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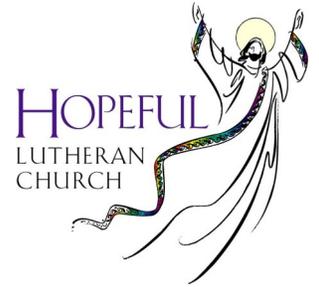
People to faith in
Jesus Christ;

EQUIP

people with a
faith that works
In real life;

SEND

people in service
into the world in
Jesus' name.



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THE WEEKLY BANNER

WORSHIP

Welcome to this place of praise and prayers as we gather as part of the family of our heavenly Father.

We invite you to join us now and to return again often to celebrate the salvation we have in Jesus Christ, our Redeemer and Lord of our lives.

If you are visiting with us today, please be sure to introduce yourself to Pastor Fields and Pastor Rod Ford and sign our guest book as you leave.

Our Saturday night blended service is at 5:00 pm . Our Sunday morning traditional service is at 9:00 am and a blended worship service at 11:00 am. Adult Sunday school class is at 10am and Children's Sunday school class is at 11am.

Hospitality Team	Tech Assistants	Communion Assistants	Reader & Acolytes
Daniel / Rhonda Zuziak	9:00 AM Julie / Steve Peterson	5:00 PM Daniel / Rhonda Zuziak	9:00 AM Reader: Rhonda Zuziak
Toni Stelle	11:00 AM Ayden England	11:00 AM Dan Fagan / Sara Gladwell	9:00 AM Acolyte: Daxton Bine
Heather Phelps	11:00 AM Matthew Johns	11:00 AM Sid / Sherry Walters	11:00 AM Acolyte: Ivy Bundy



Week Four

The Promise of Mercy

“Blessed are the merciful, for they shall receive mercy.” Matthew 5:7



PANTRY OF HOPE NEWS!

Thanks to the Donithans who are stocking the outdoor pantry box this month. *We are currently low on peanut butter, spaghetti sauce and packaged Chicken.* Your donations help us keep the box stocked. ALSO - we do have a drive-thru event on March 28. and a packing event the night before. Sign-up sheets are located on the white board in the hall. If you are able to donate a bag of Easter candy for our drive-thru families, that would be great. There will be a box located under the coat rack to collect that candy.

HOPFUL CHURCH FOUNDATION GRANT APPLICATIONS

The Hopeful Church Foundation is accepting applications to fund grants for worthwhile projects both at church and in our community that further Hopeful's mission and its ministry as a Christ-based partner in the community. You can pick up an application at the welcome table in the church lobby or at the church office. **Completed applications should be placed in the Hopeful Foundation mail slot in the mailbox inside and to the left of the front door of the church.** The deadline for application submission is **April 12.**



Thrivent ACTION Members:

New Thrivent Card Action Puzzle Pieces are available!! They are on the board located near the hospitality table.

Your \$250.00 Thrivent Action Card helps Hopeful fund it's ministries. We are grateful to Thrivent and the members who help make this happen.

Want to become a member? Please reach out to Laura and Jay Watson for information.



Are you ready to join the Altar Guild?

The Altar Guild Ministry is an important group of volunteers dedicated to the preparation and maintenance of our sanctuaries for all worship services.

We appreciate their time and efforts in setting up, cleaning up and maintaining both altar areas, sanctuary flowers and banners.

This includes filling candles each week and changing the paraments and banners each season and much more. Would you be interested in helping this small group?

These dedicated group would love your help and you can do this on your time. If interested, stop by after service to talk with them about it. Or let Pastor Fields know.



Operation Christmas Child!

