

# Blessed with Hope

## End of Life

Assist a loved one in planning a funeral and help make preparations.

Hold a Bible study on what heaven looks like and what to anticipate after we die.

Continue to support, pray for, and encourage those who have lost loved ones.

Bring in a speaker to talk about the goodness of the body and the body as a gift.

Set calendar reminders of important dates and check in with surviving family members.

Check in frequently with those who have lost loved ones during the first year after loss.

Hold an All Saints service to honor those who have died in the last year and invite loved ones to attend.

Develop a grieving group where those who have lost loved ones can meet to work through the loss.

Equip people with information about cremation versus natural burial-what the Bible has to say, what the cultural significance is.

Tour a funeral home to understand what the process looks like and ask your pastor to be present.

Do a study on the Lutheran liturgy using the funeral and committal services that affirms the joy of the resurrection of the body.

Put together a memory book for families where people can add memories or pictures of the person.

He will wipe away every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning, nor crying, nor pain anymore, for the former things have passed away. - Revelation 21:4

