

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.

Do Not Be Anxious

August 10, 2025

AS WE GATHER

Sometimes one simple word can have two meanings that are complete opposites. The word anxious is one of them. In English, it comes from the old Latin verb “angere,” which means to “take hold of” or “to give pain.” When Jesus says, “Do not be anxious,” He is inviting us to let go of that which causes us pain and to trust in God’s complete and loving care. And yet the flip side of “angere” describes a positive sense of eagerness. In the Advent hymn “Come, Thou Precious Ransom, Come” (LSB 350), we pray to our Savior: “Come, Thy beauty let us see; anxiously we wait for Thee” (st. 1). May our faithful worship reflect that hopeful kind of anxiety as we celebrate the presence of the Lord among us.

WELCOME

OPENING PRAYER

OPENING HYMN: Let Us Ever Walk With Jesus (LSB 685)

INVOCATION

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

C Amen.

OPENING SENTENCES

Psalm 34:1–4, 8, 22

P I will bless the LORD at all times; His praise shall continually be in my mouth.

C My soul makes its boast in the LORD; let the humble hear and be glad.

P Oh, magnify the LORD with me, and let us exalt His name together!

C I sought the LORD, and He answered me and delivered me from all my fears.

- P** Oh, taste and see that the LORD is good! Blessed is the man who takes refuge in Him!
- C** **The LORD redeems the life of His servants; none of those who take refuge in Him will be condemned.**

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

- P** Let us humble ourselves before God, confess our sins to Him, and ask His gracious forgiveness for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- C** **We now confess to God Almighty, before the whole company of heaven and before one another, that we are sinful human beings by nature and by deed. We have given in to anxiety and have not always put our trust in God and His gracious provision for our lives. We have not always been good stewards of the many gifts that God graciously gives us and have focused on keeping things for ourselves rather than sharing them with others. We have missed opportunities to share the love of Christ with those around us and have not sought out the best for the people of our family circles, our neighborhoods, and our communities. We pray our God to have mercy on us, to forgive us all our sins, to lead us into lives of growing faith and increasing charity, and finally to bring us to everlasting life. Amen.**
- P** God is faithful and keeps His promises of full pardon for the sake of His Son, Jesus Christ, granting mercy and forgiveness for those who repent and turn to Him. As a called and ordained servant of Christ and by His authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C** **Amen.**

CONFESSION HYMN: Chief of Sinners Though I Be (LSB 611)

SALUTATION

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

PRAYER OF THE DAY

- P** Let us pray.
O Lord, Jesus Christ, You have directed us to trust in You for all that is needful in our lives. Preserve us by Your perpetual mercy and lead us to trust in Your gracious guidance in all things. As the Spirit works in our lives and days, lead us to whatever is profitable for our salvation; for You live and reign with the Father 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.*

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Genesis 15:1–6

¹After these things the word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision: “Fear not, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great.” ²But Abram said, “O Lord GOD, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?” ³And Abram said, “Behold, you have given me no offspring, and a member of my household will be my heir.” ⁴And behold, the word of the LORD came to him: “This man shall not be your heir; your very own son shall be your heir.” ⁵And he brought him outside and said, “Look toward heaven, and number the stars, if you are able to number them.” Then he said to him, “So shall your offspring be.” ⁶And he believed the LORD, and he counted it to him as righteousness.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE

Hebrews 11:1–16

¹Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. ²For by it the people of old received their commendation. ³By faith we understand that the universe was created by the word of God, so that what is seen was not made out of things that are visible.

⁴By faith Abel offered to God a more acceptable sacrifice than Cain, through which he was commended as righteous, God commending him by accepting his gifts. And through his faith, though he died, he still speaks. ⁵By faith Enoch was taken up so that he should not see death, and he was not found, because God had taken him. Now before he was taken he was commended as having pleased God. ⁶And without faith it is impossible to please him, for whoever would draw near to God must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who seek him. ⁷By faith Noah, being warned by God concerning events as yet unseen, in reverent fear constructed an ark for the saving of his household. By this he condemned the world and became an heir of the righteousness that comes by faith.

⁸By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to go out to a place that he was to receive as an inheritance. And he went out, not knowing where he was going. ⁹By faith he went to live in the land of promise, as in a foreign land, living in tents with Isaac and Jacob, heirs with him of the same promise. ¹⁰For he was looking forward to the city that has foundations, whose designer and builder is God. ¹¹By faith Sarah herself received power to conceive, even when she was past the age, since she considered him faithful who had promised. ¹²Therefore from one man, and him as good as dead, were born descendants as many as the stars of heaven and as many as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore.

