



HOPE LUTHERAN CHURCH

Lutheran Congregations in Mission for Christ

What Would The Lord Say?
Worship · Witness · Teach · Love · Serve

September 17, 2017
15th Sunday of Pentecost

PRELUDE / GREETINGS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

TEACHER INSTALLATION

SUNDAY SCHOOL

SUPERINTENDENT: Lisa Sekely / Sub: Connie Radtke
MUSIC: Lisa Sekely / Sub: Connie Radtke
PRE-SCHOOL / KIND.: Ruth Fonder /
Matt & Chantel Wickham
1ST & 2ND GRADES: Michelle Olson / Angie Rudie
3RD GRADE: Carrie Carlin / Teresa Sannes
4TH GRADE: Crystal Munter / ?
5TH & 6TH GRADES: Johanna Larson / Mary Beth Jallen
7TH - 12TH GRADES: Carey Sannes / ?
SUBS: Gina Gensburger / Sylvia Munter / Jessie Pederson

FRIDAY SCHOOL

SUPERINTENDENT: Julie Malmanger
MUSIC: Nancy Andree / Sheryl Magelssen
1ST GRADE: Bonnie Albright
2ND GRADE: Emily Quam
3RD GRADE: Joe Lindberg
4TH GRADE: Keith Sistad
5TH GRADE: Sue Skunes
6TH GRADE: Sylvia Munter
7TH, 8TH & 9TH GR.: Pastor Paul
SUB: Michelle Levin

3RD GRADE BIBLES

Samantha Barrineau/ Tucker Djernes/ Jake Howard/ Hayden Johnson/ Zachary Norland/ Jack Sekely/ Heidi Steinbrenner

BIBLE MEMORY VERSE OF THE WEEK: “I, even I, am He who blots out your transgressions, for My own sake, and remembers your sins no more.” Isaiah 43:25

“SURELY THE PRESENCE”

Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place; I can feel His mighty power and His grace.
I can hear the brush of angels’ wings, I see glory on each face; surely the presence of the Lord is in this place.

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PRAYER

#68 “WE PRAISE THEE, O GOD, OUR REDEEMER”

“MORRIS THE MOUSE”

#54/55 “MY TRIBUTE” / “BLESS HIS HOLY NAME”

PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God, we thank You for Your Son who chose the path of suffering for the sake of the world. Humble us by His example, point us to the path of obedience, and give us strength to follow His commands; through Your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

HOPE FAMILY PRAYERS

Julie Sistad Family
Carol Smeby Family

Richard Sistad Family
Audrey Siverson Family

David & Susan Skunes Family

God is good! All the time!

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LESSON: ROMANS 13:1-10

Let everyone be subject to the governing authorities, for there is no authority except that which God has established. The authorities that exist have been established by God. ² Consequently, whoever rebels against the authority is rebelling against what God has instituted, and those who do so will bring judgment on themselves. ³ For rulers hold no terror for those who do right, but for those who do wrong. Do you want to be free from fear of the one in authority? Then do what is right and you will be commended. ⁴ For the one in authority is God’s servant for your good. But if you do wrong, be afraid, for rulers do not bear the sword for no reason. They are God’s servants, agents of wrath to bring punishment on the wrongdoer. ⁵ Therefore, it is necessary to submit to the authorities, not only because of possible punishment but also as a matter of conscience. ⁶ This is also why you pay taxes, for the authorities are God’s servants, who give their full time to governing. ⁷ Give to everyone what you owe them: If you owe taxes, pay taxes; if revenue, then revenue; if respect, then respect; if honor, then honor. ⁸ Let no debt remain outstanding, except the continuing debt to love one another, for whoever loves others has fulfilled the law. ⁹ The commandments, “You shall not commit adultery,” “You shall not murder,” “You shall not steal,” “You shall not covet,” and whatever other command there may be, are summed up in this one command: “Love your neighbor as yourself.” ¹⁰ Love does no harm to a neighbor. Therefore love is the fulfillment of the law.

