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by David Lenz, Lead Pastor



Do you know the myth of Sisyphus? In Greek mythology, Sisyphus was a mortal who angered Zeus. His punishment was to roll a huge boulder up a hill, only to watch it roll back down before he could reach the top. Sisyphus was doomed to repeat this task for eternity.

It is a bleak vision of life, to believe that nothing ever changes.

In *The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe*, C. S. Lewis portrays the Sisyphian tragedy through his depiction of a world where winter never ends. Lucy Pevensie walks through the wardrobe into a beautiful snow-covered forest in Narnia, the land of talking animals. At first, it seemed delightful. But in the words of Mr. Tumnus, the fawn who is Lucy's first Narnian friend, it was "always winter but never Christmas." How dreadful!—which is exactly how Lucy responds.

Spoiler alert: the Narnian winter comes to end. The icicles melt; the snow recedes, the waters flow, spring returns: because Aslan (the Christ figure in Narnia) is on the move!

The biblical vision of reality anticipates change, welcomes change—because God has a plan toward which history is bending. The old hymn text by Arthur Campbell Ainger (1894) says it well: "God is working his purpose out, as year succeeds to year."

Jesus is on the move! Deeply etched into biblical faith is this conviction: Jesus is the Christ who was to come, who has come, who will come again. Change is embedded in God's plan from before the foundation of the world.

Isaiah 55:10-11 celebrates the certitude of God's plan and looks forward to the blessing that change will bring:

"For as the rain and the snow come down from heaven
and do not return there but water the earth,
making it bring forth and sprout,
giving seed to the sower and bread to the eater,
so shall my word be that goes out from my mouth;
it shall not return to me empty,
but it shall accomplish that which I purpose,
and shall succeed in the thing for which I sent it."

Change is coming to Hope Church—and that is a good thing! It is not random change. It is change that has been prayed over, change that has been carefully considered, change in alignment with God's eternal purpose to build his church.

Personal experience tells us that change can be daunting, and for that reason we often resist it. But that does not mean change is not a good thing, a needed thing. With a new lead pastor coming soon, there will be a new voice singing the song of the gospel. There will be new energy, new insights, new initiatives, new ways of doing things, new ways of proclaiming the unchanging truth of Jesus Christ.

What a joy that will be!

Your Pastor,
David Lenz

The God Who Provides

by Heidi Johnson, Assistant Director of Vine + Branches

After leading Hope's Vine + Branches ministry for 25 years, I am spending this season leading up to my retirement looking back and looking forward. It is a season of big change for me! Being a part of this ministry has been such a joy—through relationships formed, lives touched and seeing God at work. God called me into this vocation and is now helping me step aside and pass the baton. Seeing God at work through my life in this ministry has deepened my faith and grown my trust in Him.

I am reflective of how God showed up with a plan for me and for Vine + Branches. In 2014, after having co-led Vine + Branches with Nancy Staloch for 12 years, Nancy left the role. At that same time, my children were growing up and my husband was going through significant staffing changes at his company. God led me to take over Nancy's hours in addition to my own and walked with me as I led the ministry solo for the next few years. The ministry grew significantly during this time and as the need for more volunteers rose, God provided them so unexpectedly. Covid hit in 2020 and the store closed for public shopping for almost a year. We continued to serve referred clients during that time, but in much-reduced numbers as social workers were not seeing clients and working remotely. It was during these slower months that a long-time customer of Vine + Branches was diagnosed with late-stage cancer. She had no family and we walked the last few months of

her journey with her. Upon her death, she gifted her house to Vine + Branches. It turned out to be God's gift and God's timing. Due to the Covid closure and the need for Vine + Branches to physically move in preparation for Hope's new building project, we had time to rehab the house, sell it and use the proceeds to build out our new space in the Hope Center. The funds provided us with new windows and building materials. When we re-opened, we were in a beautiful new space. The ministry bounced back with an increasing numbers of clients. As I felt stretched and alone in my leadership of an expanding ministry, God brought Anne Nelson to Vine + Branches in a way that only God could have orchestrated. She is a gift to the ministry! And now, as I work my way toward retirement, God has brought Freedom Peters to us (again, in a way that only God could orchestrate). God is weaving my story with that of Anne and Freedom to continue here what God has started.

