



Welcome to Hope

SUNDAYS

8:00 & 10:30AM—Worship
4:00PM—Spanish Worship w/Communion

WEDNESDAYS

6:30PM—Worship

OUR MISSION STATEMENT:

“Anchored in Christ, Empowered by the Spirit, Connecting People to Jesus”

We are glad you are taking the time to worship our Risen Lord and Savior Jesus Christ with us this weekend! We pray God’s blessings on your worship and time spent among us at Hope Lutheran Church! We ask you to please take the time to fill in the Friendship pad (be sure to give us your name and address) and feel free to indicate any prayer concerns on the reverse side of the pad. We are a “Family-Friendly Church” and encourage the participation of children in our worship. However, we realize there are times when children can become disruptive to other worshipers, and for that reason there is a cry room located in the back of the church for your use. Children’s worship bags are available in the narthex for your use during the service (see an usher or elder). Please return the bag following the service to the “Worship Bag Tree.” We encourage you to join us for any and all activities at Hope in the week ahead!

IMPORTANT NOTES: *for the sanctity of our worship and the benefit of those around you, please refrain from excessive talking in the narthex and sanctuary, and turn off all cell phones, pagers, etc. Please time entrances and exits during congregational singing to minimize distraction to our worshipping community. Following our worship, please make every effort to leave God’s House just as you found it. Please do not bring coffee, cans of soda or bottled water into the sanctuary for your use before or even during the service. Also, please be sure to remove any “used” tissues from the pews or hymnal racks. Your help in keeping God’s house neat and clean will most certainly be appreciated! Thank you!*

Hope: Anchored in Christ



Please turn off or silence your cell phone and NO food or drinks in the Sanctuary.

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Activities This Week at Hope:

Sunday 11/1		All Saints Day Daylight Savings
	8:00 & 10:30	Worship w/Communion
	9:15	Ministry Team Meetings: Christian Growth, Fellowship, Missions & Outreach, Human Care, Youth
	4:00	Spanish Worship w/Communion
	6:30	Adult ZOOM Bible Study
	7:00	Youth ZOOM
Monday 11/2	9:00	Quilting
	5:30	Bell Choir
	6:30	Music Leaders
Tuesday 11/3		Election Day—cast your vote
	7:00	Men’s Small Group ZOOM
Wednesday 11/4	8:30	Construction Committee Meeting
	6:30	Worship w/Communion
	7:00	Women’s ZOOM Bible Study
	8:00	Spanish ZOOM Prayer & Bible Study
Thursday 11/5	6:30	Elders Ministry Team Meeting
Saturday 11/7	8:00	Trustees workday
	10:00	Confirmation class
	5:15	Praise Team
	6:00	Middle School Youth Gathering (VIRTUAL)
Sunday 11/8		Youth Scrip Orders due
	8:00 & 10:30	Worship
	4:00	Spanish Worship w/Communion
	6:30	Adult ZOOM Bible Study
	7:00	Youth ZOOM

Worship Attendance / Communion:

Sunday, October 25, 2020:
Worship: 8:00: 38 10:30: 62
Spanish Worship: 4:00: 26/13

Wednesday, October 28, 2020:
Worship: 6:30: 19

General Fund: \$8,108.00

Stewardship Perspective:

Matthew 5:7 – “Blessed are the merciful, for they shall receive mercy.” This is one of many Bible passages that remind us that we reap what we sow. Likewise, what God puts into us – His own love, mercy, kindness, and generosity – flows back out of us. It all starts with His self-giving.



All Saints' Day

Week of November 1, 2020

AS WE GATHER

At Christmas is sung "God rest you merry, gentlemen," with "tidings of comfort and joy." Those tidings were made because our Lord had entered human history. We will finally realize those tidings for ourselves when we join the saints in eternal glory, they who are seen in the vision we will read from Revelation. In the meantime, in these mean times, we rely on hope to get us through each day, as St. Paul writes in the Epistle. That hope is based on our being God's adopted children, brothers and sisters of our risen Lord Jesus. It is both comforting and joyful, no matter our circumstances. As Jesus proclaims in the Gospel's Beatitudes, people with such hope are blessed indeed!

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

RINGING OF BELLS

PRELUDE

"Sine Nomine"

sett'g: Richard Heschke

OPENING HYMN

"For All the Saints"

LSB 677; vs. 1-3, 7



1 For all the saints who from their labors rest,
 2 Thou wast their rock, their fortress, and their might;
 3 Oh, may Thy soldiers, faithful, true, and bold,
 7 But, lo, there breaks a yet more glorious day: The



Who Thee by faith be - fore the world con - fessed, Thy
 Thou, Lord, their cap - tain in the well-fought fight;
 Fight as the saints who nobly fought of old And
 saints tri - um - phant rise in bright ar - ray; The



name, O Je - sus, be for - ev - er blest.
 Thou, in the dark - ness drear, their one true light.
 win with them the vic - tor's crown of gold!
 King of Glo - ry pass - es on His way.



Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!
 Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!
 Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!
 Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

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INVOCATION, CONFESSION, AND ABSOLUTION

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

C: **Amen.**

P: Confident of salvation, let us confess our sins to our loving, heavenly Father.

C: **We confess that we have not lived as Your children, Father in heaven. In our thinking, speaking, and acting, we have not demonstrated to the people around us the kind of love You have shown us. Forgive us for these our sins. Open our eyes of faith that we may anticipate seeing You in the eternity that awaits us. Then move us toward purity of living that will give You the glory each day until You return.**

P: Beloved brothers and sisters in Christ, we are God's children now because of the hope God has poured into us. 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.**

KYRIE

P: In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

C: **Lord, have mercy.**

P: For heaven-sent peace and the hope of salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

C: **Christ, have mercy.**

P: For global peace and the Church's growth in faith and hope, let us pray to the Lord.

C: **Lord, have mercy.**

P: For this holy house and for all who here return thanks to God for the hope within them, let us pray to the Lord.

C: **Christ, have mercy, now and forever. Amen.**

HYMN OF PRAISE

"For All the Saints"

LSB 677; vs. 4-6, 8



4 Oh, blest com - mu - nion, fel - low - ship di - vine!
5 And when the fight is fierce, the war - fare long,
6 The gold - en eve - ning bright - ens in the west;
△ 8 From earth's wide bounds, from o - cean's far - thest coast, Through



We fee - bly strug - gle, they in glo - ry shine; Yet
Steals on the ear the dis - tant tri - umph song, And
Soon, soon to faith - ful war - riors com - eth rest;
gates of pearl streams in the count - less host,



all are one in Thee, for all are Thine.
hearts are brave a - gain, and arms are strong.
Sweet is the calm of par - a - dise the blest.
Sing - ing to Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost:



Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!
Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!
Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!
Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

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TEACHABLE MOMENT

Hope's Prayer Team



✠ SERVICE OF THE WORD ✠

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Jeremiah 29:10-14

¹⁰“For thus says the Lord: When seventy years are completed for Babylon, I will visit you, and I will fulfill to you my promise and bring you back to this place. ¹¹For I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord, plans for welfare and not for evil, to give you a future and a hope. ¹²Then you will call upon me and come and pray to me, and I will hear you. ¹³You will seek me and find me, when you seek me with all your heart. ¹⁴I will be found by you, declares the Lord,

and I will restore your fortunes and gather you from all the nations and all the places where I have driven you, declares the Lord, and I will bring you back to the place from which I sent you into exile.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

EPISTLE READING

Ephesians 3:14-21

¹⁴For this reason I kneel before the Father, ¹⁵from whom every family in heaven and on earth derives its name. ¹⁶I pray that out of his glorious riches he may strengthen you with power through his Spirit in your inner being, ¹⁷so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith. And I pray that you, being rooted and established in love, ¹⁸may have power, together with all the Lord's holy people, to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ, ¹⁹and to know this love that surpasses knowledge—that you may be filled to the measure of all the fullness of God. ²⁰Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us, ²¹to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

RESPONSE

"Take My Life and Let It Be"

LSB 784; vs. 1, 4, 6



1 Take my life and let it be Con - se - crat - ed,
4 Take my sil - ver and my gold, Not a mite would
6 Take my love, my Lord, I pour At Thy feet its



Lord, to Thee; Take my mo - ments and my days, Let them
I with - hold; Take my in - tel - lect and use Ev - 'ry
treasure store; Take my - self, and I will be Ev - er,



flow in cease-less praise, Let them flow in cease-less praise.
pow'r as Thou shalt choose, Ev - 'ry pow'r as Thou shalt choose.
on - ly, all for Thee, Ev - er, on - ly, all for Thee.

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HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 5:1-12

(Blessed are the poor in spirit.)

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the fifth chapter.

C: *(Sung)* **Glory to You, O Lord!**

P: Seeing the crowds, [Jesus] went up on the mountain, and when He sat down, His disciples came to Him. And He opened His mouth and taught them, saying:
"Blessed are the poor in spirit,

C: **for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.**

P: "Blessed are those who mourn,

C: **for they shall be comforted.**

P: "Blessed are the meek,

C: **for they shall inherit the earth.**

P: "Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness,

C: **for they shall be satisfied.**

P: "Blessed are the merciful,

C: **for they shall receive mercy.**

P: "Blessed are the pure in heart,

C: **for they shall see God.**

P: "Blessed are the peacemakers,

C: **for they shall be called sons of God.**

P: "Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake,

C: **for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.**

P: "Blessed are you when others revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on My account. Rejoice and be glad,

C: **for your reward is great in heaven,**

P: for so they persecuted the prophets who were before you."

P: This is the Gospel of our Lord!

