

# HOPE LUTHERAN CHURCH

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**Hope Lutheran Church exists to bring people to faith in Jesus Christ, and to develop our lives as his disciples.**

## The Good Shepherding Continues

May 11, 2025

### AS WE GATHER

Even as we celebrate Jesus as our Good Shepherd, we also acknowledge that His shepherding love and care continues through the undershepherds whom He sends to protect, preserve, and provide for His sheep. The pastors do not replace Jesus, our Good Shepherd, but are the means by which our Lord continues His work among us through His Word and Sacraments. His Word and promise continue and He is among us just as He has said, still leading us to the still quiet waters, the rich green pastures, and the safe refuge so familiar to us in the words of Psalm 23.

### WELCOME

### OPENING PRAYER

### OPENING HYMN: Pass It On

### INVOCATION

**P** In the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

### CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Based on Isaiah 53:6; 1 Peter 2:24

**P** All we like sheep have gone astray;

**C** we have turned every one to his own way;

**P** and the Lord has laid on Jesus the iniquity of us all. He Himself bore our sins in His body on the cross

**C** that we might die to sin and live to righteousness.

*Silence for reflection and examination.*

**P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

**C** Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. 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. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. 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.

**P** Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

**P** He who began this good work within you will bring it to completion on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. The peace of the Lord be with you.

**C** Amen.

## HYMN OF PRAISE: Father Welcomes (LSB 605 v. 1-3)

### SALUTATION

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And also with you.

### PRAYER OF THE DAY

**P** Let us pray.

Almighty God, merciful Father, since You have awakened from death the Shepherd of Your sheep, grant us Your Holy Spirit that when we hear the voice of our Shepherd we may know Him who calls us each by name and follow where He leads; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

**GREETING OF PEACE:** *Please stand and greet one another with the Peace of Christ.*

### FIRST READING

Acts 20:17–35

<sup>17</sup>Now from Miletus [Paul] sent to Ephesus and called the elders of the church to come to him.

<sup>18</sup>And when they came to him, he said to them:

“You yourselves know how I lived among you the whole time from the first day that I set foot in Asia, <sup>19</sup>serving the Lord with all humility and with tears and with trials that happened to me through the plots of the Jews; <sup>20</sup>how I did not shrink from declaring to you anything that was profitable, and teaching you in public and from house to house, <sup>21</sup>testifying both to Jews and to Greeks of repentance toward God and of faith in our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>22</sup>And now, behold, I am going to Jerusalem, constrained by the Spirit, not knowing what will happen to me there, <sup>23</sup>except that the Holy Spirit testifies to me in every city that imprisonment and afflictions await me. <sup>24</sup>But I do not

account my life of any value nor as precious to myself, if only I may finish my course and the ministry that I received from the Lord Jesus, to testify to the gospel of the grace of God. <sup>25</sup>And now, behold, I know that none of you among whom I have gone about proclaiming the kingdom will see my face again. <sup>26</sup>Therefore I testify to you this day that I am innocent of the blood of all of you, <sup>27</sup>for I did not shrink from declaring to you the whole counsel of God. <sup>28</sup>Pay careful attention to yourselves and to all the flock, in which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers, to care for the church of God, which he obtained with his own blood. <sup>29</sup>I know that after my departure fierce wolves will come in among you, not sparing the flock; <sup>30</sup>and from among your own selves will arise men speaking twisted things, to draw away the disciples after them. <sup>31</sup>Therefore be alert, remembering that for three years I did not cease night or day to admonish everyone with tears. <sup>32</sup>And now I commend you to God and to the word of his grace, which is able to build you up and to give you the inheritance among all those who are sanctified. <sup>33</sup>I coveted no one's silver or gold or apparel. <sup>34</sup>You yourselves know that these hands ministered to my necessities and to those who were with me. <sup>35</sup>In all things I have shown you that by working hard in this way we must help the weak and remember the words of the Lord Jesus, how he himself said, 'It is more blessed to give than to receive.'

**L** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## EPISTLE

Revelation 7:9–17

<sup>9</sup>After this I looked, and behold, a great multitude that no one could number, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed in white robes, with palm branches in their hands, <sup>10</sup>and crying out with a loud voice, "Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!" <sup>11</sup>And all the angels were standing around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, <sup>12</sup>saying, "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen."

<sup>13</sup>Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, clothed in white robes, and from where have they come?" <sup>14</sup>I said to him, "Sir, you know." And he said to me, "These are the ones coming out of the great tribulation. They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

<sup>15</sup>"Therefore they are before the throne of God,  
and serve him day and night in his temple;  
and he who sits on the throne will shelter them with his presence.

<sup>16</sup>They shall hunger no more, neither thirst anymore;  
the sun shall not strike them,  
nor any scorching heat.

