

***We are glad you are with Hope Today!***

You are invited to learn more about us at; [hope4wichita.org](http://hope4wichita.org)

**Hope Kids City;** if you have children (Nursery – 5<sup>th</sup> grade) please take a moment before church to Check them in (at the Kids Table in the Welcome Center). Nursery-K can be in Hope Kids City all hour, 1st-5<sup>th</sup> grades will be dismissed after our Praise Time.

**Giving Options:** feel led to share a financial gift with us, you are invited to utilize our online Giving Options from our website [www.hope4wichita.org/give/](http://www.hope4wichita.org/give/) or text HOPEICT to 833-839-9010 & follow the prompts or 8918 W 21<sup>st</sup> N, Ste 200 #157, 67205.

**Communion:** if you have said YES to Jesus – you are invited to participate in Communion (The Lord's Supper). OnSite - you will be invited to visit one of our four Communion locations in the auditorium. OnLine - you are encouraged to get what you have available – cracker or chip and a glass of juice or drink beforehand.

**Prayer:** if you have a Prayer Need and would like our PrayerTeam to pray for you – please go to our website, click on the 'About' tab and scroll down to the 'Prayer Request' Button. There are also Prayer Partners available to pray with you during Communion.

**Pick up an Invite Card:** Invite Cards have our address, worship time, QR code to our Website, our Facebook page, and YouTube Channel address. Get one, Give One!

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### **Christmas Project**

This is the LAST WEEK to participate in our Christmas Project. The Christmas Note that describes what we are doing this year and how to be involved is available in the back of the Worship Center. It is also available on our Face book page.

### **Christmas Schedule**

Sun, 12/11 – Favorite Snack Sun. & **Christmas Project gifts due**  
Sun, 12/18 – Kids Christmas Postcard, The Christmas Story with a childlike flair. Sign up today!  
Saturday, 12/24 – Christmas Eve Service @ 5:00PM  
Sun, 12/25 - Christmas Sunday - Online Only  
Sun, 01/01 - New Year's Sunday- Online Only.



**December 4, 2022**



**Love God**



**Grow Together**



**Serve Others**

# Pessimistic Presence

12-4-2022

Warm Up: If you could go anywhere, where would you like to spend Christmas?

A1. Where do you rate your tendency?

Positive/Optimist - - - - - Sarcastic/Pessimist?

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2. When you were growing up, did your home have more anticipation or dread? Explain.

3. Read Psalm 27:13-14. What Bible stories can provide confidence in God's Goodness?

4. How can remembering God is Good influence your ability to wait and be patient?

5. How do bravery and courage come into play in your fight against becoming pessimistic?

6. Read 1 Peter 1:3-4. What can help you live in great expectation?

7. What do you need to surrender your pessimism to Jesus?

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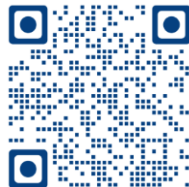
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[We encourage you to write what comes to you during today's sermon]

## The Word For Your Week Verses (NLT)

Yet I am confident I will see the Lord's goodness while I am here in the land of the living. <sup>14</sup> Wait patiently for the Lord. Be brave and courageous. Yes, wait patiently for the Lord.

**Psalm 27:13-14**

As for me, I look to the Lord for help. I wait confidently for God to save me, and my God will certainly hear me. **Micah 7:7**

"For I know the plans I have for you," says the Lord. "They are plans for good and not for disaster, to give you a future and a hope." **Jeremiah 29:11**

All praise to God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. It is by his great mercy that we have been born again, because God raised Jesus Christ from the dead. Now we live with great expectation, <sup>4</sup> and we have a priceless inheritance – an inheritance that is kept in heaven for you, pure and undefiled, beyond the reach of change and decay. **1 Peter 1:3-4**