

(repeat)
And now let the weak say,
“I am strong,”
Let the poor say, “I am rich,”
Because of what the Lord has done for us.
(repeat chorus)
Give thanks!

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THE LORD'S PRAYER (LBW P. 97)

BENEDICTION

Celebration (blue hymnal) # 488 *“Just as I Am”*

P: Go in Peace, Serve the Lord,
C: Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE

Community Thanksgiving Services will be hosted by Calvary Free Lutheran Church, on the eve of Thanksgiving, Wednesday the 22nd, at 7pm. Pastor Jarred LeBon to lead prayers.

Choir practice at 6:30pm every Wednesday night.

Bible Study is Thursday's at 1:30pm in the Heritage Room.

Women of Hope Quilters resume quilting January of 2024.

No FCA on Thanksgiving the 23rd.

No Friday School the 24th.

USHER HELPERS FOR
NOVEMBER 2023

God helps those who help others

Daniel Carlin, Jeff Carlin, John Carlin,
Tim Carlin, Dan Carlson, Taylor Carlson

**THANK YOU TO THOSE WHO MAKE
TODAY'S WORSHIP POSSIBLE**

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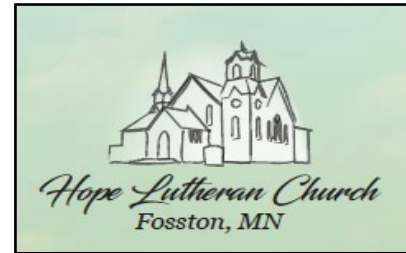
Office Hours: M-W: 8:30-3; F: 8:30-12

Hope Lutheran Church is looking for volunteers to pick up those who may want to come to church on Sundays but don't have a ride.

Please contact the Hope Church office at 218-435-6765 and leave a message if you would like to help out.

Lets make this happen for those who aren't able to get out for worship.

*In everything, give thanks.
1 Thes. 5:18*



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November 19, 2023

25th Sunday After Pentecost, 9:30 am Worship

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

P: Most Merciful God,

C: We confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us, forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

BIBLE MEMORY VERSE OF THE WEEK:

“His master replied, ‘Well done, good and faithful servant! You have been faithful with a few things; I will put you in charge of many things. Come and share your master’s happiness!’”

Matthew 25:21

CELEBRATION (blue hymnal) # 790 *“We Gather Together”*

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Gracious God, in baptism you pour out upon us gifts of immeasurable, eternal worth — faith, salvation, and the calling to serve as your witnesses in the world. Help us to deepen our baptismal life, walking wet daily, and responding with abandon to your gracious gifts; through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

CELEBRATION (blue hymnal) # 56 *“To God Be the Glory”*

WELCOME
TO
WORSHIP!

This is a place where you can slow down, take a deep breath, and turn your heart to God.

It's a place to pray; to speak to God and listen to God.

It's a safe place to learn about Jesus and experience hope and peace in the Spirit of God.

If you are a guest today, we hope you feel very welcome.

If you have any questions, please ask one of the ushers or stop by the office any time.

God bless your worship!

FIRST LESSON Zephaniah 1:7–16 (ESV):

- 7** Be silent before the Lord GOD!
For the day of the LORD is near;
the LORD has prepared a sacrifice
and consecrated his guests.
- 8** And on the day of the LORD’s sacrifice—
“I will punish the officials and the king’s sons
and all who array themselves in foreign attire.
- 9** On that day I will punish
everyone who leaps over the threshold,
and those who fill their master’s house
with violence and fraud.
- 10** “On that day,” declares the LORD,
“a cry will be heard from the Fish Gate,
a wail from the Second Quarter,
a loud crash from the hills.
- 11** Wail, O inhabitants of the Mortar!
For all the traders are no more;
all who weigh out silver are cut off.
- 12** At that time I will search Jerusalem with lamps,
and I will punish the men
who are complacent,
those who say in their hearts,
‘The LORD will not do good,
nor will he do ill.’
- 13** Their goods shall be plundered,
and their houses laid waste.
Though they build houses,
they shall not inhabit them;
though they plant vineyards,
they shall not drink wine from them.”
- 14** The great day of the LORD is near,
near and hastening fast;
the sound of the day of the LORD is bitter;
the mighty man cries aloud there.
- 15** A day of wrath is that day,
a day of distress and anguish,
a day of ruin and devastation,
a day of darkness and gloom,
a day of clouds and thick darkness,
- 16** a day of trumpet blast and battle cry
against the fortified cities
and against the lofty battlements.

