



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.



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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 Helinski / Jen Ensley	9:00 AM	Julie / Steve Peterson	5:00 PM	Jennifer / Zane Ensley	9:00 AM	Reader: Larry Boelter	9:00 AM
Laura Watson	11:00 AM	TBD	11:00 AM	Natalie Willaims / Chris Gladwell	11:00 AM	Acolyte: Daxton Bine	9:00 AM
Carla Donithan	11:00 AM	TBD	11:00 AM	Don Wentzel / Rebecca Rice	11:00 AM	Acolyte: Maundy Jump	11:00 AM



HOPE

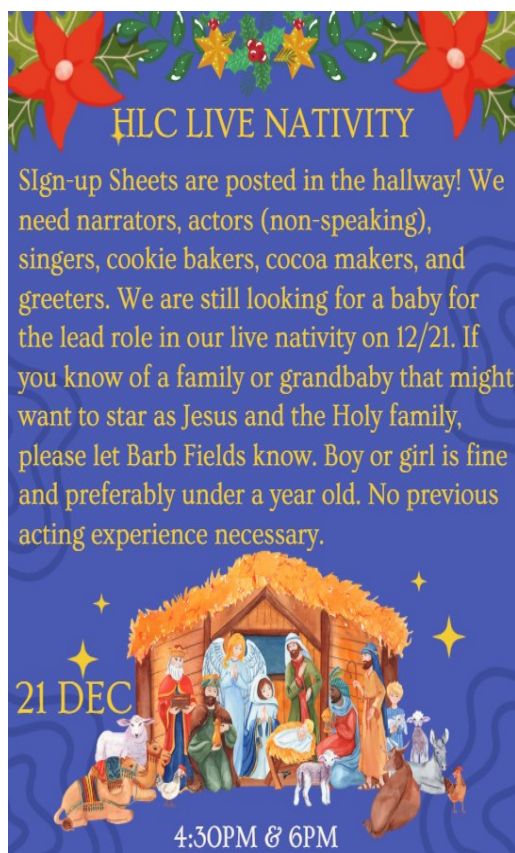


PANTRY OF HOPE NEWS!

GIVING THANKS for all our helpers. Thanks to the Johns family who have stocked the outdoor pantry box this month. Julie and Mike Ashley take over in December. Additional SNAP bags are still available in the hallway for ANYONE in need. Please feel free to take one if you are in need. Please also let any friends know we have these available. ALSO, the 2026 pantry box sign-up sheet is posted on the outreach bulletin board in the fellowship hall. Check it out - Spots are filling up fast.



The Hopeful congregation voted on and approved the annual budget. The Church Council would like welcome Rachel Warren and Randall Donithan to council and thank you to Toni Stelle for your service!



HLC LIVE NATIVITY

Sign-up Sheets are posted in the hallway! We need narrators, actors (non-speaking), singers, cookie bakers, cocoa makers, and greeters. We are still looking for a baby for the lead role in our live nativity on 12/21. If you know of a family or grandbaby that might want to star as Jesus and the Holy family, please let Barb Fields know. Boy or girl is fine and preferably under a year old. No previous acting experience necessary.

21 DEC


4:30PM & 6PM



HLC Ladies Bible Study

We will meet for dinner on December 1st, 6pm at the **Oriental Wok in Fort Mitchell.**

Please RSVP by Nov 30th. Cindy Frederick at 859-322-4002



A Christmas Carol

We are planning an outing to attend NKU's performance of A Christmas Carol on December 6 at 2:00 PM. If you would like to attend, tickets are \$10 and you can sign up by contacting Rod Ford or Jamey Strawn. Tickets must be paid in advance. Deadline to sign up is December 1.



