

Hope United Methodist Church

June 7, 2026

To Be a Blessing
Pastor Jim Denton

Psalm 33:1-12 and
Genesis 12:1-9

Today's Music:

Opening Hymn: O Worship the King (UMH 73)

Prayer Hymn: Spirit Song (UMH 347)

Closing Hymn: Sent Forth by God's Blessing (UMH 664)

Prayer Concerns:

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

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

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
Holy Communion
Offering Our Gifts to God
Doxology | Prayer of Dedication*
Closing Hymn *
Breakthrough Prayer*
Dismissal with Blessing*

*Please stand, as you are comfortable.

Serving Today

Greeters: Irma Mora, Estelle Vasek

Ushers: Irma Mora

Acolyte: Georgia Heady

Children's Message: Pastor Jim

Liturgist: Marcos Pontes

Organist: David Bieschke

Fellowship: Marcos & David

Serving Next Sunday

Greeters: Irma Mora, Estelle Vasek

Ushers: Irma Mora

Acolyte: R.J. Heady

Children's Message: Maureen

Tedesco

Liturgist: Pat Mosley

Organist: David Bieschke

Fellowship: United Women In Faith

Weekly Calendar

Monday, June 8

Phil's Friends @ 10:00am, Library

Dart Ball @ 11:30 am, Basement

Tuesday, June 9

Sonrise Seniors @ 10:30 am, Library

Adam's Rib @ 5:00pm, Hartsfield

Wednesday, June 10

Quilters @ 10:00am, Narthex

Brianna's Hope @ 6:00pm,

Narthex/Library

Paws for Peace @ 2pm, Hartsfield

Thursday, June 11

Knit & Crochet @12:30pm, Library

SPRC @ 5:00pm, Children Sunday School

Room

Finance @ 6:00pm, Library

Social Justice Ministry @ 7:00pm, Zoom

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Announcements and Community News

June Second Mile Giving for Hope UMC - The Welcome Network – Located in Hammond, IN. The Welcome Network helps immigrants and refugees by providing legal aid, housing, and community support for families starting a new life. They depend on both donations and volunteers to continue serving people in need. For more information: visit www.thewelcomenet.org.


Pastor Jim Vacation - Pastor Jim will be on vacation from **June 8-21**. Please pray for him to have a restful and refreshing time with his family! Pastor Pete is available for any pastoral care needs that arise, and Brenda will be in the office during her regular hours for all administrative needs. Please contact them should you need anything while Pastor Jim is away.


Foam Party Outreach Event, Saturday, June 20 from 1pm-3pm: Join Community Preschool and Childcare, Messy Church, and Hope UMC for a Foam Party on the church lawn! Enjoy music, fellowship, and foam-filled fun as we welcome families from our community. Bring a towel—you may get wet! This outreach event is funded by the CPCC Popcorn Sale and a memorial gift in honor of Pauline Luthi. For more information, contact Karianne at (219) 844-3030, Ext. 305 or email director@communitypreschoolandchildcare.org.


Impact 2818 – is the outdoor ministry of the Indiana Conference of the United Methodist Church. To engage, equip, and empower young people through meaningful outdoor experiences where they encounter God’s transforming love through camps, retreats, and conferences. To learn more, visit their website at <https://www.inumc.org/outdoor-ministries>.

The altar flowers in worship this morning is **in memory of Ed Jarmula**, given by Nancy Jarmula.

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Welcome and Community Life

Prelude

Centering Words

Call to Worship

Leader: God calls us to move into the unknown, trusting in divine promises. God calls us to move into the unknown, trusting in divine promises.

People: We come with faith, like Abraham and Sarah, daring to follow where God leads.

Leader: God speaks, "I will bless you and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing."

People: We gather to receive God's blessing and to be a blessing in this world.

Leader: Let us worship the God who journeys with us.

People: We journey in faith, trusting the One who calls us by name.

*Opening Hymn – O Worship the King (UMH 73)

1 O worship the King, all glorious above, O gratefully sing God's power and God's love; our Shield and Defender, the Ancient of Days, pavilioned in splendor, and girded with praise.

2 O tell of God's might, O sing of God's grace, whose robe is the light, whose canopy space, whose chariots of wrath the deep thunderclouds form, and dark is God's path on the wings of the storm.

3 The earth with its store of wonders untold, Almighty, thy power hath founded of old; hath established it fast by a changeless decree, and round it hath cast, like a mantle, the sea.

