

## ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

9:30 a.m. September 3, 2017

### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

TIME OF GREETING — Please welcome your neighbors with the peace of Christ.

PRELUDE “Toccatà” Theodore Dubois  
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: God said to Moses: I am who I am.  
**People: This is the name of the Lord forever.**  
Leader: Let us worship God.

### INVOCATION

\*HYMN 12 “Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise”

### CHILDREN’S TIME

### JOYS AND CONCERNS

INTERLUDE “Children of the Heavenly Father” Forrest/arr. Wagner

### PASTORAL PRAYER & LORD’S PRAYER

ANTHEM “Children of the Heavenly Father;” “Just a Closer Walk,”  
“Barndoms Hemmet” — Childhood Home Swedish Hymn  
“God Bless America”  
George Arndt, Accordion

SCRIPTURE READING Matthew 16: 21-28 Pew Bible, Page 1193

GIVING THANKS WITH OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS Elder Stacy Woodward

OFFERTORY “Be Still, My Soul” Faye López

\*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 Exodus 3: 1-15 Pew Bible, Page 68

SERMON “WHO ME?” Reverend Owen Carriker

\*HYMN 521 “In Remembrance of Me”

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD’S SUPPER  
“Air” Gerre Hancock

\*HYMN 727 “Will You Let Me Be Your Servant”

\*BENEDICTION

## TODAY 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** — 10:40 a.m. in the Sunset Room.

**ADULT UKULELE CLASS** will meet again on **Saturday, September 9** at 4 p.m. in the Christian Education Building, Room 200. All members and friends are welcome!

### FALL KICK-OFF SUNDAY — SEPTEMBER 10 — 9:30 A.M. WORSHIP

Chancel Choir Returns

We will enjoy a Chicken and Biscuits Brunch after the Worship Service.  
(Freewill donation to cover cost of food.)

Come celebrate with us as we begin our fall activities  
with educational opportunities for everyone!

**Please indicate on the pew pad number of those planning to attend.**

**KID’S ROCK—Thursdays—4:30 to 6 p.m.** for Grades 1 through 5 in the Sunset Room.

**YOUTH OF HOPE**—Our first youth meeting will be next **Sunday, September 10** from 4 to 6 p.m. in the Christian Education Building, Room 200. This meeting will be a time where the youth (junior and senior high) will be able to help plan and design their program this year. We will have pizza for supper this evening. Get your ideas together and join us for this time of fun and fellowship!

### KIDS PACK — SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 24

We will be packing our “Kids Pack” after the 9:30 a.m. Worship Service. A Chili Luncheon will follow. **Please sign up on the pew pad or call the Church Office if you are planning to attend.**

### CARDS OF HOPE

**Cards of Hope** is our new ministry to share creativity, artwork and fellowship, and at the same time reach out to others in our church and community for all kinds of occasions through cards made right here at Hope. We are essentially the new Hallmark of 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. We will meet every other **Monday** from 9 a.m. until 12 Noon in the Sunset Room on the following dates: **September 11 and 25, October 9 and 23, and November 6.** Please sign up on the pew pad or call the Church Office. Questions? Please call Julie (863) 324-6382.

### CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP SERVICE

**Our Contemporary Worship Service** will begin on **Thursday evening, October 5** at 6:30 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. This service includes both traditional and contemporary music, and visuals are provided by a screen. Casual Dress is encouraged and you are welcome to bring your coffee, water or soft drinks with you.

### NEW CHURCH DIRECTORY

**A new Church Directory is coming to Hope!** Our first photo sessions will be held **October 16, 17 and 18** from 1 p.m. to 8 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. Please check your schedule so when we have Kick Off next Sunday, you will be ready to sign up! Thank you!  
— Membership Committee

## FALL BIBLE STUDY: LISTENING TO SCRIPTURE

In the world in which we live it is important to know how to use scripture to help us discern God’s will. It is also important for us to understand how to interpret scripture when making decisions. This eight-session study led by Rev. Carriker will give us strategies to interpret scripture and relate it to our lives. We will offer this study on **Monday evenings at 6:30 p.m.** and again on **Thursday mornings at 10:30 a.m.** in the Sunset room. You can choose which class offering fits your schedule as the classes will cover the same material. This study is part of the Kerygma Bible Study program that we have been using. We will begin the study on **Monday evening September 25 and Thursday morning September 28.** Everyone is welcome to join us. Please call the Church office or e-mail Rev. Carriker [owen@hopepreswh.org](mailto:owen@hopepreswh.org) to register.

### “SHACK STUDY”

We will begin our study on “The Shack” by William P. Young on **Tuesday, October 3** at 7 p.m. in the Adult Library. We plan to do another showing of the movie prior to the study on **Saturday, September 30** at 4 p.m. Please sign the pew pad if you are interested in this class so we will know how many will be participating. Books for the study may be purchased on Amazon for \$10 or less. Questions? Please call Julie (863) 324-6382.

**“EXPLORING THE FRUIT OF THE SPIRIT” BY BETH MOORE** — We meet **every Tuesday at 7 p.m.** in the Sunset Room. All members and friends of Hope Church are invited. Questions? Please contact [julie@hopepreswh.org](mailto:julie@hopepreswh.org).