C: *(Sung)* **Praise to You, O Christ!**

SONG OF THE DAY

"Imagine More"

1. **Sing glory to our King, abundance He doth bring,
Hope now hear His voice, IMAGINE MORE,—rejoice!
He's blessed us in the past, gives more than all we ask,
Immeasurably great, His power for our sake.**

(Chorus)

How great is our God, sing with me.

How great is our God, all will see. How great, how great is our God.

2. **Our God can do all things; we fly on eagle wings.
Move's mountains when we ask, and now our latest task.
For boldness strong and great, we pray for Jesus' sake,
To move us to respond, with love and gifts beyond. *(Chorus)***

3. **Imagine more—then ask! He'll give to do this task, His mission to proclaim, glorify His name. We'll sacrificially give, so many souls may live, Eternally with Him, forever and amen. (Interlude)**

**Then sings my soul, my Savior God to Thee, How great Thou art,
how great Thou art Then sings my soul, my Savior God to Thee,
How great Thou art, how great Thou art. (x2)**

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SERMON

*“Moving Forward”
Rev. Dean Pfeiffer*

*Jeremiah 29:11
& Ephesians 3:20-21*

NICENE CREED

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 worshipped and glorified who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYERS OF GOD'S PEOPLE

P: Standing with the great multitude of saints before the throne of God and the Lamb, let us join in prayer, praise and thanksgiving to the God of our salvation. Mighty and eternal God, we remember before You the saints and martyrs of every generation, who trusted in You in the face of terror and threat. Grant that when facing persecution and trial in our own day, we may be steadfast in faith. Deliver those whom You have washed in Baptism, granting the new life that death cannot overcome. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: **hear our prayer.**

P: Mighty and eternal God, we beg Your grace that our lives may be ordered by Your commands, and we ask You to bless those who govern us in Your name. Bless our president, the Congress, our governor, the legislature and all local officials, that

pursuing the path of justice they may act with humility and honor for the good of all people. Give wisdom to all who vote this week, and bless its result, that our nation may elect our leaders peacefully and orderly. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: Mighty and eternal God, You have made us Your children, and You continue to guard us as Your own possession. According to Your will, give healing to the sick, calm to the troubled in mind, and patience to those facing sorrow and struggle. Give health and peace to our nation. Hear us especially on behalf of *Diane Bates, Jerrie Edelman, Alice Middaugh, Mary Lou Nash, Laura Rademacher, Gary Smith, and Millie Wetz.* Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: Mighty and eternal God, show forth Your kindness to the poor and Your compassion to those who suffer injustice. Deliver us from the scourge of racism and prejudice, and help us to acknowledge our common life from Your creative power and our common redemption in Christ, our Savior. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: Mighty and eternal God, we are unworthy of all Your blessings and do not deserve the mercies new every morning of our earthly lives. Give us the will and desire to care responsibly for all that You have entrusted to us and to be generous with those in need and for the support of Your Church and the work of Your Kingdom. Bless us giving Father as we continue to Build Hope for the Future. May we respond joyfully as You daily give us immeasurably more than we can imagine or even ask. On this first anniversary of our capital campaign, let Your hands of blessing rest upon us as we look forward to the hope and future Your hands have prepared for us. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: Mighty and eternal God, Your Son has set His table among us in the presence of our enemies, giving us a foretaste of the eternal feast to come. Prepare us in heart and mind to come to this Sacrament and receive the blessing of His body and blood for our benefit. Deliver us from divisions that prevent our communion together, and bring us soon to the day when we will be fully united in doctrine and life to the glory of Your holy name. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: Mighty and eternal God, bring us to that day when every tear shall be wiped from our eyes and we shall hunger and thirst no more. Knowing You now by faith, we yearn for the day when we shall know You face to face. Until the dawn of that eternal day, keep us in Your faith and fear through our Good Shepherd and Lord, Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever who taught us to pray:

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.



WORDS OF INSTITUTION

We listen again to the very words spoken by Jesus Christ in the upper room, “take and eat, this is my body... take and drink, this is my blood”. We prepare to receive what Jesus has promised to share with us, His very presence. As we eat this bread and drink this wine, Christ nourishes us, forgives us and strengthens us with His presence.

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

C: **And also with you.**

AGNUS DEI

“At the Lamb’s High Feast We Sing”

LSB 633; vs. 1-2

1 At the Lamb’s high feast we sing Praise to
 2 Praise we Him, whose love di - vine Gives His

our vic - to - rious King, Who has washed us in the tide
 sa - cred blood for wine, Gives His bod - y for the feast—

Flow - ing from His pierc - ed side. Al - le - lu - ia!
 Christ the vic - tim, Christ the priest. Al - le - lu - ia!

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(The congregation may be seated.)