¹³These all died in faith, not having received the things promised, but having seen them and greeted them from afar, and having acknowledged that they were strangers and exiles on the earth. ¹⁴For people who speak thus make it clear that they are seeking a homeland. ¹⁵If they had been thinking of that land from which they had gone out, they would have had opportunity to return. ¹⁶But as it is, they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God, for he has prepared for them a city.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 12:22–40

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the twelfth chapter.

C Glory to You, O Lord.

²²[Jesus] said to his disciples, “Therefore I tell you, do not be anxious about your life, what you will eat, nor about your body, what you will put on. ²³For life is more than food, and the body more than clothing. ²⁴Consider the ravens: they neither sow nor reap, they have neither storehouse nor barn, and yet God feeds them. Of how much more value are you than the birds! ²⁵And which of you by being anxious can add a single hour to his span of life? ²⁶If then you are not able to do as small a thing as that, why are you anxious about the rest? ²⁷Consider the lilies, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin, yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these. ²⁸But if God so clothes the grass, which is alive in the field today, and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, how much more will he clothe you, O you of little faith! ²⁹And do not seek what you are to eat and what you are to drink, nor be worried. ³⁰For all the nations of the world seek after these things, and your Father knows that you need them. ³¹Instead, seek his kingdom, and these things will be added to you.

³²“Fear not, little flock, for it is your Father’s good pleasure to give you the kingdom. ³³Sell your possessions, and give to the needy. Provide yourselves with moneybags that do not grow old, with a treasure in the heavens that does not fail, where no thief approaches and no moth destroys. ³⁴For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.

³⁵“Stay dressed for action and keep your lamps burning, ³⁶and be like men who are waiting for their master to come home from the wedding feast, so that they may open the door to him at once when he comes and knocks. ³⁷Blessed are those servants whom the master finds awake when he comes. Truly, I say to you, he will dress himself for service and have them recline at table, and he will come and serve them. ³⁸If he comes in the second watch, or in the third, and finds them awake, blessed are those servants! ³⁹But know this, that if the master of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have left his house to be broken into. ⁴⁰You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

SERMON SONG: Whom Shall I Fear

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

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.
G It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

PROPER PREFACE

- P** It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to You, Lord our God. Holy are You and great is the majesty of Your glory. You did so love the world that You sent Your only Son to be our Redeemer. By His sacrificial life, He has brought us salvation and has shown us the path to life eternal. Pour upon us now the gift of the Holy Spirit that we may receive the body and blood of our Lord with true devotion. Grant us a foretaste of the feast to come, heavenly Father, that we may with increased faith joyfully await a blessed eternity in Your glorious presence.
- G** Amen.

SANCTUS

LSB 161

- G** 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** Blessed are You, O Lord eternal, and blessed be Your name. In Your great love, You sent Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be the promised Savior, whose life of service fulfilled Your will and completed the work of salvation. Because of His sacrificial work, we are not orphans but have become Your beloved children who can live triumphantly. Gather into one, we pray, all Your people who now join at Your Holy Table. By Your presence in this Sacrament nourish us, so that all we who partake of Christ's holy body and blood may be strengthened to serve You and our neighbor, as You would have us do. To You, O God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory in Your holy church, forever and ever.
- G** 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 ∇ 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 ∇ 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 O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach 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 HYMNS: The King of Love My Shepherd Is (LSB 709)
Alleluia Sing to Jesus (LSB 821)

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.
Grant that Your Son's body and blood, O Lord, which You have given us to eat and to drink,
may abide in us; and let no stain of sin remain in us, whom this pure and Holy Sacrament
has refreshed; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with
You and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever.
- C** Amen.

BENEDICTION

- P** The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.
- C** Amen.

CLOSING SONG: Abide O Dearest Jesus (LSB 919)

UPCOMING OPPORTUNITIES FOR OUTREACH

Pastor will continue to have pop up Drive Thru Prayer throughout the summer. Please talk to Pastor if you are interested in volunteering!

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.

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! We encourage everyone to stay—you will love it!
- Women's At Home Bible Study can be done at your convenience. Pick up August's packet in the Narthex.
- Adult Bible Study with Pastor will be held throughout the summer on Wednesdays at 10am.

