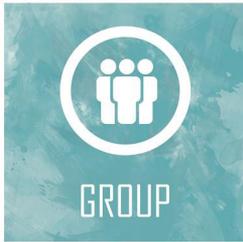




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WELCOME

to SUMMER 2018 at Hope Church!

No matter who you are, what your age, your favorite fishing lure, or flip flop size, there is a place for you to connect and serve this summer!

It is our desire that you have the information you need to GATHER on Sunday morning, DEEPEN your relationship with God, belong in a GROUP, INVEST in the Hope family, and MULTIPLY disciples.

SUNDAY SERVICES:

10:00 AM

One Service at 10:00 AM (Sundays, May 27 - September 9)

12:30 PM - African Bible Fellowship

See page 14 for more information on ABF.

For more information, please visit our website at HopeChurchOakdale.com or The City*.

***What's The City? Hope 24/7**

The City is an online communication tool designed to lead Hope into deeper community, build connections, and be more effective in Christ's mission. It's a 24/7 ministry tool that helps everyone in our church stay engaged in daily life. How do I join The City? Please stop by the Connect Center or email Raeann.Linn@HopeChurchOakdale.com.

We look forward to connecting with you in June, July and August!

SUMMER SERMON SERIES

**"Up North" Sermon Series**

When the warm weather comes, Minnesotans often head up north. We are going to follow suit as we look at the writings of the northern prophets of Israel this summer. Join us in our study of Amos, Hosea, Jonah, and Nahum. We will see the character of God revealed. He is a God of justice, faithfulness, and compassion.

SERMON PODCAST

Do you want to listen to a current or past sermon? Use your desktop, tablet, or mobile device to access our weekly sermon audio and sermon archive at HopeChurchOakdale.com or search 'Hope Church - Oakdale MN' on your podcast app.

WEEKLY DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Each week, we provide discussion questions to use as you reflect on the week's message. Many of our adult groups (Community Groups, pg. 12) use them as a basis for discussion. Discussion questions are available on The City or at HopeChurchOakdale.com (attached to the sermon audio).

CONNECT

SUMMER WORSHIP

Sundays, May 27 - September 9, One Service at 10:00 AM

Beginning Memorial Day weekend we launch our summer worship schedule with one service at 10:00 AM. Childcare for infants through 2 years old is provided during the service. Kids' Church for kids 3 Years Old through Kindergarten begins, Sunday, June 10 (through Sunday, August 26).

BAPTISM

Sunday, June 3 at 10:00 AM

Baptism is a profession of faith that a believer makes. It demonstrates that the one being baptized understands Jesus Christ's death and resurrection. Interested in being baptized? Please contact Raeann Linn at Raeann.Linn@HopeChurchOakdale.com.

ANNUAL PIG ROAST FUNDRAISER

Sunday, June 3 at 11:30 AM

This is sure to be the best Pig Roast yet! Bring the whole family to eat pulled pork sandwiches with all the fixins, coleslaw, chips, and dessert (hot dogs are also served). We are accepting donations to benefit Brittany's Hope Foundation's work supporting orphans in Ben Tre, Vietnam.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

Sunday, July 15 at 6:00 PM

Members and regular attenders are highly encouraged to attend Congregational Meetings.

VISITOR & NEWCOMER OPEN HOUSE

Sunday, July 22 at 11:15 AM or Sunday, September 23 at 11:45 AM

If you're visiting or new to Hope, please join us for some light refreshments following the July 22nd 10:00 AM service or September 23rd 10:30 AM service. Our staff would love to meet you. This is an informal time to get acquainted and ask questions.

STARTING POINT CLASS

Sunday, September 30 at 10:00 AM

Starting Point is a one-session class for newcomers or regular attenders that are ready to get connected and take the next step. Discover the beliefs and mission of Hope and learn how to get plugged into a group. We want you to be a part of the exciting things happening in our community!

MEMBERSHIP

If you are not a member at Hope and consider Hope your church home, we encourage you to consider membership. Membership is an outward expression of your commitment to the church body and mission at Hope. If you would like more information about membership at Hope Church, please contact Raeann Linn at Raeann.Linn@HopeChurchOakdale.com.

