



# THE ANCHOR

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## WE VALUE

Bible-centered  
Preaching &  
Teaching

Dynamic Praise &  
Worship

The Sacraments

Prayer

Evangelism

Christian Education  
for All Ages

Loving Relationships

Strong Christian  
Families

## OUR VISION

By the love of Christ,  
our vision is to work together,  
reaching out to all people,  
through the Gospel,  
in our various activities and events.  
As we encourage each other to worship  
and grow in God's Word,  
we will be a Christian influence  
in our community.

## OUR MISSION

BUILDING TOGETHER SPIRITUALLY  
FOLLOWING THE TRIUNE GOD

## OUR PURPOSE

Glorifying God through *WORSHIP*  
Reaching out to all with the Good News of  
salvation in Christ through *EVANGELISM*  
Actively caring for God's people in Christ  
through *FELLOWSHIP*  
Creating a family of God by Word and Sacrament  
through *MINISTRY*  
Equipping people of all ages for life in Christ  
through *DISCIPLESHIP*

## **Notes and Announcements**

Ladies Bible Study is taking the summer off. We will start back up on September 6th.

Reminder: Noisy offering will be taken on second Sundays!

Noisy Offering for October-December will be going to Shawono Center.

Thank you for your donations.

LWML is looking for used sheets to use as middles in quilts. If you are cleaning out & find any, please donate them for quilts.

Thank you!

A tree has been planted to the right / west of our church front entrance.

It is a beautiful 'Rose of Sharon' (Lavender Chiffon) and has double flowers that are long blooming throughout the summer and will grow 8 – 12 feet tall and 4 – 6 feet wide.



Thank you Shirley Koch and Pete Albright.

## **Family Fare Receipts**

There is a basket on the table in the narthex for these receipts. We are collecting them for the Day Care. If you have questions, please talk to Terry Tody.

### **Upcoming Food Trucks**

Friday, October 14th at 11am

### **Altar**

2nd-Louise Lazzarino

9th-Judi Mesack

16th-Kay Vedder

23rd-Dee Musselman

30th-Marj Kelsey

### **Elders**

2nd-Frank Moore

9th-Jack Owens

16th-Jeff Pregler

23rd-Jason Hartman

30th-Dave Jansen

## **MT. HOPE'S WEBSITE**

Did you know that Mt. Hope has a website? If you go to <http://www.mthopelcmsgrayling.org/> our website will come up. It is a multi page site with much information about our church, our congregation, our Pastor, what programs we are involved with and much more! Although there is a "member log-in" area, this is just for those who work on the site. Nancy Hatfield is our webmaster who keeps our website updated and makes any necessary changes. Anyone who goes to our site can access all pages. So...check it out!



<b>Mt. Hope Financial Report</b>		
Mary Heinlein, Bookkeeper		
<b>GENERAL FUND</b>	<b>AUG 2022</b>	<b>YTD 22-23</b>
Income	8,856.00	17,857.00
Expense	-8,037.02	-17,706.27
Net	818.98	150.73
<b>TOTAL ALL EARMARKED FUNDS</b>	<b>98,793.22</b>	
	<b>AUG 2022</b>	<b>YTD 22-23</b>
Together in Missions	85.00	646.80
Christian Help Center	25.00	45.00
Noisy Offering	32.98	84.73
	<b>AUG 2022</b>	<b>TO DATE</b>
<b>Church Extension Fund (CEF) Mortgage</b>		<b>470,000.00</b>
Mortgage Principal Payment	1,185.24	25,265.21
Earmarked Principal Payment	845.00	58,663.20
Mortgage Interest Payment	1,199.76	
<b>CURRENT MORTGAGE BALANCE</b>		<b>386,071.59</b>

### Attendance

August	7	55
	14	53
	21	55
	28	55



Attention: People need to sign up to host coffee hour or there will not be one.

New Portals of Prayer are under the mailboxes in the narthex.

Lutherans For Life movie: "Roe vs. Wade"  
October 24th @ 6pm. Bring snacks.

Family Night Oct. 10<sup>th</sup> 6pm  
Movie: "I Can Only Imagine"  
Bring Snacks

**TO PLACE  
SOMEONE ON  
PRAYER CHAIN:**

Call Lynn Richmond at  
989-390-8632 or  
lynncarolmorris@yahoo.com

It may seem a little early to think about Christmas caroling, but we will be going out to Shawono on Sunday, December 11th, to do just that. We will go out right after our potluck (as it is the second Sunday). The boys enjoy having us come to carol and some even sing along with us! There will be reminders of this coming a little later, too.

Jamie Wohn will be handling the **sign changes**. Please email him with any necessary info for the sign at [jackwohn3@gmail.com](mailto:jackwohn3@gmail.com) or [jackwohn3@aol.com](mailto:jackwohn3@aol.com). If urgent, text him at (810) 965-1891

**Council Approved Minutes  
Council Meeting July 19, 2022  
Mt. Hope Lutheran Church-LCMS**

Meeting Called to Order by Jeff Pregler at 3:00 pm.

Opening Devotion was given by Sharon Hopkins pertaining to Church leaders based on several Bible passages.

Opening Prayer was given by Jeff Pregler, based on commitment.

**Attendance:**

Pastor: Paul Schneider A	Chairman: Jeff Pregler P
Vice Chairman: Salena Laskowski P	Secretary: Sharon Hopkins P
Treasurer: Steve Koch P by Zoom	CADC Liaison: Steve Koch P
Bookkeeper: Mary Heinlein P	Elders: Jack Owens P
Education: Paul Mesack A	Evangelism: Terry Tody P
Stewardship: Shirley Koch P by Zoom	Trustees: Mike Shields P
CADC: Salena Laskowski P	Youth: Salena Laskowski P

Guest: Elaine Jansen, Delores Musselman

Mike Shields moved the approval of the June 21, 2022 Minutes, seconded by Jack Owens, approved.

**Reports: Council and Boards:**

Treasurer Steve Koch gave report that Bookkeeper, Mary Heinlein emailed ahead of the meeting.

June 2022   **Income: \$10,454.14**       **Expenses: \$10,939.54**

**Net loss \$485.40**

2021-2022 YTD   **Income: \$145,076.38**       **Expenses: \$115,620.27**

**Net gain \$29,456.11**

Steve noted that Mt. Hope is in a healthy situation.

