

Advent Activities | Sunday, December 16

8:30am Early Worship **9:40am** Church School

Adult Education

Linda Graham, Hope College professor of dance, presents, "Advent Themes in Dance"

11:00am Worship

"Beyond Fear? Joy" Jill Russell, preaching

11:15am Children in Worship

12:15pm Pizza Sunday

1:15pm Caroling

Enjoy pizza after worship and then share the spirit of celebration and joy with those who find it difficult to join us. Poinsettias, gift bags, and cards will be shared as we carol to both our own members and in the Hope Church neighborhood. You don't have to have a great voice, just a smile to share! All ages are encouraged to participate as many voices

are needed!

2:30pm Hot Cocoa & Youth Music

After Caroling we'll gather again in the Commons and enjoy hot cocoa and cookies. Children and youth choirs will sing during this time of fellowship in preparation for

Christmas Eve.

6:00pm High Hopes Progressive Dinner

All high schoolers are invited to attend this annual event. We will meet at the church and head to our first destination from there. Come dressed to walk in the neighborhood, and don't forget to bring a white elephant gift!

Our Faith

As followers of Jesus Christ, God calls us to unity, reconciliation, and justice

Belhar Confession, South Africa, 1986

Our Mission

Hope Church is a congregation called to pioneer; to be open; to grow in faith; to lead in Christian action

Our Themes

Hope Church Mission Statement, 1978

Provide provisions for the journey; welcome all; connect with and witness to the community; engender deep engagement

Discerning our Future, 2012