



The purpose of Hope Lutheran Church is to glorify God by worshipping, witnessing, teaching, loving, and Serving our Lord Jesus Christ.

16TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST - SEPTEMBER 29, 2019

PRELUDE / GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

L: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen

L: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of Your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love You and worthily magnify Your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen

L: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

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

L: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for His sake God forgives us all our sins. To those who believe in Jesus Christ He gives the power to become the children of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen

BLESSED BE YOUR NAME

Blessed be Your name in the land that is plentiful,
Where Your streams of abundance flow,
blessed be Your name.

Blessed be Your name when I'm found in the desert place,
Though I walk through the wilderness,
blessed be Your name.

Every blessing You pour out I'll turn back to praise.

When the darkness closes in, Lord, still I will say,
"Blessed be the name of the Lord, blessed be Your name.
Blessed be the name of the Lord,
blessed be Your glorious name."

Blessed be Your name when the sun's shining down on me,
When the world's "all as it should be."

Blessed be Your name.

Blessed be Your name on the road marked with suffering,
Though there's pain in the offering, blessed be Your name.

Every blessing You pour out I'll turn back to praise.

When the darkness closes in, Lord, still I will say,
"Blessed be the name of the Lord, blessed be Your name.
Blessed be the name of the Lord,
blessed be Your glorious name."

You give and take away, You give and take away.
My heart will choose to say, "Lord, blessed be Your name."
(Repeat)

Blessed be the name of the Lord, blessed be Your name.
Blessed be the name of the Lord,
blessed be Your glorious name.

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PRAYER OF THE DAY: Almighty and eternal God, You know our problems and our weaknesses better than we ourselves. In Your love and by Your power help us in our confusion and, in spite of our weakness, make us firm in faith; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

HOPE FAMILY PRAYERS

Nathan & Jessie Pederson Family

Levi & Kelsey Perrine Family Sean Peterson Family

Norma Quam Family Travis & Emily Quam Family

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

P. Lord in your mercy, C: **Hear our prayer**

OPEN THE EYES OF MY HEART

Open the eyes of my heart, Lord,
Open the eyes of my heart;
I want to see You, I want to see You.

Open the eyes of my heart, Lord,
Open the eyes of my heart;
I want to see You, I want to see You.

To see You high and lifted up,
Shining in the light of Your glory.
Pour out Your power and love; as we sing holy, holy, holy.
(Repeat)

Holy, holy, holy. Holy, holy, holy.
Holy, holy, holy, I want to see You.

(Repeat 3 times)

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1ST LESSON: JEREMIAH 23:23-29

“Am I only a God nearby,” declares the LORD, “and not a God far away?”

²⁴ Who can hide in secret places so that I cannot see them?” declares the LORD. “Do not I fill heaven and earth?” declares the LORD.

²⁵ “I have heard what the prophets say who prophesy lies in My name. They say, ‘I had a dream! I had a dream!’

²⁶ How long will this continue in the hearts of these lying prophets, who prophesy the delusions of their own minds?

²⁷ They think the dreams they tell one another will make My people forget My name, just as their ancestors forgot My name through Baal worship. ²⁸ Let the prophet who has a dream recount the dream, but let the one who has My word speak it faithfully. For what has straw to do with grain?” declares the LORD. ²⁹ “Is not My word like fire,” declares the LORD, “and like a hammer that breaks a rock in pieces?”

2ND LESSON: HEBREWS 11:29-12:2

By faith the people passed through the Red Sea as on dry land; but when the Egyptians tried to do so, they were drowned.

³⁰ By faith the walls of Jericho fell, after the army had marched around them for seven days.

³¹ By faith the prostitute Rahab, because she welcomed the spies, was not killed with those who were disobedient.

³² And what more shall I say? I do not have time to tell about Gideon, Barak, Samson and Jephthah, about David and Samuel and the prophets, ³³ who through faith conquered kingdoms, administered justice, and gained what was promised; who shut the mouths of lions, ³⁴ quenched the fury of the flames, and escaped the edge of the sword; whose weakness was turned to strength; and who became powerful in battle and routed foreign armies. ³⁵ Women received back their dead, raised to life again. There were others who were tortured, refusing to be released so that they might gain an even better resurrection. ³⁶ Some faced jeers and flogging, and even chains and imprisonment.

³⁷ They were put to death by stoning; they were sawed in two; they were killed by the sword. They went about in sheepskins and goatskins, destitute, persecuted and mistreated— ³⁸ the world was not worthy of them. They wandered in deserts and mountains, living in caves and in holes in the ground.

³⁹ These were all commended for their faith, yet none of them received what had been promised, ⁴⁰ since God had planned something better for us so that only together with us would they be made perfect.

^{12:1} Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles. And let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us, ² fixing our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith. For the joy set before Him He endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.

“THY WORD”

Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.

(Repeat)

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GOSPEL: MARK 2:1-12

A few days later, when Jesus again entered Capernaum, the people heard that He had come home. ² They gathered in such large numbers that there was no room left, not even outside the door, and He preached the word to them.

