



### It's nearly Summer!

If you are going to be gone on the weekends this summer, consider joining us for our informal summer worship services. Beginning Wed., May 28th we will meet weekly through the summer at 6:30pm in the Fellowship Hall. Regular worship services will still be held on Sundays at 9:30am.



Baccalaureate Service for 2025 Graduates will be held at Bethel Assembly Church beginning at 6:30 pm. Pastor Peter Lurvey will bring the message. All are invited. FHS Graduation will be held on Friday, May 24, at 7 pm.

#### THANK YOU TO THOSE WHO HELP WITH TODAY'S WORSHIP:

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**VBS is planned for  
July 15-18th!  
Mark your  
calendars!**

#### SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK

**SUNDAY, MAY 18**  
9 am-Choir  
9:30 am Worship/  
Communion/Honor the  
Graduates  
10:30 Fellowship hour  
**MONDAY, MAY 19**  
**TUESDAY, MAY 20**  
Tidings Deadline  
**WEDNESDAY, MAY 21**  
6:30pm Trustees Meet  
7:30pm Full Council  
**THURSDAY, MAY 22**  
7:30 am Last FCA Break-  
fast for the school year  
1:30 pm Bible Study  
**FRIDAY, MAY 23**  
**SATURDAY, MAY 24**  
**SUNDAY, MAY 25**  
9:30 am Worship  
10:30 am Fellowship Hour

#### Thank you for supporting the work of our church!

Attendance last week: 61  
Offering received: \$2,795  
Budget needed each week: \$3,786

Our church runs all year long, (even when you are away on vacation or gone for the weekend!)  
As you contemplate future contributions, think about making your donation more consistent by giving **electronically**.  
Contact the church office with any questions or to sign up. We have simple options available!

## HOPE LUTHERAN CHURCH

Lutheran Congregations in Mission for Christ



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

**Sunday, May 18, 2025**  
Fifth Sunday in Easter

#### PRELUDE

GREETINGS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS (Green Hymnal p. 56)

SING: **"BLESS THE LORD"** (Insert)

#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God, you make the minds of the faithful to be of one will. Grant that your people would love what you command and desire what you promise, that, among the manifold changes of this world, our hearts may be fixed where true joys are to be found; through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

CHOIR ANTHEM—"Hymn of Praise" by Sean Paul

Charity Salmonson, Director  
Diane Boucher, Accompanist

#### First Reading: Acts 11:1-18

<sup>1</sup>The apostles and the brothers who were throughout Judea heard that the Gentiles also had received the word of God. <sup>2</sup>So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcision party criticized him, saying, <sup>3</sup>"You went to uncircumcised men and ate with them." <sup>4</sup>But Peter began and explained it to them in order: <sup>5</sup>"I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision, something like a great sheet descending, being let down from heaven by its four corners, and it came down to me. <sup>6</sup>Looking at it closely, I observed animals and beasts of prey and reptiles and birds of the air. <sup>7</sup>And I heard a voice saying to me, 'Rise, Peter; kill and eat.' <sup>8</sup>But I said, 'By no means, Lord; for nothing common or unclean has ever

**Welcome to  
Worship!**

**Our Lord says,  
"Be Still and know  
that I am God."**

**We believe that  
God led you here.  
Whether you are a  
visitor or a life-  
long member.  
we believe that  
God led you here.**

**God gathers us,  
forgives our sins,  
speaks to us,  
feeds us, and  
sends us out to be  
bearers of His  
good news.**

**Ask God to show  
Himself to you  
this morning.**

**God is good.  
All of the time.**

entered my mouth.’ <sup>9</sup>But the voice answered a second time from heaven, ‘What God has made clean, do not call common.’ <sup>10</sup>This happened three times, and all was drawn up again into heaven. <sup>11</sup>And behold, at that very moment three men arrived at the house in which we were, sent to me from Caesarea. <sup>12</sup>And the Spirit told me to go with them, making no distinction. These six brothers also accompanied me, and we entered the man’s house. <sup>13</sup>And he told us how he had seen the angel stand in his house and say, ‘Send to Joppa and bring Simon who is called Peter; <sup>14</sup>he will declare to you a message by which you will be saved, you and all your household.’ <sup>15</sup>As I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell on them just as on us at the beginning. <sup>16</sup>And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he said, ‘John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.’ <sup>17</sup>If then God gave the same gift to them as he gave to us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could stand in God’s way?” <sup>18</sup>When they heard these things they fell silent. And they glorified God, saying, “Then to the Gentiles

also God has granted repentance that leads to life.”