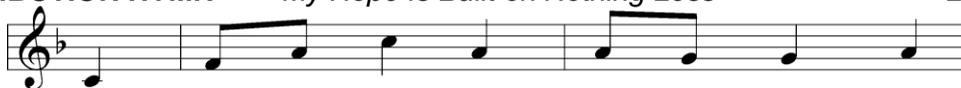
COMMUNION STATEMENT

If you desire to receive the Sacrament of Holy Communion, please remember that the Sacrament of Holy Communion is available to those who: ¹Are baptized AND instructed in the Christian faith; ²Examine themselves in a manner appropriate to adult maturity and recognize their own need for forgiveness; ³Believe that the Crucified and Risen Lord is truly present in, with and under the bread and wine; ⁴Believe that in this sacrament God gives us forgiveness of sins and strengthening of faith; ⁵Accept their place of responsibility in the whole church on earth. If this is your sincere belief, then joyfully share this sacrament with us. If this is not your

belief, please remain seated for a time of prayer on the many blessings God has given you. If you have any questions, please see a pastor or an elder. Please remember the words of St. Paul, "For anyone who eats and drinks without recognizing the body of the Lord eats and drinks judgment on himself." (1 Cor. 11:29) For those with dietary restrictions, a light-colored grape juice is also served in the center of the tray, and gluten-free wafers are available upon request.

Our COVID-19 procedure for today: ¹We will commune the pulpit side, then the lectern side; ²Be sure to use the hand sanitizer before you exit your pew to come forward; ³Keep your mask ON until you approach the altar, and at that time, you may lower your mask to receive the Sacrament. Please return your mask to its "normal position" as you return to your seats.

DISTRIBUTION HYMN "My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less" LSB 576



1 My hope is built on noth - ing less Than
 2 When dark - ness veils His love - ly face, I
 3 His oath, His cov - e - nant and blood Sup -
 4 When He shall come with trum - pet sound, Oh,



Je - sus' blood and righ - teous - ness; No mer - it of my
 rest on His un - chang - ing grace; In ev - 'ry high and
 port me in the rag - ing flood; When ev - 'ry earth - ly
 may I then in Him be found, Clothed in His righ - teous -



own I claim But whol - ly lean on Je - sus' name.
 storm - y gale My an - chor holds with - in the veil.
 prop gives way, He then is all my hope and stay.
 ness a - lone, Re - deemed to stand be - fore His throne!

Refrain



On Christ, the sol - id rock, I stand; All oth - er ground is



sink - ing sand, All oth - er ground is sink - ing sand.

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THANKSGIVING

“At the Lamb’s High Feast We Sing”

LSB 633; v. 8

△ 8 Fa - ther, who the crown shall give, Sav - ior,
by whose death we live, Spir - it, guide through all our days:
Three in One, Your name we praise. Al - le - lu - ia!

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ROLL CALL OF THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

P: On this Day of All Saints, we remember with thanksgiving those of our congregation who have gone before us with the sign of faith. They were created by God to offer Him praise forever, redeemed by Jesus, God’s Son, and filled with the Holy Spirit through Baptism, where God gave them new life. They have been nourished in the company of His people through the Lord’s Supper and the Word, and in His mercy God has summoned them to His presence that they may continue in joyful service to Him forever.

TOM THOMAS (November 11, 2019)

P: Since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus

C: **God will bring with Him those who have fallen asleep.** *1 Thessalonians 4:15*

RICHARD LUCE (November 13, 2019)

P: Where, o death is your victory? Where, o grave is your sting?

C: **But thanks be to God. He gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.**

1 Corinthians 15:55 & 57

DOROTHY MALTZHAN (November 27, 2019)

P: I am convinced that neither death nor life, nor things present, nor the future, nor anything else in all creation;

C: **Will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus, our Lord.** *Romans 8:38-39*

DONNA SIMMONS (July 22, 2020)

P: Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil.

C: **For you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.** *Psalms 23:4*

MILTON BROWN (*October 4, 2020*)

P: I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in me will live, even though he dies:

C: **And whosoever lives and believes in me will never die.** *John 11:25-26*

THOSE WE REMEMBER IN OUR HEARTS

P: If anyone serves me, he must follow me,

C: **And where I am, there will my servant be also.** *John 12:25*

COMMENDATION

P: Into Your hands, O merciful Savior, we again commend your faithful servants with thanksgiving. Acknowledge, we humbly pray, these sheep of Your own fold, lambs of Your own flock, sinners of Your own redeeming, servants who reflected Your love and connected people to Jesus. We thank You that you have received them into the arms of Your love and mercy, into the blessed rest of everlasting peace, and into the glorious company of saints in light. May we rejoice in their witness and may they inspire us to allow our lives to reflect Your love and grace in all we do. We ask it for the sake of Jesus.

C: **Amen.**

CLOSING PRAYER

God, reignite the hearts of us all to have a passion for the Gospel. Teach our church to share the Gospel with others. Teach us to live as those who are true bearers of the good news of Jesus Christ. Remind us of our purpose. Convict us of our purpose. Empower us to live our purpose. In Jesus name. 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.**

P: We are now entering the mission field!

