

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

TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST - AUGUST 18, 2019

PRELUDE \ GREETINGS \ 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

GREEN HYMNAL #161 "O DAY FULL OF GRACE"

PRAYER OF THE DAY: O God, Your ears are open always to the prayers of Your servants. Open our hearts and minds to You, that we may live in harmony with Your will and receive the gifts of Your Spirit; through Your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

#320 "O GOD, OUR HELP IN AGES PAST"

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.

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!"

"THY WORD"

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: Michelle Solsten

#170 "CROWN HIM WITH MANY CROWNS"

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

#456 "THE KING OF LOVE MY SHEPHERD IS"

POSTLUDE

SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK/ DAILY BIBLE READINGS

SUNDAY, AUGUST 18
9:30 am Worship
10:30 am Fellowship Hour
(Audrey Siverson will be
honored by family and
friends)

Monday, August 19
Daniel 1

TUESDAY, Aug. 20 -Daniel 2 7:00 pm Befrienders Mtg.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 21
Daniel 3

THURSDAY, AUGUST 22
Daniel 4

FRIDAY, AUGUST 23 - Daniel 5 6-9 pm **IGNITE BACK TO SCHOOL BASH** for 7th-12th Gr.

SATURDAY, Aug. 24 - Daniel 6

SUNDAY, AUGUST 25 9:30 am Worship/Blessing of the Backpacks

10:30 am Potluck to Honor Pr. Janes Ministry

WORSHIP LEADER:

Michelle Solsten **PRAYERS:** Sue Skunes **ORGANIST:** Ruth Olson

INTERIM PASTOR: Jane Ekholm **VISITATION:** Sandy Riveland

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Mark your calendars for a Celebration Potluck, which will be held Sunday, August 25,

following the worship service, to honor Pr. Janes ministry to our church and community.



We're having an AUCTION SALE FUND RAISER at Hope Church Saturday, September 21st

We will be accepting donations for the auction. If you have any gently used furniture, appliances, electronics, collectibles, or household items we would love to take them off your hands.

(No Old TVs please)

This auction will be strictly donated items so the more we have the better.

If you have an idea of what you will be donating, please contact the church office by phone (218-435-6765) or email hopezion@gvtel.com) so we can list the item on the flyer.

We will be accepting items the week before the auction and can pick items up if needed. You are welcome to drop off smaller items at the church at any time.

If you need items picked up, please call Greg.

Lunch will be provided by the Youth.

Please put this date on your calendar and call Greg Mireault (218-230-5060) if you have any questions!



Paisley Straub Malia Halvorson **Ilene Sistad** Paul Nelson Lois Storey Margaret Rustad **Marion Larson** Karen Bolme Hilma Stadstad Janelle Knott **Denise Monson** David & Tim Jallen **Gladys Josephson Trina Rodgers** Sally Hanson **Angie Olson** Sandy Schultz Mike Knutson Elizabeth Barrineau **Tubby Solsten** Kenny Rose Christina Anderson **Polly Simonson** LeRoy Johnson **Curt Nelson Beverly Drellack** Kate Moore Heather (Sterry) Sabin Liam Hanlon **Christine Johnson David Erickson Trevor Coffield** Skarsten Family Al & Carol Heide Rebeka Ware Char Langen **Dalton Sawyer**



Last EPIC party before school starts!
FREE EVENT for Grades 7-12
Meet behind Ignite Youth Center for a night of outdoor games, music and food!



Students: Bring your school backpacks to church next Sunday, August 25, for a special blessing!

RALLY SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8



by Hope Youth following the 9:30 am worship service!





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.

