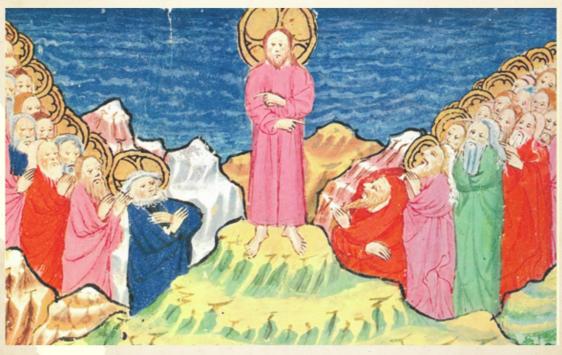
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WELCOME TO HOPE LUTHERAN CHURCH

A warm, joyful welcome to all who are worshipping the Lord Jesus Christ with us today at Hope Lutheran Church! In this season of Epiphany, the Scriptures reveal to us the glory of God himself, as it was made manifest in the person of God's Son, our Savior Jesus Christ. Whether you're a guest today, or a long-time member of the congregation, we pray that the light of Christ will shine brightly upon you this day.



Altar Flowers. Given to the glory of God by John & Elaine Willers in honor of their 55th wedding anniversary.

Worship Check-In. Please take a moment to check-in online on the Worship Resource page at www.hopelutheranwf.org.

Offering and Tithes. All are invited to make an offering today, as a worshipful expression of thanksgiving to God, and in support of the ministries of Hope Lutheran Church. You may place your gift in the offering plates as you leave, next to the sanctuary exit doors. May God bless our offerings and tithes! TODAY

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January 23, 2022 ~ Holy Communion: Liturgy of Joy ~ 11:00 AM

WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS, & TIME OF GREETING

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

ORDER OF CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

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

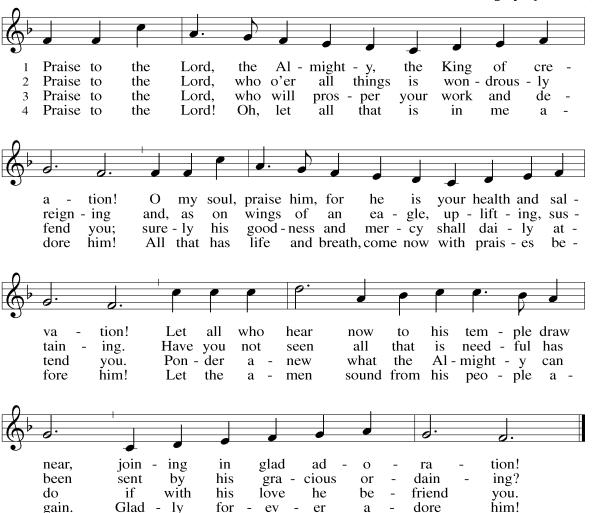
(silence for reflection and self-examination)

- P: 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.
- P: Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the ♣ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

HYMN

"Praise To the Lord, The Almighty" (LBW543)



APOSTOLIC GREETING

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

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C: And also with you.

HYMN OF PRAISE



PRAYER OF THE DAY

- **P:** The Lord be with you.
- C: And also with you.
- **P:** Let us pray. Almighty God, your send you Son to proclaim your kingdom and to teach with authority.
- C: Anoint us with the power of your Spirit, that we, too, may bring good news to the afflicted, bind up the brokenhearted, and proclaim liberty to the captive; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

▼ THE SERVICE OF THE WORD **▼**

Congregation is seated

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Nehemiah 8:1-3,5-6,8-10

And all the people gathered as one man into the square before the Water Gate. And they told Ezra the scribe to bring the Book of the Law of Moses that the Lord had commanded Israel. ² So Ezra the priest brought the Law before the assembly, both men and women and all who could understand what they heard, on the first day of the seventh month. ³ And he read from it facing the square before the Water Gate from early morning until midday, in the presence of the men and the women and those who could understand. And the ears of all the people were attentive to the Book of the Law.

⁵ And Ezra opened the book in the sight of all the people, for he was above all the people, and as he opened it all the people stood. ⁶ And Ezra blessed the Lord, the great God, and all the people answered, "Amen, Amen," lifting up their hands. And they bowed their heads and worshiped the Lord with their faces to the ground.