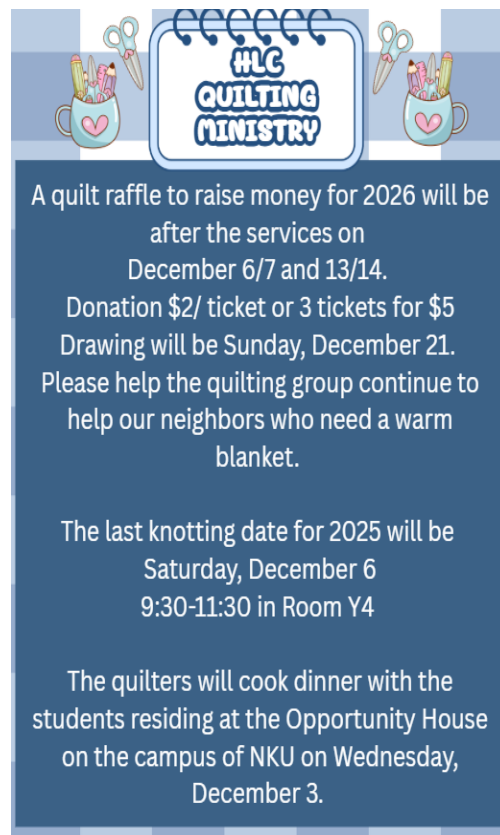
CARING CARDS

The caring card group makes cards for college students, military, teachers, and first responders.

Everyone is welcome. All supplies are furnished and no artistic talent is needed.

The next fun card making day will be - Thursday, December 4 2:00 in the council room.

The theme will be "Christmas".



HLC QUILTING MINISTRY

A quilt raffle to raise money for 2026 will be after the services on December 6/7 and 13/14. Donation \$2/ ticket or 3 tickets for \$5 Drawing will be Sunday, December 21. Please help the quilting group continue to help our neighbors who need a warm blanket.

The last knotting date for 2025 will be Saturday, December 6 9:30-11:30 in Room Y4

The quilters will cook dinner with the students residing at the Opportunity House on the campus of NKU on Wednesday, December 3.



Hopeful Advent 2026

Advent Services

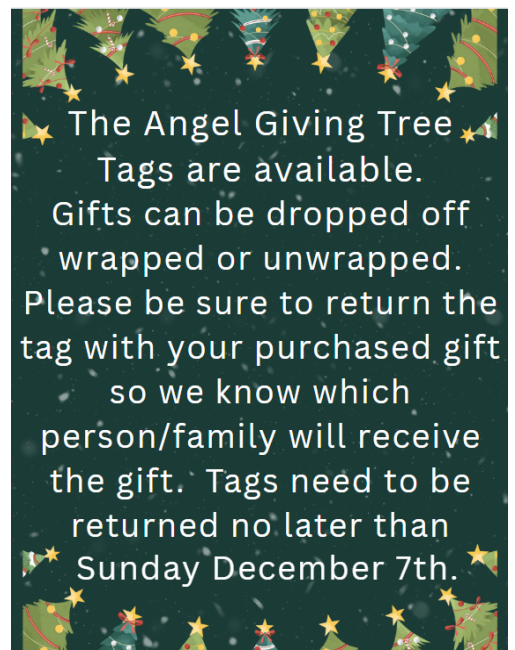
This year's mid-week Advent services will be Dec 3, 10, and 17 at 7:00 PM. Each Wednesday night will feature Lessons & Carols based on the Advent theme for the week (hope, peace, and joy). In anticipation of the Christmas Nativity of the Lord, Lessons and Carols reminds us that none other than Jesus is the fulfillment of centuries of promises made by God to His people.

Online Bible Study: Advent

This self-guided Bible study on Revelation will accompany our journey through Advent, Nov 30 - Dec 24. Each of the 5 lessons will include a Bible reading, some notes about the passage, and questions for reflection. This edition of our online Bible study will conclude Jan 3. You can find a link to this Bible study on our web site or visit <https://hopefulchurch.org/online-bible-study>

Christmas Eve Services

We are looking forward to celebrating the Nativity of our Lord with you on Christmas Eve. Our Christmas Eve services will be at 7pm, 9pm, and 11pm. All three Christmas Eve services will also be live streamed on our website, Facebook, and YouTube. We hope you and your family will be able to join us.



