

THE LOOP

WORSHIP
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FIRST TIME HERE?

WELCOME! We are always happy to meet new friends!

It is our sincerest hope that you will feel welcome here and come back soon!

THE HOPE COMMONS APP

Make sure to download the Hope Commons App! It includes: the Live Webcast, podcasts, a digital copy of this Loop and more!



GUEST WIRELESS

Look for: "Guest of Hope Commons" network. No password required!

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The Deepest Well Dinner and Discussion

Sunday, August 7, 5PM

Read The Deepest Well and join us for dinner and discussion! Dinner for 2 is \$20 (yes, bring a friend). Kids will have their own program with dinner.

Register today using the Hope Commons App to save your seat in the room. We will also host this live on the Hope Commons YouTube channel.

Blessing of the Backpacks

August 12 & 13, All Services

The first day of school is right around the corner. In anticipation of the 2022-23 school year beginning, we are inviting students, teachers, professors, janitorial staff and lunch ladies alike to bring their backpacks to the weekend services and place them upfront for a special blessing for the new year! Don't have a backpack for school? We can help! Mark your Connection Card or talk to Chanel!

She Matters Women's Conference

August 26 & 27, \$20

Hope Point Nazarene are hosting the She Matters Women's Conference on August 26 & 27. Friday night will be for the adult women, and Saturday will be for the youth! Register on the Hope Commons app.



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Teaching Pastor & Coffee Expert

Ron has been the lead teaching pastor for East Ave Church since 2002.

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PASTOR ANDY SHOEMAKER

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PASTOR SAM WOOD

Family Life Pastor

Sam heads up our adult small groups program, leads youth group, and he and Harmony lead Serenity, a 12-step recovery ministry.

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WORSHIP

We fulfill our purpose as we learn to worship God, both corporately & privately.

Worship is not a style of music, a way to dress, or even an event to attend. It is a way of life! We worship with our life when we bring glory and honor to God. We meet together on the weekends to remind ourselves what we are to live like the rest of the week!

Baptism A Public Statement of Faith

Baptism is a tradition that dates back long before the New Testament begins. By the time we meet John the Baptist in Matthew 3, baptism has become a public statement of a life dedicated to the Kingdom of God through confession and repentance.

Baptism is an outward expression of something that happens inside us. When we say "Yes" to Jesus, we move from the Kingdom of Me to the Kingdom of God! In the language of the New Testament, we go from death to life!

Interested in knowing more? Ask at the lobby's Welcome Center!



Giving at Hope Commons Why We Give

We believe we should live generously in this world while first taking care to fund the Kingdom ministry of the local

church. This place thrives by the faithful giving of the people that sit in these pews!

Ways to Give

When you are ready to give, we have several different ways to go about doing that!

The Plate: On hiatus right now!

The Box: There's a security box on the back walls of the sanctuary and patio.

The Mail: Many people send a recurring check using their bank's bill pay feature.

The Web: Go to our website and find the "Give" link or use the link in the East Ave Church app.

Text-to-Give: Text the dollar amount of your tithe or offering to 84321 (as if that were a phone number). You can also designate a specific fund by including a keyword in your text, like "food" or "camp".

Faithful as You Intend to Be

Life gets busy! Finding a way to automate your giving is a great way to stay faithful with giving. Whether you use your bank's recurring bill pay system or online at our website, you can set monthly, bi-monthly, bi-weekly or weekly gifts to fulfill your intentions!

**3 WORSHIP
OPPORTUNITIES**
Saturday 6PM
Sunday 9AM & 11AM
We Live Stream the 11AM service! Now you never have to miss weekend worship no matter your schedule!

CONNECT

Our relationship with God is shaped by the company we purposefully keep.

Here are ways to stay connected at Hope Commons Church!



creating a safe and fun environment for your child – one that grows their minds and instills in them a love for Jesus and a passion for His word! Our Sunday morning program is available for children 2 months through 5th Grade.



Connect Youth
Every Wednesday, 6:30PM to 8PM

We will be hosting youth group at a private residence all summer! We will take advantage of a nice pool and deck, serve food every week and soak up some fun in the sun. Yeah, we will also sing some songs and break into small groups. It will be epic! Get the address from one of the pastors and fill out a Connect Card & write "Connect Youth" on the back!



Our Weekly Small Groups

We have many adult small groups that meet for sessions of 10 weeks at a time. New Fall Life Lab sessions begin the week of August 22! In the meantime, there are plenty of summer groups still meeting. Check page 4 for more details or write on your Connection Card!

First Saturday Dinners

Next: August 6 @ 5PM

The Saturday night worship crowd gets together every first Saturday of the month for dinner before church. You don't have to regularly attend Saturdays to come hang out!



