Announcements & Community News

September Second Mile Giving for FUMC & WUMC: Indiana coalition to end sexual assault and human Trafficking, located at 931 E. 86th. Street Suite 215, Indianapolis, IN 46260.

Messy Church: The Next Messy Church event is on **Tuesday, October 28** from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at Hope UMC Community Center.

Official Kick-off of Hope UMC — Methodists love food!!! We will be celebrating our official kick off of *Hope UMC* with a catered meal on **Sunday, October 26** directly after worship service. There will be attendance sign-up sheets on the counter outside the church office. Be sure to sign-up as we need to give a final head count to the caterer *by October 19*. There will also be a second sign-up sheet for donations of desserts. For any questions, please do not hesitate to reach out to Nancy Craig or the church office.

Social Justice Support for African American Girls - UWFaith District Lora Ward has secured the rights to the documentary *film "Pushout: The Criminalization of Black Girls in Schools,"* which is a United Women in Faith emphasis for 2022-2026. We invite you to join this important conversation. United Women in Faith (formerly United Methodist Women) is hosting a *special screening of Pushout,* followed by a light meal and small group discussion with administrators and teachers from our shared communities. Event will take place on Thursday, October 23, 2025 from 5:00 p.m.—8:00 p.m. at Hope UMC, 7320 Northcote Ave., Hammond, IN 46324. Cost is free. Please RSVP by October 16. If you have any questions, please contact Lora Ward at lward4203@aol.com or 708-650-6417.

(For This Week Schedule & Prayer Concerns, please see your Bulletin Insert)

Remember to like and follow our Facebook page if you are social media: www.facebook.com/INHopeUMC

And make sure you visit the draft website: fwum.org/



Hope United Methodist Church

Worship 10:15 a.m. - September 28, 2025

Pastor Jim Denton - (219) 281-1054 james.denton@inumc.org

7320 Northcote Ave, Hammond, IN 46324 (219) 844-3030

Hope United Methodist Church

We welcome you and pray that today's worship brings you blessing and peace. Please take a moment to fill out your joys and concerns early so they can be lifted up during prayer time and remembered in prayer throughout the week.

*Please stand, as you are comfortable

Welcome and Community Life

Prelude

Call to Worship Nancy Craig

Leader: We gather today to worship God, who listens when we call.

People: We gather to rest in the shadow of God's wings.

Leader: We gather to pray to God, who answers us when we call.

People: We gather to lift our voices in the shadow of God's wings.

Leader: We gather to praise God, who rescues us when we call.

People: We gather to rejoice in the shadow of God's wings.

Leader: Beloved, come! Let us worship God, who covers and delivers us in Love.

People: We gather to worship in the shadow of God's wings.

* Opening Hymn - We Sing to You, O God TFWS 2001

Opening Prayer

Children's Message Cyndi Slaboski

Prayer Hymn - *Take My Life, and Let It Be*UMH 399

Prayers of the People

Prayer Response - Hear Us, O God UMH 490

Choral Anthem - On Eagle's Wings Chancel Choir

Prayer of Illumination Nancy Craig

Scripture Reading

Psalm 91:1-6, 14-16

Leader: The Word of God **People:** Thanks be to God

Sermon - "Safety in the Shadow of the Lord" Pastor Jim

Apostle's Creed

Lesser Thanksgiving

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Offering our Gifts to God

* The Doxology UMH 95

Prayer of Dedication

* Closing Hymn - It Is Well with My Soul

UMH 377

* Breakthrough Prayer

Dismissal with Blessing

Bishop: Rev. Tracy S. Malone **District Supt:** Rev. Dr. Marti Lundy

Assoc. D.S.: Rev. Paul Arnold Lay Leaders: Pat Mosley

Worship Leader: Maureen Tedesco Accompanist: David Bieschke

Greeter(s): Phyllis Sovola, Irma Mora Usher(s): Jackie Lewis

Acolyte: Ameya Serna

The altar flowers in worship are in memory of Kathy Reese, given by James Brill.