



HOPE

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

July 12, 2026

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9 AM Sunday School • 10 :30 AM Sunday Worship

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Pastor: Kris Pursel

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PASSING OF THE PEACE

As neighbors and friends, let's share signs of peace and kindness with one another.

PRELUDE *Near To the Heart Of God* arr. Curry

This is a time to prepare our hearts for worship.

Please quietly reflect on the message of the music.

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Come, whether weary or rejoicing.

People: All are welcome here.

Leader: Come, whether at peace or in the midst of a struggle.

People: All are welcome here.

Leader: Come, whether growing or wilting.

People: All are welcome here.

*OPENING PRAYER (prayed together)

**God of new beginnings and ancient stories, help us see ourselves
in your stories, in your promises, and in your garden. Light our
way with your word today, and guide us with your Spirit of love.
Amen.**

*OPENING HYMN *Jesus Is All the World to Me* #469

Ushers will collect your praise and/or prayer request cards.

JOYS AND CONCERNS

PASTOR'S PRAYER

LORD'S PRAYER #894

SCRIPTURE READING *Matthew 6:19-34* Tom Texter

CHILDREN'S SERMON Pastor Kris

*HYMN OF PREPARATION *Be Thou My Vision* **#451**

THE MESSAGE *Treasures that Last* **Pastor Kris**
Built to Last - Part 6

TITHES AND OFFERINGS All Thy Peace Is Ours Livingston

*DOXOLOGY *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* **#95**

*PRAYER FOR THE OFFERING Pastor Kris

*CLOSING HYMN *His Eye Is On the Sparrow* **#2146 (TFWS)**

*BLESSING Pastor Kris

*RESPONSE *Make Us One* **#2224 (TFWS)**

POSTLUDE *The Savior Is Waiting* Carmichael

*Please stand if you are able.

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YouTube channel:
www.tinyurl.com/Hope-YouTube.

Bulletin

TODAY'S BULLETIN

is presented to the Glory and Honor of God

By Amy Raezer

*in honor of her parent's 63rd wedding anniversary on
July 14!*

Prayer List

If you have a joy or concern to share with the Hope Church family, please fill out a yellow or blue card in your pew and hand it to an usher.

Joys & Praise

- We always thank God for those who worship and visit with us.
- On Sunday, June 28, Denise, Bret Muckle's ex-SIL awoke to God speaking to her asking her to pray over Bret and his ALS situation. She was traveling from McEwen, TN to Maryland to meet a friend and reached out to Bret to make this happen. On Tuesday, June 30, he boarded the train in Lancaster and met up with Denise in Philadelphia. She prayed over him for strength and healing and he returned via train to Lancaster.
- Jim and Jeanette Pitman are safe after the storm on Saturday, July 4. While two trees fell on their property and their grandchildren's playhouse and swing set were destroyed, we are thankful that their home was not damaged and that everyone is safe.
- Tim Sumner's brother, Preston, who is battling melanoma, received encouraging news. His brain scan last week was clear, and his most recent PET scan was also clear.
- Mike Strickler returned home - the power of prayer is amazing.

Prayers

- Rev. Nevin Andes joined our Lord on Thursday, July 2. Pray for those who loved him.
- Prayers for Larry Bickhart's granddaughter, Ava, who is not doing well and will most likely need to return to the hospital.
- Prayers for Grace Gerhart's friend, Gladys, who underwent heart surgery on Wednesday, July 8. and Prayers for her brother, Bob, who is in Lancaster General Hospital undergoing tests.
- Prayers for Dave Luck, who is scheduled to undergo a heart procedure on Tuesday, July 14, to remove a blockage. We pray for a successful procedure, wisdom for his medical team, and a smooth recovery.