Terry Tody moved to accept the Treasurer's report as presented, seconded by Mike Shields, accepted.

**Council Secretary Sharon Hopkins:**

Sharon requested that all motions be put on a "Motion Form" which she presented to everyone. All were agreeable and she thanks everyone for their cooperation.

Sharon received a Thank You letter from Crawford County Community Christian Help Center for \$45.25, to go to their food pantry, a 3 month offering.

**Chairman Jeff Pregler:**

Jeff is busy organizing and learning his officer responsibilities.

He is accepting any suggestions we have for him.

**Vice Chairman: Salena Laskowski:** No report.

**Board of Elders Jack Owens:**

Working on answering machine protocol, possibly contacting Trinity to see if they would answer Mt. Hope's messages, and/or obtain new more up to date equipment.

Update email/contact list of members.

Reinstate and promote attendance pew cards.

Time, Talent and Treasure surveys need updating.

Dave Weisenborn recently passed away and the family only wants an intimate family Memorial Service.

Mike Nowak has requested a replacement usher. Options are being discussed.

Terry Tody suggested an updated Church Secretary job description.

Elaine Jansen suggests that members be encouraged to move to the middle of pews, therefore no one has to climb over each other.  
Communion was discussed as to go back to the rail or stay as is? It was suggested that it be tabled till we obtain a new minister as to what he would like.

Board of Education Paul Mesack: No report.

Board of Evangelism Terry Tody:

Terry reported that \$1,243.25 was raised for Crawford County Toys For Tots through last month's Rummage Sale.

July's Food Truck served 240 members which included 539 family members. The largest yet.

The next Food Trucks are scheduled for August 12<sup>th</sup> and September 16<sup>th</sup>.

There will be a pot luck on July 31<sup>st</sup> for Pastor Malburg's visit. Council will fund the chicken for the meal.

All donation money for Pastor Malburg and mission should go through Bookkeeper, Mary Heinlein. Mt. Hope will be represented on Kids Day in the Park again this year.

Board of Stewardship Shirley Koch: Elaine Jansen gave the report for Shirley.

The Chewing Stewardship message was placed in the Anchor each month upon receiving the information.

The first team meeting with both Elaine Jansen and myself, Shirley Koch, was held after church on July 10, 2022.

It was determined Shirley Koch would remain Chairperson for the first year.

We discussed the various activities and responsibilities as well as our Stewardship budget at Mt. Hope.

Elaine would like to re-do the TTT forms which were last done in 2019. It was decided we should look at the old form and decide if something needs revised first. It was also mentioned that it might be something to do once we have a new Pastor as he might want something different, deleted and/or added to the form. Also discussed that tabulating these forms takes a lot of effort and time for our office secretary. She is presently working only one day per week. Mary Heinlein stated that she has the template in her computer. It was also suggested that possibly it be distributed digitally.

Elaine suggested that Adopt-a-Highway might be better as a Stewardship activity rather than under Education. Will be brought up at the next Council meeting. The materials will come to the church and the next cleanup is September 24 - October 2.

Elaine will set up the bulletin boards for Adopt-a-Highway after Labor Day.

Hopefully, we are now post Covid and will aim for returning Stewardship Sunday in September.

It was mentioned at the Congregation Meeting June 26 that Mt Hope might consider a drive to help pay down the CADC mortgage, which Stewardship would help with.

The Stewardship notebook is very full, would like to find out if necessary to keep all the old reports and if so, where. Should be asked at the next Council next meeting. They'll start a new book.

Stewardship needs a cabinet/drawer for feminine supplies, soap, deodorant, etc.

Stewardship Sunday:

Over and above for mortgage discussion.

TTT discussion/handout forms.

Board of Trustee Mike Shields:

The Trustee Group is busy working on our "Goals and Objectives" from the previous fiscal year. We continue to address issues in and around the Church building as they arise.

Since the last report and the report for the Congregational meeting we have completed the installation of the new window blinds. Also, Milliken has pumped the septic tank. Since the removeable lid was broken we chose to have a riser installed on the tank. This will allow easier access for future service.

Monday July 25<sup>th</sup>, Rob Shields will be at the Church to assess our security needs and provide us with an estimate for a security system and remote entry ability from the office for the secretary for

visitors and deliveries. Rob is Mike's brother and represents Comtronics Security Systems, Jackson, Mi. Upon receiving the Comtronics bid, the trustees will seek competitive bids from other companies for an apples to apples comparison.

Thanks to Pete Albright for cleaning up the downed trees and brush around the property. Also, thanks to David Hall for repainting the yellow paint at all of the entryways.

Thursday, Hometown Heating will inspect, clean and fix loud noise.

Mike will be on vacation and doesn't need/want phone calls and would like someone to volunteer to take over his responsibilities. It was suggested that possibly Charlie Belt would do this after he becomes a member on August 7<sup>th</sup>. Mike will approach Charlie.

Mt. Hope/Crawford Au Sable Day Care Liaison Salena Laskowski:

One more staff member is needed.

Mt. Hope Literacy Program has been approved by Council to pay \$1,000.00 yearly to sustain this program.

\$315 additional monthly payment is being made on the principle of the mortgage.

\$10,000.00 principal payment was made on July 13, 2022.

Building Concerns:

Council approved we accept the bid we received for cabinets and lockers to be built and installed, it has been done.

Salena re-seeded all grass areas with seed.

Infant and toddler kitchen sinks were leaking, per advisement from Mike Shields we contacted Mr. Rooter to fix them. He looked at them and was not capable to fix them then. They came out the next day and fixed them. The bill was submitted to Mt. Hope for payment.

Possibility of fencing in the backside of the pavilion into the woods to meet with the back fence of the connecting playground. Remove dead trees and keep it woods as much as possible. Fence in the pavilion on the front and side with a low wood style fence to match the stain of the wood beam supports.

A flag pole was purchased and will installed soon.

Steve Koch moved that based on review of the Day Care Building expenses, it is determined that there is no need to modify the terms of the lease to CADC. Therefore, it is proposed that the lease to CADC should be extended for the coming lease year commencing September 2022 at the same terms presently in effect, seconded by Mike Shields, approved.

Possibly grandparents/volunteers will be able to rock the babies in the fall.