4 Thy bountiful care, what tongue can recite? It breathes in the air, it shines in the light; it streams from the hills, it descends to the plain, and sweetly distills in the dew and the rain.

5 Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail, in thee do we trust, nor find thee to fail; thy mercies how tender, how firm to the end, our Maker, Defender, Redeemer, and Friend.

Opening Prayer

Children's Message

Memory Verse: Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: Rejoice! (Philippians 4:4)

Prayer Hymn – Spirit Song (UMH 347)

1 O let the Son of God enfold you with his Spirit and his love.

Let him fill your heart and satisfy your soul. O let him have the things that hold you, and his Spirit like a dove will descend upon your life and make you whole.

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[Refrain] Jesus, O Jesus, come and fill your lambs.
Jesus, O Jesus, come and fill your lambs.

2 O come and sing this song with gladness as your hearts are filled with joy.
Lift your hands in sweet surrender to his name. O give him all your tears and sadness; give him all your years of pain, and you'll enter into life in Jesus' name. [Refrain]

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 – Hear Us, O God (UMH 490)

Prayer of Illumination

God of compassion, you have opened the way for us and brought us to yourself. Pour your love into our hearts, that, overflowing with joy, we may freely share the blessings of your realm and faithfully proclaim the good news of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

A Psalm Reading (responsive)

Psalm 33:1-12

Leader: Rejoice in the Lord, O you righteous! Delight and praise, O you upright!

People: Praise the Lord with the lyre, make melody to the Lord with the heart of 10 strings!

Leader: Sing to the Lord a new song, play skillfully on the strings, with loud shouts.

People: Upright is the word of the Lord, whose work is done in faithfulness.

Leader: The Lord loves righteousness and justice; The earth is full of the steadfast love of the Lord.

People: By the word of the Lord the heavens were made, and all their host by the breath of God's mouth.

Leader: The Lord gathered the waters of the sea as in a bottle and put the deeps in storehouses.

People: Let all the earth fear the Lord, let all the inhabitants of the world stand in awe!

Leader: For the Lord spoke, and it came to be; the Lord commanded, and it stood forth.

People: The Lord brings the counsel of the nations to nothing and frustrates the plans of the peoples.

Leader: The counsel of the Lord stands forever, the thoughts of God's heart to all generations.

People: Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord, the people whom the Lord has chosen as a heritage!

Scripture Reading

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Genesis 12:1-9

The Lord said to Abram, “Leave your land, your family, and your father’s household for the land that I will show you. I will make of you a great nation and will bless you. I will make your name respected, and you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, those who curse you I will curse; all the families of the earth will be blessed because of you.”

Abram left just as the Lord told him, and Lot went with him. Now Abram was 75 years old when he left Haran. Abram took his wife Sarai, his nephew Lot, all of their possessions, and those who became members of their household in Haran; and they set out for the land of Canaan. When they arrived in Canaan, Abram traveled through the land as far as the sacred place at Shechem, at the oak of Moreh. The Canaanites lived in the land at that time. The Lord appeared to Abram and said, “I give this land to your descendants,” so Abram built an altar there to the Lord who appeared to him. From there he traveled toward the mountains east of Bethel, and pitched his tent with Bethel on the west and Ai on the east. There he built an altar to the Lord and worshipped in the Lord’s name. Then Abram set out toward the arid southern plain, making and breaking camp as he went.

Sermon – “To Be a Blessing”

Holy Communion

...Hear the good news: Christ died for us while we were yet sinners; that proves God’s love for us.

In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven! **In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!**

Glory to God. Amen

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

....

And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

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Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

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And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ, we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ's offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

Prayer After Communion

Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us.

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Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of your Spirit, to give ourselves for others, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Offering our Gifts to God

*The Doxology (UMH 94)

*Prayer of Dedication

***Closing Hymn – Sent Forth by God's Blessing (UMH 664)**

1 Sent forth by God's blessing, our true faith confessing, the people of God from this dwelling take leave. The service is ended, O now be extended the fruits of our worship in all who believe. The seed of the teaching, receptive souls reaching, shall blossom in action for God and for all. God's grace did invite us, and love shall unite us to work for God's kingdom and answer the call.

2 With praise and thanksgiving to God ever living, the tasks of our everyday life we will face. Our faith ever sharing, in love ever caring, embracing God's children of each tribe and race. With your grace you feed us, with your light now lead us; unite us as one in this life that we share. Then may all the living with praise and thanksgiving give honor to Christ and that name which we bear.

***Breakthrough Prayer**

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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