



# LIVING HOPE

## PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

**From the Pastor...**

**October 2023 Newsletter**

Our adult education series that started last month is focused on purpose. Purpose is an important part of our lives. Having a clear understanding of our purpose can help us choose what to put our energy into. A sense of purpose has been linked to increased happiness and better health. Purpose helps us answer the ever-important question of “why.” Why do we make the choices that we do? Why do we spend our time, energy and resources in particular ways? Why is something important for us?



The majority of our time in the class will be spent on us as individuals, trying to articulate our purpose for the things we do. We will identify our values, our gifts, and the people we want to impact. We will think about the roadblocks that keep us from individually achieving our goals. This all makes sense because, as individuals, we each have the ability to make choices for our lives that impact our well-being.



But we can also talk about purpose in a broader sense. Not only do individuals have purpose, but groups and organizations do as well. A group that can't identify what it is about will eventually flounder because it will be harder

and harder to make choices about what to do in a changing environment. A group that continues to do what it has always done will only get the same results provided things around it don't change. But in a world of change, that is not likely.

So, we, too, as a congregation need to revisit our purpose every so often. We need to check in and confirm our core values, our gifts, and the communities that we want to impact. We are going to do just that as we finish up our class on Purpose After Retirement and Beyond.

In our last session we will look at what common threads are present in the various individual purposes and identify what are potential ways we as a congregation can work together to support each other to live into our individual purposes. We may also find new possibilities welling up out of what individuals have identified as their purposes.

What I do know is that when we work together, we are able to achieve more. We become the body of Christ here in this world. Each of us with our varied gifts, skills, and purposes, but all contributing to make the whole work. And as the whole works together, we are able to help reveal the kingdom of God that is already in our midst.

Please join us for this adult education series that can impact both you and the entire Living Hope community.

In Christ,

*Will*

## Purpose After Retirement and Beyond



Oct 12 and Oct 26

1-2 pm in Fellowship Hall

Thursday, Nov 9

1-2 pm in Fellowship Hall



Our 2024 Stewardship Campaign  
begins Oct 15

Dedication Sunday - November 12.



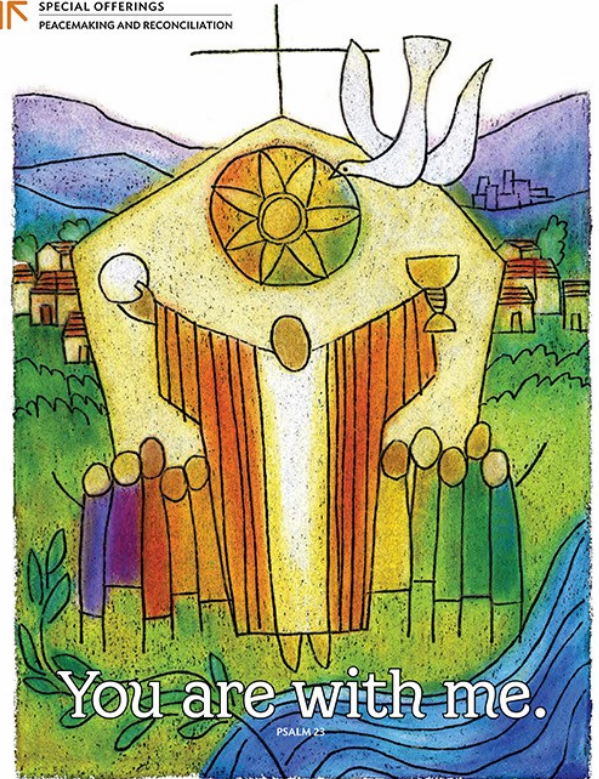
## Peace & Global Witness offering collected on October 1 World Communion Sunday

 PEACE & GLOBAL WITNESS  
SPECIAL OFFERINGS  
PEACEMAKING AND RECONCILIATION

The Peace & Global Witness Offering enables the church to promote the peace of Christ by addressing systems of injustice in our own communities and around the world. Together we are building God's household for peace where everyone is welcome; where all can find compassion, peace and justice.

Our work of peace and reconciliation is supported by gifts to the Peace & Global Witness Offering. These gifts also unite us with Presbyterian peacemakers across the country and the world who are active, not passive; who are doing, not waiting.

**We are the peacemakers. We are the Church,  
Together.**



**Food Pantry Sunday**

First Sunday of each month

**Food Pantry Sunday**  
**Oct 1    Nov 5    Dec 3**

### FINANCIAL UPDATE - As of August 31, 2023

	Actual	Budget	Fav/(Unfav) Variance
Total Income - YTD	\$ 94,903.10	\$ 73,064.00	\$ 21,839.10
Total Expense - YTD	\$107,407.94	\$ 102,200.00	\$ (5,207.94)
Net Income - YTD August 31, 2023	<b>\$(12,504.84)</b>	<b>\$( 29,136.00)</b>	\$ 16,631.16
Unrestricted Funds as of August 31, 2023	\$324,719.72		

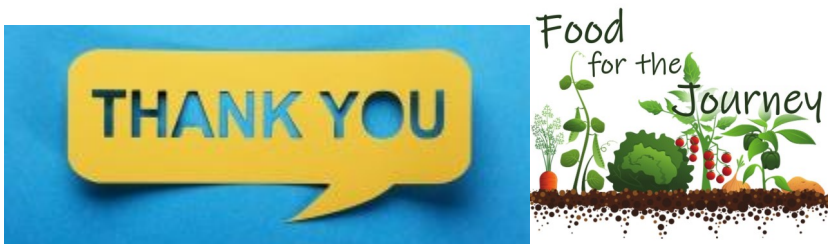
# Wallace Cheatham Memorial Music Performance

