

Hope United Methodist Church

Sunday Service

"The Latter Splendor"

Pastor Jim Denton

Psalms 145:1-5, 17-21

Haggai 2:1-9

Today's Music

Opening Hymn: Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken (UMH 731)

Prayer Hymn: How Firm a Foundation (UMH 529, verses 1-2)

Closing Hymn: Standing on the Promises (UMH 374)

Choir Anthem: He Is Exalted

See page 3 for Patriotic Hymn Sing

Pray Concerns:

Claude, Shirley, Rosalie, Angela, Jim, Logan, Phyllis, Breanna, Dean, Mary, Amanda, Larry, Nancy, Jerry, Sheryl, James, Tim, Heidi, Pam, Lexi, Deanne, Dave, David, Elaine, Lisa, Mary Jo, Jacob, Liliana, Tom, Don, Yvonne, Mikey, Daniel, Ramah, Francis, Jenny, Faith, Jacob, Betty, Andrea, Kristen, Beth

Our homebound: Wayne, Adele, Mary, Sandy, Fran, Irene, Nina, Shirlee, Betty, Diane

Sunday, Nov. 9

Confirmation Class

Monday, Nov. 10

Dart Ball @ 11:30 a.m., Hope UMC, Basement

Tuesday, Nov. 11

Sonrise Seniors @ 10:30 a.m., Library

Wednesday, Nov. 12

Quilters @ 10:00 a.m., Narthex

Bible Study @ 10:30 a.m., Library

Brianna's Hope @ 6:00 pm., Narthex/Library

Praise Bells @ 7:00 pm., Sanctuary

Thursday, Nov. 13

Knit & Crochet @ 12:30 p.m., Library

Finance Meeting @ 6:00 PM, Library

Social Justice Ministry Meeting @ 7:00 PM, Zoom

Serving Today

Greeters: Lynn and Bob Underwood

Ushers: Richard Miller, Pete Ward

Acolyte: Sofia Smith

Children's Message: Carrie Ward

Liturgist: Marcos Pontes

Fellowship: Fran Vukovich

Serving Next Sunday

Greeters: Lynn and Bob Underwood

Ushers: Richard Miller, Pete Ward

Acolyte: Georgia Hedy

Children's Message: Pat Mosley

Liturgist: Maureen Tedesco

Fellowship: Cathy and Amy

Doodle Space:

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND COMMUNITY NEWS

November Second Mile Giving for Hope UMC: Mission Guatemala

The Vine Food Pantry— We are expanding the Brown Bag Program to every Sunday instead of just the first Sunday of the Month. You can pick up a brown bag in the narthex and bring it back the next week filled with non-perishables. The Vine is also asking for monetary donations to purchase food. You can make your check payable to Woodmar UMC and indicate that it is for the food pantry.

Confirmation Class 2025-2026 — Today, Sunday, November 9, Pastor Jim will be having a confirmation class for students ages 11 & up. Classes will be held every other Sunday from 11:30am to 1:00pm. For more information, please contact Pastor Jim or the church office.

Messy Church — The Next Messy Church event is on Tuesday, November 18, from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at Hope UMC, Community Center.

Community Thanksgiving Eve Worship Service at Christ Lutheran — On Wednesday, November 26 at 7:00pm congregations will host a community worship service at Christ Lutheran Church.

Poinsettias — If you would like to order a flower, please complete the form online, and send your payment in an envelope by mail or the church office by Sunday, November 23. Cost is \$12 per plant. Make checks payable to Woodmar United Methodist Church.

Thanksgiving Dinner — Hope UMC Church Thanksgiving Dinner is Sunday, November 23, immediately following worship. There will be lots of delicious food, as everyone is asked to bring a dish to share. RSVP by November 19. We are also asking for donations of Turkeys. We look forward to us all gathering for this wonderful time of sharing a meal and fellowship! Please see the sign-up sheet to RSVP and volunteer opportunities.

Hanging of the Greens — On Sunday, November 23, after the Church Turkey Dinner will come together to decorate Hope UMC for the Advent season. Volunteers welcome.

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Patriotic Hymn Sing

"America the Beautiful" (UMH 696)

He is coming like the glory of the morning on the wave,
he is wisdom to the mighty, he is honor to the brave;
so the world shall be his footstool, and the soul of wrong his slave.
Our God is marching on.
America! America!
God shed his grace on thee,
and crown thy good with brotherhood
from sea to shining sea.

"My Country, 'Tis of Thee" (UMH 697)

My country, 'tis of thee, sweet land of liberty, of thee I sing;
land where my fathers died, land of the pilgrims' pride,
from every mountainside let freedom ring!

"This Is My Song" (UMH 437)

This is my song, O God of all the nations,
A song of peace For lands afar and mine.
This is my home, the country where my heart is;
Here are my hopes, my dreams, my holy shrine;
But other hearts in other lands are beating
With hopes and dreams as true and high as mine.

"Battle Hymn of the Republic" (UMH 717)

Mine eyes have seen the glory of the coming of the Lord;
he is trampling out the vintage where the grapes of wrath are stored;
he hath loosed the fateful lightning of his terrible swift sword;
his truth is marching on.
Glory, glory, hallelujah!
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Welcome and Community Life

Prelude

Call to Worship

Leader: Even though we don't always feel it, God is with us.

People: The darkness and doubt of the world can threaten to consume us.