<sup>17</sup>For the Lamb in the midst of the throne will be their shepherd,  
and he will guide them to springs of living water,  
and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

**L** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## **HOLY GOSPEL**

John 10:22–30

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the tenth chapter.

**C** **Glory to You, O Lord.**

<sup>22</sup>At that time the Feast of Dedication took place at Jerusalem. It was winter, <sup>23</sup>and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the colonnade of Solomon. <sup>24</sup>So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, “How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Christ, tell us plainly.” <sup>25</sup>Jesus answered them, “I told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father’s name bear witness about me, <sup>26</sup>but you do not believe because you are not part of my flock. <sup>27</sup>My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me. <sup>28</sup>I give them eternal life, and they will never perish, and no one will snatch them out of my hand. <sup>29</sup>My Father, who has given them to me, is greater than all, and no one is able to snatch them out of the Father’s hand. <sup>30</sup>I and the Father are one.”

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C** **Praise to You, O Christ.**

## **SERMON HYMN: Savior, Like A Shepherd Lead Us (LSB 711)**

**SERMON: Pastor Paul Kollek**

## **NICENE CREED**

**C** I believe in one God,  
the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth  
and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ,  
the only-begotten Son of God,  
begotten of His Father before all worlds,  
God of God, Light of Light,  
very God of very God,  
begotten, not made,  
being of one substance with the Father,  
by whom all things were made;  
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven  
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary  
and was made man;  
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.  
He suffered and was buried.  
And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures  
and ascended into heaven  
and sits at the right hand of the Father.  
And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead,  
whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the Lord and giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,  
who spoke by the prophets.  
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,  
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,  
and I look for the resurrection of the dead  
and the life ✠ of the world to come. Amen.

## OFFERING

*We do not pass the offering plate here at Hope. If you are a visitor, we don't want you to feel obligated to give an offering, we are just glad that you have joined us for worship this day. Those who would like to give an offering may drop it off in the Offering Basket located in the Narthex. There is also an online option for giving by using the QR code located in the back of the bulletin. Pastor will bless the offerings at this time.*

## PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

**P** (After each petition...) Lord, in Your mercy,  
**C** hear our prayer.

**+ SACRAMENT +**

## PREFACE

**P** The Lord be with you.  
**C** And also with you.

**P** Lift up your hearts.  
**C** We lift them to the Lord.

**P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**C** It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

## PROPER PREFACE

**P** It is truly good, right, our duty, and our delight to give You thanks and praise at all times and in every place, almighty God, heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, for You fulfilled Your promise to shepherd Your people in love, forgiving their sins and securing them in Your grace and favor by Your Word and Sacraments. Therefore with the angels and archangels, apostles and prophets, and all the great cloud of witnesses who have loved Your appearing and died in faith, we join in their unending hymn of praise, joyfully singing:

## **SANCTUS**

LSB 161

- C** Holy, holy, holy Lord God of pow'r and might:  
Heaven and earth are full of Your glory.  
Hosanna. Hosanna.  
Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.

## **PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

- P** The Lord is our shepherd, we shall not want. He grants us to lie down in green pastures and leads us beside the still quiet waters of His love. He restores our souls for His name's sake and covers us in the clothing of His own righteousness. Though we walk in the valley of the shadow of death, we are not afraid for You are with us. The rod of Your Word and the staff of Your Sacraments are our comfort and our peace.
- C** Amen.

## **THE WORDS OF OUR LORD**

- P** Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My  $\text{✠}$  body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My  $\text{✠}$  blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

## **PROCLAMATION OF CHRIST**

- P** As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.
- C** Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

- P** You set Your table in the presence of our enemies and our cup runs over of the grace You have provided for us and for all the faithful. Surely Your goodness and mercy shall be sufficient for all our days and for eternal life, and we shall dwell in Your house forevermore; through Jesus Christ, our Good Shepherd, who has taught us to pray:

## **LORD'S PRAYER**

- C** 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.

## **PAX DOMINI**

- P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C** And also with you, Pastor.

## **AGNUS DEI**

LSB 163

- C** Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.

## **DISTRIBUTION: How Beautiful I Am Jesus' Little Lamb (LSB 740)**

## **THANK THE LORD**

LSB 164

- C** Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev'ryone what He has done.  
Let all who seek the Lord rejoice and proudly bear His name.  
He recalls His promises and leads His people forth in joy  
with shouts of thanksgiving. Alleluia, alleluia.

## **POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING**

- P** Let us pray.  
Almighty God, heavenly Father, we give You thanks for providing for us Your own Son to be our Shepherd and Lord. Grant that through the means of grace and those undershepherds who administer them to us we may continue to be fed and nourished to eternal life and bring us at last to that day when we shall gather as one in Your presence on high, without trouble or trial to afflict us, and we shall know His love face to face; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C** Amen.