Board of Youth Jason Hartman/Salena Laskowski/Sharon Hopkins:

VBS will be postponed till next year, 2023.

Salena purchased a baby safe crib.

LFL Life Team Sharon Hopkins:

Collection of diapers & wipes to River House Shelter, Grayling & **New Life Pregnancy Resource Center**, Gaylord. Mother's Day and Father's Day.

Articles have been sent to Nicole for the Anchor

2022-2023 Budget and Goals has been prepared for Council and Congregation meetings. .

Terry Tody moved to accept all reports, seconded by Steve Koch, accepted.

Unfinished Business:

CADC Facility Update: Salena Laskowski

HVAC Upgrade: they worked above 4 hours on the system.

Driveway Upgrade: Jack Owens working on getting this project completed.

Storage Cabinets: accepted the bid from R & S Woodcrafters – has been completed.

New Business:

Declaration of 2022-2023 Mission Commitment (Synod Contribution): Mary Heinlein said that the donation comes from contributions.

Jack Owens moved that Mt. Hope pledge the amount of approximately \$16,500 equaling 10% of contributions for unrestricted Michigan District and Synod use. This Pledge represents 10% of contributions received by our Congregation. Mike Shields seconded, approved.

Renewal of Together in Mission (TIM) Partnership Agreement from the Earmarked donation for TIM.

Jack Owens moved the renewal of Partnership Agreement for Rev. Steven and Martha Mahlborg through T.I.M. (Together in Missions). Renew our support for Rev. Steven and Martha Mahlborg through the Together in Mission Program with the donations from members to be sent quarterly. Seconded by Terry Tody, approved.

NCACU signature card update: Mary Heinlein announced that Mitch Linendoll and Ken Bendick names need to be removed from signature cards at NCACU and be replaced with Jeff Pregler and Steve Koch.

Jack Owens moved new signers for North Central Area Credit Union checking and savings accounts to be as follows: Jeff Pregler, Chairman; Steve Koch, Treasurer; Jack Owens, Head Elder; Mary Heinlein, Bookkeeper and remove Mitch Linendoll and Ken Bendick, Mike Shields seconded, approved.

Mt. Hope Facility Concerns & Recommendations – attached letter from Delores Musselman: Delores presented and discussed her letter to the Council members with her suggestions:

She questioned why the old mower wasn't sold and was told that the mowers still use it.

She spoke about the safety of the old toilets and replacement of them in the Pastor's office as well as the lady's restroom.

She suggested that the lady's restroom needs to be updated: fresh paint and wallpaper needs to be removed.

Kitchen dishwasher is not dispensing the soap properly – possibly needs to be cleaned?

The carpeting needs to be steam cleaned – Mary to check on previous 2017 steamers to see if they are still in business and if so what their price would be.

Dee is very discouraged with the cleanliness of the church and fellowship hall, windows, rest rooms, pews, etc. She suggested:

Hiring a cleaning service – she gave 5 names.

Having a Fall and Spring cleanup by church volunteers, possibly get names from the Times, Talents and Treasures forms?

Once a year steam cleaning the pews and carpeting.

Twice a year window washing and cleaning the blinds.

There was much discussion and the outcome was that the Trustees would set up a Fall cleanup and speak to Marty, the custodian, about his duties.

Face Book Page needs to be updated: who is doing the Face Book?

Earmarked Funds were questioned by Salena Laskowski. Mary Heinlein explained somewhat, there was much discussion and tabled till the August Council meeting.

The next meeting will be on August 16, 2022 at 3:00 pm.

The Devotion will be led by Jeff Pregler.

Jeff Pregler closed with a prayer.

Mike Shields moved to adjourn, seconded by Salena Laskowski, adjournment at 5:10pm.

Respectively submitted by,

Sharon Hopkins, Council Secretary

**Council Approved Minutes  
Council Meeting August 25, 2022  
Mt. Hope Lutheran Church-LCMS**

Meeting Called to Order by Jeff Pregler at 3:03 pm.

Opening Devotion was given by Jeff Pregler from "Family Altar"; gathering of our souls based on Matthew 9:35.

Opening Prayer was given by Steve Koch.

**Attendance:**

Pastor: Paul Schneider A	Chairman: Jeff Pregler P
Vice Chairman: Salena Laskowski P	Secretary: Sharon Hopkins P
Treasurer: Steve Koch P	CADC Liaison: Steve Koch P
Elders: Jack Owens P	
Education: Paul Mesack P	Evangelism: Terry Tody P
Stewardship: Shirley Koch P	Trustees: Mike Shields P
CADC: Salena Laskowski P	Youth: Salena Laskowski P

Guest: None

Steve Koch moved the approval of the July 19, 2022 Minutes, seconded by Terry Tody, ap-  
proved.

**Reports: Council and Boards:**

Treasurer Steve Koch gave report that Bookkeeper, Mary Heinlein emailed ahead of the meeting.

July 2022	<b>Income: \$9,001.00</b>	<b>Expenses: \$9,669.25</b>
	<b>Net loss \$668.25</b>	
2022-2023 YTD	<b>Income: \$9,001.00</b>	<b>Expenses: \$9,669.25</b>
	<b>Net loss \$668.25</b>	

**Council Secretary Sharon Hopkins:**

A thank you letter was received from Crawford County Toys for Tots Coordinator for the donation of \$1,000.00 for their 2022 program.

Chairman Jeff Pregler: No report.

Vice Chairman: Salena Laskowski: No report.

**Board of Elders Jack Owens:**

Elders to meet next week.

Discussed whether or not or when to move Holy Communion to the Altar as before COVID.

Discussion on when to send attendance cards to end of aisle as before COVID.

Jack and Pete Albright put a culvert in next to the driveway for the driveway's completion.

Mike Nowak is requesting ushers and greeters on a regular basis.

Secretarial duties were discussed.

**Board of Education Paul Mesack:**

Wait for new pastor and see what his thoughts/ideas are.

Encourage more Bible studies.

**Board of Evangelism Terry Tody:**

August's Food Truck served 240 members which included 539 family members.

The next Food Truck is scheduled for September 16<sup>th</sup> with the Shawono boys involved.



Talking to Shawono administration about Mt. Hope Choir going there at Christmas with gifts and singing for/with the boys.

October 14 is scheduled for the October Food Truck.

