



WELCOME

People to faith in
Jesus Christ;

EQUIP

people with a
faith that works
In real life;

SEND

people in service
into the world in
Jesus' name.



HOPEFUL
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THE WEEKLY BANNER

WORSHIP

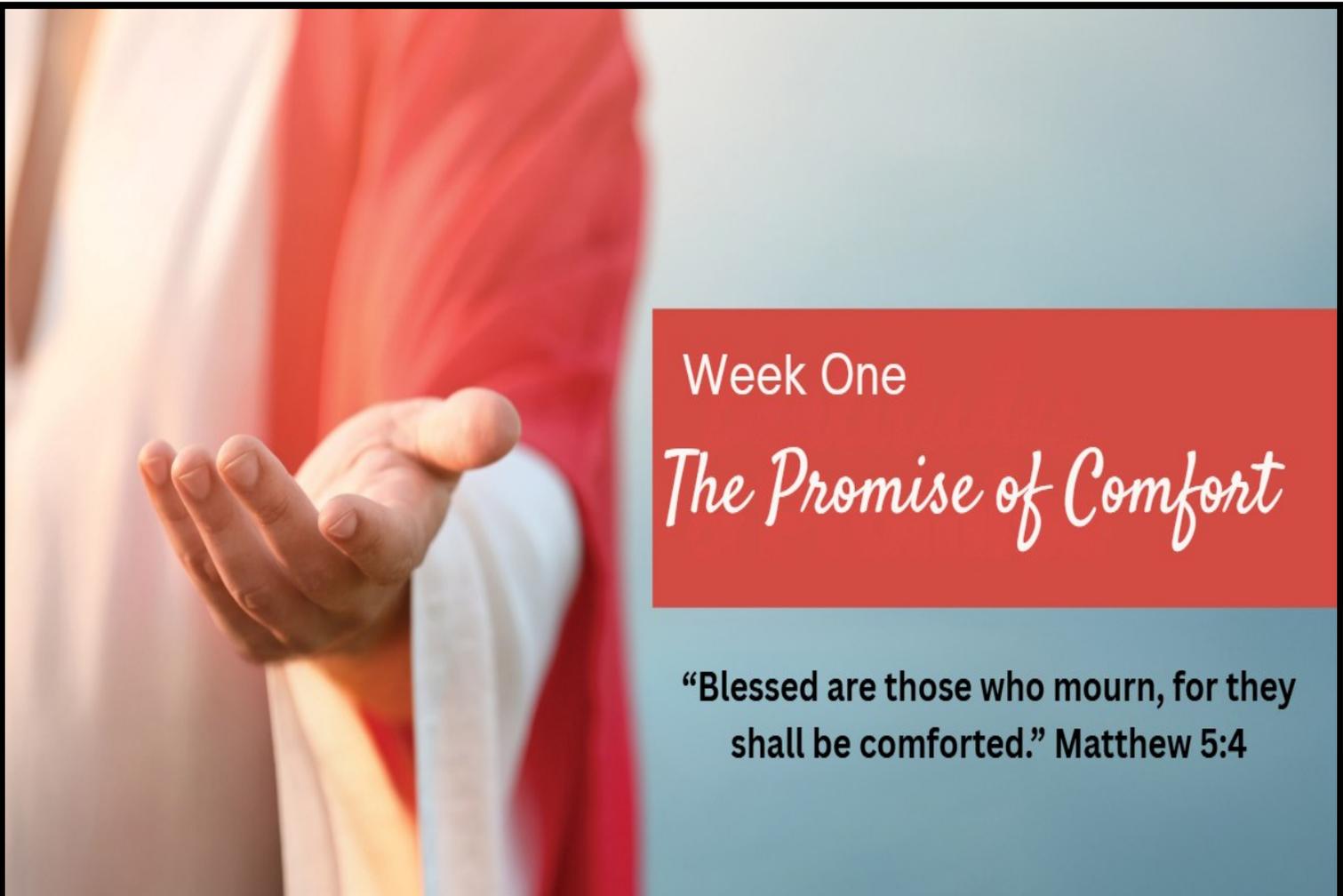
Welcome to this place of praise and prayers as we gather as part of the family of our heavenly Father.

We invite you to join us now and to return again often to celebrate the salvation we have in Jesus Christ, our Redeemer and Lord of our lives.

If you are visiting with us today, please be sure to introduce yourself to Pastor Fields and Pastor Rod Ford and sign our guest book as you leave.

Our Saturday night blended service is at 5:00 pm . Our Sunday morning traditional service is at 9:00 am and a blended worship service at 11:00 am. Adult Sunday school class is at 10am and Children's Sunday school class is at 11am.