God sees. God provides. God is the one who ordained Hope's ministry of Vine + Branches and God has truly been faithful in providing for both ministry-related and personal needs. This has been especially true during the times of transition and change. I take this truth with me as I adventure into the next phase of my life and await to see what direction God leads me in next. I am expecting the unexpected!



Congratulations to Heidi Johnson on 25 years of ministry and her retirement from Vine + Branches!

Faithful Through Change

by Kim Laufenburger, Executive Director of Operations

It has been said that "the only constant in life is change." As Christ followers, we might amend that saying to read, "the only constant in life is change **and** the steadfastness of God." After all, "Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever" (Hebrews 13:8). What a gift it is to know that amid all the change in the world around us, our faithful God remains unchanging.

This is a significant season of transition at Hope Church. It began nearly three years ago with the renewal of our church building and has continued as we experience growth across ministries, welcoming many new guests and families. Over the past year, we have also navigated multiple staff changes, culminating in the upcoming leadership transition as Pastor Dave prepares for retirement and a new lead pastor is called.

Change impacts each person differently. Some feel energized by it, others approach it with hesitation, and still others resist it altogether. None of these responses are right or wrong. What matters most is how we, as a body of believers, move through change well—together.

The Hope Church leadership team has been especially attentive to preparing the soil of our church for this season.

In February, the session retreat—led by Hope member Terri Miller—focused on how change impacts leadership and the congregation, and how we can both grieve and grow through transition. Elders spent time in prayerful reflection for the people of Hope, for Pastor Dave as he prepares for retirement, and for the future leader God is calling to Hope Church. Hope staff participated in a similar time of development, considering how change affects each team member and how to remain healthy and thriving in preparation for a new leader.

At the time of writing, there is still uncertainty surrounding the timeline for leadership succession and who the new pastor will be. Naming this unknown can feel unsettling—and that is okay. It is good and necessary to voice both the excitement we feel and the trepidation we carry. God knows our hearts, holding both our joys and our anxieties.

In a world that is ever changing, our heavenly Father remains our only true HOPE. We have seen His faithfulness at Hope Church for generations, and we can be confident in this promise: "He who began a good work in Hope Church will be faithful to complete it" (Philippians 1:6).



Making the Most of Transitions

by Terri Miller, Covenant Partner

Transitions. We face so many of them in our lives. Some as simple as the changing of seasons; others are as monumental as changing careers or starting a family.

As a church, we are in a season of transition as we anticipate a new senior pastor to lead and shepherd Hope Church. Depending on your personality, your involvement, and your feelings about change, the amount of thought you've given to this transition—and how you feel about this next season—may vary tremendously. Your feelings and responses may not look the same as others in the congregation. Seasons of transition often bring a wide range of thoughts and emotions.

I spent a decade serving as Director of Transitions for a missions organization. As I walked with people through seasons of professional and personal change, I was greatly helped by resources that provided insight and best practices. I'm indebted to David Pollock and Ruth Van Reken for their insights on "good goodbyes" and the importance of building a RAFT. The concept of pre- and post-grievors (Erich Lindemann), explained to me by a counselor and expert on missionary and third-culture kids was a much needed "aha" as I reflected on times when I found myself surrounded by people processing loss at different times and in different ways. Terry Walling's book *Stuck* encouraged me with the promise of God's presence and work in the midst of change.

In *Stuck*, Walling challenges and reminds us that transitions can:

- “ – Break Christ followers free
- “ – Move Christ followers from somewhere to somewhere else
- “ – Surface greater clarity on God's call
- “ – Clarify unique roles
- “ – Call for focus and greater intentionality
- “ – Produce greater self-definition, and discovery of how to influence others to live out God's purposes

When we submit change to God and seek His will and ways, it can accomplish all of this and more. Transitions can also lead to reflection, deeper identification with Christ, and sanctification.