Kitchen faucet needs to be replaced.

Louise Lazzarino's bills still have not been paid by the church insurance company for her fall on the altar last spring. Terry gave them to Mike to check on.

#### Board of Stewardship Shirley Koch:

The Chewing Stewardship message was placed in the Anchor each month upon receiving the information.

According to our Bookkeeper if the reports on Stewardship have been given at the Council meetings, then we can dispose of them. We decided to find another binder and just keep the reports for now.

We understand that Mary Heinlein has the necessary software to revise our TTT forms, therefore we won't need to ask our secretary who only works four hours a week.

Discussed and planned our objectives for the coming year and they will be on a separate report.

Seek Council approval for Stewardship to add Adopt-a-Highway to our committee, removing it from Education. Steve Koch moved that responsibility for "Adopt-a-Highway" passes to the Stewardship Board, seconded by Mike Shields, approved.

Discussed our storage problem, we need some space for Adopt-a-Highway materials.

#### Board of Trustee Mike Shields:

The Trustee group has been busy working to cover items from our most recent "Goals and Objectives list.

Charlie Belt has been a welcome addition to the group. Charlie has been working with Jack to resolve the driveway issues at the CADC entrance from Airport Rd. Charlie has also volunteered, along with Caroline, his wife, to head the "Fall Clean-up" which is scheduled for September 24th. A signup sheet is on the bulletin board.

Issues with the North side of the sign have been resolved. The issue was the power supply and cost \$362.00 for the service call and repair from a company in Big Rapids.

"Deck Defenders" offered to power-wash the hardscape and bench by the sign for allowing them to place a contractors sign in the area. We also hired them to power-wash around the flag pole.

A+ Lawncare replaced a broken sprinkler head at the Church and also repaired a major leak in the sprinkler system at CADC.

We are evaluating the best way to mount the new TV that was purchased. The current wall mount is not rated for a unit so large.

We received a written estimate from Comtronics for the security system. This will require discussion by the Council and approval if we decide to seek additional bids, go forward or table the proposed system. There was much discussion and the consensus is that the trustees ask for additional coverage and seek another bid.

Waiting from the Cub Scouts as to when they will start meeting again.

As good stewards the working toilets in all bathrooms will NOT be replaced. Everyone in agreement.

#### Mt. Hope/Crawford Au Sable Day Care Liaison Salena Laskowski:

A part time employee was hired.

Mt. Hope Literacy Program has been approved by Council to pay \$1,000.00 yearly to sustain this program.

\$325.00 additional monthly payment is being made on the principle of the mortgage.

\$10,000.00 principal payment was made on July 13, 2022.

Building Concerns:

Council approved we accept the bid we received for cabinets and lockers to be built and installed, it has been done.

A flag pole was purchased and has been installed.

#### Board of Youth Jason Hartman/Salena Laskowski/Sharon Hopkins:

How do we communicate between churches?

What are our roles and what are the roles of Board of Ed – we need a definition?

Sunday school postponed till we obtain a new minister.

VBS start planning before end of December 31, 2022. Do we order VBS & Sunday school materials or does Board of Ed?

Sharon presented her thoughts.

These questions were discussed under new business.

LFL Life Team Sharon Hopkins:

108 size 5 diapers and 50 size 5 overnight diapers & 800 wipes went to **River House Shelter**, Grayling & **New Life Pregnancy Resource Center**, Gaylord received 289 new born diapers, 44 nighttime size s/m diapers; 84 size 2 diapers; 318 size 4 diapers; and 3 diapers 9 size; as well as 368 wipes from Mt. Hope.

Articles have been sent to Nicole for the Anchor

Steve Koch moved to accept all reports, seconded by Shirley Koch, accepted.

Unfinished Business:

CADC: HVAC and driveway upgrades completed. Storage and Lockers completed.

Cabinets and lockers have been installed.

Snow removal company needs to be aware of the new limestone installed so they don't scrape that when removing snow. Snow plowing was discussed.

Charlie Belt has a plan for the Fall Cleaning.

Jeff gave update on Pastor Tim Wells and Shonda's upcoming visit and stated they are excited about the visit and looking forward to it. **PRAY! PRAY! PRAY!**

Face Book Page needs to be updated: who is doing the Face Book? Jennie Polzin originally was doing it, now we need someone to do it and keep updating it.

Earmarked Funds were discussed and Steve explained that all new Earmarked Funds need to be approved by Council first. Steve will write an article for the next Anchor explaining Earmarked Funds processing.

New Business:

Comtronics Electronic Security System Proposal:

The bid came in at \$6,338.00 complete.

There was discussion about adding, fire and other items to the package and getting a new bid with these added items.

A second bid was suggested, possibly from EPS.

The money is NOT to come out of the Trustee Budget.

Board of Youth vs. Board of Education responsibilities:

Sharon presented the Board of Youth thoughts and there was much discussion as to what the Council and Board of Elders thought the responsibilities should be. It seems the 2 Boards are merged together.

A Youth Group will be initiated. There are 4 potential teens and college age people in Mt. Hope to be involved.

Family Night was discussed from the interest sheets that were handed out at church a few weeks ago. The tallies were that Monday evenings were best for most people and that games, movies, etc. were good ideas.

The first Family Night will be September 12 at 5pm with pizza provided by the Council. It will be a game night.

Sharon to advertise with flyers and sign-up sheet. Terry to announce in the newspaper. Sharon to invite Trinity.

Sunday school was discussed – no date and time is scheduled at this time.

Carpet and tile cleaning: Jeff to obtain bids for carpet and tile cleaning from sources that Dee Musselman presented last month.

Jeff presented mail he received:

Mostly junk mail.

A thank you was received from the Mahlburg family for \$150.00 when they visited us last month. It was brought to our attention that \$800.00 plus dollars were collected. Steve Koch to check with Mary Heinlein to see if money was sent to the Mahlburg's directly or did it go through Together in Mission directed to the Mahlburg's and that they just not have received it yet?

The next meeting will be on September 20, 2022 at 3:00 pm.

The Devotion will be led by – not asked.

Jeff Pregler closed with a prayer.

Adjournment was at 5:05pm.

