



Hope News

Welcome to Our Monthly Newsletter
January 2019

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Sundays 8:45 and 11:00 am - Worship Services

Sundays 10:00 am - Education Hour

Sunday, January 27, 2019

2018-2019 Congregational Meeting

9:00 am - Breakfast at Church

10:00 am - Congregational Meeting

11:00 am - Worship Service

*Note that we will not have our normal 8:45 & 11:00 am
worship times on Sunday, January 27th.*

Reports from the Council will be presented, including
financial reports for 2018 and proposed budget for 2019.

Members of record will vote on new Council members.

Regular attenders are invited to come and listen.

Sunday School for youth and children during the 10:00 am
meeting. **Childcare provided throughout the morning.**

NOTE FROM PASTOR JOHN



"Jesus Is...Greater Than"

New year! New start! New beginnings! I pray that God will guide you into His wonderful plans and purposes for you and your family as 2019 begins.

Starting on Sunday, Jan. 13, we are beginning a worship series based on the book of Colossians. This letter was written to a young church learning how to follow Jesus in a pluralistic society. Christians were facing pressure from both outside and inside the church to conform and compromise their beliefs to those of the culture around them.

As we worship and study together we will affirm that Jesus Christ is greater than...He is Lord of all! Jesus is *"the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation"* (Colossians 1:15).

May these promises from God's Word guide us in 2019 and into whatever this year may bring. He is faithful.

In Jesus, Pastor John

PRAYER MEETINGS RESUME

Wednesday, January 9

Prayer meetings and soup suppers resume,
every Wednesday from 5:30-7:00

pm.

UPDATING CHURCH DIRECTORY

We are updating our Community of Hope directory. Please send us a picture of your family! Also, please let us know if any of your contact information has changed recently (phone numbers, email, mailing address, etc.)



Please email pictures and information to
Hillary: hillary@commhope.org

We will also have our camera out and take pictures the Sunday of the annual meeting, Sunday, January 27th.

We will have a current directory out in the lobby that day for you to verify your information.

FAMILY GAME NIGHT



NIGHT

Sunday, January 27th

5:30-6:00 pm Dinner

6:00-7:00 pm Games & Prizes

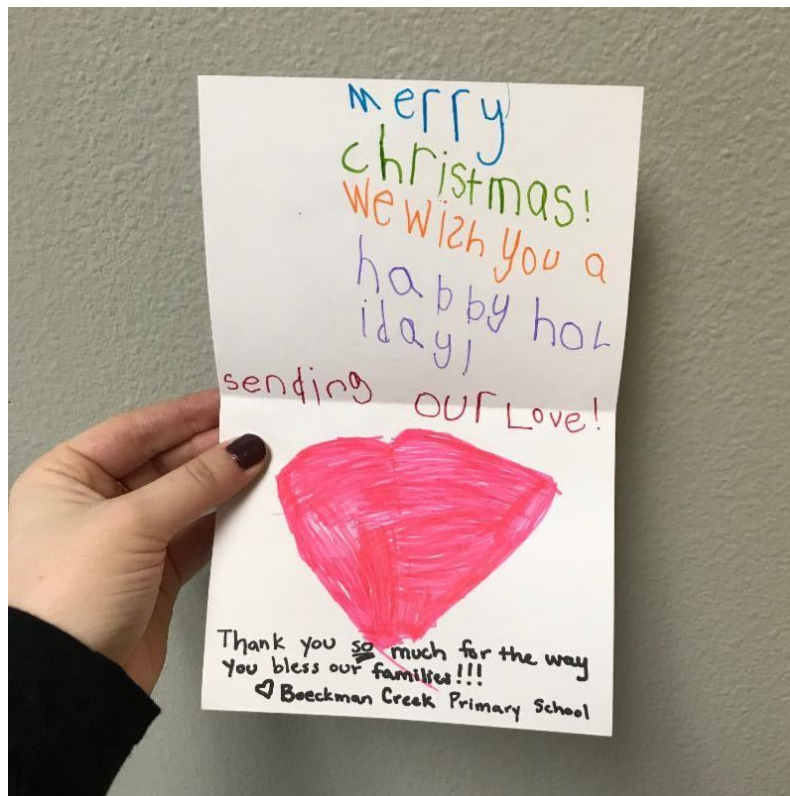
Join us for a family night full of food, BINGO, and fun!!

