

Hope United Methodist Church

September 27, 2026

In Full Accord

Pastor Jim Denton

Psalm 78:1-4, 12-16

Philippians 2:1-13

Today's Music:

Opening Hymn: Majesty, Worship His Majesty (UMH 176)

Prayer Hymn: We Gather Together (UMH 131)

Choir Anthem: Jesus, The Light Of the World

Closing Hymn: Precious Name (UMH 536)

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, Aiden

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

Choral Anthem

Scripture Reading

Sermon

Apostle's Creed

Lesser Thanksgiving

Offering Our Gifts to God

Doxology | Prayer of Dedication*

Closing Hymn *

Dismissal with Blessing*

*Please stand, as you are comfortable.

Serving Today

Greeters: Anna Frankland, Irma Mora

Ushers: Irma Mora & Fran Vukovich

Acolyte: RJ Heady

Children's Message: Cyndi Slaboski

Liturgist: Joan Link

Organist: David Bieschke

Fellowship: Heady Family

Serving Next Sunday

Greeters: Sandy Van Horn

Ushers: Fran Vukovich

Acolyte: Bellamy Avina

Children's Message: Pastor Jim

Liturgist: Pat Mosley

Organist: David Bieschke

Fellowship: Wednesday Bible Study

Weekly Calendar

Sunday, September 27

Youth Group @ 11:30am, Downstairs

Neighborhood Meal @ 5:00pm, (UWFaith)

LSA @ 2:00pm, Hebron UMC

Monday, September 28

Phil's Friends @ 10:00am, Library

Dart Ball @ 11:30am, Basement

N.A. @ 11:30am, Sunday School Room

Tuesday, September 29

Sonrise Seniors @ 10:30 am, Library

N.A. @ 11:30am, Sunday School Room

Wednesday, September 30

Quilters @ 10:00am, Narthex

Bible Study @ 10:30am, Library

Brianna's Hope @ 6:00pm,

Narthex/Library

Thursday, October 1

Knit & Crochet @ 12:30pm, Library

SPRC @ 5:00pm, Library

Friday, October 2

N.A. @ 11:30am, Sunday School Room

Sunday, October 4

Youth Group @ 11:30am, Downstairs

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Announcements and Community News

September Second Mile Giving for Hope UMC – Phil's Friends, is an organization that provides free, customized care packages and heartfelt support to cancer patients. Their mission is to spread love, hope, and strength during one of life's toughest battles—reminding those facing cancer that they are never alone.

Northern Lakes Fall Lay Servant Academy – Class will meet today, from **2:00–5:00 p.m.** at Hebron UMC, 202 W. Church St., Hebron, IN.

Introduction to Lay Servant Ministry - You are invited to join us for the Lay Servant Ministries course to begin or continue training for living out the call to make disciples for the transformation of our churches, communities, and world. This is an in-person Lay Servant Academy event. Attendance at all 4 sessions is required for credit. This class begins on October 11 and runs **October 11, 18, 25, and November 1, 1-4pm** at **Hope UMC, 7320 Northcote Ave., Hammond, IN. Register by October 8:**
<https://inumc.swoogo.com/introlayministry2026>

Pastor & Staff Appreciation Sunday – Join us **Sunday, October 25**, as we celebrate and honor our wonderful pastor and staff for their dedication, love, and faithful service to our Hope community! Join us for worship and fellowship as we show our gratitude. A basket will be available for cards and small gifts of appreciation. Let's come together to let our pastor and staff know how much they are loved and appreciated!

Trick-or- Treating Event — On **Tuesday, October 27**, Hope UMC combined with Messy Church and Community Preschool and Childcare will be having a Trick-or-Treating event for the community from 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., in the community center. To help support this wonderful event, we are asking for Halloween candy donations. There will be a festive candy container by the Welcome Center for donations. **Deadline for Candy Donations is Sunday, October 25.**

The altar flowers in worship are given by and **in memory of loved ones**, given by Yvonne Jackson.

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www.facebook.com/INHopeUMC. And make sure you visit the website: inumc.org

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Welcome and Community Life

Prelude

Centering Words

What does it mean for you to work on your salvation? How can you best emulate the life of Jesus?

Call to Worship

Leader: The apostle Paul calls us to “let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus.” What is the mind of Jesus?