C: **'Here am I! Send me!'**

CLOSING SONG

"Soon And Very Soon"

TOSB 191

**Soon and very soon, we are going to see the King!
Soon and very soon, we are going to see the King!
Soon and very soon, we are going to see the King!
Hallelujah! Hallelujah! We're going to see the King!**

**No more crying there—we are going to see the King!
No more crying there—we are going to see the King!
No more crying there—we are going to see the King!
Hallelujah! Hallelujah! We're going to see the King!**

**No more dying there—we are going to see the King!
No more dying there—we are going to see the King!
No more dying there—we are going to see the King!
Hallelujah! Hallelujah! We're going to see the King!**

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POSTLUDE

"Soon And Very Soon"

Andraé Crouch



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Growing in the Grace of Giving

Our Father in heaven has claimed us as His own. By the shedding of His Son's blood, His death for our sins, and His resurrection for our justification, God the Father has received us back into His family. By water – combined with His Word, promise, and Name – the Holy Spirit has taken up residence in us. We belong to Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. He is in us, and we are in Him. And, being in Him, all things are ours. In Him, we are richly and abundantly blessed.

Our true treasure is that we belong to the most Holy Trinity, and everything that is His – righteousness, peace, eternal life – also belongs also to us. Even our temporal treasures are gifts from His fatherly divine goodness and mercy.

We receive our treasures from Him, and thus, as good stewards of His varied grace, we manage them in such a way that they may be returned to Him. We bring them to Him, hallowed through prayers of thanksgiving and God's holy Word, as a sacrifice.

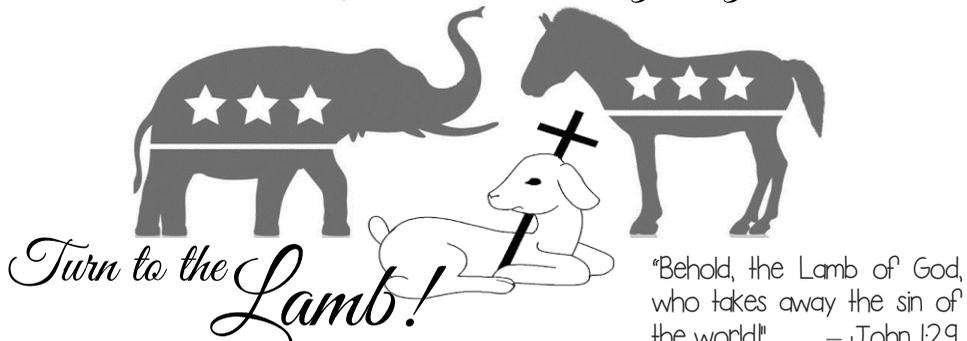
Thus, all our possessions, as gifts from God, are also sacrifices to Him. We eat to nourish our bodies. We share with our family, neighbors, fellow Christians, the poor, and even our enemies as holy things given by the holy God. His temporal gifts are blessings to and for us, and they bring blessings upon us even as they are pressed into His service for His kingdom.

Thus, we place all that we have into God's hands, and He never fails to remember us. He pours out the fullness of His promises upon us. We give thanks for all that He has done, is doing, and will continue to do. We give thanks by not taking for ourselves, but, giving to all even as our heavenly Father has given to us.

As we prepare for the celebrations of Thanksgiving, may we all give thanks continually for all that we are and all that we have because of God's providential care. And may we be all the more diligent in bringing everything that we have received from God to Him, so that He may bless it and employ it for the good of all – even for us. For to the one who has, more will be given, and he will have an abundance.



Have the Elephant & Donkey let you down?



Connecting Points

TODAY: we mark All Saints Sunday in the Christian Church. **This is the day** the church pauses to give thanks to God for all those saints with whom we have labored side by side here on earth and now rest from their labors in the presence of the Lamb. As we mark All Saints Day, we also remember that we are at the same time saint and sinner. A sinner because we are sinful from birth (Psalm 51) but saints because of what Christ has done for us through His death and resurrection. The color of the day is *WHITE*~ the color of purity. A reminder for us that our robes have been washed in the blood of the Lamb and Jesus' righteousness now covers us.



LECTORS: Please remember to keep your mask ON until you are at the lectern to read and replace it before you head back to your pew. Thanks in advance for your assistance!

PLEASE NOTE: that as we celebrate the Lord's Supper in our worship **today and Wednesday**, due to the continued spread of the Coronavirus, our distribution procedure is different from what we are accustomed. This process will be explained prior to distribution. ¹We will commune the pulpit side, then the lectern side; ²Be sure to use the hand sanitizer before you exit your pew to come forward; ³Keep your mask ON until you approach the altar, and at that time, you may lower your mask to receive the Sacrament. Please return your mask to its "normal position" as you return to your seats.



