Hope United Methodist Church

Sunday Service

"Love Increasing"

Pastor Jim Denton

Psalm 119:137-144 2 Thessalonians 1:1-4, 11-12 Luke 19:1-10

Today's Music

Opening Hymn: For All the Saints (UMH 711) Prayer Hymn: Thy Word Is a Lamp (UMH 601)

Closing Hymn: A Charge to Keep I Have (UMH 413)

Choir Anthem: Walk by Faith Handbell Anthem: Sanctuary

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

Monday, Nov. 3

Dart Ball @ 11:30 am., Hope UMC, Basement

Tuesday, Nov. 4

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

Wednesday, Nov. 5

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. 6

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

Sunday, Nov. 9

Confirmation Class

Serving Today

Greeters: Jackie Lewis

Ushers: Richard Miller, Pete Ward

Acolyte: Ameya Serna

Children's Message: Pastor Jim

Liturgist: Pat Mosley

Fellowship: Judy Anderson, Pam Wendell

Serving Next Sunday

Greeters:

Ushers: Richard Miller, Pete Ward

Acolyte: Sofia Smith

Children's Message: Carrie Ward

Liturgist: Marcos Pontes

Fellowship:

Doodle Space:



ANNOUNCEMENTS AND COMMUNITY NEWS

November Second Mile Giving: Mission Guatemala

Confirmation Class – Beginning next Sunday, November 9, Pastor Jim will be starting confirmation class for children ages 11 and up. Classes will be held every other Sunday from 11:30 to 1:00. For more information and if you are interested in registering for this class, please contact Pastor Jim or the church office.

Messy Church — Note our November and December Messy Church will be on the THIRD TUESDAY. Please join us on November 18 and December 16 at 6:00 PM. Evite your friends and neighbors!

Veterans Day Remembrance — Hope UMC would like to honor those of our members and friends who have serve or are currently serving in the military. Please stop by the Welcome Center for a form. ALSO, join us at 10:00 AM NEXT SUNDAY for a patriotic hymn sing.

Poinsettias - If you would like to order a poinsettias to decorate the sanctuary Christmas Eve. Please complete the form in your bulletin and place it along with your payment in the offering plate or church office. The cost is \$12 per plant and orders are due by Sunday, November 23. Visit www.inhopeumc.org to complete the form online.

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Welcome and Community Life

Prelude

Call to Worship

Leader: On this All Saints Sunday, we gather to remember teachers and storytellers who made God's stories come alive for us.

People: We give thanks!

Leader: We remember choir members, praise bands, organists, and all the musicians who sang and played your praises.

People: We give thanks!

Leader: We remember preachers and lay leaders who led our worship through the years.

People: We give thanks!

Leader: We remember parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles, cousins, and siblings who showed us how to hold fast to the faith.

People: We give thanks!

Leader: We remember our church families – this one and others we have loved. We remember all those who have been a part of this faith family with whom we grew our faith and our love for God and neighbor.

People: We give thanks!

Leader: We remember our ancestors in the faith whose courage enables us to be here today.

People: We give thanks for the saints who came before us, are present here with us, and will continue after us. Thanks be to God!

*Opening Hymn - For All the Saints (UMH 711)

- 1. For all the saints, who from their labors rest, who thee by faith before the world confessed, thy name, O Jesus, be forever blest. Alleluia, Alleluia!
- 2. Thou wast their rock, their fortress, and their might; thou, Lord, their captain in the well-fought fight; thou, in the darkness drear, their one true light. Alleluia, Alleluia!
- 3. O may thy soldiers, faithful, true, and bold, fight as the saints who nobly fought of old, and win with them the victor's crown of gold. Alleluia, Alleluia!
- 4. 0 blest communion, fellowship divine! We feebly struggle, they in glory shine; yet all are one in thee, for all are thine. Alleluia, Alleluia!
- 5. And when the strife is fierce, the warfare long, steals on the ear the distant triumph song, and hearts are brave again, and arms are strong. Alleluia, Alleluia!
- 6. From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast, through gates of pearl streams in the countless host, singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost: Alleluia, Alleluia!



Opening Prayer

Children's Message

Prayer Hymn - Thy Word Is a Lamp (UMH 601)

Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path.

When I feel afraid, think I've lost my way, still you're there right beside me, and nothing will I fear as long as you are near. Please be near me to the end.

Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path.

Now I will not forget your love for me and yet my heart forever is wandering.

Jesus, be my guide and hold me to your side, and I will love you to the end.

Thy word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.

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 - Walk by Faith

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture Reading

Psalm 119:137-144

Leader: Righteous are you, O Lord, and right are your judgments.