Hospitality Team	Tech Assistants	Communion Assistants	Reader & Acolytes
John Meier / Ed Tanner	9:00 AM Julie / Steve Peterson	5:00 PM Rhonda Zuziak / Doug Bine	9:00 AM Reader: John Helinski
Jen Kegley	11:00 AM Lyndsay Hartman	11:00 AM Don Wentzel / Dan Fagan	9:00 AM Acolyte: Daxton Bine
Kegley Family	11:00 AM Rob Hartman	11:00 AM Chris Gladwell / Rachel Warren	11:00 AM Acolyte: Maudy Jump



Week One
The Promise of Comfort

“Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.” Matthew 5:4



PANTRY OF HOPE NEWS!

Pantry work continues everyday thanks to every one of YOU who has donated food, funds, stocking the outdoor box, and helping pack or distribute the drive-thru boxes. Thanks to Rob and Cathy Nielson for stocking the pantry box this month. Please note we are really low on canned soups, canned chili, jelly, peanut butter, and cereal.



FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Any family with children interested in having their child receive 1st Communion need to talk to Pastor Blair or Heather Bundy. There will be 2 classes in which parents will participate with their children. The next instruction class will be held on March 22. 1st Communion will take place on March 29.

*Hospitality Ministry
Renewal & Training*

SUNDAY, MARCH 8
10:00AM | FELLOWSHIP HALL

We invite all interested to join us for Training and Renewal in our Hospitality Ministry. This is a vital ministry in the life of our congregation. The ministry requires showing up about 20 minutes before worship when you are assigned, and the training will prepare you for what you will be doing.

PRESCHOOL AMAZON WISH LIST

Scan the QR code and help them clear the list!



CARING CARDS

The caring card group will meet Thursday, March 12 at 2pm. Come join them in making "Easter" cards for teachers, college students, emergency responders, and our servicemen and women. All supplies are furnished and no artistic talent or experience is needed.

Contact Cheryl Wyatt or Barb Zumbiel for details.

HOPFUL CHURCH FOUNDATION GRANT APPLICATIONS

The Hopeful Church Foundation is accepting applications to fund grants for worthwhile projects both at church and in our community that further Hopeful's mission and its ministry as a Christ-based partner in the community. You can pick up an application at the welcome table in the church lobby or at the church office. **Completed applications should be placed in the Hopeful Foundation mail slot in the mailbox inside and to the left of the front door of the church.** The deadline for application submission is **April 12.**

 **Operation Christmas Child!**

It's time to begin collecting for Operation Christmas Child! Last year this church packed an outstanding 281 boxes! Our goal this year is at least one more! We are starting with toothbrushes or anything like winter hats and gloves that you can find on sale. Also we want your OLD t-shirts for making jump ropes. Any size or condition will work. Our collection boxes will be in there usual spots.

baby
SHOWER

SANDY ENZWEILER AND JULIE ASHLEY ARE HOSTING A BRUNCH SHOWER ON MARCH 7TH FROM 11:00 A.M. TO 2:00 P.M. IN HONOR OF JULIE'S DAUGHTER, REBECCA, AS SHE PREPARES TO WELCOME HER TWIN GIRLS IN EARLY MAY. PLEASE FEEL FREE TO STOP BY, ENJOY SOME BRUNCH, AND JOIN US IN CELEBRATING THIS SPECIAL TIME!

HLC Ladies Bible Study

We will meet in the council room downstairs. Our study this year is titled "Jesus in Me" by Anne Graham Lotz.

March 2
April 13
May 4

If you have any questions contact Cindy Frederick 859-322-4002. You can also contact Pam Volland or Kim Heidel



LENTEN DEVOTIONAL BOOKS are now available. Be sure to pick one up!

The book contains the Lenten schedule as well as our Lenten Collection Projects.

You can also download a copy from the Hopeful Church website located in the Lenten season information section.

Thanks to everyone who wrote devotions, and helped assemble the books. A huge thank you to Pat Davies who lays out the book and Paula Brunette who prints it all in the office.



The quilting ministry at Hopeful makes warm knotted blankets for our neighbors locally and throughout the world. If you can tie a knot, you can make a difference.

The quilting dates for March are:

Thursday, Mar 5
9:30-11:30

Saturday, Mar 7
9:30-11:30

Thursday, Mar 19
9:30-11:30

Please contact Barb Zumbiel if you have questions.