THANK YOU: to *Hope's health care professionals* who are assisting by taking temperatures **every Sunday and Wednesday before worship**. Also, thank you to our *ushers and Elders* for their extra work **following each worship service** to wipe down the pews with sanitizing wipes and assist in so many ways to help protect everyone who enters our sanctuary. (FYI—*pews, door handles, and restrooms are wiped down after each service.*)



WHAT'S THE BUZZ: Your **NOVEMBER** calendar and servant schedule have been emailed to you. Printed copies are UNDER the mailboxes for you to take home, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest what is happening here at *Hope*.



MINISTRY TEAM LEADERS: Don't forget **TODAY** is the deadline for you to submit your report for our **November 15th Voter's Meeting** to *Jessica* for distribution **next Sunday**.

TEACHABLE MOMENTS: from *Hope's Prayer Team* can be found at hopeplantcity.com. Under "Ministries," click on "Prayer Team" to find current and previous resources.



FOR THE PRESENT TIME: our **Sunday morning** worship and **Wednesday evening** worship are identical. Therefore, when Communion is celebrated in our **Sunday morning** services, it is celebrated in our **Wednesday** service as well. For those who can, we encourage you to join us on **Wednesdays!**



REMINDER: that all ALL announcements for our worship bulletins **MUST** be received by **NOON, TUESDAYS** to be included. Verbal announcements must be requested by **Wednesday, Noon**. Thanks in advance for your assistance!



KEYBOARD ADDITION: Perhaps you may have noticed, but probably not. There is a plexiglass shield mounted to the keyboard to assist our song leader and protect those seated near the keyboard. This shield was installed in June so that whoever is at the keyboard does not need to wear a mask as they lead congregational singing.



SPEAKING OF MASKS: THANK YOU for your adherence to our "wear your mask" policy on our campus. While we realize it is not the ideal situation to wear a mask while singing, it is done for the protection of those seated around you. Therefore, please do not remove your mask during congregational singing. Again, thanks for helping stop the spread of this virus as we work and worship together!



TRY IT YOU'LL LIKE IT: If you are concerned about coming to church on a **Sunday morning** because of too many people, we **ENCOURAGE** you to try our **Wednesday evening (6:30)** worship. This service has **LESS** people in attendance than either of our Sunday morning services, which makes social distancing much easier. Our Wednesday service, for the time being, is identical to our Sunday morning worship opportunities from the Invocation to the Benediction so you won't miss a thing! Give Wednesday worship a try and see how it feels...you'll be glad you did! Please note that we limit attendance at ALL of our worship services to allow for proper social distancing at all times AND masks and temperature checks are required of all who enter. "I was glad when they said to me, "Let us go into the House of the Lord." (Psalm 122:1)

PLEASE REMEMBER: If you are unable to complete the weekly surveys (available at hopeplantcity.com) for worship attendance, please be sure to contact Jessica in the church office **by NOON, Thursday** so that we can work to insure proper social distancing during worship. We also ask for the health and safety of all gathered here, that everyone please WEAR YOUR MASK while on campus. Your help is always appreciated!



CALL MEETING: We lift in prayer our sister congregation, *Christ, Lakeland* who **next week** will gather to extend a Divine Call to fill their Pastoral vacancy. Please pray for the Spirit to move among His people that God's will be done.

EMPTY BOWLS TICKETS: are available **today** from either *Pastor Pfeffer* or *Becky Hartmann* for \$10.00 each. All proceeds benefit our *United Food Bank of Plant City*. Sponsored by our *United Food Bank of Plant City*, Empty Bowls will take place at the train depot in downtown Plant City on **Saturday, November 14th** from **10:00–1:30**. (Hope will again be one of the “soup vendors”). Thanks to *Becky Hartmann* who again this year is leading the sidewalk chalk contest!



SAVE THE DATE: for our **November Voters Meeting** to take place in the sanctuary **IMMEDIATELY following the 10:30 worship service** on **Sunday, November 15th**. You will receive ALL necessary reports for the meeting **by Sunday, November 8th**. Please plan on joining us for this informative time and hear all the great things God is doing in us and through us.



OUR SPANISH MINISTRY: needs your help! It is the goal of *Pastor Miguel* to distribute turkeys to all worshipping families on **November 22nd following their worship**. They are in need of donors (financial or THRIVENT ACTION TEAM GRANTS) to make this possible. He is seeking to purchase for 25 families. *Pastor Miguel* also would like to distribute small Christmas gifts to the children in this ministry on **December 20th**. Again, he is asking for your financial support and/or THRIVENT Action Team cards. If you can assist with either Thanksgiving or Christmas, please place your gift in the BLUE ENVELOPE in your pew and mark it *Thanksgiving or Christmas—Spanish Ministry*. If you can secure a THRIVENT Action Team grant, please contact *Pastor Miguel* at 813-406-9174. Thanks in advance for your Spirit motivated giving.