FOOD 4 THOUGHT



A backpack buddy program

We received this thank you note from Boeckman Creek Primary School families who are blessed by Food 4 Thought. Thanks to everyone who has supported Food 4 Thought this year!





Join us for the 2019 Men's Retreat

Cannon Beach Christian Conference Center

Sponsored by: Community of Faith & Community of Hope

Pastor Don Brandt recently retired from

Our Savior's Lutheran Church in Salem, Oregon.

Over the years he has worked with hundreds of congregations; focusing on outreach, evangelism, small groups, and congregational renewal.

See Pastor John for more information and to sign up.

CHOIR

Choir will not be practicing for the month of January! Enjoy the break!

For questions about choir, contact BJ Shrock at bjshrock@gmail.com

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Pre-K through 5th Grade

Nursery

Children (infants - 4 years) are welcome to join our nannies in the nursery for snacks, music, simple crafts and Bible stories.

Kidz Church

Children entering Kindergarten through 5th Grade are invited to join us for Kidz Church after the Children's Message and during the 11:00 am worship service for Bible activities, games, crafts, and creative videos.

In January during Kidz Church we will study Bible heroes including the lives of Abraham and Noah!

HopeKidz Easter Choir

Children in Kindergarten through 5th Grade are invited to join us for HopeKidz Choir. Practices take place after the Children's Message during the 11:00 am worship service.

Stay tuned for more information about Easter choir!



HopeKidz Sunday School

Pre-K through 5th grade Sunday School

Children entering Pre-K through 5th Grade in the Fall are welcome to join us for Sunday School from 10:00 - 10:55 am each Sunday in between our two worship services.

January 6

HopeKidz Birthday's Celebrated and Praise Time

Lesson: Solomon Thought About Life

January 13

Lesson: Praises of God's People

January 20

Lesson: Elijah Confronted Evil Ahab

January 27

Lesson: Elijah Ran from Jezebel



SAVE THE DATE

Arctic Tundra Kids Camp

January 7th

7:00 am - 4:30 pm*

***drop off and pick up at anytime!**

Join us Monday, January 7th from 7:00 am until 4:30 pm for a special day camp for kids kindergarten through 5th grade. Fill out [THIS FORM](#) and send it to the church office to register your child. Suggested donation of \$10 per child.

VOLUNTEERS ALSO NEEDED FOR THIS EVENT!

For information about Children's Ministry, contact:

Julie: julie@commhope.org or 503.682.8855



Community of Hope offers a range of youth programs and activities for Middle School (Thrive) and High School (Journey)

THRIVE AND JOURNEY SCHEDULE

SUNDAY SCHOOL

*Get ready for a faith-filled morning with Jesus and donuts!
High School meet in E9 and middle school youth meet in E8.*

Sunday, January 6

Lesson: Luke 21 - the Widow who Gave

Sunday, January 13

Lesson: Fasting - 3 Examples from the Bible

Sunday, January 20

Lesson: Parable of the Good Samaritan

Sunday, January 27

Lesson: God's Word RE: Justice

YOUTH GROUP

We alternate weeks meeting sometimes with only high school youth and sometimes with only middle school youth and sometimes all together. Please carefully read the calendar!

