



Hope United Methodist Church

"The Lord is in His holy temple; let all the earth be silent before Him."

Habakkuk 2:20 (NIV)

Dr. Carlyle Fielding Stewart, III, Senior Pastor

Seventeenth Sunday After Pentecost – September 27, 2009

LECTIONS Ester 7:1-6, 9-10, 9:20-22, Ps. 124 (UMH 846), James 5:13-20, Mark 9:38-50

*Invocation

The Invocation Response - "Hear our prayer, O Lord, Hear our prayer, O Lord.
Incline Thine ear to us, and grant us Thy peace. Amen."

Hymn of Praise (UMH #374) - "Standing On the Promise of Christ My King"

Time of Sharing

Thoughts for Children - "SAY YES TO GOD"

OFFERTORY

Offertory Invitation - Understanding and merciful God, our hearts are filled with sorrow, and we find it difficult to hold back our tears when we look out on the world. The hungry, the homeless, and the abused cry out for help. Neighbors cannot live together in peace, and nations try to settle their differences by force of arms. We lift our prayers for a better world this morning, and let it begin with me. We pray in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior.

Offertory Prayer - O God, too long have we been part of the world's problem rather than using our time and abilities to let your message of peace and reconciliation radiate from our lives. Help us to see how we can be part of the solution to the needs of the world, and give us the power and the courage to act accordingly. **Divine love through me blesses and multiplies all that I have, all that I give and all that I receive. In the name of Jesus. Amen.**

*Offertory Response

"We give Thee but Thine own,
What - e'er the gift may be; All that we have is Thine alone. A trust, O Lord, from Thee. Amen."

Offertory Selection - Un 2 Hymn

Altar Call

Song of Preparation - Un 2 Hymn

Genesis 21, Exodus 16:22-27, II Corinthians 4:1-18

The Proclamation – "A PROBLEM FREE LIFE?"

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Hymn of Invitation (UMH #354) - "I Surrender All"

***General Offering / Faith 500**

**If you already gave your tithe, offering and Faith 500 sacrificial gift in the previous offering: "Thank you!"
May the Lord bless you for your faithfulness and your trust in Him as your provider. This 2nd offering is primarily for those who missed the 1st opportunity to give and receive their blessing by returning just a portion God has given to them.*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

***Recessional - "I'm So Glad Jesus Lifted Me"**

***Benediction / Benediction Response**

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SPECIAL PRAYER HOPE MEMBERS

Be joyful in Hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer, Romans 12:12

Health Concerns - Patricia Whitfield/ Sara Hicks/ Mary Williams/ Cheryl Fallen / Jacquelyn & Lawrence Sherman / Zena Kyles / Caiden Webb / Norma Rodgers / Lila Martin / John & Kate Calhoun / Mary Price / Geraldine Lomax / Albern Davis / Ornie Cook / Charles Winston / David Jackson, Jr. / Clarence Bingham / Sheldon Noble / Mary Green / Preston Bostick / Rev. Kenneth Whyte / Rev. Preston Smyth Anita Glasker

Hospitalizations - Australia Pratchett, Heartland – Livonia / Derrick Williams, U of M Hospital Dorothy Walker, Henry Ford Hospital

Bereavement - Ronald & Brenda Jones & Family (loss of aunt) Nancy Nelson & Family (loss of son) Zenaida Wright & Family (loss of father) / Shannelle Bow & Family (loss of mother) / Marion Murphy, Barbara & Elizabeth Canty & Virginia Phillips (loss of cousin) / Angelita Hall & Family (loss of fiancé) Nonie Peterson & Family (loss of aunt) / Margaret Parker & Family (loss of brother) / Wanda Dill-Reese & Family (loss of aunt) / Kathy Manual & Family (loss of father) / Chuck Stokes & Family (loss of stepfather)