KIDS ZONE



YOUTH GROUP



LIFE LABS



UPCOMING EVENTS



MONDAYS
BIG MEETING @ 6PM

SMALL GROUPS @ 6:30PM

Serenity is a 12-Step, Jesus Centered approach to recovery.

We offer support, strength, and opportunities for spiritual growth to those suffering from: addiction, compulsion, disease, hurt, hang-up, or weakness. For information, please write "Serenity" on your Connection Card and drop it in the offering box.

Big Meeting

Every week, we spend time together as a large group worshiping, sharing testimonies, and hearing devotionals that keep us focused on our recovery.

Small Groups

After the Big Meeting, we break into smaller, gender-specific groups, so we can share our week's experiences and seek prayer from each other. We help strengthen those around us by sharing the load together.

Chip Night/Birthday!

The last Monday of every month we celebrate those individuals who have achieved some time in recovery - from 24 hours to 32 years - Recovery Happens One Day At A Time!

Wednesday Night Prayer

Every Wednesday 7PM in the Sanctuary

Every week we gather for prayer in the sanctuary with Choir Tennin. Whether you want to be prayed for, or just want to pray with folks, come on in!

Small Groups this Summer

We're taking a break from Life Labs through the summer, but we still have several groups that will continue to meet!

War Room: Ladies Group: Wednesday's at 4PM in room 104 or on Zoom. We will be going through a BibleProject study.

Mustache Club: Men's fellowship: Thursday's 8AM in Pastor Ron's office & on Zoom. Will also be going through a BibleProject study.

Mom's Group: Wednesday's at 9AM-11AM in the Hope Commons Lobby, starts June 22nd. Childcare rotation (we all take a turn watching the kids). Using the Material from "Triggers: Exchanging Parents Reactions with Gentle Biblical Responses." We have copies available for donation.

Mark Louw

Guest Speaker: August 13 & 14

Mark used to be on staff here in the 90s and now he's coming back as a guest speaker in August! He has just been hired to be a part of the staff of World Missions as the Regional Coordinator of Asia Pacific.

Sabbatical for Pastor Ron

Pastor Ron is heading for a sabbatical starting in September. A sabbatical is an extended time of rest and restoration, generally every seven years. Pastor Ron's last sabbatical was in 2014. This is a common practice for pastors with a long tenures.

Congrats Davis & Kelsey

Davis Salvador and Kelsey Zimmer tied the knot in a beautiful ceremony on July 10!



A Few Anniversaries

The weekend of August 20 and 21, we will be celebrating the 100 year anniversary of our church! That same weekend we will also be celebrating Pastor Ron's 20 year anniversary of being on staff!

Judith Stark-Modlin Memorial

Sunday, July 31. 2PM

Judith, one of our Saturday worship folks, left us on July 19, 2022. We will host a memorial service on July 31 at 2PM. We will need lobby folks and will be having a dessert gathering afterwards in the FMC. Dick, JJ and Andrew invite all of us to come celebrate a life well lived.



Back to School Bash

Connect Youth, August 12, 8PM

Connect Youth is throwing an epic back to school bash on August 12 at 8PM! It will be held at a private residence, so let us know if you're interested by writing on your Connection Card or by contacting Pastor Sam.

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CHANEL YOUNG

Kids Zone Director

Chanel is a utility infielder that currently leads our children's programs. Chanel Rocks!

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HOLLY SHIPPEN

Accounting/HR

Holly has been in charge of all of our finances and human resources since 2018. She also answers to Dream Crusher.

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NATALIE CANIDA

Office Team Coordinator

Natalie is handling a ton of office duties, including scheduling the building and coordinating communications!

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SERVE

The heart of the message of Jesus compels us to personally act out our faith.
Explore ways you can serve here at Hope Commons Church and your community.

SIGN UP ONLINE OR IN THE WELCOME CENTER!

All Church Serve Day Saturday, August 13 from 8AM

We are hosting a morning of serving at our East Ave Campus! We always have a lot of projects that will take many hands! Some of them inside and some of them outside. Some require some maintenance skills, and others just take a willing person!

You certainly can just show up, but if you want to let us know you are coming we will set up a project with your skills and interests in mind. Let us know on a Connection Card or on the Hope Commons Church app under "Volunteer".

Volunteer @ Hope Commons

Volunteers are the life-blood of this place. There is no way we could serve our community each week without all of the people who faithfully give their time and talents.

There's always room to serve because we put a lot of people to work on a rotating schedule.

Facilities Team

These folks help maintain the church and assist with stewarding the blessing of the building that God has given us.