Sunday, January 6

Middle School Only

6:00-7:30 pm, Books of the Bible Bingo & Prizes

Dinner: Delzer family

Sunday, January 13

High School Only

6:00-7:30 pm, 30 Hour Famine prep with Mike Haines

Dinner: Garnett family

Sunday, January 20

Middle School Only

5:30-7:30, Movie Night

Dinner: Dalgish family

Saturday, January 26

Middle & High School

Meet at the Church at 5:00 pm for the Blazer Game

Please bring money for dinner at the Moda Center

Sunday, January 27

Join us for Family Game Night! 5:30-7:00 pm

Dinner from 5:30-6:00 pm

Bingo with prizes and other board games from 6:00-7:00 pm



HIGH SCHOOL RETREAT

The Journey: Finding Our Identity
in the One Who Made Us

February 1-3

We are going to have our first high school winter retreat February 1-3. We are going to stay in a house near Welches.

We will have lots of fun games, sledding, food, and devotion time learning about who we are in God.

Please sign up by Sunday, January 20th

YOUTH BLAZER GAME



Saturday, January 26th

Portland Blazer Game verses Atlanta

Game starts at 7:00 pm

Leave church at 5:00 pm

Arrive back at CoH by 11:00 pm ish

Hillary only has 17 tickets left! If you would like to go, please let Hillary know and pay \$20. The tickets are more than that, but Community of Hope will cover the rest of the cost! You can pay cash or write a check made out to Community of Hope with "Youth Blazer Game" in the memo line. We will also need drivers for this event, probably at least 4 drivers. This event is open to both middle and high school youth.

FELLOWSHIP OF CHRISTIAN ATHLETES GIRL'S MIDDLE SCHOOL HUDDLE/BIBLE STUDY



**FELLOWSHIP OF
CHRISTIAN
ATHLETES**

FCA will take a break from meeting until the end of January/early February

Community of Hope hosts the girls Fellowship of Christian Athletes Huddle/Bible Study every Friday morning! Middle School girls at both Meridian Creek and Wood Middle School are invited to join us for breakfast and a Bible study.

2019 YOUTH MISSION TRIP



FOUNDATION FOR
HIS MINISTRY

Friday, August 9- Saturday, August 17, 2019

This year we will be going to Mexico and working with an organization called Foundation For His Ministry.



30 HOUR FAMINE

Friday, February 22 - Saturday, February 23

When: Fast starts at 12:00 pm on Friday, February 22nd. Meet at the church at 6:00 pm Friday, February 22. We have lots of fun activities, times of reflection, movies, service projects, possibly some guest speakers, and more planned until we break the fast at 6:00 pm on Saturday, February 23rd.

For those of you who have never participated (don't worry, I haven't either!), 30 Hour Famine is put on by World Vision, an organization focused on supporting countries, children, and people in need. There's a fundraising aspect of 30 Hour Famine if you wish to do that piece, but the heart of the event is to fast for 30 hours together as a youth group. This will give us time

to bond with the middle and high schoolers together, as well as learn more about the hunger crisis in the world and what we can do to stop it.

I am needing an initial head count of those participating in 30 Hour Famine to tell one of the field trip spots for Saturday, February 23rd. if you are planning on participating, please respond to this email and let me know ASAP! This will also help me figure out how many adult chaperones and drivers I will need.

CANS AND BOTTLES

You can bring your cans and bottles to the redemption center (located in the upper back parking lot) anytime you want.

Note: please be sure to remove bottle caps before donating. Thank you!

Each time we bring cans and bottles to the recycle center, **we receive between \$600-\$1,000!** We use this money to help fund youth group events, which helps to reduce our overall budget spending. We also support a Compassion Child named Recha through these funds.

Please keep donating your cans and bottles to help us support these important ministries!