The process of change is not always easy. At times, transitions bring real questions, struggle, and even what may feel like silence from God. Yet we can take comfort in this: our heavenly Father—who does not change—is present with us. He listens, he loves, and he sovereignly rules over all things, including the seasons we are walking through as Hope Church.



Hope Overflowing Mortgage Reduction: Finishing Strong

by Wade Johnson, Stewardship + Hope Fund Committee

I am writing this update for several audiences: Our long standing Covenant Partners, our new Covenant Partners, and those who attend Hope Church regularly.

Nearly a decade ago our leaders at Hope Church envisioned a change to our building. Our desire was to make it easy to find our front door, to be warm and welcoming, bring our congregation closer together and for all to become closer to Jesus.

Ideas were generated, an architect was selected and a design developed. This was not a trivial endeavor. We kicked off our first campaign "Hope For Tomorrow" in 2020 and raised \$5M+ so we could begin the reconstruction/renovation of the east end of our building. These have become the areas we love: the Portland Worship Center, the Commons, Crossover Café/Kitchen, nursery, offices and the lower level classrooms for our children and youth.

By spring of 2023 we were enjoying our beautiful new space but owed nearly \$4,000,000 on our mortgage with Alerus bank. We kicked off our 2nd campaign "Hope Overflowing Mortgage Reduction Campaign" (HOMR) in May 2023 with the goal to decrease as much of our mortgage as possible.

In efforts to eliminate the \$4M loan, over the past three years we:

- “ – Received Pledges for **\$2,667,000**
- “ – Received donations over **\$3,030,000** from pledges, extra giving, and anonymous gifts
- “ – Tithed **\$303,000** to our Honduran mission partner Nueva Esperanza.
- “ – Paid down our loan to where the remaining mortgage is **\$784,000**.
- – **In efforts to finish strong, we invite the people of Hope to be open to how they might be led to give to help eliminate this loan. No third campaign. No commitment cards. If you desire to help, please contact Kim Laufenburger in the Main Office.**

These numbers were presented at the Annual Meeting on April 26. Let's keep this momentum going!

How great it would be to send Pastor Dave, who has faithfully led us through this successful journey, into retirement and welcome our new pastor with no mortgage?

The people of Hope Church and their generosity and commitment are amazing. We are thankful. I hope you have sensed the Holy Spirit's presence in our new spaces, whether in worship, hospitality, learning, and/or in fellowship with one another. To God be the glory!

Contributing to the Deacon Fund

by Kathy Shafer, Deacon Moderator

In Acts 6, we read about the first deacons appointed and why they were needed. They were to ensure that food served to the widows of the faith community was served in an equitable orderly way. But, did you ever stop to think about where all the food (and the funds needed to purchase it) came from? At Hope, it may come from the Deacon Fund!

The Deacon Fund is used for **regular expenses** of deacon ministry

- “ – providing funds for Loaves and Fishes meals
- “ – providing supplies for the deacons to minister to the church community
- “ – to fund regular programs organized by the deacons; like Helping Hands or GriefShare

The Deacon Fund is used for **special events** related to the deacon ministry

- “ – the annual Friendship Luncheon is organized by the deacons and paid for from the Deacon Fund

The Deacon Fund is used for **one-time emergency financial requests**

- “ – decisions concerning the use of funds for emergency requests are made jointly by the pastors, Deacon Moderator, and Executive Director of Operations

We invite you to consider making an annual or a one-time gift to the Deacon Fund. You can do this either online by choosing "deacons" from the drop down box for Funds or by writing a check and adding deacon fund in the memo field. Each one of us can share in the ministry of the deacons by sharing our resources, prayers, and encouragement—and God will bless and multiply it!



Contribute online to the general offering, the Deacon Fund, and more through Hope's giving portal.

Pastor Nominating Committee

Pastor Nominating Committee Update

by Debbie Bell and Kevin Dybdal, PNC Co-Chairs

By the time you are reading this edition of Crossings in your home, you will know the name of the candidate the Pastor Nominating Committee is recommending to serve as the next Lead Pastor/Head of Staff of Hope Church.