Guest Services Team

This is an important ministry within our church. You are our guests' first

impression, and your service can help facilitate pastoral care. You never know when a smile might change someone's entire week!

Tech & Visuals Team

We train folks (who are tech-inclined) to help keep the worship services flowing! That includes: what goes on the big screen, the lights and sound, and the live webcast.

Kids Zone

Every week we have a fun, interactive Bible session, play games, and make a craft. Volunteering in these classrooms is a great way to pass on the love of Jesus.

Meal Team Six

One thing a church family should do well is take care of people in times of crisis or transition. Volunteers on this team sign up to make a meal and deliver it!

Kids Clothes Closet

The Kids Clothes Closet is open every first Sunday of the month between our 9AM and 11AM services. The clothing closet is in need of help sorting items, then folding/hanging/stocking clothes for the current season.

Food Bank

Open Every Monday @ 5PM

Did you know our food bank here gives away a lot of food? We give out around 200 bags of food each month. If you would like some help feeding your family, or know of anyone who *would like* help, we give to anyone who asks!

Where does the food come from?

The food we give away comes from several sources: we buy food by the pound from the Butte County Food Bank in Oroville, and we receive bread, and some fresh produce, from the Chico Gleaners. After that, whatever we still need we get from Winco. Additionally, food comes from folks who like to give from a specific list, since we have carefully designed the bags to hold specific meals.



How you can help

You can donate right to the food bank. Use the keyword "food" to get it to the right place. All the ways to give are on page 2!

You can also get a list of the foods that are currently in the food bags

by following the Scan Me code! The top need this summer is sunscreen and mosquito spray!

Local Happenings

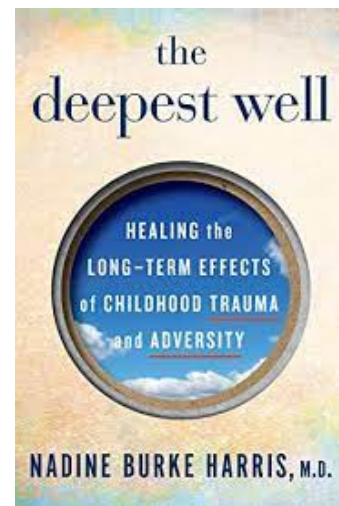
Chico Table Tennis – Tuesdays 6PM to 10PM

A local ping pong group is now hosting their weekly meet ups right here in the Hope Commons gym! All are welcome, whether you are exceptional, or just want to learn to play. \$5 a night. Everything is provided!

Hope Commons Book Club

Has your faith given you a desire to serve others, but you are not sure where to start?

Pastor Ron has compiled a stack of books that shapes the way he thinks about how the church should engage our community. These are not books written specifically to a Christian audience, but books that challenge the status quo in each field they address.. We will look for ways together to engage our neighborhoods in fresh ways.



Every book we read together will have a hard copy, Kindle and Audible version available.

The Deepest Well

Nadine is a Pediatrician who founded a public health clinic in a rough part of San Francisco. Her work and research lead her to other folks encountering the same trends. She found that childhood diversity in the home leads to many adult health risks, like autoimmune disorders, heart disease, addiction as so much more. Are there tangible things we can do to save the next generation?

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NOTES AND VERSES

John 6

WORSHIP RESOURCES

Sanctuary Volume

We know everyone has different comfort levels when it comes to sound reinforcement, whether it is decibels, frequencies or pressure.

Your comfort is important to us! We stock the Lobby with disposable ear plugs for the comfort of those with sensitive hearing. Just ask one of our Guest Services Team and they will get some for you!

Bibles

If you need a Bible, please take one from the pew or download the Bible App!

Search for "YouVersion" on the App Store or in Google Play. You can read your preferred version as well as choosing different Bible studies in order to dig deeper into God's word.



WHAT COMES NEXT?

I RAISED MY HAND

If you have recently made a decision to follow Jesus (whether the first time or a renewed commitment), the pastoral staff would like the chance to celebrate with you! We would like to hear your story and answer any questions you have as to your next steps.

I WANT TO BE BAPTIZED

Baptism is an outward symbol of something that has happened on the inside. It is a community celebration of new life! This is a public declaration of a person crossing from death to life, and into the Kingdom of God! We love to celebrate together!

If you are interested in baptism, we would love the chance to chat about the details!

I WANT TO BECOME A MEMBER

On regular occasions we hold a Hope Commons 411 class, where Pastor Ron talks about the history and backdrop of our church and about the passions that drive us forward. He also talks about what it means to be an official member of the nuts-and-bolts structure that keeps our community organized! If you let us know you are interested in the details, we will move up the next meeting to fit your schedule!

