

UPCOMING EVENTS

Today –

— Join us following worship for coffee and fellowship.

Meals on Wheels delivered this week – M-F

Tuesday January 3:

— 2pm Communion at St. Lukes

Wednesday January 4:

— 2:30: Early Release Classes
— 6-8 PM: Youth Group
— 7PM: Confirmation

Thursday, January 5:

— 10AM: Bible Study

Sunday, January 8:

Liturgist: T.J. Lewis

Ushers: Lloyd Wallace, Larry Everett, Steve Scheid, Louis Schaefer

Greeters: Tonia Weir, Diana Porter

Accompanist: Staci Thompson

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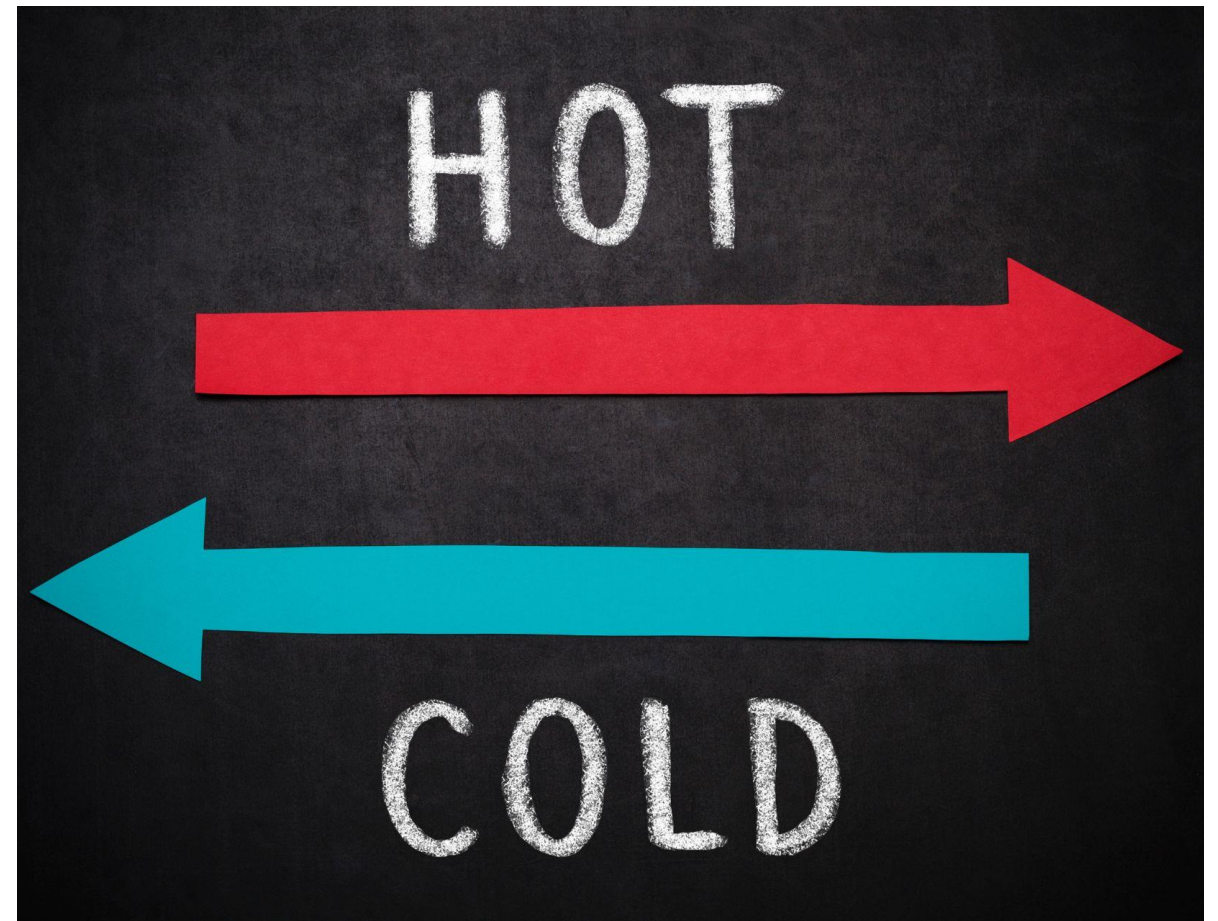
ANNOUNCEMENTS

Gift Cards in someone's name can now be given toward another Safe-T Bin home! Look in your newsletter for more details! We also have GoServGlobal refrigerator magnets in the office. Be sure to stop and get one!