Respectively submitted by,

Sharon Hopkins, Church Secretary

## **BOARD OF YOUTH SEPTEMBER 20, 2022 COUNCIL REPORT**

On September 6, 2022, 3 young adult women and a senior Mt. Hope member met to discuss the possibility of a Youth Group. They were Abbi, Makayla, Brooklyn and Sharon Hopkins.

First and foremost the young adults wanted a Bible study. We discussed what to study, when, where, time and dates.

The book titled ***“Wonderfully Made,”*** by John Klieinig

The 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays of each month

Church library

9:00am

Beginning October 9, 2022

We are looking forward to our new Youth group and Bible study. Come and join us anytime.

Sharon Hopkins

# Childhood rape survivors share their experiences of becoming pregnant through rape

By [Sarah Terzo](#) | July 20, 2022 , 04:40pm



The recent story of the [raped 10-year-old](#) in Ohio who [had an abortion](#) in Indiana is heartbreaking, and it has triggered a lot of debate. Very few people have questioned whether abortion was the right decision. But was it?

## The C Case girl

In 1997, a 13-year-old Irish girl in foster care was pregnant through rape. She became known as the “C Case girl.” Abortions were illegal in Ireland at the time, but authorities planned to take the girl to England for an abortion. Her parents took the state to court to try and stop them. A psychiatrist testified that the child would commit suicide if she wasn’t allowed an abortion. The parents lost the case, and the baby was aborted.

The case generated much publicity and was used by Ireland’s pro-abortion movement. A journalist at the time wrote:

*The compassion of the Irish people for the child who was recently raped and brutalized, and who later sought termination of her unwanted pregnancy, is evident...Almost two-thirds of those questioned took the view that the High Court decision allowing the girl to travel abroad for an abortion was the correct one...*<sup>1</sup>

Sixteen years later the girl [told her story](#), saying she had never asked for the abortion – the decision was made for her. When she learned she was pregnant, she said, “‘What’s pregnant?’ They said, ‘you are having a baby’. I didn’t understand how I could be.”

She didn’t know she was having an abortion. When she woke up from anesthesia, she asked where her baby was. When she realized her baby was dead, [she says](#), “I was very heartbroken and suicidal after that.”

She was suicidal *after* her abortion, not before.

She now [says](#), “[F]or me, [the abortion] has been harder to deal with than the rape.” She explains:

*It only really hits you after you have children. You never forget your missing baby. It plays on your mind every day...*

*I didn’t want to become a mother at 13, but I realize now that baby didn’t deserve to die. I would have loved to give her up for adoption...*

*She’d be a teenager today and maybe we could be friends, even if she didn’t call me mammy.*

The coerced abortion only increased her trauma.

## Childhood rape survivors speak out

Twelve-year-old Edith Young was forced into an abortion by her abuser and mother. Years later, she said: *Even if my daughter had been put up for adoption, instead of killed, some of the pain would not be present. Often, I cry. Cry because I could not stop the attacks. Cry because my daughter is dead. And I cry because it still hurts...*

*[T]he abortion which was to be “in my best interest” just has not been.*<sup>2</sup>

In contrast, 13-year-old [Ashley](#) gave birth to her baby after rape. She doesn’t regret her decision. She says her child gave her hope and reason to live:

*I swear if it wasn’t for Aiden, I wouldn’t be here today. He has impacted my life more than anyone could ever imagine at a time when I was falling apart...*

*God blessed me with him, and I wouldn’t want my life any other way. I love my son. Aiden saved me.*

[Lianna Rebolledo](#) was just 12 when she was raped by two men. After a suicide attempt, she learned she

was pregnant. Immediately, she wanted to have her baby. She says she knew she was carrying “a little person, a person who was mine.”

Her doctor tried to pressure her into an abortion:

*My doctor told me to abort my child and not live with the consequences of the rape.*

*“But I asked him, ‘Will I be un-raped? Am I going to go out on the streets without fear?’ He didn’t know what to say.*

Instead of making her situation worse, her pregnancy gave her reason to live: “An abortion in my case would not have remedied anything. On the contrary, in my situation, two lives were saved. I saved my daughter’s life and she saved mine.”

**Anna Richy** became pregnant at age 12 through incest and was forced to abort by her abuser. The abuse continued, and a year later she was pregnant again. This time she hid the pregnancy. She told her mother about the abuse, and her abuser went to jail. Her child was also a source of hope for her:  
*[W]hen I was 13 and 14 years old and I didn’t know how to deal with [the rape], and I was having flash-backs, I had this little bitty baby. My mom would come in and put her in my arms, and I could see this precious little face. This teeny tiny little face, because she was a tiny little thing. And it gave me hope. It gave me a reason to get up in the morning because instead of the fear and the dread that I had been living with for years, I now had this child. I looked forward to hearing her giggle and seeing her smile... She gave me a purpose.*

She says:

*When they claim aborting a child out of rape and incest helps the mother, I’ve had that too, and that hurts. Forever. For years afterwards. Having the child heals...*

*If you support abortion in the cases of rape and incest, please don’t. Please consider the fact that you are taking away that mother’s hope and her future. The one thing – the one beautiful, good thing – that could come out of that horrible situation.*

The only two studies ever conducted on pregnancy after rape both **found that women who gave birth** coped better emotionally than those who aborted. In one study, 88% of women who aborted after rape regretted it and 93% said they wouldn’t recommend abortion to someone in the same situation. In contrast, none of those who had their children regretted having them.

For these girls, and for others, abortion certainly wasn’t the right answer.

“FINDING FOR ABORTION” *THE IRISH TIMES* DECEMBER 11, 1997, P. 18

DAVID C REARDON, JULIE MAKIMAA, AND AMY SOBIE *VICTIMS AND VICTORS: SPEAKING OUT ABOUT THEIR PREGNANCIES, ABORTIONS, AND CHILDREN RESULTING FROM SEXUAL ASSAULT* (SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS: ACORN BOOKS, 2000) 131

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**FAMILY GAME NIGHT**

On Monday, September 12, 2022 at 5:00pm 21 people gathered together to have a fun filled evening.

We began with a Pizza party and had an ice breaker game. We had a lot of fun learning about each other about: nationalities, work places, military, celebrities we have met in the past, etc.

Afterwards 3 young ladies met with Sharon Hopkins to form a Youth Group. We were very productive and will begin with a Bible study twice a month beginning in October. Dates and times have been set.