THINK: about that special person you can invite to join you and your Hope family as we gather together for our Thanksgiving Worship on **Wednesday, November 25th at 6:30**. What an amazing way God is giving you and us to share our blessings together. So, INVITE...INVITE...INVITE as together we give thanks!



CALLING ALL HANDS: It's almost that time again to start setting aside the time to decorate our Sanctuary for the Advent & Christmas Seasons. Advent begins **November 29th** so we will decorate together on **Saturday, November 28th beginning at 10:00AM**. Lots of hands are needed...can we count on yours? Let's all share one of our favorite Christmas decorating memories in our current Sanctuary, as this will be our final Christmas in this facility.



DEAR LADIES OF HOPE: This has been a very trying year and it seems everything continues to be cancelled. We are determined that the Ladies Advent Tea WILL go on...just in a different way. After much deliberation it has been decided that to keep all participants safe, we will be doing the Advent Tea as a Drive Through and/or Delivery Service. The theme this year will be "The Road to Advent" and we will be looking for hostesses to help make this happen. If you are interested in hosting a "Table" please contact *Kathy Drapp* or *Nora Trivunovich*. —*Hope's Christian Growth Ministry Team*



DID YA EVER DREAM: of going to see *the Passion Play in Oberammergau Germany*? As you may realize, due to COVID-19, the 2020 presentation of the Passion Play was postponed to 2022. This play has occurred every 10 years since 1634. Have you ever dreamed of a Danube River cruise? Well, *Pastor & Liz Pfeffer* will be hosting this amazing trip in **September, 2022** joining many other LCMS Lutherans for this trip of a lifetime. *Former LCMS President, Jerry Kieschnick* will serve as the Bible Study leader for our time together. See *Pastor or Liz* if you are interested in joining them and a few of our Hope members on this inspirational and relaxing adventure!



THANKS
FROM THE
HEART

To my church family-

I want to thank you for all of your thoughts and prayers. Each day I am improving.

Thanks be to God,
Jennie Edelman

Thank you to the members of Hope for your cards, gifts, and prayers during Pastor Appreciation Month. We truly cherish each and every one of you!

—*Pastor & Liz Pfeffer*





Building Hope for the Future: Impact Phase

September contributions have brought our total to \$410,352, or 60.75% of our total commitments goal. Thank you to all who contributed in September. It has been nearly one year since we made these commitments, and we have made great progress. But, of course, there is more to do. Please keep Building Hope in your prayers and in your plans as we joyfully watch our new sanctuary rising out of the ground!

CONSTRUCTION UPDATE – SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER

Construction of our new sanctuary is progressing

- The Detention Pond is complete and sodded.
- The plumbing and electrical items in the floor are in place.
- The footings and rebar for the floor slab are being placed.
- The concrete slab will be poured October 13.
- The steel building frame is being fabricated and steel erection will begin in November.

Construction Committees for Color and Finishes and Furniture and Fixtures have been meeting in September. Exterior colors and the general flooring color have been selected. Pew style, stain and upholstery colors were also determined. Pews have a 4 – 5 month lead time so those decisions had to be made now. Thanks to the many volunteers on those committees and their excellent work. The committees will continue to meet thru the fall with the Music and Sound Committee starting their work soon.

You can watch our time lapse construction progress by going to hopeplantcity.com then click on ABOUT US/BUILDING HOPE FOR THE FUTURE/photos of our progress - the last two photos on the page are time lapse videos.

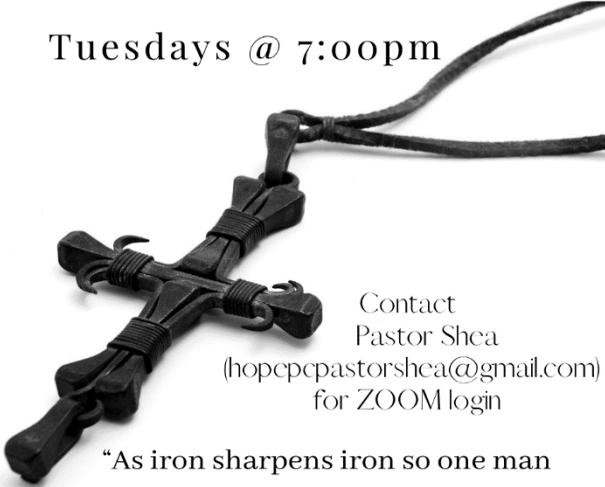
To give online to *Building Hope for the Future*, simply go to Hope's website (hopeplantcity.com) and click "GIVE HERE."



MEN'S small group!