**Psalm 150 (LBW)**

<sup>1</sup>Hallelujah! Praise God in his holy temple; praise him in the firmament of his power. **<sup>2</sup>Praise him for his mighty acts; praise him for his excellent greatness.** <sup>3</sup>Praise him with the blast of the ram’s horn; praise him with lyre and harp. **<sup>4</sup>Praise him with timbrel and dance; praise him with strings and pipe.** <sup>5</sup>Praise him with resounding cymbals; praise him with loud clanging cymbals. **<sup>6</sup>Let everything that has breath praise the LORD. Hallelujah!**

**Second Reading: Revelation 21:1-7**

<sup>1</sup>Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. <sup>2</sup>And I saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. <sup>3</sup>And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, “Behold, the dwelling place of God is with man. He will dwell with them, and they will be his people, and God himself will

be with them as their God. <sup>4</sup>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.” <sup>5</sup>And he who was seated on the throne said, “Behold, I am making all things new.” Also he said, “Write this down, for these words are trustworthy and true.” <sup>6</sup>And he said to me, “It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give from the spring of the water of life without payment. <sup>7</sup>The one who conquers will have this heritage, and I will be his God and he will be my son.”

**“HE IS LORD”**  
He is Lord, He is Lord.  
He is risen from the dead, and  
He is Lord!  
Every knee shall bow, every  
tongue confess  
That Jesus Christ is Lord.  
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**Gospel: John 16:12-22**

<sup>12</sup>{Jesus said to his disciples,}  
“I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. <sup>13</sup>When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth,

for he will not speak on his own authority, but whatever he hears he will speak, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. <sup>14</sup>He will glorify me, for he will take what is mine and declare it to you. <sup>15</sup>All that the Father has is mine; therefore I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you. <sup>16</sup>A little while, and you will see me no longer; and again a little while, and you will see me.” <sup>17</sup>So some of his disciples said to one another, “What is this that he says to us, ‘A little while, and you will not see me, and again a little while, and you will see me’; and, ‘because I am going to the Father?’” <sup>18</sup>So they were saying, “What does he mean by ‘a little while’? We do not know what he is talking about.” <sup>19</sup>Jesus knew that they wanted to ask him, so he said to them, “Is this what you are asking yourselves, what I meant by saying, ‘A little while and you will not see me, and again a little while and you will see me’? <sup>20</sup>Truly, truly, I say to you, you will weep and lament, but the world will rejoice. You will be sorrowful, but your sorrow will turn into joy. <sup>21</sup>When a woman is giving birth, she has sorrow because her hour has come, but when she has

delivered the baby, she no longer remembers the anguish, for joy that a human being has been born into the world. <sup>22</sup>So also you have sorrow now, but I will see you again, and your hearts will rejoice, and no one will take your joy from you.”

L: The Word of the Lord

**All: Thanks be to God!**

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**CHILDREN’S SERMON  
SERMON**

**THE APOSTLES’ CREED**  
(Green Hymnal p.65)

**BLESSING OF THE GRADUATES**  
Dawson Bailie  
Elizabeth Barrineau  
Will Christen  
Justin Gubrud  
Joseph Hillstad  
Alex Johnson  
Ben Steinbrenner  
Danica Striker

**HYMN #186** (Blue Hymnal)  
**“Lord, Be Glorified”**

OFFERING

OFFERTORY:  
**“LET THE VINEYARDS”**  
Let the vineyards be  
fruitful, Lord,  
and fill to the brim our  
cup of blessing.  
Gather a harvest from the  
seeds that were sown,  
that we may be  
fed with the bread of life.  
Gather the hopes and  
dreams of all;  
Unite them with the  
prayers we offer.  
Grace our table with  
Your presence,  
and give us a foretaste of  
the feast to come.

**Communion/Communion  
Blessing**

**Lord’s Prayer**

**Prayers of the Church**

**HYMN #349** (Blue Hymnal) **“O  
How He Loves You and Me”**

**BENEDICTION**

L: Go in peace and serve the  
Lord.  
**C: Thanks be to God!**

**POSTLUDE**

