

## Calendar for Week of 11/15/20

### SUNDAY

- 8:30 - Drive In Worship [Parking Lot]
- 9:45 - Contemporary [Worship Center]
- 9:45 - Sunday School
- 11:00 - Traditional Worship [Sanctuary]
- 6-8 - Youth Night (Hall)

### MONDAY

- 4:30—Prayer Ministry [Forge Rm]

### TUESDAY

### WEDNESDAY

- 7:00 am - Prayer & Sacrament
- 2:00—Sm grp [lounge]
- 7:00 pm—Celebrate Recovery

### THURSDAY

- 5:00 - Contemporary Worship Design Team
- 5:30 - Traditional Worship Design Team
- 6:30—Women's sm grp [zoom]
- 7:00 - Young Adult Group [Hall/Forge rm]

### FRIDAY

### SATURDAY

- 7:30—Men's sm grp [lounge]
- 9:00 - Contemporary Worship Rehearsal
- 6:00 - Drive In Worship [Parking Lot]

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Connecting with God in  
Worship and Community

**WE EXPRESS APPRECIATION** this morning to everyone who helped with this service.

Welcome to Contemporary Worship. We are so glad you are here this morning!

### Mission Statement for the Church of the Good Shepherd

We are committed to:

- Connecting persons to Jesus Christ
- Connecting with broken and hurting people
- Challenging persons to grow and celebrate their relationship with Jesus Christ
- Equipping persons and partnering with them to serve in God-powered ministry



United Methodist  
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**Contemporary Worship**



A Sure and Certain Hope

**November 15, 2020**  
**Sunday worship 9:45 p.m.**  
**in the Worship Center**

## A Sure and Certain Hope

Welcome  
Announcements

Opening Music: *My Story*  
by: Jason Ingram / Michael Weaver

Call to Worship

Song Celebration

*Cornerstone*  
*Sing Wherever I Go*  
*Hosanna (Praise Is Rising)*  
Band Instrumental

Message: *“A Sure and Certain Hope”*

Scripture: *1 Peter 1:1-12*

Speaker: Pastor Alan Smith

Prayer

Closing Song: *You Keep Hope Alive*  
by John Reddick

Sending Forth

Closing Music

## A Sure and Certain Hope

Scripture: 1 Peter 1:1-12     Pastor Alan Smith

The spiritual reality of faith on us and grace -  
these are the stepping stones by which we  
may climb out of despair and into a place of  
hope.

A dynamic tension between despair and hope.

When focused on our own human capacity –  
a life of despair.

When focused on God’s redemptive power in  
the present and the glory of God’s eternity -  
a life of hope.

1 Peter 1:1-9

Hope is what we travel on day by day. It is not  
merely hanging out and waiting for heaven.

Hope is not ignorant of the difficulties and  
challenges – it is the highway through them.

Romans 8: 18-12

Jeremiah 29: 11-13

If we are a people of hope:

1. Hope gives us a direction and a destination
2. Hope provides motivation and purpose for the journey
3. Hope provides the atmosphere for the life during the journey.

My atmosphere can change, become toxic,  
when travelling down the dirt road of despair  
rather than the highway of hope.

The world is in a heap of the pain of despair.  
Faith, hope, and love shape how we will  
respond to the pain.

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How do we cultivate this hope?

See life as an eternal life;

Live life in the midst of expectation for God’s  
redemptive work

African Archbishop Desmond Tutu: ***“I’m not  
optimistic, no. I’m quite different. I’m  
hopeful...”***

What is your direction in hope...

What is your purpose in hope...

What is the atmosphere of your hope?

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### Church Office Hours

Monday-Friday: 9am-2pm

Would you like to speak to someone regard-  
ing a personal or spiritual issue? Please con-  
tact the church office (717-272-7741) to set  
up a time to speak with Rev. Alan Smith.

Alan Smith, Pastor (Home: 717-273-9685)

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