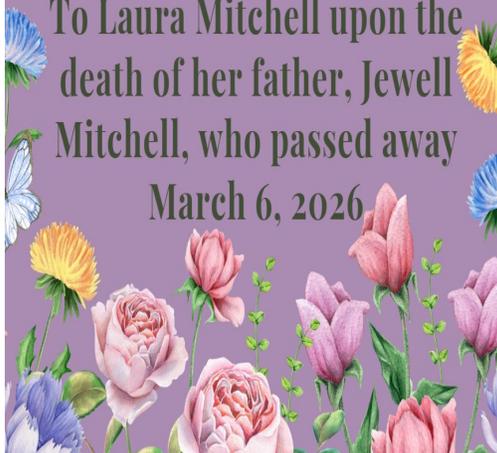
It's time to begin collecting for Operation Christmas Child! Last year this church packed an outstanding 281 boxes! Our goal this year is at least one more ! We are starting with toothbrushes or anything like winter hats and gloves that you can find on sale. Also we want your OLD t-shirts for making jump ropes. Any size or condition will work. Our collection boxes will be in there usual spots.

Fellowship Continental Breakfast
1st Sunday of each month at 10am

EXTENDING OUR CONDOLENCES

Our Heartfelt Sympathies

To Laura Mitchell upon the death of her father, Jewell Mitchell, who passed away March 6, 2026

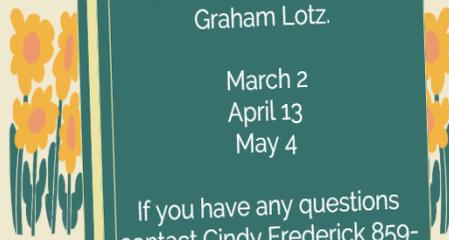


HLC Ladies Bible Study

We will meet in the council room downstairs. Our study this year is titled "Jesus in Me" by Anne Graham Lotz.

March 2
April 13
May 4

If you have any questions contact Cindy Frederick 859-322-4002. You can also contact Pam Volland or Kim Heidel



FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Any family with children interested in having their child receive 1st Communion need to talk to Pastor Blair or Heather Bundy. There will be 2 classes in which parents will participate with their children. The next instruction class will be held on March 22. 1st Communion will take place on March 29.



LENT & EASTER TIMETABLE

Lent

Ash Wednesday - February 18

7:00pm

Wednesday - February 25

5:30pm Dinner
6:30pm Worship

Wednesday - March 4

5:30pm Dinner
6:30pm Worship

Wednesday - March 11

5:30pm Dinner
6:30pm Worship

Wednesday - March 18

5:30pm Dinner
6:30pm Worship

Wednesday - March 25

5:30pm Dinner
6:30pm Worship

Saturday - March 28

5:30pm Worship

Holy Week

Palm Sunday - March 29

9:00am
11:00am

Wednesday - April 1

6:30pm Passover Seder Meal

Maundy Thursday - April 2

7:00pm

Good Friday - April 3

12:00pm
7:00pm

Holy Saturday - April 4

1pm Easter Egg Hunt
7:00pm Easter Vigil

Easter Sunday - April 5

7:00am Outdoor Worship
9:00am
11:00am

LENTEN DONATION STATION

Stop by the Lenten Donation Station to check out who we are supporting this year and what we need. These donations will be accepted through Easter. We appreciate your help.



HLC
QUILTING
MINISTRY



The quilting ministry at Hopeful makes warm knotted blankets for our neighbors locally and throughout the world. If you can tie a knot, you can make a difference.

The quilting dates for March are:

Thursday, Mar 5

9:30-11:30

Saturday, Mar 7

9:30-11:30

Thursday, Mar 19

9:30-11:30

Please contact Barb Zumbiel if you have questions.



EASTER EGG HUNT

Saturday, April 4th at 1pm



Candy donations are needed for our Annual Easter Egg Hunt. We will be accepting individually wrapped candy donations through March 29th. Thank you!

HOPEFUL PASSOVER SEDER

April 1st, 2026
6:30 pm
Fellowship Hall



It is an event for the whole family!
This is an invitation to you to join us.
There will be much prayer throughout the meal, some singing, and some unique foods.

FIRST COME, FIRST SERVED We have a limit of 64 participants, so please sign up through the link, and you can pay at the same time

MENU: Please choose your main course when you sign up. You must select either Lamb Stew or Vegetable Stew (to which you may add Matzo Balls if you choose). Other foods are traditional items of the Seder Meal

Please scan QRcode to RSVP



Childhood was rewired between 2010-2015.