**“SWEATIN’ HOPE” EXERCISE CLASS Monday through Friday at 5:15 a.m. and Saturday at 6:30 a.m.** in the Christian Education Building. Led by Delight Carmichael. Questions? Please contact [julie@hopepreswh.org](mailto:julie@hopepreswh.org).

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### PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

**MORNING GLORIES CIRCLE** will have a luncheon meeting on **Tuesday, September 5** — 11:30 a.m. at the Olive Garden Restaurant. All ladies are welcome to join us! Please call Lynne Maxwell (863) 291-3819 to make your reservation. Thank you!

**CIRCLE OF HOPE** meets on **Wednesday, September 6** — 1:30 p.m. at the home of Becky Faughander, 4300 Dunmore Drive, Lake Wales. Our mission will be for the families impacted by Hurricane Harvey. Hope to see you there. Any questions or directions please call Becky (863) 662-5806.

**CIRCLE OF FRIENDS** will meet **Monday, September 11** — 6 p.m. at Beef O’Brady’s on Cypress Gardens Boulevard. Please RSVP Jeanie Madaus (863) 326-6056 or Ann Wainscott: [princecraft17@tampabay.rr.com](mailto:princecraft17@tampabay.rr.com).

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### HOLIDAY BOUTIQUE MINI-BAZAAR AND BAKE SALE

**Saturday, October 14  
8 a.m. until 1 p.m. in Fellowship Hall**

Autumn, Halloween, Thanksgiving and Christmas donations and other items may be brought to the church and left in the Service Entrance in the Christian Education Building. Please keep the holiday items separate from all other items. Children’s toys are accepted, but we cannot accept clothing or shoes.

The BIG Annual Bazaar is scheduled for **Saturday, February 3, 2018.** Thank you for your continued support.  
—Bazaar Committee

\*RESPONSE HYMN 43 "On Eagle's Wings"

And he will raise you up on eagle's wings,  
bear you on the breath of dawn,  
make you to shine like the sun,  
and hold you in the palm of his hand.

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\*POSTLUDE "Fugue in G minor, BWV 578" J.S. Bach

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

**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 Stacy Woodward, Chairperson of the Christian Education 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 Ron and Florrie Ellen Hicks in memory of their son, Aaron Hicks; and by Jan Carmichael in memory of her son, Bruce Carmichael, who died 12 years ago Labor Day weekend.

**HURRICANE HARVEY**  
Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PDA) has deployed a National Response Team to help bring hope and healing to Texas families impacted by Hurricane Harvey. For those who wish to support PDA's emergency response and recovery efforts, please make your checks to Hope Presbyterian Church with "Hurricane Harvey" on the memo line and place in the offering plate. We will forward your donations to the PDA. Thank you for your generosity in responding to the deep human needs left in the wake of the storm.

**THE SHOPPING CART** contents for the month of **September** 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.

**THE UPPER ROOM** Devotionals for September/October are on the Narthex table. A donation of one dollar is suggested. Thank you.

**THE CHURCH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED ON  
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 4 IN OBSERVANCE OF LABOR DAY.  
HAVE A SAFE HOLIDAY!**

**CALENDAR OF EVENTS  
Week of September 4, 2017**

**Monday, September 4—LABOR DAY**

**Church Office and Schools Closed**  
5:15 a.m. Sweatin' Hope Exercise Class, CE Building

**Tuesday, September 5**

**Fellowship Hall Carpet Cleaned**  
5:15 a.m. Sweatin' Hope Exercise Class, CE Building  
11:30 a.m. Morning Glories, Olive Garden Restaurant  
4:30 p.m. Aerobics, Multipurpose Room 227  
7:00 p.m. Beth Moore Series, Parlor

**Wednesday, September 6**

5:15 a.m. Sweatin' Hope Exercise Class, CE Building  
11:00 a.m. Prayer Group of Hope, Parlor  
1:30 p.m. Circle of Hope—Becky Faughander's home  
6:00 p.m. Bells of Hope rehearsal begins  
7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal begins, Choir Room

**Thursday, September 7**

5:15 a.m. Sweatin' Hope Exercise Class, CE Building  
1:00 p.m. Worship Committee, Parlor  
4:30 p.m. Aerobics, Multipurpose Room 227  
4:30 p.m. Kids Rock, Sunset Room

**Friday, September 8**

**"Rock the Universe," Universal Studios**  
5:15 a.m. Sweatin' Hope Exercise Class, CE Building

**Saturday, September 9**

6:30 a.m. Sweatin' Hope Exercise Class, CE Building

**Next Sunday, September 10, 2017—KICK OFF SUNDAY**  
**Chicken and Biscuit Luncheon after Worship Service**  
9:30 a.m. Worship  
9:45 a.m. Children's Church

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

**WEEKLY WORSHIP ATTENDANCE**

Sunday, August 27, 2017  
9:30 a.m. Worship 185

**Ushers:** Lynne Maxwell, Captain; Mary Ax, Barb Anderson,  
Bev DePamphilis, Gene Travis  
**Flowers:**.....Lynne Maxwell



**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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