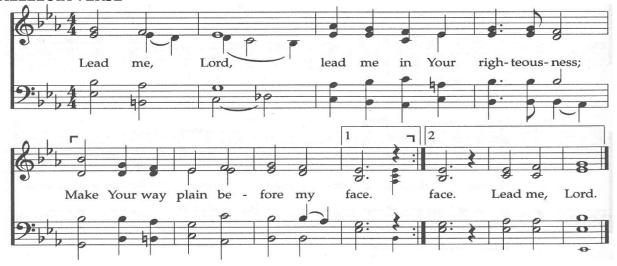
⁸They read from the book, from the Law of God, clearly, and they gave the sense, so that the people understood the reading. ⁹And Nehemiah, who was the governor, and Ezra the priest and scribe, and the Levites who taught the people said to all the people, "This day is holy to the Lord your God; do not mourn or weep." For all the people wept as they heard the words of the Law. ¹⁰Then he said to them, "Go your way. Eat the fat and drink sweet wine and send portions to anyone who has nothing ready, for this day is holy to our Lord. And do not be grieved, for the joy of the Lord is your strength."

EPISTLE LESSON 1 Corinthians 12:7-11

⁷To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. ⁸ For to one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, ⁹ to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, ¹⁰ to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the ability to distinguish between spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. ¹¹ All these are empowered by one and the same Spirit, who apportions to each one individually as he wills.

Congregation stands

ALLELUIA VERSE



HOLY GOSPEL Luke 4:16-30

¹⁶ And he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up. And as was his custom, he went to the synagogue on the Sabbath day, and he stood up to read. ¹⁷ And the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written,

18 "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor.
He has sent me to proclaim liberty to the captives and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty those who are oppressed,
19 to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor."

²⁰ And he rolled up the scroll and gave it back to the attendant and sat down. And the eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. ²¹ And he began to say to them, "Today this Scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing." ²² And all spoke well of him and marveled at the gracious words that were coming from his mouth. And they said, "Is not this Joseph's son?" ²³ And he said to them, "Doubtless you will quote to me this proverb, "Physician, heal yourself." What we have heard you did at Capernaum, do here in your hometown as well." ²⁴ And he said, "Truly, I say to you, no prophet is acceptable in his hometown. ²⁵ But in truth, I tell you, there were many widows in Israel in the days of Elijah, when the heavens were shut up three years and six months, and a great famine came over all the land, ²⁶ and Elijah was sent to none of them but only to Zarephath, in the land of Sidon, to a woman who was a widow. ²⁷ And there were many lepers in Israel in the time of the prophet Elisha, and none of them was cleansed, but only Naaman the Syrian." ²⁸ When they heard these things, all in the synagogue were filled with wrath. ²⁹ And they rose up and drove

him out of the town and brought him to the brow of the hill on which their town was built, so that they could throw him down the cliff. 30 But passing through their midst, he went away.

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.

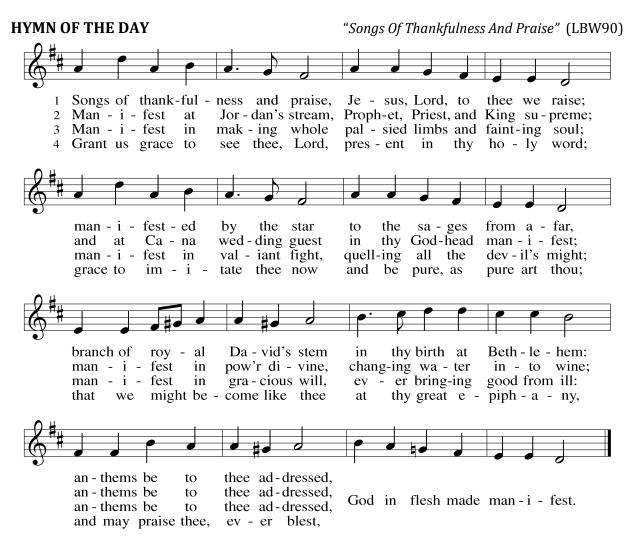
and the life of the world to come. Amen

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

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 Wesley Spottiswood.



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CHORAL ANTHEM

"The Lord Is Our Light" sung by the Senior Choir

Congregation stands

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

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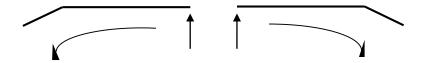
P: Lord, in your mercy...

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."

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

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: And also with you.

The ministers and congregation greet one another in the name of the Lord.



COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION SONGS

"Around You, O Lord Jesus" (LBW496)



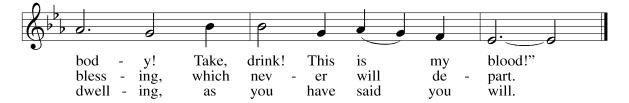
- 1 A round you, O Lord Je sus, your own you gath er still
- 2 We hear your in vi ta tion, and heed, O Lord, your call;
- 3 We are your own for ev er; un til our fi nal breath



share the feast you give us with grace our lives fill. to to con - so - la - tion spo - ken here all. your word of is to and nev - er— in will joy, in grief, in deathbe true



lov - ing - ly, "Take, eat! You say to us so is my lov - ing heart; brings to It draws your it us us to your de - part from you, are still for you a - mong your peo - ple





