person worship service, drop your offering in the offering box in the back; 2) request pre-stamped envelopes from Brian Clements (Brian@go2hope.org / 224-381-3651); 3) mail your offering to our financial PO Box (PO Box 937, Lake Villa, IL 60046); or 4) request from Brian info about electronic giving. Thank you so much for your continued support of Hope!

Small Groups

Life was never meant to be a "lone ranger" journey. God has made us all with a relational need to be known and to know others. We believe that the best way to go deeper in these relationships is through our small groups. Most all of our small groups continue to meet via Zoom and/or in-person meetings. For more info, 🗹 on your

welcome card or contact Wayne at wayne@go2hope.org. Current small groups:

- Clements' home group—Meets7pm on Mondays
- Stewarts' group on heaven—2nd and 4th Tuesday evenings
- Mel's women's group—Meets 1st
 & 3rd Wednesdays at 7pm
- Griffin's home group—Meets Thursdays 7pm
- Young families' home group—
 Meets 1st & 3rd Fridays at 6:15pm
- Saturday Morning Men's group— Meets on the 1st & 3rd Saturday each month at 8am

Calendar (see www.go2hope.org for more)

- Every Sunday Morning—8:30am Prayer & ministry time; 9:15am Connection time; 9:30am Video replay of the Saturday evening worship service (Zoom mtg. ID#: 287 775 281 Passcode: 019752)
- January 14th—Evening of Worship & Prayer at 5pm (no Friday morning prayer)
- January 15th—Saturday Morning Men's Breakfast at 8am
- January 21st—Friday Morning Prayer at 9:30am (Zoom mtg. ID#: 823 3258 1259 Passcode: 021144)
- New Outreach Cohorts—Once a month for one hour either in-person after our worship service or via Zoom!



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Welcome to HOPE

Heather Holleman

Our guest speaker this evening is Heather Holleman. Here is a little bit about her:

"I'm married to a hilarious and wise man named Ashley (a UNC grad who loves the Tar Heels), and I'm a mother to two vibrant girls. I graduated from the University of Virginia and then went on to finish my PhD in English Literature from the University of Michigan. I teach college writing—both Freshman Composition and Advanced Writing—at Penn State. I'm obsessed with vivid verbs like grapple, fritter, and effervesce. I also greatly admire the semicolon; it is the most beautiful and misunderstood punctuation mark. I love writing books, encouraging teachers, reflecting on spiritual principles in everyday life, petting my cats, walking with my neighbors, lighting candles, reading grammar books, watching movies and any television show with singing and dancing in it, entertaining, eating leftover Chinese food, and blogging. I also serve on the staff of Cru with Ashley (who serves as the Executive Director of Graduate Student Ministry).... I'm slowly making my way through seminary classes in the summers. So far, I've finished Bible Study Methods, New Testament Survey, Doctrine Survey, Biblical Interpretation and Communication, God, Bible, Holy Spirit, and Old Testament."

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Are you new?

We're so glad you took the time to visit us this evening! Perhaps you're just beginning to explore spiritual things. On the other hand, maybe you have known God for many years. Either way, we invite you to join us as we travel together in life's spiritual journey to get to know the God of the universe!

What to expect

As we worship God, you may see people express their love for God in different ways. Some people are more expressive and like to clap their hands or even raise their arms. Others feel more comfortable worshiping quietly. But please don't feel compelled to do anything! Feel free to participate in worship or just sit back, relax, and observe.

No strings attached

If you are a guest with us today, please don't put anything in the offering box except your orange welcome card. This service is our gift to you!

Grow. Devote. Connect. Serve.

Worship Order

Welcome & prayer

Worship

Reminders & Announcements

Message: Seated

Guest Speaker: Heather Holleman

(pre-K through senior high are dismissed prior to the message*)

Final song

*Our Children's Ministries:

Our children & youth are dismissed for their classes just prior to the message. They will be meeting downstairs in separate classrooms (nursery/preschool/ kindergarten; elementary; and middle school & high school youth).

Welcome Cards

We'd like to encourage everyone to fill out a welcome card. If you're visiting with us this evening, please fill out a card & place it in the offering box in the back. Then pick up a free bag from our resource table!

Helpful guidelines regarding the pandemic

Masks: In light of Governor Pritzker's current statewide mask mandate, we highly encourage you to wear a mask. If you need a mask, please pick one up on our welcome table in the lobby.

Not feeling well?: If you are not feeling well, we ask that you stay home. In addition, if you attend our worship service and later test positive for COVID-19, please contact Wayne or an elder ASAP.

Our Mission Statement

To honor God by helping people become Christ-followers who grow, connect, devote, & serve. For more info about Hope, check out our website at www.go2hope.org.

Next Steps

Would you like to take a next step in your spiritual journey? Consider joining a small group! It's a great place to connect with others and grow in your relationship with God. Another option is to meet someone one-on-one for what we call "discipleship" or "spiritual mentoring." It's like having a spiritual trainer to help you grow and develop spiritually. For more info, just check the box on your orange welcome card.

Upcoming Events

Evening of Worship & Prayer

We want to be a church of fully-devoted followers of Christ who have a passion for God! One way of experiencing that passion is gathering together to pray. Therefore on **Friday, January 14**th at **7pm we will be meeting here at Liberty,** in the lower level (enter on the south side of the building) for our monthly Evening of Worship & Prayer. Afterwards we'll spend a little time reconnecting and having dessert. We would like to invite

everyone to attend and, if you're so inclined, to bring an appetizer or dessert to share. Please join us!

Reminders

Sunday Morning Prayer & Ministry Time

Join us for a time of sharing, prayer, & ministering to one another via Zoom! **Sunday morning 8:30-9:15am**, just prior to our Sunday Zoom connection time: Meeting ID: 287 775 281; Passcode: 019752

Sunday Zooming!

We host a 15-minute open, unstructured Zoom time for everyone at Hope to connect with one another **each Sunday at 9:15am**. We encourage all of you to join us! In addition, for those who missed our Saturday worship service, we will replay a recording of the service beginning at 9:30am on the same Zoom channel. Zoom mtg. ID: 287 775 281; Passcode: 019752

Offering Info

You can give to the Lord & to Hope four different ways: 1) during our in-

Our Mission

To help people become Christ followers who grow, devote, connect, and serve.

We are so glad you joined us today!

Let us know if we can do anything to serve you.