



Walking with Jesus

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Serving God

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## WELCOME

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January 7, 2024

Welcome to worship on this first Sunday of 2024! We come to this place to honor and praise the Living God who makes all things new. Paul reminds us that “just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, we too may live a new life” (Romans 6:4). Let us glorify God with that reality in mind.

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## CHURCH INFORMATION

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Sunday School—9:00 AM; Worship—10:00 AM

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## THIS WEEK AT HOPE

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Sunday, January 7

- 9:25AM—Prayer Meeting
- 10:00AM—Worship, Communion
- 11:00AM—MESA TF Meeting

Wednesday, January 10

- 5:15-7:00PM—Soup and Pie Supper

Sunday, January 14

- 9:00AM—Sunday School; 9:25—Prayer Meeting
- 10:00AM—Worship
- 11:00AM—Education TF Meeting

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## MINISTRIES THIS WEEK AND NEXT WEEK

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### **Today**

Greeters: Gary & Glenda J.

Nursery: Angie V.B. and Keilahny A.

Sound System: Pam G.

Power Point: Ethan V.B.

Children's Sermon: RCYF

Fellowship Treats:

### **Next Week**

Greeters: Ryan & DeAnna K.

Nursery: Melinda DL. and Shae S.

Sound System: Dorene C.

Power Point: Kyle R.

Children's Sermon: Kathy A.

Fellowship Treats:

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## REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

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- Ministries: Bruxvoorts, ATLAS, Hope Haven
- Shut-ins—Flossie Van Roekel, Lois Jurrens
- Kelsey Choi— Waiting for results from treatment
- Vicki Lake— Waiting on treatment plan for cancer
- Mike Modder— continued healing from cancer

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

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- Communion: The board of elders has decided to serve communion the first Sunday of every month.
- Soup and Pie: The annual Hope Reformed Church Soup and Pie Supper is this Wednesday, January 10th, 2024, from 5:15–7:00 P.M. Snow date will be January 17th. We will be serving the following soups: Chili, Pea, Chicken and Oyster. We will also serve BBQ's and a large variety of pies and deserts. A free will offering will be received.
- Zoar Soup & Dessert Supper: Zoar Presbyterian invites us all to their Soup & Dessert Supper on January 14<sup>th</sup>, 2024. Serving is from 5:30-7:30pm.
- Vander Laan Wedding: Congratulations to Erik Vander Laan and Melissa Lansink who were united in marriage at Hope on Saturday, January 6th. Their new address is 24 4th Ave. LeMars Ia. 51031. Erik is working at Link Manufacturing and Melissa is teaching first grade at Marcus.
- Bread of Life: Thanks so much for your generous donations of pop tarts for the month of December. We served 39 appreciative families on Dec. 20th at the George Bread of Life. In January we are asking for donations of Kleenex as we enter the cold and flu season. We appreciate you, the George Food Pantry Coordinators.
- Love Circle and Circle of Friends will meet Tuesday, Jan. 9th at 6:30 pm at church to first help the Soup Supper Committee set up for Soup Supper and then study Lesson 6 on Relationships. If anyone would like to join us, we have some extra books, just ask Kathy for one. Kathy will provide devotions, lead the lesson, and provide dessert.
- Christmas Decorations: If you are able, please help take down and put away the Christmas decorations following worship today.
- Meals on Wheels: Thank you to DeLeeuws, Pam G., Pat B., and Angela V.B. for delivering meals last week! On the schedule this week is: Kathy A. – Monday & Tuesday, Sarah D.H. – Wednesday, Pat B. – Thursday, and Angela V.B. – Friday. Meals are ready to pick up at 11:20 AM.
- Funeral Lunches: We will no longer be serving salads, but will serve sandwiches, chips, bars and cookies, and coffee and lemonade. If you belong to a Circle, please bring a pan of bars or 2 dozen cookies for each funeral. If you don't belong to a circle but would like to contribute, please feel free to do so. Thank you. We appreciate you all.

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## WORSHIP

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Prelude—Audrey Groen

Call to Worship

Invocation

Hymn—#353—*Grace Greater than Our Sin*

Prayer of Confession and Words of Assurance

Special Music—God’s Kids

Announcements and Congregational Prayer

Installation of Elders and Deacons

Hymn—#384—*Rock of Ages*

Children’s Message—RCYF

Scripture—Matthew 3:1-17

Prayer of Illumination

Sermon—God’s Reign Is Near

Prayer of Application

Communion

Offering and Offertory Hymn— #357—*Knowing You*

\*Doxology (# 34) & Offertory Prayer

\*Benediction—#357—*Knowing You* (Refrain Only)

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## SERMON NOTES

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- John in the spirit of Elijah
  
  
- Brood of Vipers
  
  
  
  
  
  
- Fulfilling all Righteousness