Armed Service Prayer Page - Major Whalleon Babo / MSgt. Bobby S. Briggs / Lt. Cameron Ross Browne/ Pvt. Jamar F. Black/ Sgt. James Curry/ Lt. Colonel Curtis Craft / S. Sgt. Jorja Dudley / Robert Ellis / Maj. Michael Flowers / Nida Floyd / 2/8 Golf Co. 2nd. Platoon / Terrell Hannah / Lt. Reginald Hughley / Capt. Benjamin Johnson / Brian Johnson / Pvt. 1st. Class Julian Johnson / Kevin Johnson Toya Johnson / Christopher Joiner / Pvt. Lavar Jones / Capt. Katrina Patillo Wayne Mason / Cpt. Steve Marteen / Keith Meadows / Alex Morrow/ Sgt. Rodney Mosley / Lt. Ronnie Vito McCullough / Bryant A. Nunn / Sgt. Nikia Pearsall/ Pvt. Dennis Richardson, Jr. / St. Sgt. David Richmond/ Col. Anna Savitch Pvt. Hassan Anthony Sgeidifar / Steven J. Shelton / SSgt. Darius Shephard / SSgt. Derrick Townsend, Jr. / Sgt. Leroy Troupe Jr. / Pvt. Adam

TRUSTEE OF THE MONTH
Doug Doggett
(248) 470-4624

If you are aware of anyone in need of
Communion or a visit from one of our ministry team
members please call Pastoral Care at ext. 111.
Telecare Ministry / Prayer Line: 1-800-375-8401



Rev. Jefferson, Min. Strickland, Min. Gregory, Marshall Murphy, and the entire Hope family, I want to extend my sincere thanks and gratitude for the many blessings and prayers all of you displayed during the recent loss of my son, Johnnie Louis Nelson Jr. I am forever grateful for all of you and appreciate your many displays of love and support.

God Bless, Nancy Nelson

Thank you Hope UMC for your support of Rally Day 2009! To Pastor Stewart, Rev Henderson and the clergy thank you for your continued support of this effort. To Lori, thank you for your leadership, support and guidance in coordinating this event. To Mrs. Zelma and the custodians, thank you for securing the facilities and the hard work of setting up and tearing down the gym. To the ministries, thank you for your time and creativity in serving the Lord in this way. To the congregation, thank you for attending and seeking out the great things happening at Hope and for answering the call to join ministry. Praise be unto God for His wonderful acts of faithfulness.

Love in Christ, Carmen Bender, Vice Chair - Council on Ministries

The Mature Disciples Ministry wishes to thank everyone that helped to make our luncheon honoring Grandparents such a success. We were blessed to have so many people willing to contribute both their time and money to our project. Your thoughtfulness will always be remembered.

-Erma Dixon, Chairperson, Mature Disciples Ministry



**THE PEOPLE'S MEDICAL COLLEGE
October 3rd 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.**

Sinai-Grace Hospital has partnered with our Health and Welfare Ministry to offer FREE eye, foot, blood pressure, cholesterol and glucose checks valued at more than \$200. Call 1-888-DMC-2500 to reserve an appointment time, appointments are preferred but not required.

Carolyn & Peter Chester, Co-Chairs, Health & Welfare Ministry
Rev. Angelo B. Henderson, Clergy Advisor
Dr. Carlyle Fielding Stewart, III, Senior Pastor



FIRST PLACE 4 HEALTH BIBLE STUDY

A Christ-centered, balanced weight-loss and healthy living program
The Fall / Winter session will start October 6th - December 22nd.
The book is **Celebrate Success**, ISBN # 978-0-8307-4755-9. Books may be purchased at christanbook.com, amazon.com and firstplace4health.com. Contact Sylvia Christian for additional information at (248) 470-1910, or e-mail: schrist22@aol.com. Please review the bulletin board for class location.

Rev. Janet Gaston Petty, Clergy Advisor
Dr. Carlyle Fielding Stewart III, Senior Pastor

Missions Ministry

5th ANNUAL PRAISE AND WORSHIP SERVICE SATURDAY, OCTOBER 3RD AT 5:00 P.M.

