



HIGHLIGHTS *from* ONE HOPE CHURCH

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THE WHOLE ARMOR, PART VII

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*Stand therefore, having fastened on the belt of truth, and having put on the breastplate of righteousness, and, as shoes for your feet, having put on the gospel of peace. In all circumstances take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming darts of the evil one; and take the helmet of salvation, **and sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God**, praying at all times in the Spirit with all prayer and supplication. To that end, keep alert with all perseverance, making supplication for all the saints...*

Ephesians 6:14-18

When I played football at a 4A Kansas high school, we almost all played both ways. In other words, we had an offensive and defensive position. For offense, I was a center, even at 158 pounds! On defense, I played defensive end. Center was an interesting position. I started the movement of the ball.

If I was too worried about the nose guard (the defender right in front of me) or the linebacker, who would shoot the gap, I could mess up the snap. If I messed up the snap, the ball might sail over the holder's head, and we'd lose the opportunity for a field goal or extra point.

In larger schools and college, athletes choose offense or defense. The Colorado Buffaloes have an incredible athlete named Travis Hunter. Hunter is a wide-receiver (offense) and a cornerback (defense). The Buffaloes rely on his impressive skills on both sides of the ball. In the pros, he'll be drafted to play offense OR defense, not both.

As we continue through the whole armor of God, we now take up the sword of the Spirit. Here Paul tells us directly what the sword is: the word of God. There is much debate

over whether this refers to the spoken word or the written word in scripture. Clinton E. Arnold says the answer is both!

A sword is an interesting fighting weapon. One can use it to block the attacks of the enemy (defense) or it can be used to swing at the enemy (offense). Using the sword of the spirit is like Travis Hunter stepping on the field! We use the word of God on offense, through the spread of the gospel. We use the word of God on defense by defending the faith through knowledge and application of God's word. God's word readies disciples for both offensive and defensive maneuvers for the faith.

The key here is that the Bible isn't just a great novel to read about others' interactions with God. We are to study it, but also let it become a powerful weapon to live out following Jesus and sharing Christ with others! God's Word is a powerful weapon. Use it wisely!



UNITE THE WORLD IN GOD'S LOVE AND GRACE

We are excited to gather clergy and laity from around the world for this historic event, where we will come together to share in fellowship, worship, and decision-making as we shape the future of our denomination.

September 20-26, 2024
San Jose, Costa Rica

A FAITHFUL FUTURE

The General Conference aims to:

- Facilitate dialogue on critical issues.
- Provide spiritual renewal.
- Foster collaboration among attendees.
- Ensure transparent governance.

EMBRACING OUR MISSION

Our conference theme, "So the World Will Know," encapsulates the core mission of the Global Methodist Church. Inspired by Jesus' prayer in John 17, this theme calls us to share the transformative message of God's love, salvation, grace, and forgiveness with the world—to make disciples of Jesus Christ who worship passionately, love extravagantly, and witness boldly.

Through our collective efforts and faithful witness, may the world come to know the boundless love of our Savior and experience the hope and redemption found in Him. Join us as we embrace this mission and work together to fulfill the mandate to spread the Good News to the ends of the earth.

Visit the [SO THE WORLD WILL KNOW](#) website to find out more and get involved!



WORSHIP SONGS

Opening Song

[Trust in God](#)