What a sacred and humbling moment this is in the life of our church. As we look back over these past 16 months since Pastor Dave announced his retirement, our hearts are full of gratitude for you—the people and friends of Hope—and for the many ways God has faithfully led us through this season.

During this time of transition, your prayers, encouragement, patience, and steady faithfulness have carried and strengthened us. We are deeply grateful for the prayers of Hope Church—from the children praying with us during a Sunday morning children's message, to Monday morning prayer groups; prayers offered during Session and Deacon meetings; Sunday morning worship prayers; the prayer walk, prayer stations, and prayer breakfast; and most recently, the 24 hours of prayer. Again and again, we have seen the Holy Spirit at work through the prayers of God's people.

It felt especially meaningful that the call was extended to our nominee during our 24 hours of prayer—a quiet reminder that God has already been preparing the one who may lead Hope into this next season, while also faithfully guiding the work of the Pastor Nominating Committee as we discerned together.

Along the way, we have sought to "trust in the Lord with all [our] heart and lean not on [our] own understanding" (Proverbs 3:5-6). And now, as we gather as a congregation, we do so with confidence that God is "able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine" (Ephesians 3:20).

We enter this next step with open hands, grateful hearts, and prayerful expectation for all God has ahead as we continue becoming a cross-over community—deeper with Jesus, wider in the Kingdom, and closer in community.

In Christ,

Debbie Bell and Kevin Dybdal, co-chairs on behalf of the Pastor Nominating Committee

Staff Update

Happy 15th Anniversary of Ministry at Hope Church!



Heidi Connors, Executive Director of Next Gen Ministries



Katie McGowan, Preschool Teacher

We are grateful for your passion and care for children and families!



Subscribe to the "Hope for the Week" weekly email for updates delivered straight to your inbox.



Celebrating the Ministry of Pastor Dave and Cynthia Lenz

Saturday, July 18

5:00-7:00 pm | Open House Celebration

Enjoy food, games, and time to share memories with Pastor Dave and Cynthia and each other during this open house-style celebration time.

7:00-8:00 pm | Program to Honor Pastor Dave and Cynthia

Following the open house, we will gather in the sanctuary for a fun program honoring Pastor Dave and Cynthia.

Sunday, July 19

10:30 am | Celebration Worship | One Service

We will gather in the sanctuary to praise God for his faithfulness throughout Pastor Dave's ministry.

Would you like to honor Pastor Dave with a gift?

Please make checks out to Becky Wahlund with "Gift for Pastor Dave" in the memo line. These gifts will go to help fund the gift of travel for Pastor Dave and Cynthia.

Cards may be sent to the Hope Church main office.



Happy Trails!

Sending Pastor Dave on His Retirement Journey

PASTOR DAVE'S RETIREMENT CELEBRATIONS



artwork by Norm Hauer

SUNDAYS

Traditional Worship

9:00 am | Sanctuary

Crossover Fellowship

10:00 am | Commons

Lao Worship

10:30 am | Community Events Room

Contemporary Worship

10:30 am | Portland Worship Center

Choral Celebration Sunday

June 14 | 9:00 am | Sanctuary

Join us for a special morning of worship led by Magnum Chorum, the Swedish-American Choir, Knox Church Choir, and Hope Church Sanctuary Choir.

GROUPS

Bible Study and Prayer

Mondays | 10:00 am | Community Events Room

Study the Bible verse by verse, letting Scripture inspire our prayers for Hope Church, each other, and our loved ones. Led by Pastor David Lenz.

Growing in the Word: Historical Narrative

Wednesdays | June 3-24 | 6:30-8:00 pm | Portland Worship Center

Led by Doug Dye and Larry Bell. Contact Pastor KC at kc@hope-pc.org.

