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Hope Lutheran Church | July 31- August 1, 2021

WELCOME TO HOPE LUTHERAN CHURCH

A warm welcome to all who are here in God's house! We greet you in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Thank you for being a part of our fellowship on this day. Paul's letter to the Ephesians is our focus today, as we celebrate the precious gifts of God which are ours in Christ.



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Altar Flowers

Given to the glory of God by Josh & Beth Agner in celebration of their 8th wedding anniversary.

Worship Check-In

Please take a moment to check-in online on the Worship Resources page on Hope's website at www.hopelutheranwf.org.

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August 1, 2021 ~ 11:00 AM ~ Holy Communion: Liturgy of Joy

PRELUDE

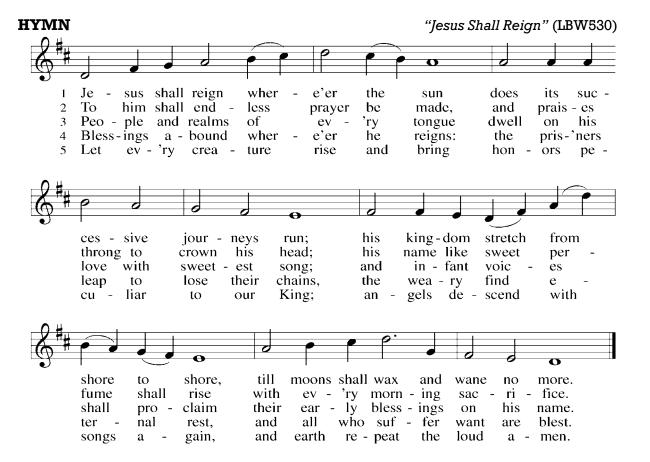
WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

ORDER OF CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

- V: In the name of the Father, and of the ♥ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
- C: Amen.
- V: 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.
- **V:** 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.

(silence for reflection and self-examination)

- V: 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 neighbor 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.
- V: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for you, and for his sake God forgives you all your 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.



APOSTOLIC GREETING

V: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

HYMN OF PRAISE





PRAYER OF THE DAY

V: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray. Merciful Father, you made us alive who were dead in our sins, and have given us innumerable riches of grace and kindness in your Son, Jesus Christ.

C: May we as your workmanship do the good works you prepared for us to do, serving you and our neighbor; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

▼ THE SERVICE OF THE WORD ▼

Congregation is seated

EPISTLE LESSON

Ephesians 1:15-2:10

¹⁵ For this reason, because I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, ¹⁶ I do not cease to give thanks for you, remembering you in my prayers, ¹⁷ that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you the Spirit of wisdom and of revelation in the knowledge of him, ¹⁸ having the eyes of your hearts enlightened, that you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance in the saints, ¹⁹ and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power toward us who believe, according to the working of his great might ²⁰ that he

worked in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, ²¹ far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the one to come. ²² And he put all things under his feet and gave him as head over all things to the church, ²³ which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

2 And you were dead in the trespasses and sins ² in which you once walked, following the course of this world, following the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work in the sons of disobedience—³ among whom we all once lived in the passions of our flesh, carrying out the desires of the body and the mind, and were by nature children of wrath, like the rest of mankind. ⁴ But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, ⁵ even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved—⁶ and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, ⁷ so that in the coming ages he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. ⁸ For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, ⁹ not a result of works, so that no one may boast. ¹⁰ For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.

Congregation stands

ALLELUIA VERSE



HOLY GOSPEL Mark 3:13-21

¹³ And he went up on the mountain and called to him those whom he desired, and they came to him. ¹⁴ And he appointed twelve (whom he also named apostles) so that they might be with him and he might send them out to preach ¹⁵ and have authority to cast out demons. ¹⁶ He appointed the twelve: Simon (to whom he gave the name Peter); ¹⁷ James the son of Zebedee and John the brother of James (to whom he gave the name Boanerges, that is, Sons of Thunder); ¹⁸ Andrew, and Philip, and Bartholomew, and Matthew, and Thomas, and James the son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus, and Simon the Zealot, ¹⁹ and Judas Iscariot, who betrayed him.

²⁰ Then he went home, and the crowd gathered again, so that they could not even eat. ²¹ And when his family heard it, they went out to seize him, for they were saying, "He is out of his mind."

