH OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS Elder Barb Follett

OFFERTORY

*RESPONSE HYMN 609 “Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.
Praise God, all creatures high and low. Alleluia, alleluia!
Praise God, in Jesus fully known: Creator, Word, and Spirit one.
Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SCRIPTURE READING Matthew 25:1-13 Pew Bible, Page 1206

SERMON “ARE YOU DUE?” Reverend Owen Carriker

*HYMN 350 “Keep Your Lamps Trimmed and Burning”

BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE

*Congregation may stand as able.
Bold print: congregational response.

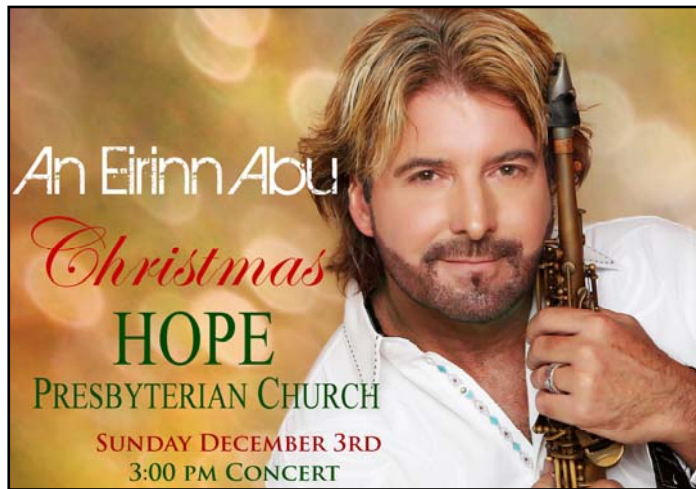
SUNDAY AT HOPE

CHILDREN’S CHURCH is a time for children ages 4 through 6 to gather and share the scripture which the adults will be sharing in worship. Children will leave after the “Time for Children” for Children’s Church or for the Nursery (up to 4 years of age).

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS after worship at 10:40 a.m. in the Sunset Room.

THANKSGIVING DINNER & HYMN SING TODAY—Thanksgiving Dinner at 5:30 p.m. in Fellowship Hall, followed by a Hymn Sing at 7 p.m. in Hope Church Sanctuary.

UPCOMING EVENTS AND OPPORTUNITIES



**WINTER HAVEN COMMUNITY SINGERS
CHRISTMAS CONCERT
First Public Performance!
Tuesday, December 5 — 7 p.m. — Hope Church Sanctuary
Philip King, Director**

**LADIES’ ANNUAL CHRISTMAS TEA
“They Followed the Star”
Saturday, December 9 — 12 Noon to 2 p.m. — Fellowship Hall**

The Presbyterian Women of Hope invite all ladies to attend our annual Christmas Tea on **Saturday, December 9** from 12 Noon to 2 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. The theme “*They Followed the Star*” will be inspiration for all of us as we hear from our speaker, Peg Roy, Pastor of First Presbyterian Church of Auburndale and enjoy special holiday music by Philip King. This, plus a lovely lunch and fellowship time, provides a wonderful opportunity to experience the Joy and Hope of Christmas in God’s special gift. Tickets are \$10 and will be sold before and after church beginning next Sunday, November 19. Mark your calendars now and plan to invite special friends and family.
Marsha Long, Moderator

SAVE THE DATE!

**Wednesday, December 13 — 6 p.m.—Christmas Fellowship Dinner
Friday & Saturday, December 15 & 16 — 7 p.m. — The Oft Told Story
Sunday, December 24 — Christmas Eve Services:
5 p.m. — Family Service
7 p.m. — Candlelight Service**

FALL BIBLE STUDY: LISTENING TO SCRIPTURE—We are offering this study on **Monday evenings at 6:30 p.m.** and again on **Thursday mornings at 10:30 a.m.** in the Sunset Room. Everyone is welcome to join us. Questions? Please call the Church office or e-mail Rev. Carriker owen@hopepreswh.org.