“THY WORD”
Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.
(Repeat)
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GOSPEL: MATTHEW 18:21-35

Then Peter came to Jesus and asked, "Lord, how many times shall I forgive my brother when he sins against me? Up to seven times?"
[22] Jesus answered, "I tell you, not seven times, but seventy-seven times."
[23] "Therefore, the kingdom of heaven is like a king who wanted to settle accounts with his servants. [24] As he began the settlement, a man who owed him ten thousand talents was brought to him. [25] Since he was not able to pay, the master ordered that he and his wife and his children and all that he had be sold to repay the debt.
[26] "The servant fell on his knees before him. 'Be patient with me,' he begged, 'and I will pay back everything.' [27] The servant's master took pity on him, canceled the debt and let him go.
[28] "But when that servant went out, he found one of his fellow servants who owed him a hundred denarii. He grabbed him and began to choke him. 'Pay back what you owe me!' he demanded.
[29] "His fellow servant fell to his knees and begged him, 'Be patient with me, and I will pay you back.'
[30] "But he refused. Instead, he went off and had the man thrown into prison until he could pay the debt. [31] When the other servants saw what had happened, they were greatly distressed and went and told their master everything that had happened.
[32] "Then the master called the servant in. 'You wicked servant,' he said, 'I canceled all that debt of yours because you begged me to. [33] Shouldn't you have had mercy on your fellow servant just as I had on you?' [34] In anger his master turned him over to the jailers to be tortured, until he should pay back all he owed.
[35] "This is how My heavenly Father will treat each of you unless you forgive your brother from your heart."

THE APOSTLES’ CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilot, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day He rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.

#317 “O MIGHTY CROSS”

SERMON: **“FORGIVE... REALLY?”**

OFFERING

THE LORD’S PRAYER

Our Father, Who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

THE BENEDICTION

“TURN YOUR EYES UPON JESUS”
Turn your eyes upon Jesus, Look full in His wonderful face;
And the things of earth will grow strangely dim In the light of His glory and grace.

POSTLUDE

SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK AND DAILY BIBLE READINGS

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 17

9:30 am Worship/Teacher Installation/3rd Gr. Bibles

10:30 am Sunday School/Fellowship Hour

11:15 am Worship

6:30 pm Come & Laugh

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 18 - Bible Reading: 1 Tim. 5

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 19 - Bible Reading: 1 Tim. 6

WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 20 - Bible Reading: 2 Timothy 1

3:30 pm Kids Time!

6:30 pm Choir Practice

6:30 pm Youth Bible Study

7:30 pm Adult Bible Study

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 21 - Bible Reading: 2 Tim. 2

7:40 am FCA Breakfast

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 22 - Bible Reading: 2 Timothy 3

8:30 am Friday School Grades 1-8

9:30 am 9th Grade Confirmation Class

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 23 - Bible Reading: 2 Tim. 4

2:00 pm Leon Bitker Funeral

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 24

9:30 am Worship

10:30 am Sunday School/Fellowship Hour

11:15 am Worship

LUTHERAN DISASTER ASSISTANCE FUND

Lutheran Congregations in Mission for Christ has established a fund to responsibly handle the administration of donations in response to natural disasters.

If you would like to contribute to the current disaster relief efforts, your funds can be sent directly to:

Lutheran Disaster Assistance Fund
c/o St. Mark's Lutheran Church, 8300 C Avenue NE
Marion, IA 52302

OR you may give your contribution to Hope Church and it will be passed along to the LDA Fund. Please note that your donation is intended for disaster relief.

Come & Laugh
Video Presentation
with Ken Davis
(A seriously funny guy)

6:30 pm tonight
in the Fellowship Hall



HOPE CHURCH FUND RAISING AUCTION

Saturday, October 14th, 2017

If you have any gently used furniture, appliances, electronics, collectibles, or household items we would love to take them off your hands. **(No Old TV's please)** This auction will be strictly donated items so the more we have the better.

We will be accepting items the week before the auction and can pick items up if needed.

If you have any questions, please call
Greg Mireault (218-230-5060) or Tracy Ware (701-261-6198).

H.E.L.P. is Here!

Our
Health
Equipment
Lending



Project room has a selection of home health equipment. If you are in need of a loan of this kind of equipment, please call the church office. The intent is that this ministry would be the hands and feet of Jesus to anyone in need of this kind of assistance.

We are currently in need of donations of wheel chairs, walkers, canes with prongs, shower chairs, raised toilet seats, and commodes. Donations of all types of home health equipment are welcome.

ENJOY THE CONVENIENCE OF ELECTRONIC GIVING

Hope Church wants to remind you that we offer electronic giving as a way to automate your regular weekly offering. Electronic giving offers convenience for individuals and provides much-needed donation consistency for our congregation. As you contemplate future contributions, please consider electronic giving.

Following is a list of the information that is needed to get started:

- ⇒ Name and Address
- ⇒ Date of First Donation
- ⇒ Frequency of Donation (Weekly, Monthly, etc.)
- ⇒ Amount of Donation
- ⇒ Checking or Savings Account Routing and Account Numbers

Donations amounts may be changed or discontinued any time simply by calling the church office.

If you would like to sign up for Electronic Giving, or want more information, please call the church office at 218-435-6765, or email hopezion@gvtel.com