For information about Youth Ministry, contact:

Hillary: hillary@commhope.org; 503.682.8855





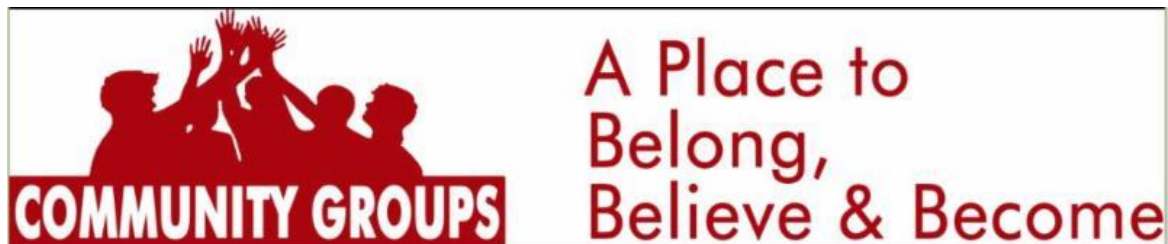
"I have been praying for our retreat and this title is what has come to me during my prayer time." Dottie Cook

The word "revive" means "reinvigorate, revitalize, refresh, energize, reanimate, resuscitate, revivify, rejuvenate, regenerate, enliven, stimulate". I love all those definitions, and this would be my prayer for the people who come. And if they are feeling like the dry bones in Ezekial 37:11-14 I know that the Lord has revival planned.

We will have an open discussion time with Pastor John, quiet times for reflecting on scripture, training, worship, music, and delicious food, too. We will begin in the late afternoon for dinner at 5:00 pm and we will continue until after dinner on Saturday (approx 7:00 pm).

For more information contact: Dottie Cook (503.694.8153) or Koko (503.682.8855)

COMMUNITY GROUP UPDATE:



Pastor John has been preaching from the book of Colossians and he will continue into February. Community Group Leaders, whose groups are following the sermon series as part of their Bible study, receive support materials with the references and research materials that Pastor John uses to create his sermons.

For any of you that are not in a Community Groups but would like to peruse these materials; I have copies of them on the sign in table in the entryway every Sunday morning. Please, ask me or the Ushers if you do not see them. Thank you, Pastor John for your support and messages.

If you are interested in joining a Community Group or starting a new one be sure to call or talk to me on a Sunday morning, call me, or let me know on the "Connections" card that are be in your bulletin every Sunday.

Part of being a Community Group is committing to do a service project as a group. To help inspire creative thinking about how to choose and do these projects I want to tell you about one that the Canary Community Group did recently.

Last week the Canary Community Group went out and had lunch together. Good idea! Then, they went to WinCo Grocery and bought as many things as they could from the list of needed items that the Food 4 Thought ministry put out monthly. Mary Ott and the F4T team have told me many times

how impressed they are at the generosity of our congregation in providing food for kids in our schools that don't get food on weekends. When Mary inventoried what had come in through the Community Group shopping spree, she said she was overwhelmed to tears.

My prayer is that the Holy Spirit will continue to inspire our church family in generosity and our Community Groups in creative ways to enjoy fellowship and spread God's grace to our community.

CHANGE

Our Parents Community Group has been meeting in W8 on Sunday mornings at 10:00 am. Pastor John will be joining this group, whenever possible, to share in the parenting conversation and share about his Sunday morning message. Please, drop in on any Sunday morning or contact Heather Chambers for more information.

See the list of Community groups and leaders in the hallway by the kitchen and contact a leader directly or contact Koko (koko@commhope.org) for more information about any of the other groups.



A backpack buddy program

ANGST



Coming up on March 3rd, CoH will host a documentary called "Angst", that illustrates the difficulties of living with an Anxiety Disorder. As part of supporting folks that will attend this event, we will provide Intercessory Prayer Partners that evening.

What is an Intercessory Prayer Partner? Beginning Wednesday, February 13 for three consecutive Wednesdays, as part of our Prayer & Soup Supper evenings, we will define Intercessory prayer and Prayer Ministry roles and give training in support of the March 3rd Angst Documentary showing. Join us for those three Wednesday evenings or talk with Dottie Cook or Koko Reyes.

We are inspired by and happy to follow the Lord's directions like what He said in the book of Ephesians 6:18, *"And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the Lord's people."*

PRAYER MINISTRY

Special Event begins!