NICENE CREED

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation

He came down from heaven; by the power of the Holy Spirit

he became incarnate from the virgin Mary, and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;

he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again

in accordance with the Scriptures;

he ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son.

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.

He has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic* and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead,

and the life of the world to come. Amen

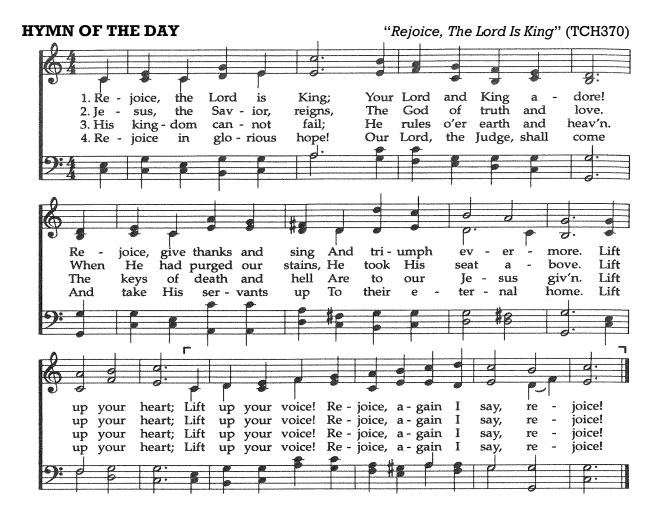
* "universal" (original wording of the Creed; portraying God's perspective that the whole of God's people on earth are truly one In Christ)

Congregation is seated

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Children may come to the front.

Children ages 3 – Grade 2 may leave for Children's Church immediately following the Children's Message by DCE Steve McCarthy.



"IN CHRIST" SERMON SERIES

"I Have Heard About You!"
Pastor Preston Wagner

Congregation stands

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Each portion of the prayers ends with these words.

P: Lord, in your mercy...

C: Hear our prayer.

▼ THE SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION ▼

Communion Participation: As Lutheran Christians, we believe Christ's body and blood are truly present with the bread and wine, offering forgiveness of sins to all who believe in Jesus Christ. We ask those who commune to share this unity of faith in Christ and understanding of the Sacrament of Holy Communion. Since the Scripture teaches that we are to examine ourselves before eating of the bread and drinking of the cup (1 Corinthians 11:28), if you are not certain of the meaning of Holy Communion or have not been baptized or instructed in the Christian faith, please speak with one of the Pastors before communing.

Communion Distribution Process: Please form two lines in the main center aisle, proceeding to the altar. After you have received communion, you may return to your pew via the side aisles.



White grape juice is provided in the center of the trays. Individual cups may be placed in the baskets at the ends of the altar rail. Gluten-free bread is available upon request.

Communion and Children: First communion is ordinarily offered at Hope to youth after confirmation in the 6th grade. Children and youth who have not been confirmed may come to the altar to receive a blessing. Children and non-confirmed youth should fold their arms over their chest to acknowledge they are receiving the blessing.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them up to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

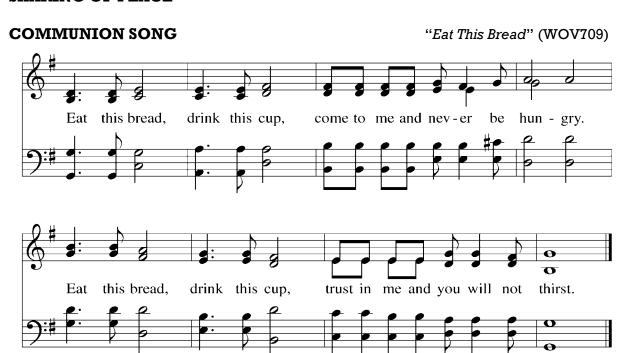
WORDS OF INSTITUTION

P: In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: "Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this in remembrance of me." Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: "This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me."

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.

SHARING OF PEACE



repeat twice

Congregation is seated

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

"O Jesus, King Most Wonderful!" (LBW537)



WORDS OF BLESSING

Congregation stands

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

P: God of all mercies, we give thanks to you for your Son, Jesus Christ, and for the gift of salvation brought to us in him.

C: Be with us as we to go and proclaim your love to your creation; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

BENEDICTION

CLOSING HYMN

"Crown Him With Many Crowns" (LBW520 vs.1-4) \rightarrow

DISMISSAL

P: The worship is ended.