PSALM Psalm 90:1–12

- 1** Lord, you have been our dwelling place
in all generations.
- 2** Before the mountains were brought forth,
**or ever you had formed the earth and the
world, from everlasting to everlasting you are
God.**
- 3** You return man to dust
and say, “Return, O children of man!”
- 4** For a thousand years in your sight
are but as yesterday when it is past,
or as a watch in the night.
- 5** You sweep them away as with a flood; they are
like a dream,
like grass that is renewed in the morning;
- 6** in the morning it flourishes and is renewed;
in the evening it fades and withers.
- 7** For we are brought to an end by your anger;
by your wrath we are dismayed.
- 8** You have set our iniquities before you,
our secret sins in the light of your presence.
- 9** For all our days pass away under your wrath;
we bring our years to an end like a sigh.
- 10** The years of our life are seventy,
or even by reason of strength eighty;
yet their span is but toil and trouble;
they are soon gone, and we fly away.
- 11** Who considers the power of your anger,
and your wrath according to the fear of you?
- 12** So teach us to number our days
that we may get a heart of wisdom.

SECOND LESSON 1 Thessalonians 5:1–11

- 1** Now concerning the times and the seasons,
brothers, you have no need to have anything
written to you. **2** For you yourselves are fully aware
that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the
night. **3** While people are saying, “There is peace
and security,” then sudden destruction will come
upon them as labor pains come upon a pregnant
woman, and they will not escape.
- 4** But you are not in darkness, brothers, for that day
to surprise you like a thief.
- 5** For you are all children of light, children of the

day. We are not of the night or of the darkness.

- 6** So then let us not sleep, as others do, but let us
keep awake and be sober.
- 7** For those who sleep, sleep at night, and those
who get drunk, are drunk at night.
- 8** But since we belong to the day, let us be sober,
having put on the breastplate of faith and love, and
for a helmet the hope of salvation.
- 9** For God has not destined us for wrath, but to
obtain salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ,
- 10** who died for us so that whether we are awake or
asleep we might live with him.
- 11** Therefore encourage one another and build one
another up, just as you are doing.

“Shine, Jesus, Shine”

Shine, Jesus, shine, Fill this land with the
Father's glory; Blaze, Spirit, blaze, Set our hearts
on fire. Flow, river, flow, Flood the nations with
grace and mercy. Send forth Your Word, Lord,
and let there be light.

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GOSPEL Matthew 25:14–30

- 14** “For it will be like a man going on a journey, who
called his servants and entrusted to them his
property. **15** To one he gave five talents, to another
two, to another one, to each according to his
ability. Then he went away. **16** He who had received
the five talents went at once and traded with them,
and he made five talents more. **17** So also he who
had the two talents made two talents more. **18** But
he who had received the one talent went and dug
in the ground and hid his master’s money. **19** Now
after a long time the master of those servants came
and settled accounts with them. **20** And he who had
received the five talents came forward, bringing
five talents more, saying, ‘Master, you delivered to
me five talents; here, I have made five talents
more.’ **21** His master said to him, ‘Well done, good
and faithful servant. You have been faithful over a
little; I will set you over much. Enter into the joy
of your master.’ **22** And he also who had the two
talents came forward, saying, ‘Master, you
delivered to me two talents; here, I have made two

talents more.’ **23** His master said to him, ‘Well done,
good and faithful servant. You have been faithful
over a little; I will set you over much. Enter into the
joy of your master.’ **24** He also who had received
the one talent came forward, saying, ‘Master, I
knew you to be a hard man, reaping where you did
not sow, and gathering where you scattered no
seed, **25** so I was afraid, and I went and hid your
talent in the ground. Here, you have what is yours.’
26 But his master answered him, ‘You wicked and
slothful servant! You knew that I reap where I have
not sown and gather where I scattered no seed?
27 Then you ought to have invested my money with
the bankers, and at my coming I should have
received what was my own with interest. **28** So take
the talent from him and give it to him who has the
ten talents. **29** For to everyone who has will more
be given, and he will have an abundance. But from
the one who has not, even what he has will be
taken away. **30** And cast the worthless servant into
the outer darkness. In that place there will be
weeping and gnashing of teeth.’

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CHILDRENS’ SERMON /SERMON**THE APOSTLES’ CREED (LBW P. 106)**

Celebration (blue hymnal) #788 **“Now Thank We
All Our God”**

OFFERING / OFFERTORY**“Give Thanks”**

Give thanks with a grateful heart;
Give thanks to the Holy One;
Give thanks because He’s given Jesus Christ,
His Son.