

## Serve

- **Sound Tech workers needed!** The worship team is seeking sound board and slideshow volunteers. We will train volunteers on the sound board system and/or ProPresenter slideshows. Saturday morning/Sunday morning commitment on a rotating schedule. For details please contact Christy Bellamy at [worshipteam@hopeolmsted.org](mailto:worshipteam@hopeolmsted.org).
- **ALPHA.** You're invited to "Experience Alpha" on Tuesday, October 24th at 6:30pm! Join us for dinner, a talk & discussion and find out what Alpha is all about. This is your chance to experience Alpha for yourself, ask questions, get involved & support this outreach. Registration available on website calendar or by calling the church office 440-427-4635. Please RSVP by Sunday 10/15. Contact Dawn Pettry at 239-357-6081 or [dawnpettry@gmail.com](mailto:dawnpettry@gmail.com) with questions.
- **Love INC Coat Drive.** Time to clean out those closets and donate your new or gently worn coats and jackets to Love In the Name of Christ. (If purchasing coats please purchase xx and larger). Bring your coat to Hope by October 22nd. The coats will be picked up, cleaned, and given to the homeless and poor throughout Cuyahoga County. Please help us reach out the hand of hope in a practical way as we extend Love In the Name of Christ. Thank you for partnering with Love INC.
- **Updated ONLINE Giving.** Go to <http://www.hopeolmsted.org/serve/giving> to donate, or TEXT to 84321.
- **Olmsted Falls Food Pantry--** Provide emergency food assistance for the Olmsted Falls community. There is an immediate need for BOXED CEREAL, PEANUT BUTTER & PASTA. Donations of any non-perishable food items are appreciated. We can also re-use your plastic store bags for food distribution. Thank You for feeding his hungry. See full list at Welcome Desk.

## Student Ministries

- **The Way (High School Youth Group)** All High Schoolers are welcome at The Way! We meet from 6:00-8:00PM every Sunday night in the Multi-Purpose Room (Gym) at Hope. We play creative group games, laugh, learn about Jesus, and we're discovering The Way to Contagious Abundant Life together. You're always welcome to bring friends along with you! If you have any questions, feel free to contact Pastor Josiah at [josiah.stumbo@hopeolmsted.org](mailto:josiah.stumbo@hopeolmsted.org).
- **Wildfire (Middle School Youth Group)** Attention Middle Schoolers! Join us at Wildfire every Wednesday night from 7:00-8:30. You'll make friends, play games, eat snacks and grow in your faith—all in one place! And as always, feel free to bring friends with you!
- **7th-12th Grade Fall Retreat at Stony Glen Camp!** Join us for a weekend in the woods with friends, night games, bonfires, hayrides, a costume party, group games, and good food. All that mixed with times of worship, learning from the Bible, connecting with God, and talking about what matters most in life with your friends and youth leaders. In summary: fall retreat is a blast. The cost is \$80. Register online today at <https://hopeolmsted.churchcenteronline.com>.

All our events can be found on our website:  
[www.hopeolmsted.org](http://www.hopeolmsted.org).  
App store: Hope Olmsted  
You can also connect with us on social media:  
Facebook: Hope Community Church  
Twitter: @hopeolmsted



**October 1, 2017**

**Pastor Joel Bubna**

6941 Columbia Road, Olmsted Falls, OH 44138

(440) 427-4635

Sunday 9:00 and 10:45



Member of the Christian & Missionary Alliance

**Hope Community Church**  
**Living on Purpose – Stewarding the Stuff**  
**Luke 12:13-21 / Matthew 6:19-21 & 33**

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Jesus calls the man who spent his whole life amassing possessions a fool; someone who lived his life without meaning. One of the biggest obstacles to living with purpose is “stuff.”

The cure to materialism is not to be a saver, it is to be a giver. Jesus talked a lot about money. He talked about it because he knew how easy it is for us to be possessed by it.

*“We are most like God when we are giving. Gaze upon Christ long enough, and you will become more of a giver. Give long enough, and you will become more like Christ.”*  
Dixie Fraley

When we live for God’s purposes we find our own. That is called surrender. The first stop on the road to surrender is often our pocketbook.