HOPE CHURCH DISCIPLEMAKING PATHWAY

At Hope we work to provide resources and environments where you can thrive on your mission of making disciples. Here is a clear and simple PATHWAY to help you move towards full maturity as a disciple of Jesus Christ at Hope Church. These are things we encourage everyone at Hope to engage in as they make disciples of themselves and others.



GATHER: ENGAGE IN SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP

The family of Hope Church gathers together each Sunday to celebrate and make a big deal out of the God of the universe.



DEEPEN: CULTIVATE YOUR RELATIONSHIP WITH GOD

Engaging with God on your own and with your family through practices such as reading the Bible and praying is crucial to a faith that flourishes.



GROUP: BELONG IN A GROUP

Groups provide a place where we can find encouragement toward righteousness, protection from sin, support in hard times, and propulsion on mission.



INVEST: INVEST IN THE HOPE FAMILY AND COMMUNITY

At Hope we encourage everyone to invest in both the church family and their communities.



MULTIPLY: MAKE DISCIPLES THAT MAKE DISCIPLES

Everyone who has found hope in Jesus has the joy and responsibility of sharing that hope with others. As we live in the world and with our neighbors, we introduce others to Jesus and the new life he offers.

We believe that if you strive to incorporate these in your life it will help you flourish in your relationship with Jesus and in the core mission of Hope Church; bringing glory to God by making disciples...that make disciples!

See pages 8-11 for the KidMin and Student Disciplemaking Pathways.

KIDS

Contact: KidMin Pastor, Katie Bliss at Katie.Bliss@HopeChurchOakdale.com



GATHER: MODEL GATHERING WITH THE CHURCH FAMILY

Parents, attend Sunday Morning Worship with your kids.

WORSHIP SERVICE: 10:00 AM (through Sunday, September 9)



GROUP: BELONG IN A GROUP

Kids learn about Jesus best when they **GROUP** together. Large groups provide a place for kids to hear the truth about Jesus through Scripture and Small Groups are a safe place for kids to practice faith and learn a proper view of identity, worship, community, and mission.

SUNDAYS AT 10:00 AM

Nursery: Birth - 2 Years Old

We offer a caring and safe place for little ones and a Bible lesson for 2-year-olds.

Kids' Church: 3 Years Old - Kindergarten (completed)

Sundays, June 10 - August 26 (No Kids' Church Sunday, July 1)

Kids are dismissed prior to the message each Sunday in the summer. Leaders share a Bible story and will help kids as they participate in various hands-on activities that relate to that week's story.

KID BUILDERS - Mondays and/or Tuesdays from 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM (Offered Year Round)

Kid Builders is a day program for ages 18 months - 5 years old. KB partners with parents by 'helping construct' each child's physical, intellectual, social, and spiritual development. Questions? Please contact Joyce.Clark@HopeChurchOakdale.com.



HOME: PARTNER WITH PARENTS

The primary strategy of KidMin at Hope is to partner with parents, the primary influencers of kid's faith. We do this by coming alongside parents and encouraging them to have spiritual conversations with their kids.

"Do Something!"

This summer read Scripture, pray, and serve together. Enjoy time building community and celebrating milestones. Share your best and worst parts of your day and God sightings each day as a family. Play together! Take time to remember and celebrate what God has done in the lives of your family and friends. Maybe you have thought of something else - do that! This is designed to be a launching pad and to get you thinking. You know your family best. If you miss a week...don't give up! Look for ways to share God and look for Him as you do something together!



PARTY: CELEBRATE WITH FRIENDS

Kids love to play and they learn and grow through partying together. PARTY events provide a place for kids to practice speaking life with gospel fluency with friends inside and outside the church. Parties are a place to grow deeper in relationships with each other, parents, leaders, and God.

VBS SUMMER 2018 - AMPED!

Monday, July 16 - Thursday, July 19, 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Pre-K (3 by June 1 & potty trained) - Grade 5 (completed)

VBS 2018 is going to be ELECTRIFYINGLY fun! In the midst of fun, food, games, and worship, kids will learn that God wants us to be

OVERLOADED with CONFIDENCE because we can believe that what He says is TRUE! We'll become EMPOWERED to see ourselves as changemakers, too. *Let's get AMPED!*

Early Bird Registration (through June 30) \$20/child

Regular Registration (July 1-11) \$25/child

Best deal around! Includes a t-shirt for each participant and lunch on Thursday for the whole family! Please register by Wednesday, July 11 at HopeChurchOakdale.com.