Prayer Shawl Ministry

3rd Thursdays | June 18, July 16 | 1:00-3:00 pm | Commons Fireplace

Enjoy prayer, devotions, sweet fellowship, and treats. If you are a knitter or crocheter (or would like to learn), we would love to have you join us. Contact Cheryl Hauer at 612-861-5853.

The Gathering

The Gathering is on Summer Break. We hope to see you in September. If you want to plan ahead, mark your calendars for the second Thursday of each month at 11:45 am. Contact Dan and Kory Everson at danandkory@gmail.com.



MEN'S MINISTRY

Men's ministry is looking to help you grow up in faith in various ways this summer:

Men's Breakfast

Saturday, June 6 | 8:30-10:00 am

"Are Youth Sports Forming or Deforming our Kids?" Come hear two of Hope's high school coaches, Mark Wanous (golf, Eastview) and Mike DiNardo (softball, football, etc., Minnehaha) talk about the opportunities and challenges in the ways our youth encounter organized athletics. Whether you're struggling with your kids' sports schedule or you've experienced the good (and the not-so-good) in sports you'll appreciate the discussion—and Stacey Gibbs' cooking! RSVP to Dan Ritchie (dritchiemn@gmail.com) by June 2.

Men's Retreat

August 28-30 | Hope Shores

Put this weekend on your schedule and pray for the teams from Hope and other nearby ECO churches as we plan this year's retreat. Want to attend or help in recruiting? Contact Dan Ritchie at dritchiemn@gmail.com.

Weekly Men's Bible Study and Prayer

Saturdays | 8:00 am | Zoom

Mondays | 8:00 pm | Zoom

Both meetings: zoom.us/j/93078610437

Both groups focus on the Scripture for Sunday. Join us! If you're not getting the weekly email invitations, contact Rex Cooper at cooperrexj@gmail.com.

WOMEN'S MINISTRY

Women's Retreat

September 25-27 | Hope Shores

Mark your calendar for a weekend away. Come and be refreshed as we enjoy God's presence and fellowship with other women. Contact Lauren Puncochar at lauren@hope-pc.org.



(Opposite) Rob Rumppe attends an adult discipleship program.
(Top right) Drew Thompson greets others during Crossover Fellowship.
(Bottom right) Katy Fedora smiles in contemporary worship.

SUNDAYS

Sunday Funday

9:00 am | Garden Room | Infants-5th

Kids 5th grade and under are invited to an hour of play and Bible time. julie.lewis@hope-pc.org

Wiggly Worship

10:30 am | Nursery (0-2 y.o.) + Garden Room (3-5 y.o.)

Little ones will listen to a Bible story, sing songs, make friends, and play. julie.lewis@hope-pc.org

Kids Church

During 10:30 am Service | Mountain Room | K-5th

After the children's message, kids are dismissed to worship and engage with God's story of love in kid-friendly ways. Kids will rejoin their parents at the end of the service. michaela@hope-pc.org

Family Worship Sundays—NEW!

August 9 + 30

Instead of attending Kids Church, kids are invited to join their parents and attend the entire worship service together! Our hope is that these Sundays will help kids grow their "worship muscles" as they join the whole congregation in receiving the Word and praising God. We will always provide Kids Worship Clipboards to help them engage. michaela@hope-pc.org

Breakfast Club: Summer in the Sanctuary

8:45 am | Meet by the fireplace in the Commons | MS + HS Youth

Join our youth community as we learn how to experience God in new ways and grow in our worship this summer! clara@hope-pc.org

EVENTS

Youth Connect Pointe

June 3, July 8, August 19 | Enter Door 2

Stay connected in community this summer at our monthly Connect Pointe, where we invite middle school and high school youth to gather and participate in a new community bonding activity:

June 3 | 6:00-8:00 pm | Feed My Starving Children

July 8 | 1:00-4:00 pm | Hike at Interstate State Park

August 19 | 6:00-8:00 pm | Campfire Summer Reunion

VBX Marathon

August 10-13 | 6:30-8:00 pm | Enter Door 2

Lace up your running shoes for VBX Marathon! This summer we will dive into what it means to "run with perseverance the race marked out for us, fixing our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith" (Hebrews 12:1-2). Kids K-5th grade will sing songs, play games, make crafts, eat snacks, and make friends! Suggested fee: \$10 per child.