**I. The Truth About Stuff** Luke 12:14-15

Stuff = matter, material, articles, or activities of a specified or indeterminate kind that are being referred to, indicated, or implied.

- A. Stuff can fill time and space but not soul.
- B. At the end of the game, ALL the stuff goes back in the box.
- C. Stuff can possess us.

**II. Clearing Away Stuff** Matthew 6:33

*“Seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness and all these things will be given to you as well.”* Matthew 6:33

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- P-
- C-
- GJ-

**III. The Stuff Belongs to God**

*“The earth is the Lord’s, and everything in it.”* Psalm 24:1

**IV. Stewarding Stuff 101** Matthew 6:19-21

Often the first step in mastering stuff is becoming a giver. The Bible talks about giving from start to finish.

- A. Reasons to give.
- B. Practice of giving.
  - How?
  - Where?
  - How much?
- C. It is not about the money, it is about the heart.  
Before anything else, giving is an act of worship!!

**HCC News**

• **Visiting Hope for the first time? Welcome!** Please stop by the Welcome Desk in the lobby. We want to say hello and we have a small gift for you.

**Connect**

- **Fall Brochure of Classes** is available at the Welcome Desk.
- **Register for classes and events** at: on the website calendar ([www.hopeolmsted.org/events](http://www.hopeolmsted.org/events)), or <https://hopeolmsted.churchcenteronline.com>.
- **EPIC Party with the Pastors.** - Next Saturday, Oct. 7 at 6:00 **Today** is the last day to sign up and we are welcoming anyone 50+. Couples bring a main dish **and** a side. Singles bring one or the other. Dessert provided. Sign up at the website calendar. Don’t miss this one! See Renee Davis for details.
- **Families Anonymous**-a fellowship of people whose lives have been affected by the use of mind-altering substances or related behavioral problems of a relative or friend. Open even if there is only a suspicion of a problem. For more information, call The Families Anonymous Cleveland helpline: 440-779-HELP (4357), go to the website: [www.NortheastOhioFamiliesAnonymousIntergroup.com](http://www.NortheastOhioFamiliesAnonymousIntergroup.com), see brochure at Welcome Desk, or speak to Carolyn Rodecker at 440-427-4635 x 108.
- **Women of Hope.** We had a great start! Join us for our next meeting **October 16th**, 7 pm, in Room 106 (MP Room). Please register on website calendar.
- **Young Adult Ministry** -Are you age 18-35 and looking for growth and friendship? Join us here at the church on Tuesday **October 3rd**, 7pm. Questions? Contact Dave & Jess Flegal at [jessicaeflegal@gmail.com](mailto:jessicaeflegal@gmail.com).
- **MUMs** Join them October 5th, 10-12 noon. Questions, contact Lesley Placeway at [jlplaceway@yahoo.com](mailto:jlplaceway@yahoo.com).
- **Men of Hope. Saturdays** 7:30-9:00 am. Jesus and coffee! Contact Kris Bosworth with questions at [kjboswroth@yahoo.com](mailto:kjboswroth@yahoo.com).
- **Who is This Man?** Continues today, 10:45 in Room 111.
- **Think Differently, Live Differently.** See website for details. 7 pm, Room 111. Contact [Marsha.copper@hopeolmsted.org](mailto:Marsha.copper@hopeolmsted.org) with questions.
- **Hope T Shirts.** T shirts are now available at the Office. Cost is \$10.
- **Prayer meeting.** Thursdays 7-8 pm in room 109.
- **Weekly Prayer Letter.** If you’d like to be included on the prayer letter distribution list, or have prayer requests, praise reports or active military family member we need to pray for, email [prayer.request@hopeolmsted.org](mailto:prayer.request@hopeolmsted.org).
- **2017 Sunday Music Playlist** Want access to the music we are using at our Sunday services? Go to the Media tab on our website ([www.hopeolmsted.org/](http://www.hopeolmsted.org/)) to find a youtube playlist you can listen to all week!