## **BENEDICTION**

Hebrews 13:20–21; Numbers 6:24–26

- P** Now may the God of peace who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, equip you with everything good

that you may do His will, working in you that which is pleasing in His sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever.

**C** Amen.

## **CLOSING SONG: We Will Glorify**

### **Should I Attend the Lord's Supper?**

1. Am I baptized in the name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit?
2. Am I sorry for my sins and do I want to amend my sinful life?
3. Do I believe that with the bread and wine I also receive Christ's true body and blood?
4. Am I a confirmed member of the LCMS, *or* have I spoken to the Pastor or an Elder about communing at Hope Lutheran Church?

*Lighter colored wine has alcohol removed*



## **UPCOMING OPPORTUNITIES FOR OUTREACH**

**OASIS FOR LINDEN MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENTS IS THURSDAYS FROM 2:30 TO 5:00.**  
**VOLUNTEERS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME!**

**COOKIES NEEDED FOR LINDEN HIGH SCHOOL BACCALAUREATE SERVICE ON**  
**TUESDAY, MAY 27<sup>TH</sup> AT 7PM.** Please sign up in the narthex if you'd like to provide a sweet treat for our guests.

**BABY BOTTLE BOOMERANG** Please pick up a plastic baby bottle in the Narthex, and use it to collect spare change, cash or checks from Mother's Day, May 11<sup>th</sup> to Father's Day, June 15<sup>th</sup>. All Donations go directly to Flint Pregnancy Resources. You may also donate new or gently used clothing up to size 2T, diapers, or other baby items. Questions may be directed to April at (810)444-2314.

## **UPCOMING OPPORTUNITIES FOR WORD AND WORSHIP**

**WORSHIP SERVICES** Worship service is on Sundays at 9:30am. If you are unable to attend in person, the services are recorded and will be available on our website at [hopelinden.org](http://hopelinden.org).

### **BIBLE STUDIES**

- Coffee & Questions with Pastor on Sunday Mornings after Worship. Stay after for great fellowship and conversation! This is a very informal time for sharing and learning and is open to everyone of all ages!
- Women's Bible Study on the book of Isaiah on Tuesdays at 10AM
- Women's At Home Bible Study can be done at your convenience. Pick up May's packet in the Narthex.
- Adult Bible Study will Resume on Wednesdays starting May 14th at 10 am in Pastors Office.

## **UPCOMING OPPORTUNITIES FOR FELLOWSHIP**

Guests, please fill out the Guest Registration card located in the pew. Members and regular attendees no longer need to sign in as we are streamlining our attendance accounting. Thank you!

**OPEN COUNCIL POSITIONS FOR JUNE 2025 TO JULY 2027** There are four vacancies for the upcoming two-year church council term. The positions are: President (currently Chad Burtrum), Treasurer (currently Karl Oppenhausser), Stewardship (Connie Casselton) and Member at Large (currently Phyllis Pross). Please contact Chad Burtrum if you are interested in any of these positions, or you would like to nominate someone for a position.

**CEF** Interest Rates for May are posted on the bulletin board outside of April's office. If you have any questions, contact our CEF Representative, Connie Casselton.



COLOSSIANS 3:14

CLOTHE  
YOURSELVES  
WITH LOVE  
WHICH BINDS  
EVERYTHING  
TOGETHER  
IN PERFECT  
HARMONY



Mother's Day

**NEXT WEEK**  
**Office Hours**  
**M-Th 9am-Noon**

**Monday, May 12**

**Tuesday, May 13**

Women's Bible Study 10am

**Wednesday, May 14**

Adult Bible Study at 10am

Choir 1:00

**Thursday, May 15**

LAST Oasis for the year!  
2:30-5:00

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY**  
**KARL OPPERTHAUSER AND**  
**PHYLLIS PROSS!**

**Friday, May 16**

Office Closed

**Saturday, May 17**

**Sunday, May 18**

Worship Service at 9:30am  
Coffee and Questions with Pastor  
after service

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**Weekly Information**

**Attendance**

05/04/25 Worship 9:30 ..... 35  
05/04/25 Coffee and Questions ..... x  
05/06/25 Women's Bible Study ..... 4  
05/02/25 Friday Grind ..... 70

**Collections and Facility Income**

05/04/25 ..... 2425.00  
Givings Needed Weekly to meet budget ..... 3337.52

**Financial Update for February 2025**

Actual Revenue ..... 9216.21  
Actual Expenditures ..... 15921.87  
Actual Shortage ..... 6705.66  
YTD Shortage ..... 3877.48

*\*YTD does not include special offerings, property sale  
and memorials.*



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