Everyone is welcome to join us on December 7 after the 11 o'clock service for a spaghetti lunch prepared and served by the senior high youth group. A free will offering will benefit the senior high youth group attending the Quake Youth Conference in January. **Click the QR Code to sign up.**

For those who wish to just join in with caroling and to spread some Christmas cheer we will be venturing over to Colonial Heights at 1:15pm.



Hopeful Hearts Senior Group
 Hopeful Hearts Christmas Party will be Thursday, December 11 at 12:00 noon.
 At Dave and Connie Crigler's. 6736 East Bend Rd., Burlington.
 Meat and drinks will be furnished. Please bring a dish to share and a \$10 gift to exchange. Call or text Connie at 859-907-7679 if you plan to attend.



Thank you to everyone who helped pack the Shoeboxes! Total count was 281 boxes. Special thanks to Linda and Dan for pulling it all together. Also, thank you to the Bine family and everyone else who worked behind the scenes to make our thanksgiving lunch wonderful. Your commitment makes our church a vibrant and welcoming place for all. We are truly blessed to have such a generous and kind-hearted congregation.

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PRAYER CONCERNS FOR THE FAMILY AND FRIENDS OF HOPEFUL

Betty Howe	Holden Donohoo	Miker Weber	Susan Burcham
Bill	Judy Insko	Rebecca & Lee Reed	Tim Smith
Dorothy Hall	Julie Duncan	Rick Frederick	Vickie Kuhns
Gail	Liesl Bridewell	Roseatta Dringenburg	Virginia Hahn
Greg Ensley	Marion Volland	Sharon Tanner	
Harold T Dringenburg	Melinda Ziliak	Stephany Houston	

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, David Nicolas, Capt. Matt & Audrey Case, Nolan and Arielle Wullenweber, Kevin Schwartz, Maj. Kerri & James Keyges

Event Calendar 2 Week Snapshot

12/1/2025	Ladies Bible Study Dinner	12/7/2025	Confirmation Class
12/3/2025	Quilters Dinner-Opport. House	12/7/2025	Sunday School
12/3/2025	Lessons & Carols-Hope Service	12/10/2025	Lessons & Carols-Hope Service
12/4/2025	Caring Cards Group	12/11/2025	PS Christmas Play
12/6/2025	Quilt Ministry	12/14/2025	Church Fellowship Breakfast
12/6/2025	A Christmas Carol NKU	12/14/2025	Childrens Christmas Play
12/7/2025	Caroling & Fundraiser Lunch		

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 November: \$29,744.00

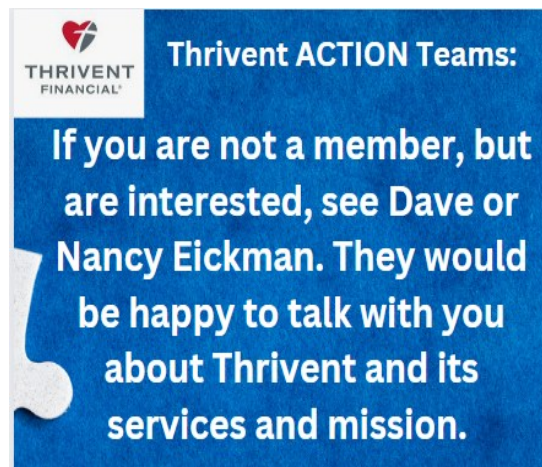
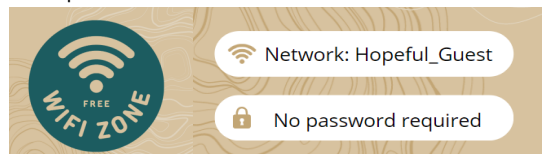
Last Week's Offering:

\$7,617.83
Benevolence—\$228.53

Attendance:
5 pm - 26
9 am - 50
11 am - 106

Counters for November

John Meier
John Helinski



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Emergency Phone: 859-620-7417 (Pastor Ford)

Hopeful Preschool: 859-647-1105

Hours: M-Th 9am-3pm & Fri 9am-1pm



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