LENT & EASTER TIMETABLE

Lent

Ash Wednesday - February 18

7:00pm

Wednesday - February 25

5:30pm Dinner
6:30pm Worship

Wednesday - March 4

5:30pm Dinner
6:30pm Worship

Wednesday - March 11

5:30pm Dinner
6:30pm Worship

Wednesday - March 18

5:30pm Dinner
6:30pm Worship

Wednesday - March 25

5:30pm Dinner
6:30pm Worship

Saturday - March 28

5:30pm Worship

Holy Week

Palm Sunday - March 29

9:00am
11:00am

Wednesday - April 1

6:30pm Passover Seder Meal

Maunder Thursday - April 2

7:00pm

Good Friday - April 3

12:00pm
7:00pm

Holy Saturday - April 4

1pm Easter Egg Hunt
7:00pm Easter Vigil

Easter Sunday - April 5

7:00am Outdoor Worship
9:00am
11:00am

LENTEN DONATION STATION

The Lenten Donation Station is now ready to accept donations throughout Lent. This year, we are collecting for Carenet Pregnancy Services of NKY, Ronald McDonald House Craft Station and the NKU Opportunity House. Check the Lenten Book or the glass hallway for details on what items we are collecting for each organization.



Hopeful Church Benevolence 1st Quarter - 2026

Each quarter, benevolence funds are dispersed to different organizations based on a vote by the congregation.

Scan QR code or use the forms at the welcome table to cast your ballot!



MEMBERSHIP CLASS REGISTRATION

Sunday, March 15 following the 11am service. (11am-2:30pm)

We will serve a light lunch of soup, salad and sandwiches.

Do you need a nursery attendant?

Please sign up with the QRCode



SUPER START

Any 4th-8th grader who is interested in attending the Superstart Youth Conference March 13-14 at Lakeside Christian Church needs to contact Heather Bundy by Sunday February 8.

This event takes place Friday night and Saturday morning. We will not be staying the night. The cost is \$25 and as always please contact Heather Bundy with any questions or other information needed about this event at

hbundy@hopefulchurch.org



COME AND JOIN US FOR AN ADULT ONLY FELLOWSHIP EVENT

Saint Patrick's Day Party

MARCH 13, 2026
7PM

PLEASE RSVP AND THEN ADDRESS WILL BE SENT

See you there!



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SARA WALTERS & MATTHEW	YOUTH COUNCIL ADVISOR

Altar Guild: Suzanne Meither, Judy Boelter, Susan Kelly, Sharon Tanner, Carleen Powell, Betty Powers, Rhonda & Dan Zuziak

PRAYER CONCERNS FOR THE FAMILY AND FRIENDS OF HOPEFUL

Betty Howe	Dorothy Hall	Larry Howe	Sharon Tanner
Addie	Gail	Marion Volland	Stephany Houston
Betty Powers	Greg Ensley	Patty Main	Virginia Hahn
Bob Souder	Harold T Dringenburg	Rick Frederick	
Brent Ramsey	Judy Insko	Roseatta Dringenburg	
Debbie Fogle	Julie Duncan	Sandy King	

To add names to the prayer list please call the church office or email paula@hopefulchurch.org. The prayer concerns will be printed for 4 weeks, please call or email the office if you would like to remove a name or extend the prayer concern time.

Please continue to remember our shut-ins:

For a list of shut-ins please contact the church office.

Please remember those serving our country (Addresses for our military are located on the welcome table & notice board): Maj. Kiersten & Travis Schriener, SrA Megan Bine, CPT Nicholas Wentzel, SSGT Connor T. Ashley, Capt. David Nicolas, Capt. Matt & Audrey Case, Nolan and Arielle Wullenweber, Kevin Schwartz, Maj. Kerri & James Keyes

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Event Calendar 2 Week Snapshot

2/22/2026	Sunday School	3/1/2026	Confirmation Class
2/22/2026	Confirmation Class	3/1/2026	Breakfast Fellowship
2/22/2026	Snow Tubing Event	3/2/2026	Ladies Bible Study
2/25/2026	Lenten Services	3/4/2026	Lenten Services
2/26/2026	AA	3/5/2026	Quilt Ministry
3/1/2026	Sunday School	3/7/2026	Quilt Ministry

Ways to Give

Mailing address:

6430 Hopeful Church Rd,
Florence KY 41042

Online: Hopeful-church.org & click "GIVE"
Text "hopeful41042" to 1-888-364-GIVE (4483)

Other ways to Support Hopeful

Thrivent: Team Action Gift Cards & Choice Dollar Funds.

Kroger: Community Rewards—log into your account, click community rewards and add Hopeful

Offering budget goal for February: \$28,795.00

Last Week's Offering:
 \$5,930.98
 Benevolence—\$177.93

Attendance:
 5 pm - 33
 9 am - 40
 11 am - 100

Counters for February

Rick Riddell
Rachel Warren

