

Sunday AM Sermon – June 29, 2025

Hope: An Edifying Community

Matthew 16:13-20



From the time that God declared, “It’s not good for man to be alone,” He has worked to create community for His human creation. There was marriage. Children. Towns. People groups. And of course, church.



1. Mark the number of times you hear these words:

Church –
Community –
Hope –

2. What concern did Jonathan Haidt have about Generation Z?
3. What declaration of faith is the rock-solid foundation for our community as disciples?
4. Why do many people not want to have anything to do with church?
5. How many people are gathering with the church?
6. Metaphor #1: A _____ for _____
7. Even in the best of families, what can we expect?
8. What does church provide that we are unlikely to learn anywhere else?
9. Metaphor #2: A _____ for _____
10. Look around you. What do you know of the wounds of people sitting near you?
11. Metaphor #3: A _____ _____ for _____
12. How do church relationships help us grow in Christlikeness?
13. Metaphor #4: An _____ for _____
14. What does it mean to be ecclesia?
15. What are we, as church, despite all our flaws?
16. What can and should we do rather than complain or quit?



Faith Talk, Faith Walk

Spend time with family or friends (maybe over a meal or during a family devotional) discussing the following related to the sermon

Faith Talk: When you think of church, what comes to mind and why?

Faith Walk: Instead of being a critic or quitting, work to make church what God intended us to be!

If you are here and have been touched or convicted by something said or done today we would love to study the Bible with you and introduce you more fully to our Savior, Jesus Christ. Just call the church office at 795-4377 and we will set something up. God bless you!

Next Sunday AM Sermon – Hope: A Chance to Repent (2 Corinthians 7:8-10)