While we met others were in playing many different games and having a ball having good Christian fun. Even little Gabby was involved and was having fun.

Next month will be Family movie night. There will be 2 movie nights. One **October 10 at 6:00 pm** showing **“I can Only Imagine.”**

The second movie will be **“Roe vs. Wade.”** **October 24<sup>th</sup> at 6pm.**

Hope to see you at one and/or both movie nights.

Yours in Christ, Church Council

## Two Pro-Life Voices Ring True at the University of Michigan

*A little-known medical school professor and a well-known football coach are taking slings and arrows for their pro-life beliefs.*

What would Hippocrates think?

Each year, in the presence of their families, friends, mentors, and faculty, a superbly talented group of some 170 students is formally welcomed as the University of Michigan medical school's newest class. This [tradition](#), known as the White Coat Ceremony, marks their entry into clinical medicine with the formal presentation of the garment that represents their future as physicians.

And yet at this year's ceremony, which took place Sunday in Ann Arbor's Hill Auditorium, dozens of those students stood up and [walked out](#) during the keynote address of Dr. Kristin Collier, an assistant professor of medicine who happens to be pro-life. This was after a petition to remove Dr. Collier as the keynote speaker had failed. A [video](#) of the walkout on Twitter quickly collected more than 200,000 likes.

So much for "tolerance" at one of our nation's elite universities, and for the tolerance of the Left generally. Again, what would Hippocrates think? "I swear by Apollo Healer," begins his namesake's ancient oath, "and by all the gods and goddesses, making them my witnesses, that I will carry out, according to my ability and judgment, this oath and this indenture." The Hippocratic Oath also says this: "Into whatsoever houses I enter, I will enter to help the sick, and I will abstain from all intentional wrong-doing and harm, especially from abusing the bodies of man or woman, bond or free."

And here we ask: What greater intentional wrongdoing and harm, what more profound abuse of her body could a physician perform on a woman than an abortion?

To his great credit under the circumstances, the medical school's dean, Dr. Marschall Runge, refused to disinvite Collier. Instead, he [stressed](#) "the critical importance of diversity of personal thought and ideas, which is foundational to academic freedom and excellence."

Dr. Runge could've easily caved to the pressure, could've given in to the mob, but he didn't.

"I want to acknowledge the deep wounds our community has suffered over the past several weeks," said Collier as she began her speech. "We have a great deal of work to do for healing to occur. And I hope that for today, for this time, we can focus on what matters most: coming together to support our newly accepted students and their families with the goal of welcoming them into one of the greatest vocations that exist on this earth."

If only the less tolerant among those future physicians had stuck around to hear these soothing words from Dr. Collier, who also directs the school's program on health, spirituality, and religion.

A week ago, it was Michigan football coach Jim Harbaugh who felt the wrath of his university and the Michigan community when he reaffirmed his conviction at a Right to Life event in the nearby town of Plymouth. "In God's plan," said Harbaugh, "each unborn human truly has a future filled with potential, talent, dreams and love. I have living proof in my family, my children, and the many thousands that I've coached that the unborn are amazing gifts from God to make this world a better place. To me, the right choice is to have the courage to let the unborn be born."

These are good and courageous words, coming as they do from the highest-profile and highest-paid employee of one of the nation's leading universities. "I love life," he continued. "I believe in having a loving care and respect for life and death. My faith and my science are what drives these beliefs in me. Quoting from Jeremiah, 'Before I formed you in the womb, I knew you. Before you were born, I set you apart.'"

None of this is new for Harbaugh, a devout Catholic. Two years ago, during the height of the pandemic, he expressed similar sentiment during a [podcast](#) with National Review's Jay Nordlinger, a childhood friend from their days growing up and playing ball in hard-left Ann Arbor.

"I don't think it's coincidence, personally, living a faith-based life," Harbaugh said. "This is a message — this is something where, a time we grow in our faith. Having reverence and respect for God. You see people taking more a view of sanctity of life. I hope that continues — and not just in this time of crisis or pandemic. We talk about sanctity of life, yet we live in a society that aborts babies. There can't be anything more horrendous."

As for Harbaugh's pro-life colleague, Dr. Collier, she seems to be a physician of exceeding grace. Before the White Coat Ceremony, she [tweeted](#) this: "Truly grateful for the support, emails, texts, prayers and letters I've received from all over the world regarding the event that will happen today. i feel so bolstered by it. and for my team that have carried me daily thru this — I love you."

We think Hippocrates would be proud.



## ANALYSIS REPORT: Companies increase abortion benefits, scale back maternity and parental benefits

By [Laura Nicole](#) | August 30, 2022 , 06:39am

Since the overturning of *Roe v. Wade*, [many companies in the U.S.](#) have rushed to signal their support for abortion, creating new benefits that include using company funds to pay for travel to states where employees can have abortions. Now, a recent Wall Street Journal [report](#) has found that many of these same companies are quietly and – as in the case of Disney subsidiary Hulu – dramatically scaling back on maternity and paternity leave benefits.

As the WSJ reports, a survey of 3,000 employers found that only 35% now offer paid maternity leave benefits beyond what is mandated by federal law, down from 53% in 2020. Among the companies dramatically trimming benefits is Hulu, a subsidiary of Disney, the once family-friendly company that has loudly voiced its support for abortion in the aftermath of *Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Organization*.

According to the WSJ report, Hulu cut its paid parental leave policy from 20 weeks down to just 8 weeks – a 60% reduction – and its impact was immediately felt by one working family interviewed for the story. “If my job is cutting back on my parental leave, how am I going to afford child care if I don’t get paid more?” asked Devon Richey, a Texas-based Hulu employee. Meanwhile, Disney announced in June that it will cover the cost of employees traveling across state lines to procure an abortion. “We have communicated directly with our employees today that we recognize the impact of the ruling and that we remain committed to providing comprehensive access to quality and affordable care for all of our employees, cast members and their families, including family planning and reproductive care, no matter where they live,” Disney said in a company statement, as reported by [The Washington Post](#).

The decision by Hulu and other companies to throw support behind abortion while drastically chopping parental leave benefits, casts doubt on their actual commitment to women's equality in the workplace.