- 1 Son of God, e ter nal Sav ior, source of life and truth and grace,
- 2 As you, Lord, have lived for oth ers, so may we for
- oth ers live. Prince of Peace:
- 3 Come, O Christ, and reign a mong us, King of love and 4 Son of God, e - ter - nal Sav-ior, source of life and

truth and grace,



Word made flesh, whose birth a - mong us hal-lows all our hu - man race, Free-ly have your gifts been grant-ed; free-ly may your hush the storm of strife and pas-sion, bid its cru-el dis - cords cease. Word made flesh, whose birth a - mong us hal-lows all our hu - man race:



head, who, throned in glo - ry, for plead: your own will ev - er our Yours the gold and yours the sil-ver, yours the wealth of land and sea; of toil-ing, by your si - lent hours of your pa - tient years pain, By your pray-ing, by your will-ing that your peo-ple should be by one,



fill us with your love and pit - y, heal our wrong, and help our need. your boun-ty held in but stew-ards of trust will be. sol - emn quench our fe-vered thirst of plea-sure, stem our self - ish greed of gain. grant, oh, grant our hope's fru - i - tion: here on earth your will be done.

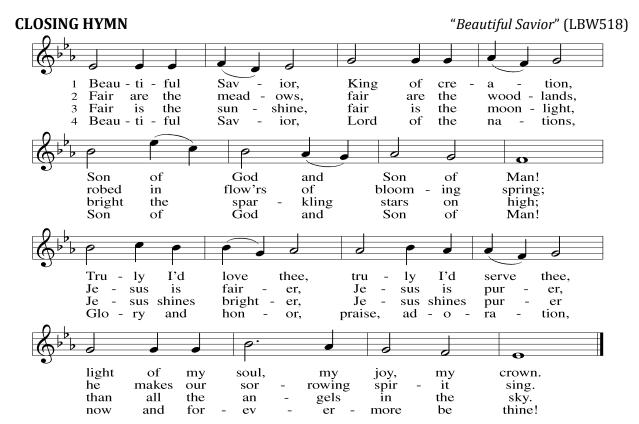
WORDS OF BLESSING

Congregation stands

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

- **P:** Loving God, today we trust your words of forgiveness and life found in this holy meal.
- C: Give us a renewed faith and a confident trust to live this week as your beloved children. In the name of your Son, Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen.

BENEDICTION



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



Events @Hope

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

WEDNESDAY NIGHT ALIVE continues through February 23. WNA is Hope's midweek ministry opportunity for all ages to gather for dinner, Bible study, youth groups, fellowship, and fun. The dinner for January 26 is Chick-Fil-A sandwich, waffle fries, salad, and ice cream sandwiches. Cost is \$6/adults & youth 11 and older, \$3/children ages 5-10, children under 5 free (\$22 family max).

2022 MEN'S RETREAT REGISTRATION – OPEN NOW! Ready for a weekend of good food, relaxation, sports, bonding, and Christian brotherhood? All men, 18 years and older, are invited to Camp Cheerio's Mountain Lodge for the 2022 Men's Retreat on March 25-27, 2022. Cost is \$170 a person and includes 2 nights lodging and meals (Friday dinner - Sunday breakfast). Register today at www.hopelutheranwf.org/men.

BUY-A-MILE FUNDRAISER. This summer, 58 of Hope's High School youth are flying to Houston, Texas to take part in the National Youth Gathering (NYG). NYG takes place every 3 years, lasts 5 days, and is the largest LCMS assembly of youth. Thousands will spend time together in God's Word, worship, service, and fellowship with others from around the world. Hope's youth need your help to make the journey. This weekend, youth will be selling miles for \$1 each. Buy as many miles as you wish! Everyone who donates will receive a paper airplane with your name on it to be displayed in the café. Help us get to Houston and buy a mile today!

25TH ANNIVERSARY VIDEO TEAM VOLUNTEER. As part of the 25th Anniversary celebration through May 2022, Hope will be creating and sharing video histories with the congregation. If you have experience with video production or editing, and would like to volunteer your expertise, please contact Pastor Wayne (wpuls@hopelutheranwf.org) or Amy Elder (aelder@hopelutheranwf.org).

ITEMS AVAILABLE. Thanks to a generous donor, an electric wheelchair is available for anyone who is in need. Also, a standard wheelchair and a walker are available. Please contact Pastor Wayne, or Amy Elder, in the church office if you know someone who can use these items.

HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH EVENT. On January 29 from 7:00-8:30 PM, let the good times roll at Strike and Barrel in Wake Forest for pizza and bowling. Cost is \$15, sign up today at www.hopelutheranwf.org/9-12.