INVEST IN KIDMIN

Looking for opportunities to invest in the Hope family and community this summer? We encourage you to help kids move towards being a disciple of Jesus Christ. Please consider joining the **Kids' Church** or **VBS** volunteer teams and help our kids know they are loved. Interested in serving or have any questions? Please contact Katie Bliss at Katie.Bliss@HopeChurchOakdale.com.

KIDS' CHURCH OPPORTUNITIES

Kids 3 years old – Kindergarten (completed) are dismissed prior to the message each Sunday in the summer. **Group Leaders** are needed to lead the Bible story (easy prep includes reading the script and Bible passage. All supplies are provided.) **Group Assistants** are needed to help kids as they participate in various hands-on stations.

VBS OPPORTUNITIES

Multiple volunteers are need in various areas during VBS. The greatest need is Small Group Leaders and Assistants. All supplies are provided. Minimal prep needed. Please consider this opportunity to make an impact in the life of a kid! Visit the table in the Main Lobby for a complete list of roles.

REDUCING THE RISK CLASS AND VBS VOLUNTEER TRAINING

On Monday, June 25 the Reducing the Risk Class is at 5:30 PM and the VBS Volunteer Meeting is at 6:30 PM. Please mark your calendar!

STUDENTS

Contact: Student Ministries Pastor, Zachary Boardman at Zachary.Boardman@HopeChurchOakdale.com



GATHER: ENGAGE IN SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP

WORSHIP SERVICE: 10:00 AM (through Sunday, September 9)



GROUP: BELONG IN A GROUP

Belonging in a **GROUP** is a core part of the Disciplemaking Pathway for students. Our preference is that students connect in the evening groups, but we also offer Sunday morning groups for those who are unable to attend the evening groups or for students who desire to do both.

SUMMER GROUPS

Here are the dates and times for summer Flash and Flood. Mark your calendar! Groups are a chance for students to take advantage of summer break to build stronger relationships and have fun!

Flood (Grades 9-12 completed):

Thursdays, June 21 & 28 from 6:30 - 9:00 PM

Tuesdays, July 3 - August 21 from 6:30 - 9:00 PM

Flash (Grades 6-8 completed):

Wednesdays, June 20 - August 22 from 6:30 - 8:30 PM



INVEST: IN THE HOPE FAMILY AND COMMUNITY

Students have been gifted by God to **INVEST** in the church and the broader ministry of Jesus. Investing helps them grow in their own faith as a disciple. There are many opportunities within the broader church as well as within Student Ministries.

INVEST IN KIDMIN

Hey, students, we are looking for junior and senior high students to invest in the Hope family this summer. Please consider investing in kids by volunteering in **Kids' Church or VBS this summer**. Help our kids know they are loved. Interested in serving? Please stop at the KidMin table in the Main Lobby or contact Katie Bliss, KidMin Pastor, at Katie.Bliss@HopeChurchOakdale.com.

For a complete list of ways to invest at Hope, please see the INVEST flyer available at the Connect Center. Watch the bulletin or The City for up-to-date opportunities.



RETREAT: ATTEND RETREATS

There is something unique about retreating from our typical routine that allows us to focus on God and others in new ways. As part of bringing glory to God by making disciples, we desire to have everyone attend retreats. Lives are changed, relationships are strengthened, and glory is given to God.

CAMPING TRIPS

Camping trips provide a great opportunity for students to get to know each other better and help strengthen community within the group. It's our desire that as many students as possible attend these retreat. Register at HopeChurchOakdale.com. Questions or scholarship requests? Please contact Zachary.Boardman@HopeChurchOakdale.com.

FLOOD CAMPING TRIP (Incoming 9th Graders - Recent Graduates)

Thursday, August 9 – Sunday, August 12

Hey, incoming 9th graders, this is an event you don't want to miss! We are camping at St. Croix State Park, with some whitewater rafting, and activities in Duluth. Cost: \$135 (\$100 for first-time guests.) Online registration and forms are due by Sunday, July 29.

FLASH CAMPING TRIP (Incoming 7-8 Graders)

Friday, August 17 – Sunday, August 19

Flash is camping at Wild River State Park. Cost: \$85/person. Online registration and forms are due by Sunday, August 5.