C: The service now begins.

P: Go in peace and serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE



- 1 Crown him with man y crowns, the Lamb up on his throne;
- 2 Crown him the vir gin's Son, the God in car nate born,
- 3 Crown him the Lord of love— be hold his hands and side,
- 4 Crown him the Lord of life, who tri-umphed o'er the grave



hark, how the heav'n-ly an - them drowns all mu - sic but its whose arm those crim-son tro-phies won which now his brow a - dorn; rich wounds, yet vis - i ble a bove, in beau-ty glo-ri-fied. vic - to - rious in the strife for those he came to and rose



sing wake. soul, and of him who died for thee. Α my fruit of the mys - tic of that rose the rose. vet stem, No an ful - ly gels in the sky can bear that sight, His glo - ries sing, who died and rose on high, now we



thy match-less king through all and hail as e - ter - ni - ty. root whence mer - cy ev - er flows, the babe of Beth - le - hem. the down - ward bend their burn - ing eyes at mys - ter - ies SO bright. who died. e - ter - nal life to bring, and lives that death may die.

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EVENTS @ HOPE

Please mark your calendar for these exciting events and opportunities to serve our community.



Brown Bag Ministry is Growing

Brown Bag Ministry makes and delivers 150-175 nutritious lunches to local children and their families in Wake Forest. As this ministry grows and adds additional weekends, additional leaders are needed to prepare set up, and lead volunteers during the event. Contact Debbie Irgens at 919-723-8812 for information or to volunteer.

Calling All Vendors!

Do you have something you would like to sell to the community? On October 2, 2021 from 11-3pm, Hope Lutheran Church is hosting an outdoor harvest festival that will include bounce house, dunk tank, jousting, games, face painting, Charlie Kabob food truck (with expanded menu), vendors, and more! If you are interested in becoming a vendor for this event please visit www.hopelutheranwf.org/HopeHarvestFest or contact DCE Wesley Spottiswood at 919-554-8109 or wspottiswood@hopelutheranwf.org.

Ministry Leadership Team

Serving our congregation as members of the Ministry Leadership Team for 2021-22 are: David Critchley (Chair), Sarah Crawford (Vice-Chair), Rob Niesel (Secretary), Eric Arner, Megan Baldwin, Andy Barrett, Mike Dennen, Michelle Hellmann, Bill Jay, Maurice Samuels, Jill Schaefer, and Emily Smathers. Please keep these leaders in your prayers.

Little Blessings Morning Out Program at Hope Lutheran is looking for enthusiastic people who love to work with kids to join our team working from 3-4 hours per day, 3-4 days per week. Children ages 0-2 come to this program to gain social skills and build a foundation for their education. Teachers are responsible for story times, music with the kids, safety of the children and providing a loving, Christian environment for these families. Please send your resume to Tonya Watt, Director of Little Blessings, at twatt@hopelutheranwf.org or call her at 919-229-0195 for more information.



Small Groups: Card Groups are Back!

Pinochle Group meets the 1st & 3rd Mondays from 1:00-4:00 PM for fellowship and Pinochle. The group will meet August 2 & August 16. New players are welcome! Questions? Contact Peggy Koehler at 919-231-9563 or Jan Hubbard at hjhubb@nc.rr.com.

Bridge Group meets the 2nd Monday of each month from 1:00-4:00 PM, beginning on August 9. New players are welcome! Questions? Contact Pam Jay at 919-528-1011 or piay0826@amail.com.

SUNDAY SCHOOL & ADULT EDUCATION

Sunday School and Adult Education classes are held from 9:45-10:45 AM every Sunday.

Adult Education

"In Christ": A Study On Ephesians

In conjunction with our summer sermon series, "In Christ," you are invited to take an in depth look at the reading of the week from the book of Ephesians. The class will meet on the Adult Education floor, in room 301 and is led by Pastor Lew, Pastor Wayne, and Vicar James.

"In Christ" Self-Starter Summary

For those who are "Sunday schedule challenged," a PDF summarizing the highlights of the adult education class will be posted on our website each week. You are encouraged to follow along!

Youth Ministry

All youth in grades 5-12 are invited to Sunday School in the Youth Center.

Children's Ministry

Sunday School is offered for all children ages 3 years - grade 4 in the Children's Center.

There is no need to register, all classes are open to visitors and members of Hope.

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