

### First time at Hope?

We're so glad you're here! If you're willing, would you fill out a **connection card** from one of the pews? This will allow us to **get to know you** a little bit and follow up with you this week. When you're done, you can place the card in a basket at the front of the sanctuary or during the offering. Thanks!

### Children's Church/Nursery

Kids ages **3 years - 5th grade** will be invited to **Children's Church** in the middle of the service. We do not currently have a staffed nursery, but you are welcome to use the nursery downstairs with your child during the service.

### Regular Events

**Prayer Gathering** - Tuesdays, 6:30pm

**Men's Breakfast** - 2nd and 4th Saturdays,  
8am @ Beacon Diner

**Youth Group (6th-12th grade)** - Sundays, 6pm-7:30pm

**Kids Club (Grades K-5)** - Wednesdays, 6:30pm-8pm  
(resumes January 14th)

**DNA Groups** - Adult Discipleship, Various Meeting Times  
*Interested? Let us know on a connection card*

### Notable Dates

January 15 - DNA Group

January 24 - Men's Breakfast

January 30 - Happy birthday, Brenda!

February 1 - Annual Business Meeting

February 5 - Leadership Meeting

February 8 - YG Super Bowl Party

March 8 - Daylight Savings Time Begins

### 40 Days of Prayer

If you desire to start the year off with an intentional focus on prayer, resources are available including daily devotionals for adults, weekly devotionals for kids, weekly theme videos, and even online prayer gatherings. Visit [40days.cmalliance.org](http://40days.cmalliance.org) for more information.

**Annual Business Meeting** - February 1, following Sunday gathering  
We will share lunch, followed by our annual business meeting to review the past year, address present business, and look to the year ahead.

Matters to be voted on:

- Joshua Rivera up for reelection to 2 year term as deacon
- Approving 2026 Church Budget (to be made available next week)

### Financial Report

	Week of January 4	2026 Year-to-date
General Fund	\$1,052.70	\$1,052.70
Budget GF Target	\$TBD	\$TBD
Actual GF Expenses		\$1,059.38
<b>General Fund less Expenses</b>		<b>\$(6.68)</b>
General Fund % of Expenses		99.3%
Great Commission Fund (Designated and 2.5% of GF)	\$1.00	\$1.00
Wall Fund	\$115.00	Total: \$6,077.00

*If interested in financially supporting the ministry of Hope Community Fellowship, you can place offerings in the baskets at the front of the sanctuary. You can also give online by visiting [hopeinweissport.org/give](http://hopeinweissport.org/give)*


## We Believe Scriptures

We believe that the entire Bible, both Old and New Testaments, are the inspired, inerrant, infallible Words of God. (2 Timothy 3:16-17, 2 Peter 1:19-21, Psalm 119:160)


What do we mean when we say “Bible”?

 \_\_\_\_\_ Bible - 66 books, 39 OT, 27 NT

What do we mean when we say the Bible is “inspired”?

 Written with the supernatural \_\_\_\_\_ of the Holy Spirit so that the writings are an accurate record of God’s \_\_\_\_\_

What do we mean when we say the Bible is “inerrant”?

 Fully \_\_\_\_\_ in all of its teachings, without \_\_\_\_\_


What else shows the Bible to be reliable and trustworthy?

M - \_\_\_\_\_ A - \_\_\_\_\_

P - \_\_\_\_\_ S - \_\_\_\_\_

**So what?**

 Because the Bible is inspired by God, I can trust it as the \_\_\_\_\_

 Because the Bible is inerrant, I can trust that it is \_\_\_\_\_

**Now what?** (James 1:22-25)

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# Welcome to



## Hope

Community Fellowship

**Making, teaching, and equipping disciples of Jesus**

## Hope is...

the Gospel

*Know it, accept it, live it*

Prayer

*Talking with and listening to God about our church, our community, and His Kingdom*

Multi-generational

*Making disciples who make disciples who make disciples...*

Moving

*Closer to God, to each other, and our community, in the name of Jesus*