³ Some men came, bringing to Him a paralyzed man, carried by four of them. ⁴ Since they could not get him to Jesus because of the crowd, they made an opening in the roof above Jesus by digging through it and then lowered the mat the man was lying on. ⁵ When Jesus saw their faith, He said to the paralyzed man, **“Son, your sins are forgiven.”**

⁶ Now some teachers of the law were sitting there, thinking to themselves, ⁷ “Why does this fellow talk like that? He’s blaspheming! Who can forgive sins but God alone?”

⁸ Immediately Jesus knew in His spirit that this was what they were thinking in their hearts, and He said to them, **“Why are you thinking these things? ⁹ Which is easier: to say to this paralyzed man, ‘Your sins are forgiven,’ or to say, ‘Get up, take your mat and walk’? ¹⁰ But I want you to know that the Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins.”** So He said to the man, ¹¹ **“I tell you, get up, take your mat and go home.”** ¹² He got up, took his mat and walked out in full view of them all. This amazed everyone and they praised God, saying, “We have never seen anything like this!”

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.

SERMON: Travis Quam

CORNERSTONE

My hope is built on nothing less,
Than Jesus' blood and righteousness.
I dare not trust the sweetest frame,
But wholly trust in Jesus' Name.

Christ alone. Cornerstone.
Weak made strong in the Savior's love.

Through the storm, He is Lord. Lord of all.

When darkness seems to hide His face,
I rest on His unchanging grace.
In every high and stormy gale,
My anchor holds within the veil.

Christ alone. Cornerstone.
Weak made strong in the Savior's love.
Through the storm, He is Lord. Lord of all.

When He shall come with trumpet sound,
Oh may I then in Him be found.
Dressed in His righteousness alone.
And faultless stand before the throne.

Christ alone. Cornerstone.
Weak made strong in the Savior's love.
Through the storm, He is Lord. Lord of all.
(Repeat)

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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.

(repeat)

Chorus:

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

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

#147 "HOW GREAT THOU ART"

POSTLUDE

SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK / DAILY BIBLE READINGS

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 29

9:30am Worship
10:30am Sunday School Classes / Fellowship Hour

MONDAY, SEPT. 30 - Matthew 26

8:30am Quilting

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 1 - Matthew 27

WEDNESDAY, OCT. 2 - Matthew 28

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 3 - Mark 6

7:40am FCA Breakfast
11:00am Women of Hope Board
2:00pm Galatians Bible Study at Prairie Pines
7:00pm Galatians Bible Study in Heritage Room

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 4 - Mark 8

8:30am Friday School Grades 1-8
9:30am 9th Grade Confirmation

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 5 - Luke 1

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 6

9:30am Worship
10:30am New Member Meeting / Sunday School Classes / Fellowship Hour

GUEST SPEAKER: Travis Quam

WORSHIP LEADER: Michelle Solsten

PRAYERS: Sue Skunes

READER: Scott Riveland

WORSHIP BAND: Alyssa Macy, Jacob & Mark Malmanger, Blake Munter, and Patty Viken

PASTOR: Jane Ekholm

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NEW MEMBERS

A meeting will be held next Sunday, October 6th, in the Heritage Room, following the worship service for anyone wishing to become a member of Hope Lutheran Church. If you have questions or concerns about your membership at Hope, or about becoming a member, please call or email the church office at 218-435-6765/hopezion@gvtel.com. New members will be received Sunday, October 13.

You are all invited to a Purely Missions Tea in the Fireside Room Sunday, October 6, after the Worship Service and/or at 7:00pm. Come to enjoy a cup of traditional Nepali milk tea and hear Jennifer share more about her mission trip to Nepal and Beauty For Ashes, a freedom ministry in Nepal. Beauty for Ashes employs human trafficking survivors who create beautiful handmade items. These will be for sale to support trafficking survivors in Nepal and other missions worldwide. 10% of all sales this day will go to the Christine Johnson benefit.



Lydia & Drew Wahlstrom	Christina Anderson
Paisley Straub	Polly Simonson
Malia Halvorson	LeRoy Johnson
Ilene Sistas	Beverly Drellack
Paul Nelson	Kate Moore
Lois Storey	Heather (Sterry) Sabin
Margaret Rustad	Liam Hanlon
Marion Larson	Christine Johnson
Karen Bolme	David Erickson
Hilma Stadstad	Trevor Coffield
Janelle Knott	Skarsten Family
Denise Monson	Al & Carol Heide
David & Tim Jallen	Rebeka Ware
Gladys Josephson	Char Langen
Trina Rodgers	Dalton Sawyer
Angie Olson	Christopher Vezner
Sandy Schultz	Paul Curfman
Mike Knutson	Dean & Joe Lindberg
Elizabeth Barrineau	Carol Smeby
Tubby Solsten	Judy Olson
Kenny Rose	Tom Sedler

A graphic for "FINANCIAL SUPPORT" featuring a basket overflowing with US dollar bills. The text "THANK YOU FOR YOUR FINANCIAL SUPPORT" is overlaid on the left side of the basket. To the right, the text "ENJOY THE CONVENIENCE OF ELECTRONIC GIVING" is displayed in a bold, black, sans-serif font.

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**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. Authorization forms are available in the back of the Sanctuary and in the church office.

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

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.**