Leader: Yet God is with us.

People: All around us, there is fear and hopelessness.

Leader: God brings to us hope and peace. We place our trust in God's abundant love.

People: Let us freely and without fear open our hearts to God's healing words of hope. AMEN.

*Opening Hymn - Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken (UMH 731)

1. Glorious things of thee are spoken, Zion, city of our God; God, whose word cannot be broken, formed thee for his own abode. On the Rock of Ages founded, what can shake thy sure repose? With salvation's walls surrounded, thou mayst smile at all thy foes.
2. See, the streams of living waters, springing from eternal love, well supply thy sons and \. daughters, and all fear of want remove. Who can faint while such a river ever will their thirst assuage? Grace which like the Lord, the giver, never fails from age to age.
3. Round each habitation hovering, see the cloud and fire appear for a glory and a covering, showing that the Lord is near! Thus deriving from our banner light by night and shade by day, safe we feed upon the manna which God gives us when we pray.
4. Blest inhabitants of Zion, washed in our Redeemer's blood; Jesus, whom our souls rely on, makes us monarchs, priests to God. Us, by his great love, he raises, rulers over self to reign, and as priests his solemn praises we for thankful offering bring.

Opening Prayer

Children's Message

We walk by faith, not by sight. (2 Corinthians 5:7)

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Prayer Hymn - How Firm a Foundation (UMH 529 - verses 1 and 2)

1. How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord, is laid for your faith in his excellent word!
What more can he say than to you he hath said, to you who for refuge to Jesus have fled?
2. "Fear not, I am with thee, O be not dismayed, for I am thy God and will still give thee aid;
I'll strengthen and help thee, and cause thee to stand upheld by my righteous, omnipotent hand.

Prayers of the People

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory forever. Amen

Prayer Response - Hear Us, O God (UMH 490)

Choral Anthem - He is Exalted

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture Reading

Psalms 119:137-144

Leader: I will extol you, my God and King, **People: and bless your name forever and ever.**

Leader: Every day I will bless you; **People: and praise your name forever and ever.**

Leader: Great is the LORD and greatly to be praised; **People: his greatness is unsearchable.**

Leader: "One generation shall extol your works to another;

People: and shall declare your mighty acts.

Leader: They will recount the glorious splendor of your majesty,

People: and on your wondrous works, I will meditate.

Leader: All the Lord's ways are just, **People: all the Lord's doings are kind.**

Leader: The Lord is near to all who call, **People: to all who call upon the Lord in truth.**

Leader: The Lord fulfills the desire of all the faithful,

People: and hears their cry and saves them.

Leader: All who love the Lord, the Lord preserves. **People: All the wicked the Lord destroys.**

Leader: My mouth will speak the praise of the Lord,

People: let all flesh bless God's holy name for ever and ever.

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Haggai 2:1-9

In the second year of King Darius, 2 1 in the seventh month, on the twenty-first day of the month, the word of the Lord came by the prophet Haggai, saying: 2 "Speak now to Zerubbabel son of Shealtiel, governor of Judah, and to Joshua son of Jehozadak, the high priest, and to the remnant of the people, and say: 3 Who is left among you who saw this house in its former glory? How does it look to you now? Is it not in your sight as nothing? 4 Yet now take courage, O Zerubbabel, says the Lord; take courage, O Joshua, son of Jehozadak, the high priest; take courage, all you people of the land, says the Lord; work, for I am with you, says the Lord of hosts, 5 according to the promise that I made you when you came out of Egypt. My spirit abides among you; do not fear. 6 For thus says the Lord of hosts: Once again, in a little while, I will shake the heavens and the earth and the sea and the dry land, 7 and I will shake all the nations, so that the treasure of all nations will come, and I will fill this house with splendor, says the Lord of hosts. 8 The silver is mine, and the gold is mine, says the Lord of hosts. 9 The latter splendor of this house shall be greater than the former, says the Lord of hosts, and in this place I will give prosperity, says the Lord of hosts."

Leader: The Word of God

People: Thanks be to God

Sermon - The Latter Splendor

Apostle's Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried;* the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic** church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen

Lesser Thanksgiving

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

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Offering our Gifts to God -

*The Doxology (UMH 95)

*Prayer of Dedication

*Closing Hymn - Standing on the Promises (UMH 374)

1. Standing on the promises of Christ my King,
through eternal ages let his praises ring;
glory in the highest, I will shout and sing,
standing on the promises of God.

3. Standing on the promises of Christ the Lord,
bound to him eternally by love's strong cord,
overcoming daily with the Spirit's sword,
standing on the promises of God. [Refrain]

Refrain:
Standing, standing,
standing on the promises of God my Savior;
standing, standing,
I'm standing on the promises of God.

4. Standing on the promises I cannot fall,
listening every moment to the Spirit's call,
resting in my Savior as my all in all,
standing on the promises of God. [Refrain]

2. Standing on the promises that cannot fail,
when the howling storms of doubt and fear assail,
by the living Word of God I shall prevail,
standing on the promises of God. [Refrain]

*Breakthrough Prayer

God of new beginnings and second chances. When your son, Jesus the Christ gave his life for us, the veil of separation was torn. Breakthrough all that would keep us separate from one another, from our neighbors, and from you that we may be one just as you and the Father are one. Lead us now into your beloved community where our identity is rooted in Christ alone.

Dismissal with Blessing

Postlude