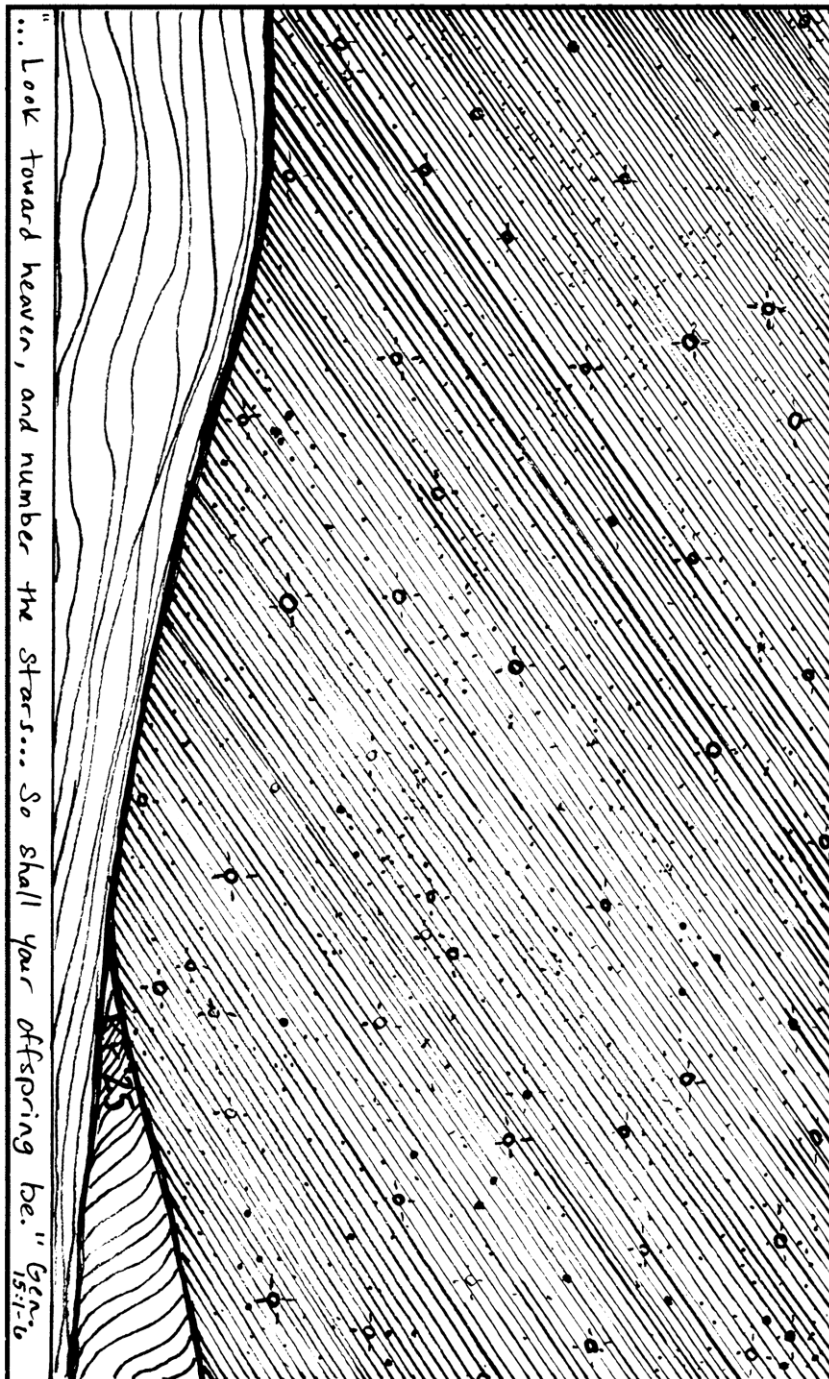
UPCOMING OPPORTUNITIES FOR FELLOWSHIP

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!



Sermon Notes





"... Look toward heaven, and number the stars... So shall your offspring be." *Gen. 15:5*

NEXT WEEK
Office Hours
M-Th 9am-Noon

***Please Note:**
April is on Vacation
August 11-15. Please call to
see if the church is open if
you need to stop by.

Monday, August 11
HAPPY ANNIVERSARY
DAVE & APRIL O'TOOLE!

Tuesday, August 12

Wednesday, August 13
Adult Bible Study at 10am
Choir 1:00

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY
RON & KAREN SIEGWALD
RANDY & DIANE FRASER!

Thursday, August 14

Friday, August 15
Office Closed
HAPPY BIRTHDAY
ZAC & JULIE HESLIP!

Saturday, August 16

Sunday, August 17
Worship Service at 9:30am
Coffee and Questions with Pastor
HAPPY BIRTHDAY
JIM COLMER!

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Weekly Information

Attendance

08/03/25 Worship 9:3040
08/03/25 Coffee and Questions
08/06/25 Adult Bible Study

Collections and Facility Income

08/03/25 3367.00
Givings Needed Weekly to meet budget..... 3337.52

Financial Update for June 2025

Actual Revenue 12639.80
Actual Expenditures 13898.29
Actual Shortage 458.49
YTD Shortage..... 14341.01

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and memorials.*



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