**READ: [These companies are covering abortion travel for their employees](#) see below**

The gender disparity is no small matter, as over 1.5 million are [missing from the workplace](#) since the COVID-19 pandemic created a childcare shortage that caused many working parents – [mothers, especially](#) – to leave their careers to care for children at home, as childcare is one of the greatest costs families face. It also is symptomatic of the [systematic discrimination against pregnant women in the workforce](#) who are frequently sidelined and unjustly fired.

By coming out so enthusiastically in support of abortion while cutting back on parental leave benefits, companies are sending a not-so-subtle signal to women who want to start a family, and places on them a higher financial burden from the start.

While supporters of such policies call it reproductive “justice,” the fact is that abortion benefits are not wholly altruistic, despite these companies’ messaging campaigns. As Live Action News [reported](#) in 2019, nearly 200 CEOs took out a full page ad in the New York Times to declare that banning abortion is bad for business, an unusually candid view into business leaders’ true motivations. As the market forces have shown, it is far less expensive to pay for and facilitate abortions than it is to have [world-class maternity leave policies](#).

Despite this, some employers, like one [Texas-based insurance company](#), have shown that good business can still benefit by implementing authentically pro-women and pro-family policies.

Here are the companies that have pledged to reimburse employees for the costs associated with traveling out of state for an abortion:

ADIDAS  
AIRBNB  
ALASKA AIRLINES  
AMALGAMATED BANK  
AMAZON  
APPLE  
BANK OF AMERICA  
BUMBLE  
CHOBANI  
CIGNA  
CITIGROUP  
CNN  
COMCAST-NBC UNIVERSAL  
CONDÉ NAST  
CVS HEALTH  
DICK’S SPORTING GOODS  
DISNEY  
DOORDASH  
DUOLINGO  
ESTÉE LAUDER  
GOLDMAN SACHS  
HEWLETT PACKARD  
HIMS & HERS  
IKEA  
INTERPUBLIC GROUP, PUBLICIS GROUPE AND WPP  
JPMORGAN  
KROGER  
MORGAN STANLEY  
LEVI STRAUSS  
LIVE NATION  
LYFT  
MASTERCARD

MATCH GROUP  
MICROSOFT  
META  
NETFLIX  
NEW YORK TIMES  
PARAMOUNT  
PATAGONIA  
PAYPAL  
POWER HOME REMODELING  
PROCTER & GAMBLE  
SALESFORCE  
SONY  
STARBUCKS  
TARGET  
TESLA  
UBER  
UNITED TALENT AGENCY  
**READ: [Dating apps Bumble and Match to begin funding abortions](#)**  
**In a memo obtained by [Variety](#), UTA CEO Jeremy Zimmer called the company’s desire to cover travel expenses for abortion “an important new benefit.”**  
VOX MEDIA  
WARNER BROS. DISCOVERY  
YAHOO  
YELP  
ZENDESK  
ZILLOW

# Expressing our Gratitude

In the busyness of our lives, we often don't think about God's goodness to us. Even if "all" we received from Him was eternal life, that is still more than we deserve. But in addition to that most marvelous gift, God is concerned about our present lives, the ones we live here on earth. He gives us all we need for our existence and then He gives us gifts on top of those – gifts that make our lives pleasant and sometimes exciting.

The first article of the Apostles' Creed deals with creation – that God has created us and everything we need and have and that He does all this "only out of fatherly, divine goodness and mercy, without any merit or worthiness in [us]" (Martin Luther's Explanation of the First Article).

All too often, when we go to God in prayer, we're there to ask for something. Help me to get a job promotion. Help my children do well in school. Heal my friend of the cancer in his body. These are all fine prayers. God wants us to come to Him with these requests. *"Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God"* we read in Philippians 4:6. Did you notice those two words in the middle of that verse, *"with thanksgiving"*? Unfortunately, that's the part of our prayers that is often lacking. We ask, we receive, we forget to thank.

It's important to tell God thank You. It's important too, to show Him that we're thankful. We can do that by giving back to Him some of the gifts He's given to us. Two very tangible gifts that we can give are our time and money. Knowing that our time and money are gifts from God, we show our gratitude by sharing what God has given to us. We can share our time and money with those in need, and we can share our blessings to help people hear the Good News of the Gospel. We can say thanks to God with our mouths and our actions.

## Stewardship Corner

Jesus said, *"For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give His life as a ransom for many"* (Mark 10:45). The very nature of Jesus is the example that should be our encouragement to serve others. Acknowledging Christ for Who He is and what He has done to redeem us as sinners, we begin to understand His nature and purpose for us. As forgiven people, we have the redemptive purpose of living a life of faithful service to others in Jesus' name. Christ's love for us and our love for Him make our lives of servanthood possible. Through a loving relationship with Him, we are willing to live lives in faithful service.

Monday, October 3rd at 6:30pm at Mt. Hope there will be a Dual Church meeting with Trinity to recommend a pastoral call.



**AS GOD'S STEWARDS, WE ARE CALLED ACCORDING TO HIS COMMAND AND EMPOWERED FOR HIS SERVICE.**

"As each has received a gift, use it serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace" (1 Peter 4:10).



**WE ARE SAVED SINNERS WHO ARE CALLED TO WORK AS STEWARDS IN THE KINGDOM.**

"...God and Savior Jesus Christ, Who gave Himself for us to redeem us from all lawlessness and purify for Himself a people for His own possession who are zealous for good works" (Titus 2:13-14).



**GOD'S LIGHT IS TO SHINE THROUGH US IN OUR HOMES, PLACES OF WORK, AND NEIGHBORHOODS.**

"In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father Who is in heaven" (Matthew 5:16).



**CHRISTIAN STEWARDSHIP BEGINS IN THE LOVING HEART OF GOD.**

"As the Father has loved Me, so have I loved you. Abide in My love" (John 15:9).



**Reminder about inclement weather and church functions:** Our policy for bad weather cancellations has been to cancel morning Bible studies, etc. when local schools close. Evening meetings and events will probably continue, as long as road crews are out and a storm is not intensifying. Sunday services, as well as Advent and Lent midweek services, are seldom cancelled. However, do not attempt to drive if your local conditions are poor and you are uncomfortable driving in the weather!

## THE TALLIES ARE COMPLETED!!

It's been decided that the second Monday of each month will be Family Night beginning at 5:00pm.