STUDENT LEADERSHIP RETREAT (GRADES 11 & 12)

Saturday, August 25

Students in grades 11 & 12 are highly encouraged to attend this leadership retreat on Saturday, August 25. Please save the date and watch for more information.



MULTIPLY: MAKE DISCIPLES THAT MAKE DISCIPLES

Disciples are called to MAKE DISCIPLES as Jesus commanded. This can happen through building Gospel-centered relationships by bringing people to church events, and groups, or by connecting in our schools, work, activities, and home.

FLASH MISSION TRIP TO ROCK RIDGE

Flash (Grades 6-8) is on a mission trip June 11-16 to Camp Shamineau's Rock Ridge site in Ely, MN. The students will work on projects to improve camp ministries, support and encourage the missionaries who work there, learn more about what it means to be a missionary and the call of God on everyone's life to live missionally. Please continue to support the team through prayer.

ADULTS

Contact: Pastor of Community and Mission, Dave Downey, David.Downey@HopeChurchOakdale.com



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THE BIBLE PROJECT

The Bible Project is a non-profit animation studio whose mission is to show how the Bible is a unified story that leads to Jesus. They produce short-form, fully animated videos to make the Biblical story accessible to everyone, everywhere. One of their resources, the "Read Scripture" app, can be a great way to provide engaging structure to your devotional times. The app includes daily readings. Every 3-5 days a video is included to highlight a theme or explain context. Check it out at TheBibleProject.com.



GROUP: BELONG IN A GROUP

Groups provide a place where we can find encouragement toward righteousness, protection from sin, support in hard times, and propulsion on mission.

COMMUNITY GROUPS

Community Groups are the primary way to connect with others at Hope and pursue a life of being and making disciples together – like Jesus and His disciples did. Groups of eight to twelve adults meet regularly to pursue what it means to be a disciple. We strive to accomplish this by providing comfort to each other in hard times, encourage each other in righteousness, protect each other from sin, and propel each other on mission (individually and as a group). To get more information, express an interest in, or to join a Community Group, please stop at the Connect Center in the Main Lobby or contact Raeann.Linn@HopeChurchOakdale.com.

AFRICAN BIBLE FELLOWSHIP

The African Bible Fellowship Gatherings are Sundays at 12:30 PM at Hope

ABF is a new ministry of Hope Church. The majority of ABF families are from South Sudan and Ethiopia. All are welcome to experience and worship God alongside our African brothers and sisters. These Hope family members long to be further equipped for mission and to make disciples at home and abroad. They also desire to build Christ-centered relationships with others in the Hope family. Please feel free to stop by any Sunday. *You may even decide to become a regular!*

MEN'S GROUP

Saturdays from 8:00 - 9:30 AM

Come connect with other men to study God's Word, encourage each other, share coffee and treats, and pray. This group meets weekly at Hope on Saturday mornings. You are also welcome to join us for breakfast at The Little Oven (Minnehaha and White Bear Aves.) at 6:45 AM prior to group at Hope.

MEN'S EVENT

Saturday, August 4 - *Save the Date!*

Details and times to be determined. Please watch the bulletin and The City for details.

WOMEN'S FITNESS CLASS

Tuesday Evenings, June 12 through August 21 from 5:30 - 6:35 PM (No Class 7/17)

OR Thursday Mornings, June 14 through August 23 from 9:30 - 10:35 AM (No Class 7/19)

Women, join us this summer for a 10 week fitness class called Integrity and Grace. This class is for all levels of fitness. The class fee is \$30 suggested donation for the session or \$5 per week "drop in" fee.. Please come check it out. Your first time is FREE! For more information or to register, please contact Robyn Sandquist at RobynSan@me.com or Janine Ford at JanineFord50@gmail.com.

"WOMEN OF HOPE" AND "MEN OF HOPE" GROUP ON THE CITY

Interested in summer opportunities for women and men? Please join the Women of Hope or the Men of Hope group on The City. In the navigation menu on The City click **Groups**, then click **Search for Groups**, enter group name, click search, then click **Ask to Join**. If you have any questions about these groups or The City, please contact Raeann.Linn@HopeChurchOakdale.com.

Questions regarding Men of Hope and Women of Hope?

Please contact Pastor Dave Downey at David.Downey@HopeChurchOakdale.com.

