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+ Coffee hour/Sunday Luncheon: There is a sign-up list on the whiteboard in the parish house kitchen for those who want to provide lunch. The entire year is listed on the sign-up pages. The last Sunday of the month is a Pot Luck, so plan to bring your favorite dish!

+ GriefShare meets every Tuesday at 6:30 PM. The next session will be September 5th. You may contact Jo Steffy, the Group Facilitator, at 717-572-7491.

+ Bless the Backpacks: Join us next Sunday, September 10th as we pray with our students and Bless their Backpacks! Make sure to have your kiddos bring their backpacks to worship with them next Sunday! We would like to pray for all of the students of Hope Church by name! Please take a moment and fill out the slip in your bulletin with the names of students for whom we may pray & place it in the offering plate.

Is your child's classroom in need of supplies? Please list those on the back of the Student Prayer slip so we may support our area classrooms and students!

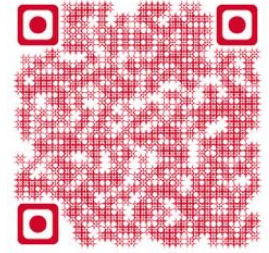
+ Dedicate a Bible: Have you ever thought about dedicating a Bible in honor or in memory of someone? Now is your chance! New pew Bibles have been purchased and placed in the pews for use during services. If you would like to sponsor and dedicate a Bible, please contact the church office. The cost is \$20. Forms are available on the table at the back of the Church.

+ Green Paraments: We are currently working to complete the green parament set! If you would like to make a donation towards this project through the offering plate, you may simply note "paraments" in a check memo line or envelope. If you would like to sponsor the portion of the paraments as a memorial gift, please contact the church office.

+ Help, Healing and Hope: Phase 2 of the Help, Healing and Hope campaign has officially opened! We will continue to host this as a ministry for our neighboring churches in two dioceses to keep knocking out medical debt for our neighbors in Pennsylvania! We continue to host this as a ministry for our neighboring churches in two dioceses.

+ Membership Update Survey: In an effort to minister to the parishioners of Hope Church most effectively, we are working through and updating our membership records and the contact information that we have on file.

A simple, digital survey has been created that you may fill out to help update us on current contact preferences, birthdays and important anniversaries, and areas that you are interested in getting involved here at Hope Church! You may access it by scanning the QR code! Thank you for helping us update our records!



For those who are not tech-savvy, a paper copy of the membership survey is available on the table at the back of the Sanctuary! You may drop it off at the church office or leave it in the offering plate once complete.

+ Now more than ever, people need your help. The pandemic and inflation have exasperated food insecurity and housing issues. We need to continue to support our local food banks. One in 10 Lebanon County residents face food insecurity, which means nearly 14,000 individuals do not have certain access to adequate food throughout the year. There is a collection basket in the back of the church. From LCCM.

Mark your Calendars!

9/5	GriefShare - 6:30 to 8:30 PM
9/10	Blessing the Backpacks
10/1	Feast of St. Francis - Blessing of the Animals
10/7	National Acolyte Festival
10/15	St. Luke's Day / Oktoberfest - 175 th Anniversary
11/12	Annual Meeting
11/19	Kirkin' of Tartans
12/2	St. Lucy's Day - 6:30 PM
12/16	Lessons & Carols - 6:30 PM