The Dr. Wallace Cheatham Memorial Music Performance honors the legacy of a gifted musician, educator, and composer, Dr. Wallace Cheatham. For over fifteen years Dr. Cheatham served as music director at Living Hope Presbyterian Church where he trained and lead the choir, accompanied the congregation and choir, and provided special music. Dr. Cheatham was also a gifted music educator, teaching in Milwaukee Public Schools and training many vocalists through the years. In addition, Dr. Cheatham was involved with many community groups, including The New Jubilee Children's Choir, The New Jubilee Youth Chorale and the African American Children's Theatre. In memory of his gifts and contributions, the congregation of Living Hope Presbyterian Church established a fund to provide an emerging musical artist of color an opportunity to share their gifts and talents with the community of faith and encourage their continued work of bringing beauty into the world.



Our first concert was in March 2022 where we welcomed Cecilia Davis singing Wallace's own work, *Angel Spirituals*. Last month, we welcomed recent graduate William Toney singing a selection of Spirituals.

On Sunday, October 8, we will be collecting a special offering for our Wallace Cheatham Memorial Music Performance fund for future emerging artists to share their talents with us.



Thank you to those who helped with our garden this year, including:




Marleen and Bob Christiansen, Ellie Cummisford, Barb Foy, George Huhnke, Mike McBride, Kathy Newlin, and Marcia Sinner

## Average September Attendance

In person:	49
Zoom/livestream:	10
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Total Average Attendance:	59

# OCTOBER 2023



SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
<b>1</b> <b>10 AM</b> <b>Worship - with communion</b> 	<b>2</b> 9:45 AM Bible Study—FH	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>
<div style="border: 1px solid blue; padding: 5px;">                     Lisa is working remotely this week. Please email her with any questions.                      If you need in person assistance, please contact Will Houts.                 </div>						
<b>8</b> 9:15 AM - Deacon Mtg <b>10 AM</b> <b>Worship</b>	<b>9</b> 8:30-12:30 Office Hours 9:45 AM Bible Study—FH	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b> 9-12:30 Office Hours 1-2 pm Purpose Conversation 	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>
<b>15</b> <b>10 AM</b> <b>Worship</b> 11:30 AM Session	<b>16</b> 8:30-12:30 Office Hours 9:45 AM Bible Study—FH	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b> 9-12:30 Office Hours	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>
<b>22</b> <b>10 AM</b> <b>Worship - Guest Preacher</b> Bruce Parker	<b>23</b> 8:30-12:30 Office Hours No Bible Study Today	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b> 9-12:30 Office Hours 1-2 pm Purpose Conversation 	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>
<b>29 Reformation</b> <b>10 AM</b> <b>Worship</b>	<b>30</b> 8:30-12:30 Office Hours 9:45 AM Bible Study—FH	<b>31</b>	<b>1 Nov.</b>	<b>2</b> 9-12:30 Office Hours	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>



We are a connectional church...connected in faith to God – Father, Son, Holy Spirit. Jesus taught us that prayer connects us to the Divine...and to each other.

Each month we list our faith community. Every family has a date when we ask you to hold them in prayer.

## October Prayer Calendar



Birthdays

Anniversary Wishes to:

**The Care and Concern of the  
Congregation is with:**

Condolences to the families of Elaine Sprunger, Elsie Haws, and Don Waterman, who all died in September.



Pontifical Institute  
Notre Dame of Jerusalem Center

Dear Living Hope Church Family  
I'm having a great time here in Israel!  
We've visited so many incredible sites such  
as: the site of the last supper, the Garden  
of Gethsemane, and Mount Zion! While I  
was here, I thought and prayed for all of  
you.

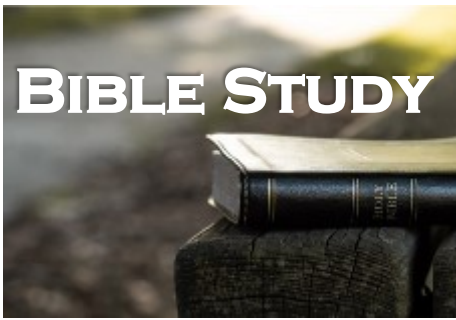
Love,

Zion Lavoie ♥



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# Monday Bible Study

Mondays at 9:45 AM

Join us for a discussion about the coming Sunday's lectionary readings either in-person in Fellowship Hall or watch on Channel 966.

Oct 2 Exodus 20:1-4, 7-9,12-20 ; Matthew 21:33-46 for Oct 8

Oct 9 Matthew 22:1-14; Exodus 32:1-14 for Oct 15

Oct 16 Matthew 22:34-46; Deuteronomy 34:1-12 for Oct 29

No Bible Study Monday, October 23 - Will is out of town

Oct 30 Matthew 23:1-12; Joshua 3:7-17 for Nov 5



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Office Hours: Mon and Th 8:30-12:30 (remote email rest of the week)

**Clerk of Session:** Kathryn Fresch

**Treasurer:** Steve Sinner

**Church Musician:** Teresa Ledford

**2023 Session Members:** Karl Bertram, Michael Brady, Dorothy Dieter, Kathryn Fresch, Curtis MacDonald, Mike McBride and Marcia Sinner

**2023 Deacons:** (A-B) Tom Tennyson (C-F) Ann Tennyson (G-K) Diane DeBoer – Moderator  
(L-O) Cherie Andrus (P-R) Karen Stephan (S-Z) Ken DeBoer