We are glad you are with Hope Today!

You are invited to learn more about us at; hope4wichita.org

Hope Kids City; if you have children (Nursery – 5th 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-5th grades will be dismissed after our Praise Time.

<u>Giving Options</u>: feel led to share a financial gift with us, you are invited to utilize our online Giving Options from our website <u>www.hope4wichita.org/give/</u> or text HOPEICT to 833-839-9010 & follow the prompts or 8918 W 21st 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.

<u>Give an Invite Card</u>: Invite Cards have our address, worship time, QR code to our Website, our Facebook page, and YouTube Channel address. Get one, Give One!

<u>Kid's Christmas Postcard</u>: Sunday, 12/17. Our traditional Children's Christmas program at Hope, and a great photo opportunity! Is your child interested in participating? Sign up at the Welcome table. Ouestions, see Lindsey Gilmore.

Christmas @ HOPE 2023!

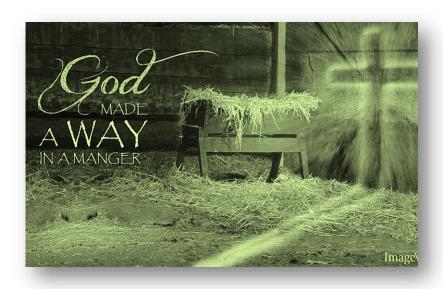
<u>Sunday</u>, <u>12/17</u>, <u>10AM</u> – Kids Christmas Postcard; with Christmas Wrapping Party/Pizza after church.

<u>Tuesday</u>, <u>12/19</u>, <u>6:30PM</u> – Gift delivering/Caroling. Meet at the Church, 6:15.

<u>Sunday</u>, 12/24, 10AM and 6:00 PM – Two Christmas Eve services to choose from (who will you invite?).

New Adult Gloves, Mittens and Warm Socks: We will be accepting donations of new items – put them in the tub at the welcome table and we'll distribute them as needed.





December 10, 2023







In The Shadow Of Christmas

12-10-23

Warm Up: If you had the ability to given any one gift to someone, what would it be and who would you give it to?

- A1. What has been the most 'outrageous' gift you've ever received?
- 2. When it comes to gift giving, what causes you the most stress?
- 3. Read Luke 2:25-40. What it comes to Simeon, what gets your attention?
- 4. What do you think about Simeon's Christmas gift?
- 5. Anna had lived a long life with sorrow and loneliness, what became the sustaining elements in her life?
- 6. When you don't believe in chance or happenstance, what is the Christmas Gift she is given?
- 7. What do you think about the gift she was given?
- 8. Below the wrapped presents, what is going to be the 'best' Christmas gift you are going to give?

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You're encouraged to write what God brings to you during today's message.

Word for The Week (NLT)

Praise the Lord! Praise God in his sanctuary; praise him in his mighty heaven! ² Praise him for his mighty works; praise his unequaled greatness!

Psalm 150:1-2

They entered the house and saw the child with his mother, Mary, and they bowed down and worshiped him. Then they opened their treasure chests and gave him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. **Matthew 2:11**

Faith shows the reality of what we hope for; it is the evidence of things we cannot see. **Hebrews 11:1**

But when you ask him, be sure that your faith is in God alone. Do not waver, for a person with divided loyalty is as unsettled as a wave of the sea that is blown and tossed by the wind. **James 1:6**

You must each decide in your heart how much to give. And don't give reluctantly or in response to pressure. "For God loves a person who gives cheerfully." 2 Corinthians 9:7