The speaker is our own, Dr. Carlyle Fielding Stewart, III, Senior Pastor

Theme: *"Clear Eyes, Putting Things Behind You
That Hinder You From Focusing On God"*

COME AND JOIN OUR CELEBRATION

Pam Fitzpatrick, Chairperson, Missions Ministry
Rev. Janet Gaston Petty, Clergy Advisor
Dr. Carlyle Fielding Stewart, III Senior Pastor



STATE OF THE CHURCH ADDRESS

Saturday, October 3rd, 9:00 a.m. to Noon

Join us for this spirit-filled annual event to learn about Hope's progress towards its ministry goals and spiritual growth. The program features a keynote speech by our Senior Pastor, Rev. Dr. Carlyle Fielding Stewart, III, praise and worship, and fellowship. The State of the Church Address is open to all Hope members. Ministry leaders (chairs, co-chairs, and vice chairs) are expected to attend.



Book by Book Overview of the Bible



Wouldn't you love to understand the entire Bible? This class will allow you to do just that. You'll learn to analyze all 66 books of the Bible, gain perspective on its historical and cultural contexts, and grasp the big picture of God's salvation story. This class will get you started reading the Bible knowledgeably and regularly. Class meets on Tuesdays from 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. The class leader is Bro. Glen Scruess.

Christian Education Ministry

ChristianEd@hopeumc / 248-262-5139 / www.hopeumc.org/ChristianEd
Evelyn Summerville, Christian Education Director
Dr. Carlyle Fielding Stewart, III, Senior Pastor

BOARD OF TRUSTEES MINISTRY

Help Wanted - Hope is looking for kitchen equipment installers. For all craftsmen interested please contact by e-mail: alltradesmen@hopeumc.org or ph. Ken Delelol at (313) 690-3022.

WANTED DRIVER FOR THE CHURCH VAN

HUMC is in desperate need of drivers for the van to pick up members for Worship Services on Sunday. If you have a chauffeur's license and would like to volunteer your services on Sundays, please contact Zelma Smith-Dexter @ 248.262-5142.

HOPE ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL



Hope, under the guidance of Dr. Anthony Shipley, is in the process of securing the necessary funding to start a charter school. We are gathering a list of names for potential committee members to consider for this project. If you are a bank employee, lawyer (legal training), former teacher, parent, business owner and/or engineer and interested, please contact Zelma Smith-Dexter by e-mail: hopenews@hopeumc.org or ph. (248)262-5142.

SIGN LANGUAGE II MINISTRY

The Sign Language II course will resume on Wednesday, October 7th, 6:30p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Pre-requisite: Sign Language I (prior signing experience would be helpful) This course is preparation for the development of a sign language ministry here at Hope UMC. Facilitator; Regina McCullen-Rogers. Please contact Kiada Watts for more information at:

(313) 740-1232

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HIGHER EDUCATION & CAMPUS MINISTRY



The Higher Education & Campus Ministry is preparing for its Fall Care Package. Twice a year, on behalf of Hope, we mail care packages to our college students who are away at school. Our packages include words of encouragement, small edibles and items of particular use to college students. If you would like to donate to this effort, in any way, please leave us a voicemail message at (248)356-1020, ext 105 or place a written note in the Higher Education & Campus Ministry Mailbox located outside of the sanctuary. All contributions are appreciated.

The Fall Care Packages are scheduled to mail near the end of October. Registration forms may be found in the informational rack near the sanctuary and on the church website (www.hopeumc.org).

THE DEADLINE FOR REGISTRATION IS SUNDAY, OCTOBER 19TH.

NOTE: In addition to the Care Packages, information provided on the registration form is used to communicate with students throughout the year about scholarships, internships, financial aid, etc.

Act now. Don't miss the deadline. October 19th. is just around the corner.

Janice Anene, Chairperson, Higher Education & Campus Ministry

Rev. Rosaline Green, Clergy Advisor

Dr. Carlyle Fielding Stewart, III, Senior Pastor