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North Liberty, IA

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Mission and Beliefs

Our Mission

- **EXALT** our God by worship and life
- **EDIFY** his people through discipleship & fellowship
- **EVANGELIZE** the lost by word and deed
- **EXTEND** God's mercy through care for the poor and needy



What We Believe

Please click on this [link](#) to read the basic fundamental beliefs of Hope Evangelical Church.

Values and Vision

The primary ministry of Hope PCA is to proclaim the gospel of grace clearly and consistently in every venue given us—worship, Sunday school, small groups, family ministries, outreach, fellowship, and service—and to gladly serve as God's instruments in helping people understand, embrace, and apply the truth of God's Word that focuses on Christ throughout their lives. It is by the gospel that God brings glory to Himself and makes worshippers, by which lives are changed from the inside out, and by which people are brought by the Spirit to honor the Triune God willingly and joyfully in all of life and are enabled to love sincerely and sacrificially to the glory of Christ the Savior.



Please click on this [link](#) to read the beliefs that underlie our style of ministry in applying this calling to the situation in which God has placed us.

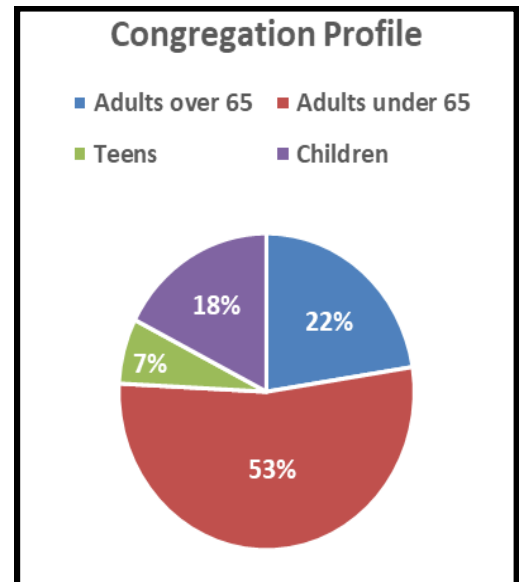
Who We Are

Key Dates in Our History

- February 1, 1987: Steering committee begins meeting regularly to plan a PCA church in Iowa City, IA
- September 13, 1987: First public worship service
- October 28, 1990: Officially organized as a “particular” church of what was then Heartland Presbytery (presently Iowa Presbytery)
- September 26, 1999: First service in our own, and current, building in North Liberty, IA, a few miles north of Iowa City
- October 2, 2024: Church planted in Cedar Rapids (Trinity Presbyterian Church) by Hope is particularized, separating from Hope

Congregation

Hope is a modest-size community of believers with 87 communicant members, an average worship attendance of 103 persons, and average Sunday School attendance of 39. We hold one worship each Sunday (10 a.m.) and Sunday School for all ages (9 a.m.). Our worship style tends toward traditional, utilizing the Trinity Hymnal, though we also employ an alternate song book with other traditional and some more modern hymns. Members come to Hope from as far as 60 miles away, but most are concentrated in North Liberty and its nearest neighbors (Iowa City, Solon). Ministry opportunities include: Sunday School for all ages, Small Group Bible Studies; Youth Group; Jr./Sr. High Girl’s Fellowship; Women’s Connection Group; Women’s Bible Study; Senior Men’s Breakfast; and Short Term Mission Trips.



Community

North Liberty, Iowa, is a rapidly growing city in East Central Iowa, with a population of 21,904. Originally a small community located along a railway connecting Cedar Rapids and Iowa City, over the past two decades North Liberty has transformed from a small farming community to a medium-sized city within the Iowa City-Cedar Rapids “corridor.” Its location provides easy access to big-city amenities while maintaining its small-town charm.

Due to its proximity to the University of Iowa its population is somewhat transient, and progressive. Eastern Iowa predominantly identifies as Roman Catholic, but North Liberty has no Catholic parish.

Job Description

Hope Evangelical Church (PCA) is a church committed to Reformed theology and has a warm, welcoming community. The pastor role at Hope involves faithfully preaching the Word, shepherding the flock, and equipping believers for ministry within our North Liberty, Iowa community. The following is not meant to detail every possible duty that might come up on a day-to-day basis, or to exclude additional tasks that the church Session may require.

Leading

- In coordination with the Session help to set the vision of the church's ministry and apply strategic thinking and planning to move the church membership toward realization of that vision, as God would grant.
- Study and be informed of trends in culture to encourage those that are in accord with the revealed will of God and to equip the church to stand against those that are in opposition.

Managing

- Moderate Session and congregational meetings, making sure that the various aspects of the church's ministry are functioning as they should and that the church and Session are adhering to Biblical principles, the PCA Book of Church Order, Iowa Presbytery Standing Rules and the local church priorities.

Doing

- Prepare order of worship for each week's service, consulting with office staff, music personnel and session as appropriate.
- Prepare Sunday School lesson each Sunday.
- Preach at Sunday morning service.
- Administer the Sacraments - Lord's Supper observed weekly, baptism as needed.
- Teach Sunday school classes, typically to an adult class, but could be to high school or other classes as arranged with the Session.
- Officiate other services as needed (e.g. funerals, weddings)
- Lead training sessions for elder and deacon nominees as needed.
- Lead new member classes as needed.
- As needed, provide pastoral counseling e.g., call on the sick, counsel those seeking spiritual guidance, counsel those needing correction, pre-marriage counseling, marriage counseling). There would not need to be a prearranged schedule (i.e., calendar for routine contact) for these activities.
- Maintain a routine presence in the office. It is the expectation of the Session that the pastor would ordinarily hold to a 5-day work week (Sunday being considered ½ day).
- Attend regularly and maintain an appropriate engagement with presbytery and denominational meetings.

How to Apply

Qualified and interested candidates may send applications to hopeevangelical.pca@gmail.com.

Please include:

- cover letter
- your resume
- PCA Ministerial Data Form

We look forward to hearing from you and know that our faithful God will answer our prayers and provide our next pastor for Hope Evangelical.

- Hope Evangelical Pulpit Nominating Committee