Be a VBX Volunteer

August 10-13 | 6:15-8:15 pm | Enter Door 2

Contact michaela@hope-pc.org to be a kid leader or hospitality volunteer during this fun week of outreach!

VBX Youth Team

August 3-6 | 1:00-3:00 pm | Practice

August 10-13 | 6:15-8:15 pm | VBX

Are you looking for a way to hangout with friends AND serve at Hope Church this summer? Join our VBX Youth Team in leading K-5th graders in songs, games, crafts, and snacks! Youth Team practice will take place August 3-6, from 1-3 pm, followed by the week of VBX Marathon! Contact clara@hope-pc.org.





step by step

2026 Summer Schedule

College Age Camp	June 5-7
Young Kids Family Camp	June 11-13
2nd-5th Grade Week 1	June 14-19
2nd-5th Grade Week 2	June 21-26
Weekend Family Camp 1	June 26-28
Single Moms Family Camp	July 9-12
6th-8th Grade Week	July 12-17
Mon-Wed Family Camp	July 20-22
Thurs-Sat Family Camp	July 23-25
9th-12th Grade Week	July 26-31
Weekend Family Camp 2	July 31-August 2
Camp Sunday	August 9



2026 Summer Camp Staff

Aiden is the Communication & Video Production Supervisor for his second summer on camp staff.

Grace is a Program Supervisor for her third summer.

Jay is the Work Crew Supervisor for his third summer.

Kenna is a counselor and work crew member for her first summer.

Sarah is a counselor and work crew member for her second summer.

Paul is a counselor and work crew member for his first summer.

Jayden is a counselor and work crew member for his first summer.

Ja'Caury is a counselor and work crew member for her second summer.

Jacob (JJ) is a Program Supervisor for his second summer.

Mahliek is a counselor and work crew member for his first summer.

Jacob is the Waterfront Supervisor for his fifth summer.

Lucia is a counselor and work crew member for her second summer.

Kaylee is a counselor and work crew member for her first summer.

Brody is a counselor and work crew member for his first summer.

SERVE

Community Emergency Service | 1900 11th Ave S

Pack grocery bags for outdoor food lockers, sort food rescue, help with food shelf setup.

Thursdays | May 14, June 11, July 9 | 9:30-11:30 am

Contact peggy@hope-pc.org

Good Neighbor Team – Refugee support + friendship

Offer practical support and friendship to a refugee family. Serve with other Hope volunteers as your schedule allows. Training provided by Arrive Ministries. peggy@hope-pc.org

Loaves + Fishes To Go Meals Distribution

Thursdays | May 28, June 25, July 23

3:00-4:30 pm | Food prep and setup

4:30-6:00 pm | Meal packing, distribution, and cleanup

Contact peggy@hope-pc.org or sign up to serve other weekdays at tinyurl.com/HopeLoavesandFishes

Parent Share Class + Children's Team

Thursdays | May 14, July 9

Class | 6:15-8:00 pm

A support group discussing parenting and other issues affecting families facilitated by Tamara Dauphin-Whear, Mental Health Counselor and Coach. Contact Tamara at 612-388-8514 or tamarawhear@gmail.com

Children's Team | 6:00-8:15 pm

Help with activities for children during Parent Share. peggy@hope-pc.org

USA Homestays: Host an International Student

Students from around the world attend local universities and many would love to connect with an American family. Host short-term (1-2 weeks) or long-term (3+ months). Contact Ben Robison at benr@usahomestays.org or 612-770-0031.

Union Gospel Mission Twin Cities

Drive residents to Hope Church for worship. Time commitment 1 Sunday a month. Pickup time 9:45 am and return to the campus by 12:30 pm. Training provided.

Participate in Thursday evening game nights 6:30-8:00 pm. Contact Dave Campbell at dcampbell@ugmtc.org.

