

Hope United Methodist Church

August 16, 2026

Disciples Empowered by the Holy Spirit

Pastor Jim Denton

Psalm 16 & John 10:10

Today's Music:

Opening Hymn: Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee (UMH 89)

Prayer Hymn: Holy Spirit, Truth Divine (UMH 465)

Closing Hymn: The Summons (TFWS 2130)

Centering Words: Consider a time you sensed abundance by this definition. What contributed to that experience of abundance?

Prayer Concerns:

Claude, Shirley, Rosalie, Angela, Phyllis, Breanna, Dean, Mary, Amanda, Larry, Nancy, Jerry, Sheryl, James, Tim, Heidi, Pam, Lexi, Deanne, Dave, David, Elaine, Lisa, Mary Jo, Liliana, Tom, Don, Yvonne, Mikey, Daniel, Ramah, Francis, Jenny, Faith, Betty, Andrea, Steve, Dana, Michael, Jacqueline, Don, Stephanie, Katie, Linda, Richard, Julio, Jim, Jacob, Patrick, Kristen

Our homebound: Adele, Mary, Fran, Irene, Nina, Shirlee, Betty, Diane

Worship Order

Welcome and Community Life

Prelude

Centering Words

Call to Worship

Opening Hymn*

Opening Prayer

Children's Message

Change for Change Collection

Time of Prayer | Prayer Hymn

Prayer of Illumination

Psalm Reading

Scripture Reading

Sermon

Lesser Thanksgiving

Offering Our Gifts to God

Doxology | Prayer of Dedication*

Closing Hymn *

Breakthrough Prayer*

Dismissal with Blessing*

Serving Today

Greeters: Irma Mora

Ushers: Irma Mora

Acolyte: Georgia Heady

Children's Message: Pat Mosley

Liturgist: Carrie Ward

Organist: David Bieschke

Fellowship: CLC

Serving Next Sunday

Greeters: Irma Mora

Ushers: Irma Mora

Acolyte: RJ Heady

Children's Message: Carrie Ward

Liturgist: Nancy Craig

Organist: David Bieschke

Fellowship:

Weekly Calendar

Sunday, August 16

CLC @ 11:30am, Children Sunday School Room

Monday, August 17

Dart Ball @ 11:30 am, Basement

Book Club @ 1:00pm, Zoom

Tuesday, August 18

Sonrise Seniors @ 10:30 am, Library

Ministry & Care Team @ 7:00pm, Zoom

Wednesday, August 19

Quilters @ 10:00am, Narthex

Bible Study @ 10:30am, Library

Birthday Buddies @ 10:30am, Narthex

Brianna's Hope @ 6:00pm,

Narthex/Library

Thursday, August 20

Knit & Crochet @ 12:30pm, Library

Expanded Council @ 6:00pm, Library

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Announcements and Community News

August Second Mile Giving for Hope UMC - Brianna's Hope. Brianna's Hope is a faith-based addiction support group that is centered on helping recovering addicts. Brianna's Hope meets on Wednesdays from 6 – 8 P.M. A meal is provided at 6:00 PM.

Knit & Crochet Group - The Knit & Crochet Group, which meets on Thursday afternoons at 12:30 p.m., will be on **break from Thursday, August 20, through Thursday, September 10**, and will resume meeting on **Thursday, September 17, at 12:30 p.m.**

United Women in Faith Potluck - Join the United Women in Faith for a potluck luncheon on **August 24, at 11:30 a.m.** in the **Narthex**. Everyone is welcome! We hope you'll join us for good food, fellowship, and community.

The Next **Messy Church** event is on **Tuesday, August 25** from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at Hope UMC, Community Center.

Safe Sanctuary Training - All church staff and volunteers who work with children and youth are required to participate annually in Safe Sanctuary Training. A training session will be offered on **Sunday, August 30** after worship. The session will last approximately 30 minutes. If you cannot attend on this date, a virtual option will be available as well. Please see Niki Avina if you have questions.

Northern Lakes Fall Lay Servant Academy – Join us for the **Lay Servant Ministries Academy** to begin or continue your lay servant training. **Classes meet Sundays, Sept. 6, 13, 20, & 27**, from 2:00–5:00 p.m. at Hebron UMC, 202 W. Church St., Hebron, IN. Attendance at all four sessions is required for credit. Cost: \$10. Register by Sept. 6 at <https://inumc.swoogo.com/hebronfall2026>. For more information, contact Karen Williams at 219-869-2324 or mrs.karen.wms@gmail.com.

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Welcome and Community Life

Prelude

Centering Words

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Call to Worship

Leader: Family of God, when we feel afraid and pressed in on every side...

People: The Spirit protects and advocates for us.

Leader: When the world's problems seem too big to solve, and we don't know how to do the next right thing...

People: The Spirit comforts and strengthens us.

Leader: When we need wisdom to know what is ours to do and the courage to act...

People: The Spirit counsels and empowers us.

Leader: Family of God, on this journey of faith, we are not alone—God is with us!