People: The mind of Jesus is to love God, neighbor, self, and all creation.

Leader: Paul reminds us that “it is God who is at work in you.” How is God at work in us?

People: God enables us through grace to love God, neighbor, self, and all creation.

Leader: Paul exhorts us to “work on your own salvation with fear and trembling.” How do we work on our own salvation?

People: We cooperate with grace to love God, neighbor, self, and all creation.

Leader: Beloved, we gather to worship God who, through Jesus, shows us how to love and enables us to love as Christ loves us.

People: We gather to learn how to live in full accord through our love of God, neighbor, self, and all creation.

*Opening Hymn – Majesty, Worship His Majesty (UMH 176)

Majesty, worship his majesty; unto Jesus be all glory, honor, and praise. Majesty, kingdom authority, flow from his throne unto his own; his anthem raise. So exalt, lift up on high the name of Jesus. Magnify, come glorify Christ Jesus, the King. Majesty, worship his majesty, Jesus who died, now glorified, King of all kings.

Opening Prayer

Children’s Message

Memory Verse: Great is our Lord, and mighty in power; his understanding is infinite. (Psalm 147:5)

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Prayer Hymn - We Gather Together (UMH 131)

1 We gather together to ask the Lord's blessing; he chastens and hastens his will to make known. The wicked oppressing now cease from distressing. Sing praises to his name; he forgets not his own.

2 Beside us to guide us, our God with us joining, ordaining, maintaining his kingdom divine; so from the beginning the fight we were winning; thou, Lord, wast at our side, all glory be thine!

3 We all do extol thee, thou leader triumphant, and pray that thou still our defender wilt be. Let thy congregation escape tribulation; thy name be ever praised! O Lord, make us 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 – Hear Us, O God

Prayer of Illumination

A Psalm Reading – Psalm 78:1-4, 12-16

Leader: Give ear, O my people, to my teaching: incline your ears to the words of my mouth!

People: I will open my mouth in a parable; I will utter dark sayings from of old,

Leader: Things that we have heard and known, that our forebears have told us.

People: We will not hide them from their children, but tell to the coming generation the glorious deeds of the Lord, the might, and wonders God has wrought.

Leader: The Lord wrought marvels in the sight of their forebears in the land of Egypt, and the fields of Zoan,

People: the Lord divided the sea and let them pass through it, and made the waters stand like a heap, led them with a cloud in the daytime, and all the night with a fiery light,

Leader: cleft rocks in the wilderness, and gave them drink abundantly as from the deep,

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People: made streams come out of the rock, and caused waters to flow down like rivers.

Choral Anthem – Jesus, The Light Of the World

Scripture Reading – Philippians 2:1-13

If, then, there is any comfort in Christ, any consolation from love, any partnership in the Spirit, any tender affection and sympathy, make my joy complete: be of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. Do nothing from selfish ambition or empty conceit, but in humility regard others as better than yourselves. Let each of you look not to your own interests but to the interests of others. 5 Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, who, though he existed in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be grasped, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, assuming human likeness. And being found in appearance as a human, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death—even death on a cross. Therefore God exalted him even more highly and gave him the name that is above every other name, so that at the name given to Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father. Therefore, my beloved, just as you have always obeyed me, not only in my presence but much more now in my absence, work on your own salvation with fear and trembling, for it is God who is at work in you, enabling you both to will and to work for his good pleasure.

Sermon – “In Full Accord”

Apostle’s Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried;* the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

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)

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*Prayer of Dedication

***Closing Hymn** – Precious Name (UMH 536)

1 Take the name of Jesus with you, child of sorrow and of woe; it will joy and comfort give you; take it then, where'er you go.

[Refrain] Precious name, O how sweet! Hope of earth and joy of heaven. Precious name, O how sweet! O how sweet, how sweet! Hope of earth and joy of heaven.

2 Take the name of Jesus ever, as a shield from every snare; if temptations round you gather, breathe that holy name in prayer. [Refrain]

3 O the precious name of Jesus! How it thrills our souls with joy, when his loving arms receive us, and his songs our tongues employ! [Refrain]

4 At the name of Jesus bowing, falling prostrate at his feet, King of kings in heaven we'll crown him, when our journey is complete. [Refrain]

Dismissal with Blessing

Postlude