CARDS OF HOPE is our new ministry through cards made right here at Hope. If you are interested in sharing your gifts and talents to reach out and touch others, then please come and be part of the fun on **Monday, November 13** from 9 a.m. until 12 Noon in the Sunset Room. Please sign up on the pew pad or call the Church Office. Questions? Please call Julie (863) 324-6382.

PROPERTY COMMITTEE MEETING — **Tuesday, November 14** at 9 a.m. in the Sunset Room.

ELDERS AND DEACONS JOINT MEETING and dinner will be held at 6 p.m. on **Tuesday, November 14** in Fellowship Hall.


WILLOWS OF HOPE will meet at the Harborside Restaurant on **Wednesday, November 15** at 12:30 p.m. for lunch and devotion. Please RSVP: Bev Westover (863) 324-7823 by November 14.

KID’S ROCK—**Thursdays** —4 p.m. to 6 p.m. — Room 200 — Grades 1 through 5.

CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP SERVICE — **Thursday evening, November 16** in Fellowship Hall. We will have a light meal at 6 p.m. followed by the service at 6:30 p.m. This service includes both traditional and contemporary music, and visuals are provided by a screen. Casual dress is encouraged.

“THE SHACK” STUDY will resume **Tuesday, January 9, 2018.**

GIFT CARDS FOR CHRISTMAS!

 Consider gift cards for Christmas this year or have them ready to use when you go to the store to purchase your gifts. By buying the gift cards in advance to favorite establishments, Hope Church will receive from 1% to 25%! Our Scrip volunteers are available **TODAY** to assist you at the Scrip table.

CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS ORDER FORM

CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS will be available to beautify our Sanctuary during the Christmas season. The cost is \$10 each. If you would like to order a poinsettia either *In Memory Of, In Honor Of, In Gratitude For, or any Special Occasion*, please return the completed order form with your check (*made payable to Hope Presbyterian Church*) to the Church Office or place it in the offering plate before **Monday, December 11**. A complete listing of donors and the persons being memorialized or honored will be printed in the Sunday bulletin **December 17**. Poinsettias will be taken to members and friends of the congregation at Health and Rehabilitation facilities or at home.

Name _____ Phone Number _____

Number Ordered _____ Amount Enclosed _____

IN MEMORY OF _____

IN HONOR OF _____

IN GRATITUDE FOR _____

SPECIAL OCCASION _____



CALENDAR OF EVENTS
Week of November 12, 2017

TO OUR VISITORS, NEWCOMERS, AND GUESTS—Welcome to Hope Church. We hope you will find words of encouragement as you worship with us this morning. **Please print your name, address, phone number, and e-mail on the Friendship Pads.**

ASSISTING IN WORSHIP TODAY is Elder Barb Follett, Vice Moderator of the Mission Committee.

A NURSERY is provided from 9:15 a.m. until 10:30 a.m. in the Christian Education Building, Room 246 for children under 4 years.

FAMILY WORSHIP CENTER, a friendly atmosphere for parents with infants and toddlers, is located next to the Library. *Children's Busy Bags are available in the Narthex.*

HEARING ENHANCEMENT DEVICES and LARGE PRINT BULLETINS are available during Worship. Please see an usher for assistance.

CHANCEL FLOWERS are presented to the glory of God by Bob and Mary Ax in thanks for the cornucopia of blessings from the Lord.

DEEPEST SYMPATHY OF THE CONGREGATION is extended to Kenny and Carol Moore and family on the death of Carol's father, Richard Simonds, on Wednesday, November 1.

A MEMORIAL SERVICE in Celebration of Reverend Gunter Kaiser's life will be held at 3 p.m. on **Saturday, November 25** at Hope Church.

FUND RAISING FOR HURRICANE DISASTER—If you have any items that you can donate for a garage sale to help a Puerto Rico pastor repair his church's school that was damaged by Hurricane Maria, please contact Sonia or Rich Roland (863) 318-0058. Any donation would be greatly appreciated. Thank you!