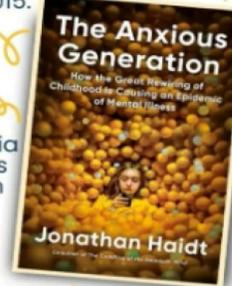
Our kids are capable of doing more.

Social media harms girls more than boys.

Ban phones in schools.

Reengage boys in REAL LIFE!

Play-based childhood—not phone-based.



You are invited to a 4-part series to work together to improve our children's mental health and make a plan for a healthier childhood.

Childcare and Dinner will be provided. 5pm-8pm

April 23

May 7

May 21

June 4



Sign up for more information
<https://hopefullutheranchurch.subspla.sh/gzbnsw4>

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Altar Guild: Suzanne Meither, Judy Boelter, Susan Kelly, Sharon Tanner, Carleen Powell, Betty Powers, Rhonda & Dan Zuziak

PRAYER CONCERNS FOR THE FAMILY AND FRIENDS OF HOPEFUL

Betty Howe	Gail	Laura Pooner	Sharon Tanner
Addie	Gene Mink	Lynn Mabe	Shirley Duane
Betty Powers	Greg Ensley	Mike Howard	Stephany Houston
Bob Souder	Harold T Dringenburg	Patty Main	Virginia Hahn
Brent Ramsey	Judy Insko	Rick Frederick	
Debbie Fogle	Julie Duncan	Roseatta Dringenburg	
Dorothy Hall	Larry Howe	Sandy King	

To add names to the prayer list please call the church office or email paula@hopefulchurch.org. The prayer concerns will be printed for 4 weeks, please call or email the office if you would like to remove a name or extend the prayer concern time.

Please continue to remember our shut-ins:

For a list of shut-ins please contact the church office.

Please remember those serving our country (Addresses for our military are located on the welcome table & notice board): Maj. Kiersten & Travis Schriener, SrA Megan Bine, CPT Nicholas Wentzel, SSGT Connor T. Ashley, Capt. David Nicolas, Capt. Matt & Audrey Case, Nolan and Arielle Wullenweber, Kevin Schwartz, Maj. Kerri & James Kegyes

Event Calendar 2 Week Snapshot

3/15/2026	Sunday School	3/22/2026	Confirmation Class
3/15/2026	Confirmation Class	3/22/2026	First Communion Class
3/15/2026	New Membership Class	3/24/2026	Council Meeting
3/18/2026	Lenten Services	3/25/2026	Lenten Services
3/19/2026	Quilting	3/27/2026	POH Packing Event
3/22/2026	Sunday School	3/28/2026	POH Drive Thru

Ways to Give

Mailing address:

6430 Hopeful Church Rd,
Florence KY 41042

Online: Hopeful-church.org & click "GIVE"
Text "hopeful41042" to 1-888-364-GIVE (4483)

Other ways to Support Hopeful

Thrivent: Team Action Gift Cards & Choice Dollar Funds.

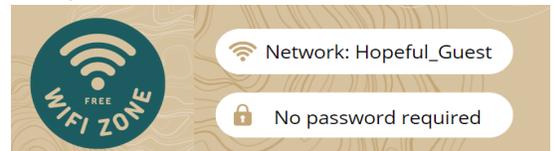
Kroger: Community Rewards—log into your account, click community rewards and add Hopeful

Offering budget goal for March: \$35,775.00

Last Week's Offering:
\$8,637.98
Benevolence—\$259.14

Attendance:
5 pm - 28
9 am - 31
11 am - 92

Counters for March
Randall Donithan
Chris Gladwell



Thrivent ACTION Teams:

If you are not a member, but are interested, see Dave or Nancy Eickman. They would be happy to talk with you about Thrivent and its services and mission.

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Hours: M-Th 9am-3pm & Fri 9am-1pm



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