People: Today, we call once again on the Holy Spirit to empower us to live as disciples of Jesus Christ who transform the world. Amen

*Opening Hymn – Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee (UMH 89)

1. Joyful, joyful, we adore thee,
God of glory, Lord of love;
hearts unfold like flowers before thee,
opening to the sun above.
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness;
drive the dark of doubt away.
Giver of immortal gladness,
fill us with the light of day!

2. All thy works with joy surround thee,
earth and heaven reflect thy rays,
stars and angels sing around thee,
center of unbroken praise.
Field and forest, vale and mountain,
flowery meadow, flashing sea,
chanting bird and flowing fountain,
call us to rejoice in thee.

3. Thou art giving and forgiving,
ever blessing, ever blest,
wellspring of the joy of living,
ocean depth of happy rest!
Thou our Father, Christ our brother,
all who live in love are thine;
teach us how to love each other,
lift us to the joy divine.

4. Mortals, join the mighty chorus
which the morning stars began;
love divine is reigning o'er us,
binding all within its span.
Ever singing, march we onward,
victors in the midst of strife;
joyful music leads us sunward,
in the triumph song of life.

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Opening Prayer

Children's Message

Memory Verse: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. (Matthew 22:39)

Prayer Hymn – Holy Spirit, Truth Divine (UMH 465)

1. Holy Spirit, Truth divine, dawn upon this soul of mine; Word of God and inward light, wake my spirit, clear my sight.
2. Holy Spirit, Love divine, glow within this heart of mine; kindle every high desire; perish self in thy pure fire.
3. Holy Spirit, Power divine, fill and nerve this will of mine; grant that I may strongly live, bravely bear, and nobly strive.
4. Holy Spirit, Right divine, King within my conscience reign; be my Lord, and I shall be firmly bound, forever free.

Prayers of the People

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory forever. Amen

Prayer Response – Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying (TFWS 2193)

Lord, listen to your children praying, Lord, send your Spirit in this place;
Lord, listen to your children praying, send us love, send us power, send us grace.

Prayer of Illumination

God of abundance, we confess that our hearts and minds can sometimes experience distance from you. May the word we hear today “make known to us the path of life; and fill us with joy in your presence.” Open our hearts and minds and shape our wills to love boldly, serve joyfully, and lead courageously as we learn to walk more faithfully in your presence. Amen.

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Psalm Reading - Psalm 16

Leader: Protect me, O God, for in you I take refuge.

People: I say to the Lord, "you are my Lord; I have no good apart from you."

Leader: As for the holy ones in the land, they are the noble ones in whom is all my delight.

People: Those who choose another God multiply their sorrows; their drink offerings of blood I will not pour out or take their names upon my lips.

Leader: The Lord is my chosen portion and my cup; You hold my lot.

People: The lines have fallen for me in pleasant places; I have a glorious heritage.

Leader: I bless the Lord who gives me counsel; even at night my heart instructs me.

People: I have set the Lord always before me; the Lord is at my right hand; I shall not be moved.

Leader: Therefore my heart is glad, and my soul rejoices; My body also dwells secure.

People: For you do not give me up to Sheol, or let your godly one see the pit.

Leader: You show me the path of life;

People: in your presence there is fullness of joy, in your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

Gloria Patri (UMH 70)

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

Scripture Reading - Colossians 2:6-10

So live in Christ Jesus the Lord in the same way as you received him. Be rooted and built up in him, be established in faith, and overflow with thanksgiving just as you were taught. See to it that nobody enslaves you with philosophy and foolish deception, which conform to human traditions and the way the world thinks and acts rather than Christ. All the fullness of deity lives in Christ's body. And you have been filled by him, who is the head of every ruler and authority.

Gospel Reading - John 10:10

The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life and have it abundantly.

Sermon – *"Disciples Empowered by the Holy Spirit"*

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 94)

*Prayer of Dedication

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***Closing Hymn - The Summons (TFWS 2130)**

1. Will you come and follow me if I but call your name? Will you go where you don't know and never by the same? Will you let my love be shown, will you let my name be known, will you let me life be grown in you and you in me?
2. Will you leave yourself behind if I but call your name? Will you care for cruel and kind and never be the same? Will you risk the hostile stare should your life attract or scare? Will you let me answer prayer in you and you in me?
3. Will you let the blinded see if I but call your name? Will you set the prisoners free and never be the same? Will you kiss the leper clean, and do such as this unseen, and admit to what I mean in you and you in me?
4. Will you love the "you" you hide if I but call your name? Will you quell the fear inside and never be the same? Will you use the faith you've found to reshape the world around, through my sight and touch and sound in you and you in me?
5. Lord, your summons echoes true when you but call my name. Let me turn and follow you and never be the same. In your company I'll go where your love and footsteps show. Thus I'll move and live and grow in you and you in me.

***Breakthrough Prayer**

God of new beginnings and second chances. When your son, Jesus the Christ gave his life for us, the veil of separation was torn. Breakthrough all that would keep us separate from one another, from our neighbors, and from you that we may be one just as you and the Father are one. Lead us now into your beloved community where our identity is rooted in Christ alone.

Dismissal with Blessing

Postlude