People: You have appointed your testimonies in righteousness and in all faithfulness.

Leader: My zeal consumes me, because my foes forget your words.

People: Your promise is well tried, and your servant loves it.

Leader: I am small and despised, yet I do not forget your precepts. **People: Righteousness is righteous forever, and your law is true.**

Leader: Trouble and anguish have come upon me, but your commandments are my delight. **People: Your testimonies are righteous forever; give me understanding that I may live.**



2 Thessalonians 1:1-4, 11-12

Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy, to the church of the Thessalonians in God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ: Grace to you and peace from God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. We must always give thanks to God for you, brothers and sisters, as is right, because your faith is growing abundantly and the love of every one of you for one another is increasing. Therefore we ourselves boast of you among the churches of God for your steadfastness and faith during all your persecutions and the afflictions that you are enduring.

To this end we always pray for you, asking that our God will make you worthy of his call and will fulfill by his power every good resolve and work of faith, so that the name of our Lord Jesus may be glorified in you and you in him, according to the grace of our God and the Lord Jesus Christ.

Luke 19:1-10

He entered Jericho and was passing through it. A man was there named Zacchaeus; he was a chief tax collector and was rich. He was trying to see who Jesus was, but on account of the crowd he could not, because he was short in stature. So he ran ahead and climbed a sycamore tree to see him, because he was going to pass that way. When Jesus came to the place, he looked up and said to him, "Zacchaeus, hurry and come down, for I must stay at your house today." So he hurried down and was happy to welcome him. All who saw it began to grumble and said, "He has gone to be the guest of one who is a sinner." Zacchaeus stood there and said to the Lord, "Look, half of my possessions, Lord, I will give to the poor, and if I have defrauded anyone of anything, I will pay back four times as much." Then Jesus said to him, "Today salvation has come to this house, because he, too, is a son of Abraham. For the Son of Man came to seek out and to save the lost."

Leader: The Word of God

People: Thanks be to God

Sermon - Love Increasing



Remembering Our Saints

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Our Saints: November 2, 2025

William E. Black (July 24, 2024) Prudence "Prudi" Leslie (April 21, 2025)

Joseph Jarmula (November 25, 2024) Genevieve "Jenny" Muszynski (June 30, 2025)

Carol Ann Solon (November 29, 2024) Michael William White (July 5, 2025)

Donald E. Harris (November 29, 2024) Jason Richard Hawkins (July 8, 2025)

Mary Helen Hook (December 5, 2024) Mary Alice Seljan (July 13, 2025)

John J. Harrington, Jr. (December 16, 2024) Terence "Terry" Watson (September 17, 2025)

Beverly Jean Sajdyk (January 10, 2025)

Joanne Elaine Jackson (October 7, 2025)

Liturgist: We also remember with thanksgiving saints alive today who continue to touch our lives and our faith journeys, and we look ahead with hope to the people whose faithful witness to God's love will inspire future generations.

All: Keep us grateful for the witness of the saints of all generations, and make us, like them, eager to follow in the way of Christ. Then at the last, bring us with them to share in the inheritance of the saints of life. Amen.



Holy Communion

Leader: Our lives are full of mistakes and errors – places where we follow self-generated idols instead of the One True God. We are not alone in these mistakes – all of those who have come before us also experienced temptation and sin. Let us come before God, just as generations of believers have done, and pray for God's forgiveness and grace.

People: Beloved God, who was known to our mothers and fathers, and even to our spiritual forebears, have mercy on us. We do not always love as you would have us love. We do not always do as you would have us do. In our stubbornness, we turn from you when we should turn toward you. Hold us, dear One – comfort us when we mourn the passing of friends and family, and help us to know that they are rejoicing in your presence. We praise you for the grace you shower on us, constantly forgiving our errors, especially the ones that we don't share with any but you. Hear now the silent fears and worries of our hearts.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ, we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ's offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

Prayer After Communion

Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us. May we follow your Spirit to reach out to saint and sinner alike. Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of your Spirit, to give ourselves for others, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



Offering our Gifts to God - Sanctuary (Praise Bells)

- *The Doxology (UMH 95)
- *Prayer of Dedication

*Closing Hymn - - A Charge to Keep I Have (UMH 413)

- 1. A charge to keep I have, a God to glorify, a never-dying soul to save, and fit it for the sky.
- 2. To serve the present age, my calling to fulfill;0 may it all my powers engage to do my Master's will!
- 3. Arm me with jealous care, as in thy sight to live, and oh, thy servant, Lord, prepare a strict account to give!
- 4. Help me to watch and pray, and on thyself rely, assured, if I my trust betray, I shall forever die.

*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

