

available, please stick around and help! If you have any questions about those tasks, please contact Wayne. NOTE: The unit may smell of fresh latex paint next Sunday. Sorry, we will not be livestreaming the worship service ☹️.

Reminders

Sunday Morning Prayer & Ministry Time

Join us for a time of sharing, prayer, & ministering to one another via Zoom! **Sunday morning 8:30-**

9:15am, just prior to our Sunday Zoom connection time: Meeting ID: 287 775 281; Passcode: 019752

Sunday Zooming!

We host a 15-minute open, unstructured Zoom time for everyone at Hope to connect with one another **each Sunday at 9:15am**. We encourage all of you to join us! In addition, for those who missed our Saturday worship service, we will replay a recording of the service beginning at 9:30am on the same Zoom channel. Zoom mtg. ID: 287 775 281; Passcode: 019752

Calendar

- **Every Sunday Morning**—8:30am **Prayer & ministry time**; 9:15am **Connection time**; 9:30am Video replay of the Saturday evening worship service (Zoom mtg. ID#: 287 775 281 Passcode: 019752)
- **March 30th**—Welcome Ministry “Pep Rally” via Zoom 7-7:45pm
- **This week**—Taping & Painting at our Grayslake location (times TBD)
- **April 1st**—Friday Morning Prayer at 9:30am (Zoom mtg. ID#: 823 3258 1259 Passcode: 021144)
- **April 2nd**—Painting party at our Grayslake location (time TBD)
- **April 3rd**—Sunday morning “unplugged” worship at 15 Commerce Drive, Grayslake at 9:45am!
- **April 8th**—Evening of Worship & Prayer at 7pm
- **April 15th**—Good Friday Service at 7pm
- **April 17th**—Sunday morning Easter service at 9:45am
- **New Outreach Cohorts**—Once a month for one hour either in-person after our worship service or via Zoom!



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Welcome to HOPE

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Love & Adele

While channel surfing recently, I stumbled upon a music special featuring Adele. She was singing her hit song “Hello.” I must confess that in the past, I’ve enjoyed listening to a couple of Adele’s songs. In fact, I remember watching part of her live special last fall. But as I was listening to last year’s special, I really felt sorry for Adele. She seemed like a lost person looking for true love, but only experiencing relationships which end badly. Her hauntingly beautiful, but melancholy music seems to ooze with her pain and depression from those broken relationships. Perhaps many can relate to those songs which may account for their popularity. (btw- I also have a melancholy side to my personality which is why I initially enjoyed her music; however, I’ve since stopped listening to them). Those songs are a reminder to us of how the world longs for love, but cannot find it. God tells us that He is the source of true love. In addition, we experience that love through one another. But here’s a challenging question: When the unbelieving world thinks about evangelical Christians, is love one of the first characteristics they think of? If not, why not? And if not, could that be one of the reasons why more people are not flocking to Jesus? Hmmm....

Wayne Okamoto, pastor

Are you new?

We’re so glad you took the time to visit us this evening! Perhaps you’re just beginning to explore spiritual things. On the other hand, maybe you have known God for many years. Either way, we invite you to join us as we travel together in life’s spiritual journey to get to know the God of the universe!

What to expect

As we worship God, you may see people express their love for God in different ways. Some people are more expressive and like to clap their hands or even raise their arms. Others feel more comfortable worshipping quietly. But please don’t feel compelled to do anything! Feel free to participate in worship or just sit back, relax, and observe.

No strings attached

If you are a guest with us today, please don’t put anything in the offering box except your orange welcome card. This service is our gift to you!

Worship Order

Welcome & prayer

Worship

Reminders & Announcements

Message:

Real Love Changes Everything
Living Confidently as a Child of God
(part 10)
Special Speaker: Jim Stewart

(pre-K through 5th grade are dismissed prior to the message*)

Final song

*Our Children's Ministries:

Our children are dismissed for their classes just prior to the message. They will be meeting downstairs (nursery/preschool/kindergarten and elementary).

Welcome Cards

We'd like to encourage everyone to fill out a welcome card. If you're visiting with us this evening, please fill out a card & place it in the offering box in the back. Then pick up a free bag from our resource table!

Helpful guidelines regarding this pandemic

Masks are optional

Not feeling well? If you are not feeling well, we ask that you opt for watching our livestream rather than our in-person worship service. In addition, if you attend our worship service and later test positive for COVID-19, please contact Wayne or an elder ASAP.

Our Mission Statement

To honor God by helping people become Christ-followers who grow, connect, devote, & serve. For more info about Hope, check out our website at www.goz2hope.org.

Next Steps

Would you like to take a next step in your spiritual journey? Consider joining a small group! It's a great place to connect with others and grow in your relationship with God. Another option is to meet someone one-on-one for what we call "discipleship" or "spiritual mentoring." It's like having a spiritual trainer to help you grow and develop spiritually. For more info, just check the box on your orange welcome card.

Upcoming Events

Our last Saturday evening worship service

This evening is our last Saturday worship service here at Liberty. We thank the Lord for His faithful provision! Our thanks also to Liberty Church in allowing us to rent their building!

Painters Needed!

We are planning to paint our Grayslake unit this week! If you are available **any time this week or next**

Saturday (4/2), please on your welcome card or contact Wayne (224-381-6750/wayne@goz2hope.org). We will need both people to tape and people to paint. Please come with brushes, paint rollers, paint trays, and drop cloths! Also, if you are available to help provide lunch for our painting crew next Saturday, please let Wayne know!

First Service in Grayslake!

The work needed to make the move to our Grayslake unit is progressing well, but it is taking longer than we originally planned. However, there have been many who have voiced that they would like to be in our new home no matter what! So we are planning an "unplugged" worship service **next Sunday, April 3rd at 9:45am at our Grayslake location (15 Commerce Dr.)!** This will be a casual family-friendly service (no children's ministry) similar to our baptism services. In addition, afterwards there will be a number of other tasks which need to be accomplished. So we encourage you to come in your work clothes, and if you are

Our Mission

To help people become Christ followers who grow, devote, connect, and serve.

*We are so glad you joined us today!
Let us know if we can do anything to serve you.*