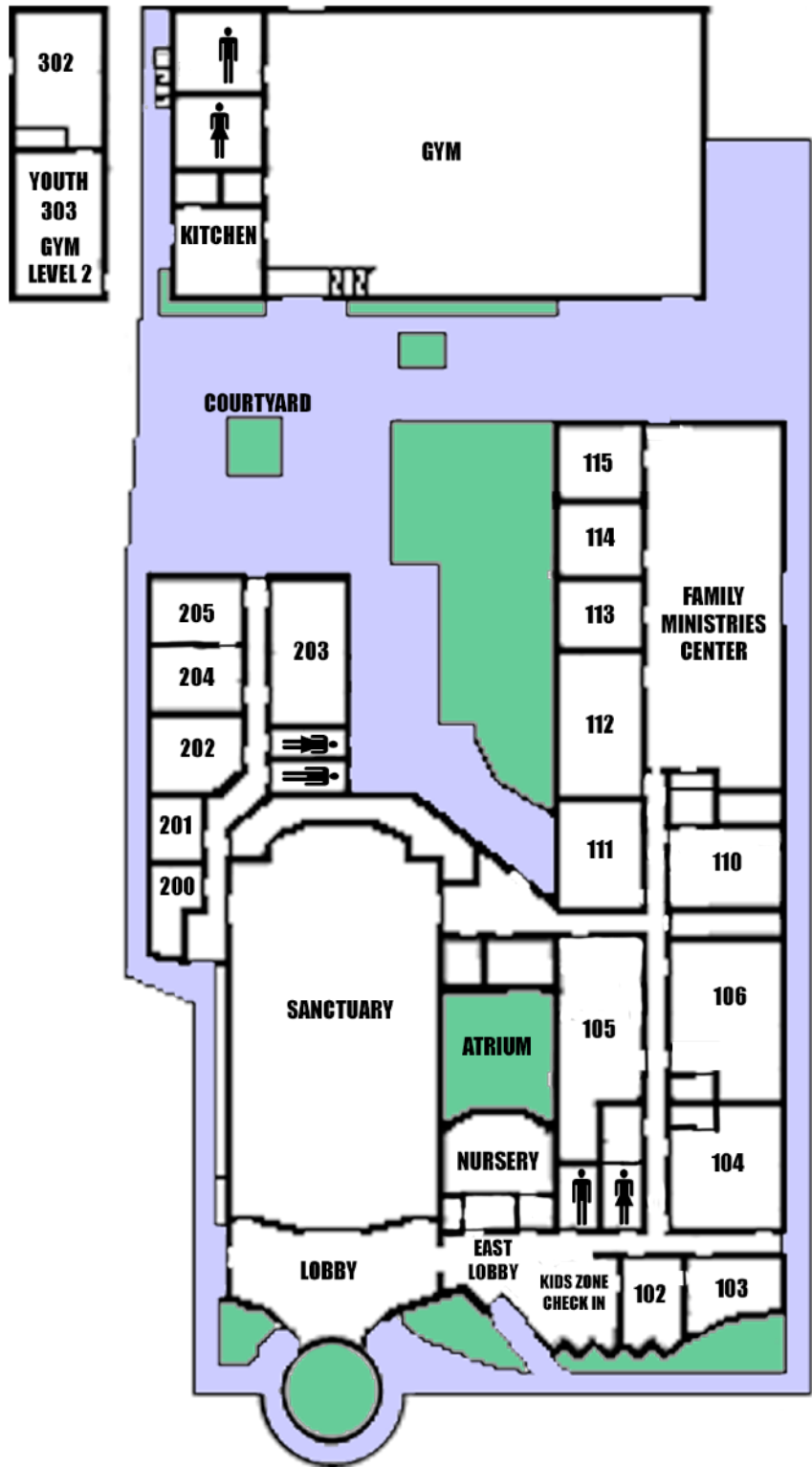
ABOUT US:

We are a Community of Jesus that seeks to introduce our city to the God of the Bible. We are bound together by a faith that is both ancient and relevant. We seek to share our faith with all who care to listen.

As an organization, we seek to **Connect People to God** through worship - purposefully bringing honor to God in every aspect of life. We seek to **Connect People to Others** through Community Groups that meet throughout the week. We also endeavor to **Serve All**, as a natural outpouring of a life lived for God.

We are a part of a group known as the Nazarenes. The Church of the Nazarene is a world-wide organization in well over 160 countries. We seek to bring the presence of God to local communities around the globe through things like clean water, medical clinics, agriculture instruction, soup kitchens and orphanages. Through these actions the message of God is lived out loud. Today you worship alongside more than 2.8 million, in hundreds of languages on six continents.

Thank you for joining us today!



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