ADULTS



MULTIPLY: MAKE DISCIPLES THAT MAKE DISCIPLES

Everyone who has found hope in Jesus has the joy and responsibility of sharing that hope with others. As we live in the world and with our neighbors, we introduce others to Jesus and the new life he offers.

What is a disciple?

A person who reorients his or her life around the Gospel and Jesus' mission. At Hope Church we encourage everyone from children to adults to live as a disciple:

- Living out our **IDENTITY** in Christ
- Responding in **WORSHIP** to who God is, what He has done, and what He is doing
- Investing in **COMMUNITY** with others, intentionally sharing our lives together
- Pursuing a life on **MISSION** to reflect God to the world around us

What is discipling?

Bringing people into right relationship with God, developing them to full maturity in Christ through intentional growth, that they might multiply the entire process in others.



INVEST: INVEST IN THE HOPE FAMILY AND COMMUNITY

At Hope we encourage everyone to invest in both the church family and their communities.

Here is a list of ways adults and students can connect and serve kids, students, or adults at Hope:

- **KidMin:** Kids' Church or VBS; Leaders, Assistants, Story Tellers, Crafts, Games, etc.
- **Nursery:** Sundays 10:00 AM; Adults and Students
- **Students:** AM or PM Small Group Leaders, Student Ministries Worship Team
- **Adults:** Community Group Leader, Men/Women Ministry
- **Host Team:** Greeters & Ushers, Hospitality Team, and Connect Center
- **Worship Music Team:** (vocal & instrumental), Drama Team, Tech (sound, lights, & video), Brass, Soloists, Visual Arts (décor), Seasonal Choir

For a complete list of ways to invest at Hope, please see the INVEST flyer available at the Connect Center or watch The City for up-to-date opportunities.

ONLINE GIVING

Online giving is provided for your convenience and as a way to facilitate your faithful stewardship of God's resources. To give online visit HopeChurchOakdale.com or click Giving on The City navigation menu. Questions? Contact Marlene Dolney at Marlene.Dolney@HopeChurchOakdale.com.

MISSION – LOCAL

At Hope we value investing in the local community, and partner with organizations, social workers, and ministries to provide opportunities to serve.

We work with the community to support schools, host blood drives, tutor adults and children, serve an area homeless family shelter, and work with social services to improve the quality of life for children in need.

THE AMERICAN RED CROSS

The American Red Cross prevents and alleviates human suffering in the face of emergencies by mobilizing the power of volunteers and the generosity of donors. Hope Church partners with The American Red Cross by holding blood drives three times per year; January, June and September.

RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE

Tuesday, June 12 from 1:00 - 7:00 PM

The Red Cross is the largest single supplier of blood and blood products in the United States. Be a part of this life-giving process, whether as a donor or a volunteer. If you are willing to donate an item/s to the Red Cross staff meal, please contact Beth Thompson at 651.436.7615. To schedule an appointment call Dave and Sandy Pauly at 651.436.7278, register through The City, or online at RedCrossBlood.org.

DAKDALE SCHOOLS

We support our local schools in many ways; from providing backpacks of food to hungry children on the weekends, to volunteering at local school events.

SERVFEST (TBD)

Each year we hold a Servfest where volunteers clean up our local schools through painting, landscaping, building bookshelves and more. *Watch for date coming soon!*

For more information on our local mission partners, please visit our website at HopeChurchOakdale.com/local or contact Pastor of Community and Mission, Dave Downey, at David.Downey@HopeChurchOakdale.com.

MISSION – GLOBAL

China, Peru, Congo, and Bulgaria are a few places where Hope Church impacts God's Kingdom globally. From helping to rebuild homes to providing relief and hope to orphans, we support missionaries currently serving overseas and at home.

For more info about missionaries at Hope, please visit our website at [HopeChurchOakdale.com/global](https://www.HopeChurchOakdale.com/global).



Dave & Sasha Bliss serving with EFCA in Bulgaria



Rock & Rachel Bliss serving with EFCA in Illinois



Carl & Kathy Lahr serving Asia with EFCA in California



Bill & Barb Mast serving with Search Ministries in Minnesota



Tim & Nancy Navritil serving in Latin America and Caribbean with EFCA in Costa Rica



Mark & Patty Watland serving with EFCA in Asia