- Wednesday, February 3rd, Hillary Krippaehne will lead our Prayer & Soup Supper time focusing on prayer about growing our church, ministering to the new families moving in around us and reaching younger families.



- Sunday morning Prayer Ministers will continue to be available at the end of each worship service. Dottie Cook is available for prayer or to make an appointment for prayer at other times.
- The CoH Prayer Chain will continue in its faithful support of requests for prayer by our congregants under the gracious leadership of Chris Snodderly. There are prayer request cards in bulletins each Sunday. Please remember to mark whether your prayer request is: confidential, for staff only, or for the prayer chain. You can also use prayer@commhope.org, to get your request to our Prayer Chain. Thank you, Chris Snodderly for coordinating this ministry.

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

WINTER & SPRING 2019

January thru May, 2019, Pastor Taft is leading an ongoing adult Sunday School class that will offer the following: CRISIS AND CONTEXT.

We tend to look at Scripture as a series of stories, most of which we were taught as children in Sunday School. This unit will be a short Old Testament survey. At key points in the Old Testament we find an intersection with God and man. Those key points changed history, and each contains a lesson with relevance for Christians and non-Christians today.

We will look at those intersections critically, with the aim of understanding God and the need of man by examining the event in its historical, political, and social context. We will begin with Abram the Sumerian and end weeks later with Pentecost and the great transition.

CRISIS AND CONTEXT meets in E-1 and begins at 10:00 prompt.

Bibles are required. See you then!

Koko's Korner

Thank you Father for all that you have done by releasing the power of your Holy Spirit in this church family. By your Grace, Father, lead us in ways to reach Wilsonville with your gift of salvation, grace and mercy. Amen.

Koko

FOLLOW US ON INSTAGRAM



Check out the links below to see more fun pictures and information about church, youth events and activities!

<https://www.instagram.com/commhopechurch/> *Church Instagram account*

<https://www.instagram.com/coh.youth/> *Thrive and Journey Instagram account*

For more information, contact Hillary: hillary@commhope.org

USE THE CHURCH CALENDAR



Did you know we have a calendar on our church website with dates and times of our events? Copy and paste this link to check out the calendar: <http://commhope.org/calendar/> If you have something to add to the calendar, please email: hillary@commhope.org

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Thank you for those who have already signed up!

For more information, contact contact Dana Eaton:
dana@commhope.org, 503.682.8855

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***Giving online offers convenience for you,
and provides donation consistency for our congregation.***

Go to the Community of Hope webpage www.commhope.org and select the blue **"DONATE"** on the top right of the page to get started.

*For more information, contact Dana Eaton:
dana@commhope.org, 503.682.8855*

MISSED A SERMON?

We have most of the sermons on our Youtube channel. The most current sermon also appears on the homepage of our website.

<http://commhope.org/worship/sermons/> - Sermon Archive on Website
<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCacWE9-J2J7xDOtL2KWfuww> - CoH YouTube channel

FINANCIAL UPDATE

	December 2018 Actual	December 2018 Budget	2018 YTD Actual	2018 YTD Budget
Contributions & Rent	\$74,947	\$78,998	\$536,399	\$541,023
Expenses	\$57,596	\$63,314	\$588,749	\$608,610
General Fund Balance	\$87,565			
Average Attendance	301			

Questions? Contact

Chuck Benson, cbenson1956@yahoo.com, 971.278.3294, or

Dana Eaton: dana@commhope.org, 503.682.8855

PRAYER

If you have a prayer request please let us know, you can complete a prayer request card from your Sunday bulletin and drop it into the Sunday morning offering basket or contact Pastor John or our staff and let us know how we can pray for you.



If you would like to be added to the prayer chain to pray for others, please send us an email to prayer@commhope.org. Thank you to Chris Snodderly for coordinating our prayer chain requests!

For more information, contact: prayer@commhope.org

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