Grief Support Group: Interfaith Caregivers is a grief support group at the Interfaith office, 301 N Main (entrance on north side). The group will meet the first and third Thursdays of each month. As an ongoing support group, participants will attend as long as they wish and new participants may start at any session. Terri Hanson, PhD, retired Psychologist will facilitate the group. Contact her at 701-537-0611 or call the Interfaith office at 507-526-4684.

Baby Hugs: The Baby Hugs Mission Team would like to thank everyone that supported this on- going project . We appreciate the funds, the donated items , the work, the interest and prayers. We delivered 105 Baby Hugs Bundles to UHD Hospital of Blue Earth in 2022. We look forward to continuing to meet the Mission goal of every baby born at the hospital here in Blue Earth will receive this gift from Hope UMC.

Radio Sponsorship: The radio sponsorship sign-up sheet is in the Narthex. The new radio broadcast will be different this year, and the cost is \$22. Remember to get your celebrations and memorial days signed up!



Sunday January 1, 2023

First Sunday After Christmas

Hope United Methodist Church

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Church office hours are 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM; Tuesday & Thursday

Worship Celebration January 1, 2023

Welcome & Announcements

Call to Worship

L: Let your praise of God sound to the heavens!

P: We shout the good news of God's mighty love!

L: Let all the stars, the sun, the moon sing praise to God!

P: The Universe that God created sings its praise!

L: Praise the Lord!

P: Hallelujah! AMEN.

***Hymn** *"Angels From the Realms of Glory"* *UMH 220*

***Unison Prayer**

**God of hope and light,
your good news has been emblazoned across the skies,
the great starry night of Jesus' birth,
sung by angels, celebrated by shepherds, witnessed by animals.
You have given to us a new chance,
a reminder of your continual love for us.
Be with us in this worship, we pray.
Guide our thoughts, our lives, our spirits.
Heal and restore us. For we ask this in Jesus' Name. AMEN.**

***Hymn** *"The First Noel"* *UMH 245*

Children's Message

Hymn *"We Three Kings"* *UMH 254*

Scripture Reading

Revelation 3:14-22

"To the angel of the church in Laodicea write:

These are the words of the Amen, the faithful and true witness, the ruler of God's creation. ¹⁵ I know your deeds, that you are neither cold nor hot. I wish you were either one or the other! ¹⁶ So, because you are lukewarm—neither hot nor cold—I am about to spit you out of my mouth. ¹⁷ You say, 'I am rich; I have acquired wealth and do not need a thing.' But you do not realize that you are wretched, pitiful, poor, blind and naked. ¹⁸ I counsel you to buy from me gold refined in the fire, so you can become rich; and white clothes to wear, so you can cover your shameful nakedness; and salve to put on your eyes, so you can see.

¹⁹ Those whom I love I rebuke and discipline. So be earnest and repent. ²⁰ Here I am! I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door, I will come in and eat with that person, and they with me.

²¹ To the one who is victorious, I will give the right to sit with me on my throne, just as I was victorious and sat down with my Father on his throne. ²² Whoever has ears, let them hear what the Spirit says to the churches."

Sermon **"Are You Hot or Cold?"**
Christopher Parker, Youth Director

***Hymn** *"Go Tell It On the Mountain"* *UMH 251*

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer *UMH 895**

Doxology

***Closing Hymn** *"Joy to the World"* *UMH 246*

***Benediction**