



The Messenger

JANUARY 2015

Wondering About the Weather?

In the Event of Bad Winter Weather—Please Check the following sources of information about Weather Cancellations affecting Worship or Evening meetings. Thank you.

Hope UMC Website: hopeumcia.org

Facebook: Hope UMC-Pocahontas, Havelock & Plover

Email: Large group emails will be sent

Telephone Calls: Phone tree calling will also be used

KCCI: Channel 8 (CBS) TV in Des Moines

KICD: 107.7 FM Radio in Spencer



Human Relations Day Offering January 18, 2015

your GIFT

PROVIDES ACCEPTANCE AND LOVE TO PEOPLE WHOM
SOCIETY OFTEN REJECTS.

Keep in touch with Hope UMC: hopeumcia.org



Hope UMC—Pocahontas, Havelock & Plover

HOPE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Sunday 8:00 am - Plover, 202 Smith St.

Sunday 9:15 am - Havelock, 752 Dean St.

Sunday 9:15 am - Sunday School/ **10:30 am** - Pocahontas, 306 2nd Ave NW

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2015
***New Year Brings
New Opportunities***

The gift of a New Year brings the opportunity to learn some new patterns of behavior and to make a fresh start.

The Leadership team of Hope UMC will be reading and discussing the book ***Shift, Helping Congregations Back Into Effective Ministry***. We will be reading and discussing a chapter each month to learn how we can apply what we will be learning about ***Effective Ministry Practices***.

The topics we will be learning about and discussing are:

Shift 1. From Fellowship to Hospitality

Shift 2. From Worship as an Event to Worship as a Lifestyle

Shift 3. From Membership to Discipleship

Shift 4. From “Serve Us” to Service

Shift 5. From “Survival Mentality” to Generosity

6. Leading the Charge without Getting Trampled

We will consider the concepts, tools, and practices and figure out how they will work best in our context of ministry. I am looking forward to this learning opportunity with the Leadership Team as we strive to be ***faithful*** and ***fruitful*** for the kingdom of God here in Pocahontas County.

Happy New Year to all of you.

‘See you at worship, ***Pastor Jerry***

Lectionary Scriptures

January 4 *Isaiah 60:1-6; Psalm 72:1-7, 10-14;*
Ephesians 3:1-12; Matthew 2:1-12

January 11 *Genesis 1:1-5; Psalm 29; Acts 19:1-7;*
Mark 1:4-11

January 18 *1 Samuel 3:1-20; Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18;*
1 Corinthians 6:12-20; John 1:43-51

January 25 *Jonah 3:1-5, 10; Psalm 62:5-12;*
1 Corinthians 7:29-31; Mark 1:14-20



WORSHIP ASSISTANTS †



Brisbois	Cheryl	Liturgist	January 18
Cook	Doug	Usher	January
Ernst	Ginger	Coffee	January 4
Ferguson	Don & Linda	CommStw	January 4
Gathers	Bernard & Dawn	Coffee	January 11
Gottsch	Dixie	Greeter	January 18
Gottsch	Dixie	Greeter	January 25
Hopkins	Riley	Acolyte	January
Hubbell	Lindsey	Acolyte	January
Hull	Donna	Liturgist	January 4
Johnson	Darla	Liturgist	January 25
Kerns	Vicki	Coffee	January 4
Kerns	Vicki	Liturgist	January 4
McGovern	Pat	Usher	January
McLain	Don	Usher	January
Minkler	Allan	Liturgist	January 18
Minklers		Coffee	January 18
Minklers		Greeter	January 18
Nedved	John & Martie	Coffee	January 4
Phillips	Walt & Mary	Coffee	January 25
Plantz	Bill & Monica	Greeter	January 11
Radig	Family	Greeter	January 11
Riesenberg	Jeremy & Melissa	Coffee	January 18
Severson	Jerry	Usher	January
Shearer	Jeff	Greeter	January 4
Sievert	Bill & Connie	Coffee	January 11
Simonson	Audrey	Liturgist	January 11
Singergard	Cheryl	Greeter	January 11
Speers		Coffee	January 11
Swansons		Greeter	January 4
Swansons		Coffee	January 25
Timan	Judy	Liturgist	January 25
Timan	Ray	Liturgist	January 11
Trimble	Steve	Usher	January
Waterman	Julie	Greeter	January 18
Wheatley	Bruce & Carolyn	Coffee	January 18
Zhone	Gary	Usher	January



In Sympathy ~ the family of Virgil Pursley

Members celebrating Anniversaries & Birthdays!

David & Tracy Grothaus 1/4
 Bruce & Judy Boysen 1/7
 Steve & Diane Woodin 1/24



Paul Speer	1/2	Nick Kerns	1/19
Brook Peters	1/3	Joyce Murray	1/19
Kammie Shearer	1/3	Nicki Bunda	1/21
Elizabeth Vader	1/4	David Byerly	1/21
Jean Trimble	1/5	Kay Hoffert	1/21
Jordan Shearer	1/5	Rory Bunda	1/22
Mel Powers	1/6	Mary Hallman	1/23
Bernard Gathers	1/6	Lois Speer	1/24
Dane Hubbell	1/7	Mike Speer	1/25
Matthew Wheatley	1/11	Steve Baade	1/25
Molly Trimble	1/12	Jim Swanson	1/25
Ray Timan	1/13	Don McLain	1/28
Riley Hopkins	1/13	Betty Abrahamson	1/28
Jordan Westerman	1/14	DJ Poss	1/28
Bill Boysen	1/15	Micah Waterman	1/30
Bernard Johnson	1/16	Hunter Grothaus	1/31
Joe Hopkins	1/16	Mike Wiemers	1/31
Brandon Arnold	1/18	Molly Hopkins	1/31

Worship Attendance at Hope UMC

DATE	POCAHONTAS	HAVELOCK	PLOVER	TOTAL
November 30	One Service			104
December 7	84	17	22	123
December 14	133	10	62	205
December 21	96	14	27	137
December 24	One Service - Candle Light Christmas Eve			176
December 28	One Service			78

SHARE THE WARMTH



MAKE A DIFFERENCE

Share the Warmth Update:

The Pocahontas Senior High Sunday School Christmas Mission Project, **Share the Warmth**, was a HUGE success!!! Through the help of our generous congregation, along with the Sunday School classes, we were able to collect

- 4 pairs of boots
- 116 pairs of socks
- 121 pairs of gloves
- 170 hats
- 4 scarves
- 11 coats
- 2 pairs of snowpants
- 2 sweaters

If you do the math, that's **430 items** we were able to donate to Upper Des Moines!!! They were so very grateful to receive these winter necessities!! We would like to thank you all for your thoughtful gifts that will help "**share the warmth**" with many families in our community this winter! Let's all pray that they may feel the warmth of Jesus this Christmas and through the New Year!! :)

Thank you! Directors of our Children's Christmas Programs this year! For the Plover program we thank Candace Larson, Vicki Kerns, and Tonya Speer and for the Pocahontas program we thank Gwen Johnson and Heidi Freeburg and ALL of their helpers!