PRAY

Pray for mission partners—contact peggy@hope-pc.org

Pray with others serving refugees

1st, 2nd, and 3rd Thursdays | 2:30 pm | Zoom

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81236437761>

DONATE

Donate funds to our community partners serving neighbors in need:

Community Emergency Service – cesmn.org/donate

Loaves and Fishes – loavesandfishesmn.org/donate

VEAP – veap.org/ways-to-give/donate-funds

Every Meal – everymeal.org/give

Donate food items to Community Emergency Service and VEAP—bring to the marked grocery cart in the Link. For most needed items lists go to:

cesmn.org/donate-food-goods

veap.org/ways-to-give/most-needed-items

Donate welcome bag items for the ACTS program at Union Gospel Mission—bring to the marked bin in the Link or contact peggy@hope-pc.org.

3-in-1 shampoo/conditioner/soap

Hand sanitizer

Socks

Razors and shaving cream

Toothpaste

Alarm clock

\$10 Walmart/Target gift card

VINE + BRANCHES

Store clerks are needed for the following shifts:

Wednesdays | 4:45-8:15 pm

Thursdays | 12:45-4:15 pm

Saturdays | 9:45 am-1:15 pm

Do you have an interest in making those in our community feel valued, dignified, and cared for? Volunteer for one 3 1/2-hour shift per month. Responsibilities include opening and closing the store, working at the check-out counter, stocking clothing, and most importantly, welcoming all our customers and showing them the love of Jesus. Contact anne@hope-pc.org or 612-866-1359 for more information.

Store Hours

Wednesdays | 5:00-8:00 pm

Thursdays | 1:00-4:00 pm

Saturdays | 10:00 am-1:00 pm

Donate clothing and household items to Vine and Branches. Bring to the marked bin in the Link.

For accepted donations list:

hope-pc.org/hope-center/vine-branches



UPCOMING EVENTS

ALIM Mission Food Sale

Sunday, June 7 | 10:00 am-1:00 pm | Hope Church Commons

Bring some cash to purchase lunch. Menu includes a veggie platter, tilapia + Jollof rice, or baked chicken + Jollof rice cooked by our friends from Abundant Life Church. Proceeds from the fundraiser will go to ALIM Mission Academy, which is currently under construction in Liberia.

Unity in the Community

Thursday, August 13 | 4:00-7:00 pm | Richfield Community Bandshell, Veterans Memorial Park, 636 E 66th St

Contact peggy@hope-pc.org to volunteer at the Hope Church booth or with kids' activities at this annual event organized by Joint Community Police Partnership. The purpose of the event is to provide positive interactions between families and public safety officers, celebrate the diverse cultures of Richfield, and create a space for networking and learning with others in the community.



THANK YOU, HOPE CHURCH

Thank you, Hope Church, for your generosity to our immigrant neighbors through the Minnesota Relief Fund. \$22,050 (Hope Church) and \$12,950 (specifically to Young Life) was used to provide groceries, medications, rental assistance, and other help to Lao and other Hope Church Covenant Partners, members of the ICASA Spanish-speaking congregation, and families served by Hope's neighborhood ministries.

Congratulations to:

Brionna and Eric O'Hara on the birth of Gemma Grace and Jewel Everlise on February 13, 2026.

Megan and Evan Larson on the birth of Berit Elizabeth on March 22, 2026.

Michael and Rachel Schuler, YWAM Montana missionaries, on the birth of Moriah Grace on March 30, 2026.

Sympathy and Prayers to:

The family of Marsha Nelson who died February 12, 2026.

The family of Shirley Mau who died February 16, 2026.

The family of Audrey Dorumsgaard who died April 7, 2026.

The family of Jerry Herman who died April 4, 2026.

The family of Marge Erickson who died April 15, 2026.

The family of Jerry Swanson who died April 19, 2026.



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VACATION BIBLE EXPERIENCE



AUGUST 10-13 | 6:30-8PM

Sunday Worship | 9:00 am Traditional | 10:30 am Contemporary