FORGED: MEN SHARPENING MEN IN THEIR FAITH

Tuesdays @ 7:00pm



Contact
Pastor Shea
(hopepcpastorshea@gmail.com)
for ZOOM login

"As iron sharpens iron so one man sharpens another." Proverbs 17:27

Sign up at HOPEPLANTCITY.COM
for handouts & login access

ENDURING FAITH

zoom

with Pastor Pfeffer
SUNDAYS, 6:30-7:30PM

Women's online **BIBLE STUDY**

God's Word for Today: Esther
Wednesdays at 7:00pm via ZOOM

Contact Becky Hartmann:
813-205-5436 or bhartmann3@verizon.net

zoom
HEY Youth!!!
zoom into study this month!
Sundays @ 7PM
Contact Pastor Shea for login

In Our Thoughts and Prayers

SHUT-INS:

Jim Baldwin Sue Crouse
Diane Bates Bonnie Genrich
Putt Crouse Liz Miller

Gary Smith
Mark Stefanos
Millie Wetz

LEADERS:

Rev. Dean & Liz Pfeffer
Rev. Shea & Holly Pennington
LCMS Synod & District
Hope Staff & Ministries

Pres. Donald Trump
Our Nation & World
Our Armed Forces
Our 1st Responders

Family and Friends of Hope

NEW REQUESTS:

Alice Middaugh recovering from stroke
Kyle Osburn friend of Linda Watson—health concerns; internal bleeding

CURRENT REQUESTS:

Frank DeJesus son-in-law of James & Laurretta Tennyson—heart attack
Margaret Bennett & Morris Dennison mourning death of Connie Dennison
Derek friend of Kathy Norris—colon cancer
Jerrie Edelman recovering; aortic aneurysm surgery
Bob French brother of Barbara French and Dodie Walker—health concerns
Kayra niece of Alan & Sue Griffin—rare form of lupus
Valerie Lewey friend of Tim & Julie Gates—hospice
Mary Lou Nash hospice
Mary Ann Pitre family friend of Cindy Kemp—mourning her death
Laura Rademacher recovering from fall; fractured arm/wrist

BATTLING CANCER:

Austin Dobbs	Derek	Barry Himmel	Mary Lou Nash	Betty Snaper
Tom Battling	Ginnie Donaldson	Dale Jarvis	Ovie	Judy Strait
Laura Blake	Jace Driggers	Gordon Long	Lynn Reagin	Rev. Alan Struckmeyer
Bob Broshelle	Kori Dunke	Jean Marie Mactye	Fran Saitta	Jeannie Lee Taylor
Mary Clapp	Marcus Elam	Pat Mailloux	Mari	Rick Ward
Alice Correia	Tim Griffie	Mari	Pat Mason	Mr. Wells
D	Jerry Gross	Jennifer McCourt	Abbey Sedlacek	Millie Wetz
Debbie	JoAnne Hayashi	Faye Mueller	Gary Smith	Heather Whitehurst

Serving in the Military (R—Reserves)

Zachary Allen	Lorrie Daniell—R	Bobby Martin	Derek Quackenbush
Alex Almaguer	Stephanie Enloe—R	Aaron Morley	Justin Rappa
Jacob Bertsch	Joshua Gross	Tyler Newkirk	Ryan Sonnenberg
Matt Bracken	Brandon Hastings	Stephen Olliff—R	Caleb Strand
Stephen Daniell—R	Brad Landis	Blake Paton—R	Mike Szostkiewicz—R
		Donnie Pittman	

Due to space limitation, prayer requests can only be listed for four weeks.
Please email your prayer requests to hopePCprays@gmail.com.



"Think of us in this way as servants of Christ and stewards of God's mysteries."

1Corinthians 4:1

SERVING OUR LORD THIS SUNDAY (11/1/2020) ARE:

Health Professional	8:00/Sally Kimbrell; 10:30/Oz Vargas
Lector	8:00/Gloria Warner; 10:30/Jim Drapp
Elder on Duty	8:00/Wayne Warner; 10:30/Mike McMinn
Flowers	D. Walkenhorst family
Offerings	Dale & Jonie Wenzel
Ushers	Team 3

8:00/Lonnie Bertsch,* Diane Bertsch, Tom Reagin;
10:30/ Stuart Howell,* Wendell Lattz, Andrew MacDonald, Ron MacDonald, Jack Moberg

*Altar flowers are given to the glory of God by
Dennis & Carol Walkenhorst*

SERVING OUR LORD THIS WEDNESDAY (11/4/2020) ARE:

Health Professional	6:30/Carol Walkenhorst
Lector	6:30/Tena Matthews
Elder on Duty	6:30/Todd Warner

SERVING OUR LORD NEXT SUNDAY (11/8/2020) ARE:

Health Professional	8:00/Joyce Van Matre; 10:30/Todd Warner
Lector	8:00/Tena Matthews; 10:30/Cathie Warner
Elder on Duty	8:00/Brian Heipp; 10:30/Jim Drapp
Flowers	Mueller family
Offerings	Alan & Sue Griffin
Ushers	Team 1

8:00/Wayne Warner,* David Booher, David Niver, Jeff Reaume;
10:30/Todd Warner,* Mack Goethe, Billy Mueller, Dora Mueller, Jim Szostkiewicz