THE SHOPPING CART contents for the month of **November** will be dedicated to **Family Emergency Services** of Winter Haven. Their needs include all types of non-perishable food items as well as products for use in the home. Another way to help is by contributing monetary gifts. Please make checks payable to **"Family Emergency Services"** and place in the offering plate. Thank you for contributing to this worthy ministry.

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAY/ANNIVERSARY LIST is available in the Narthex Racks. **THE UPPER ROOM** devotionals for November/December are available on the Narthex table. A donation of one dollar is suggested.

TODAY, November 12

- 9:30 a.m. Worship
- 9:45 a.m. Children's Church
- 10:40 a.m. Adult Sunday School, Sunset Room
- 2:30 p.m. "Oft Told Story" Practice, Sanctuary
- 5:30 p.m. Thanksgiving Dinner, Fellowship Hall
- 7:00 p.m. Hymn Sing, Sanctuary

Monday, November 13

- 5:15 a.m. Sweatin' Hope Exercise Class, CE Building
- 9:00 a.m. Cards of Hope Ministry, Sunset Room
- 6:30 p.m. Bible Study: "Listening to Scripture," Sunset Room

Tuesday, November 14

- 5:15 a.m. Sweatin' Hope Exercise Class, CE Building
- 9:00 a.m. Property Committee Meeting, Sunset Room
- 4:30 p.m. Aerobics, Multipurpose Room 227
- 6:00 p.m. Elders and Deacons Joint Meeting, Fellowship Hall
- 6:30 p.m. "Oft Told Story" Practice, Sanctuary

Wednesday, November 15

- 5:15 a.m. Sweatin' Hope Exercise Class, CE Building
- 11:00 a.m. Prayer Group of Hope, Parlor
- 6:00 p.m. Bells of Hope, Bell Choir Room
- 7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room

Thursday, November 16

- 5:15 a.m. Sweatin' Hope Exercise Class, CE Building
- 10:30 a.m. Bible Study: "Listening to Scripture," Sunset Room
- 11:00 a.m. Hope Creative School Thanksgiving Feast, Fellowship Hall
- 4:00 p.m. Kids Rock, Room 200
- 4:30 p.m. Aerobics, Multipurpose Room 227
- 6:00 p.m. Light meal (preceding Contemporary Worship Service)
- 6:30 p.m. Contemporary Worship Service, Fellowship Hall**

Friday, November 17

- 5:15 a.m. Sweatin' Hope Exercise Class, CE Building

Saturday, November 18

- 9:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m. Cypresswood Craft Bazaar
- 6:30 a.m. Sweatin' Hope Exercise Class, CE Building

WEEKLY WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

Sunday, November 5, 2017	
9:30 a.m. Worship	209
Thursday Contemporary Worship	20
Total	229

Next Sunday, November 19, 2017

- 9:30 a.m. Worship**
- 9:45 a.m. Children's Church**
- 10:40 a.m. Adult Sunday School, Sunset Room**

Ushers: Alex Hunyh, Captain; Lynne Maxwell, Brenda Gregory, Janci Hurt, Judy Calhoun
Flowers:.....Alex Huynh



OUR MISSION STATEMENT TO ALL PEOPLE

**God loves us; we love God; reaching up through faith,
reaching out in love: being Christ's Beacon of Hope.**

*We reach up by building an inclusive, Christ-centered, Bible-based church;
We reach out by serving the poor, caring for the sick and uplifting the
oppressed and broken;*

*We are a Beacon of Hope by being a loving community of believers,
bringing Christ's example to life, as we are led by the Holy Spirit to use
our blessings and talents, and by empowering people to be servant leaders.*

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Julie Carriker, Director of Christian Education

Lois Crowe, Bookkeeper; Donna Phillips, Secretary

Holly Dills, Director of Hope Creative School



Sunday, November 26 — 10:40 a.m.
Please sign up today in the Narthex.

**LIST OF PRAYER CONCERNS OF THE CONGREGATION
IS AVAILABLE IN THE NARTHEX LITERATURE RACKS**