FAMILY NIGHT begins on Monday, SEPTEMBER 12, 2022 AT 5:00PM. The KICK OFF will begin with a Pizza Party and game night for ALL ages. Bring a game, your family, your friends-no matter the age-churched or non-churched. We'd love to have you ALL!!! Bring ideas for future Family night events!

See you on September 12, 2022 at 5:00pm for fun at Mt. Hope.

Sponsored by Church Council.

Any questions, contact Sharon Hopkins, 989-786-3795 or [hoppys0301@gmail.com](mailto:hoppys0301@gmail.com)

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### ADULT and WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDIES

Boy, summer's gone by very/too fast! Now we can make plans for our Fall and Winter church programs. Have you missed Tuesday morning and afternoon Bible studies??? I sure have! We are so very grateful that we live in a country where we can openly still publicly worship our Lord God through Divine Worship and Bible studies. Please take advantage of the following opportunities God has given us at Mt. Hope.

1. September 6, 2022 at 9:30am Bible study with Pastor Paul - as of this writing I don't know what the topic will be, BUT come and see and hear and bring your Bible!

2. September 6, 2022 at 1:00pm women, come and join us for our Women's Bible study. We are studying "52 Women of the Bible." We left off with Esther. Bring your books and your Bibles. For newcomers, which we WELCOME, we will have materials for you. It's so much fun and interesting to learn the plans God had for these women and how they relate to us in today's world and our personal lives.

Hope to see you at either one or both studies. Again any questions contact either Pastor Paul or Sharon Hopkins, 989-786-3795 or [hoppys0301@gmail.com](mailto:hoppys0301@gmail.com)

#### FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT

"I CAN ONLY IMAGINE"

MONDAY, 10 OCTOBER 2022 beginning at 6:00pm

Bring a friend (s) and snacks of your choice!

At Mt. Hope Lutheran Churches Fellowship Hall!

Contact Sharon Hopkins for questions

#### BIBLE STUDIES BEGIN:

OCTOBER 2 AT 9:30AM PASTOR PAUL'S BIBLE STUDY-ALL ARE INVITED

OCTOBER 9 & 23 Young Adult Bible Study at 9:00am

OCTOBER 18 AT 1:00PM Women's Bible Study

OCTOBER DTD Movie "ROE VS. WADE"

Questions: contact Sharon Hopkins

ELECTIONS HAVE CONSEQUENCES RLM-PAC Endorsements for the General Election The RLM-PAC has published endorsements for the November general November 8th election. All endorsements can be found on the Right to Life of Michigan website. The RLM-PAC is made up of prolife volunteers who go through an endorsement process for each candidate. Candidates are required to fill out a questionnaire and then sit through an interview. As we go into this general election, it's essential to remember the importance of getting prolife candidates in office, especially at the level where we currently have pro-abortion leaders in office. Not only it is imperative that we get prolife candidates in office, but it is also imperative that we vote "no" on the abortion amendment—if it's on the ballot. Elections have consequences, and we have seen that play out time and time again in the actions of Governor Whitmer and Attorney General Dana Nessel. Both have caused a great amount of damage to the prolife efforts in Michigan—and this is our chance to right their wrongs.

-Your Mt. Hope Lutherans for Life Team

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**Tudor Dixon**

Republican Party

Lieutenant Governor

**Shane Hernandez**

Republican Party

Secretary of State

**Kristina Karamo**

Republican Party

Attorney General

**Matthew DePerno**

Republican Party

US Congressional

**Jack Bergman**

Republican Party

Michigan's 1st U.S. Congressional District

State Senate

**Michele Hoitenga**

Republican Party

36th Michigan State Senate District

State House

**Ken Borton**

Republican Party

105th Michigan State House District

State Board of Education

**Linda Lee Tarver**

Republican Party

**Tamara D. Carlone**

Republican Party

MSU Board of Trustees

**Travis Menge**

Republican Party

Michigan State Supreme Court

**Brian Zahra**

No Party

**Paul Hudson**

No Party

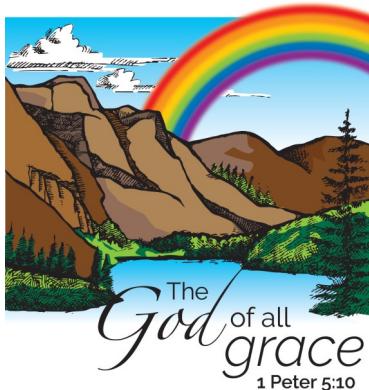
*Candidates endorsed by Right to Life of Michigan PAC.*



Lynn Bragg~3rd  
Mike Kalicki ~ 6th  
Jim Heinlein~10th  
Barb Mauro ~ 13th  
Marie Hatfield~15th  
Adrian Wagner~15th  
Evan Schwartz~21st  
Marj Kelsey~22nd  
Tristan Wagner~23rd  
Robert Lawe~25th  
Jamie Wohn~25th  
Vicki Howden~26th  
Ardella Hall~28th

### Anniversaries

John & Mary Niemann~4th  
Jason & Samara Hartman~12th



### PRAYER REQUESTS



Prayer request forms are available either in the Narthex on the podium by the guest book or in the office on the secretary's desk. If you need a prayer by

Pastor that day, you can give your completed prayer request form to one of the elders or ushers and ask that it be given to Pastor before worship. If your prayer request isn't needed until later in the week, you can place it in the offering plate or place it on the secretary's desk in the office.

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### Healing- Members

Geri Methot  
Bill Richmond  
Judi Riske  
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Scot Ferguson  
Joan Reisch



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Lynn Richmond  
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Barb Mauro  
Steve Koch

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Donna LaDuke  
Jim Dugdale  
Don Kernstock  
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Darin Nicholas,, Jeremiah Hose, Travis Kulak,  
Andre' Miller, Keil Clough, Trevor Clough,  
Todd McCarver, Victoria Doster,  
Conrad Weissenborn, Rick Dillenbeck



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# *Handbells* (and players) are a handfull

And what better way to prepare for Christmas than playing Handbells!

SCHEDULE IS:

Practice at Mt Hope

Sunday at 9:00 – 10:30am

NOV 13, 20 & 27 & DEC 04, 11 & 18

DEC 24: Christmas Eve

Practice 3:00pm + Worship 5:00 – 6:30pm

Your reply is required via email by October 30

Please call, text or email any questions. Thank you.

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