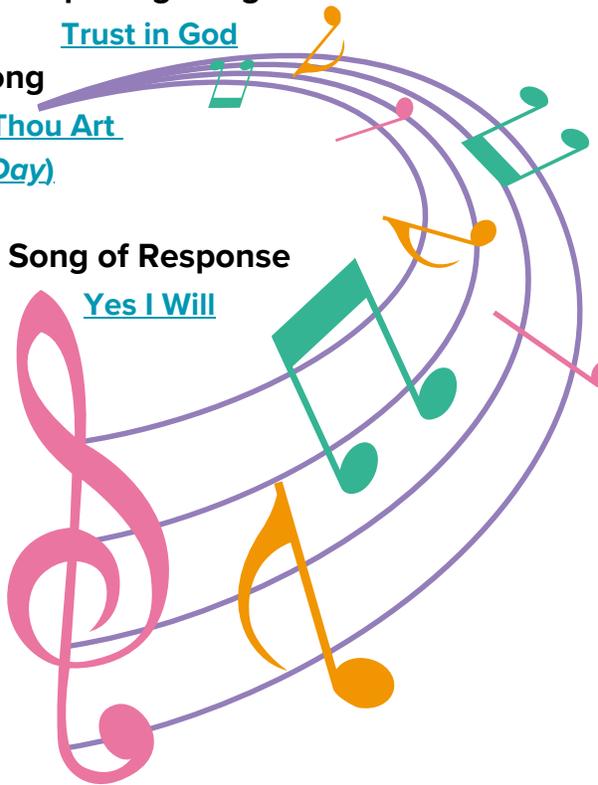
Worship Song

[How Great Thou Art](#)

(Until That Day)

Song of Response

[Yes I Will](#)



SEEKING SINGERS & MUSICIANS

Are you musically gifted? Can you sing? Here at One Hope we are looking to build our worship team and we would love for YOU to audition. **We are seeking a keyboard player, singers, and a drummer.**

Perhaps you aren't musically inclined but you know someone who is. Send them our way! We would love to meet with them.

You can schedule an audition with our worship leader, Christian Cox, by texting 816-316-0655.

CONNECTIONS

Access the sign up for [Sunday Volunteers!](#)

Click [missed a sermon](#) to hear any sermon from the One Hope archives!

Click the link below to sign up for a **Hope Builders group**.

[Hope Builders interest form](#)

SERMON SERIES

ONE HOPE CHURCH

GREAT MINDS

New sermon series:
September 9 to
October 27

Great minds think.
Great minds think about God.
You don't have to shut your mind down to grow in your faith. In fact, when you let God help, your thought process can be upgraded for some great thinking!

Join us for this series as we explore both the Old and New Testaments and discover that renewed minds are essential for living out our faith.

Romans 12:2

9/15

Joshua 24:14-24 "Choices, Choices, Choices"

9/22

1 Timothy 2:1-8 "The Mind's Desire"

9/29

Philippians 4:4-9 "Peace of Mind"

9/15 VOLUNTEERS

Clean Up

Michelle G.

Fellowship - Coffee & Treats

Michelle G.

Hospitality

Michelle G.

Prayer Group

Earl S., Randall S.

Prayer & Lord's Prayer

Bill F.

Tech - Audio

Laurie K.

Tech - Video

Bob K.



PRAYER CONCERNS

*“Do not be anxious about anything,
but in every situation, by prayer and petition,
with thanksgiving, present your requests to God.”
~ Philippians 4:6*

Prayers for:

Family & friends of the 2 students and 2 teachers killed in the shooting at Apalachee High School in Winder, GA and for the 9 others who were injured

Bill & Pam F. on the death of Bill's niece, Lisa W.

Ruby, in rehab after a recent fall resulted in a broken wrist, Sheryl A.'s mom

One Hope Outreach events at Deanna Rose Farmstead 9/14 & 10/18

Healing for all who are struggling with allergies or illness

Students & teachers as they return to school
For those in transition... new living situations, jobs

For those who have lost their hope in Jesus Christ, may their hearts be softened to hear His voice again

Jenna R., breast cancer, friend of Michelle G.

One Hope Church, to find its own affordable and spacious worship location

Global Methodist Church Heartland Conference

Global Methodist Church
Convening General Conference
9/20-9/26/24 San Jose, Costa Rica

Peace for Israel, Ukraine & Taiwan

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SUNDAY SCHEDULE

Prayer | 8:30am

Worship | 9:00am

Children | 9:15am

Fellowship | 9:50am

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