



Welcome to Hope

SUNDAYS

9:15AM—Worship w/Live-Stream
10:30AM—Family Bible Hour
4:00PM—Spanish Worship w/Communion

WEDNESDAYS

6:30PM—Living Hope 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 8/8	9:15	Worship
	10:30	Family Bible Hour
	4:00	Spanish Worship w/Communion
Monday 8/9	9:00	Circuit Pastors @ Christ, Lakeland
Wednesday 8/11	8:30	Construction Meeting
	6:30	Living Hope Worship
	7:15	Spanish Kids ZOOM
	8:00	Spanish ZOOM Prayer & Bible Study
Thursday 8/12	6:30	Board of Directors Meeting
Sunday 8/15	9:15	Worship w/Communion
	10:30	Family Bible Hour
	4:00	Spanish Worship w/Communion

Worship Attendance / Communion:

Sunday, August 1, 2021

Worship: 9:15: 87/71

Spanish Worship: 4:00: 30/13

Total Offerings (General & BHFTF): \$8,850.31

Wednesday, August 4, 2021

Worship: 6:30: 13/13

Stewardship Perspective:

Ephesians 4:28 – “Let the thief no longer steal, but rather let him labor, doing honest work with his own hands, so that he may have something to share with anyone in need.” God gives us honest work to do so that we can be a blessing to others. That’s how so many of God’s blessings go. He gives to us so that we in turn can be a blessing to others. He graciously calls us into the midst of His own work in the world.

Welcome

Eleventh Sunday After Pentecost



August 8, 2021

AS WE GATHER

When we pray the Lord's Prayer, we speak in the Fourth Petition, "Give us this day our daily bread." We are reminded that "daily bread" includes everything we need for this body and life as we pray and give thanks for all the Lord provides regarding our well-being in this mortal life. Yet, we are never left to just be satisfied with earthly things, as we will be taken from worldly provisions to His greater eternal gifts, which always last. It is why He sent His Son into this world, and why Jesus spoke to the people then and still to us today, "I am the bread of life; whoever comes to Me shall not hunger, and whoever believes in Me shall never thirst" (John 6:35).

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

RINGING OF THE BELLS

PRELUDE

"Ratisbon"

sett'g: Ralph C. Schultz

The sanctuary is a place of meditation and preparation for worship. Therefore, as the prelude begins, we cease our conversations and quiet our hearts to converse silently with God.

OPENING HYMN

"Greet the Rising Sun"

LSB 871

1 Greet the ris - ing sun, Shin - ing with bright force,
2 Fa - ther, hear my prayer, Keep me safe to - day;
3 Lord, I will to - day On Your love re - ly;

Like an ath - let strong, Set to run the course;
Sanc - ti - fy my thoughts, All I do and say:
Let no e - vil thought Cloud the clear blue sky.

Birds soar high a - bove,
As I teach the young
Joy - ful and con - tent

Wild-flow'r's bloom be - low;
And es - teen the old,
With life's sim - pler things,

With the day's new light,
May Your boun-teous grace
Know-ing all I need

Glad to work I go.
By my life be told.
From Your kind - ness springs.

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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: 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: We confess to You, Lord.
- C: **Our mouths have not always praised You through our words, and we have boasted in things other than You. Help us humbly hear and be glad, that we may taste and see that the Lord is good.**
- 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: We confess to You, Lord.
- C: **We have sought after other things than You and have let our fears impede our faith. Give us hearts centered on You, that we may taste and see that the Lord is good.**
- P: Those who look to Him are radiant, and their faces shall never be ashamed.
- C: **This poor man cried, and the LORD heard him and saved him out of all his troubles.**
- P: We confess to You, Lord.
- C: **Our thoughts, words, and actions have not been faithful, and we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. Hear us and save us from our troubles, that we may taste and see that the Lord is good.**
- P: The angel of the LORD encamps around those who fear Him, and delivers them.
- C: **Oh, taste and see that the LORD is good! Blessed is the man who takes refuge in Him!**
- P: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen. Oh, taste and see that the LORD is good! Blessed is the man who takes refuge in Him!

SONG OF PRAISE

"Take My Life"

ABS (3) 70

Take my life and let— it be...consecrated Lord to Thee;
Take my moments and my— days...Let them flow in ceaseless praise.
Take my hands and let them move...At the impulse of Thy love;
Take my feet and let them— be...Swift and beautiful for Thee.

(Chorus)

Here am I...all of me...Take my life...it's all for Thee.

Take my will and make it— Thine...It shall be no longer mine;
Take my heart, it is Thine— own...It shall be Thy royal throne.
Take my love, my Lord, I pour...At Your feet its treasure store;
Take myself and I will— be...Ever, only, all for Thee. (Chorus 2x)

Take my life and let— it be...consecrated Lord to Thee;
Take my life and let— it be...consecrated Lord to Thee.

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray. Gracious Father, Your blessed Son came down from heaven to be the true bread that gives life to the world.

C: Grant that Christ, the bread of life, may live in us and we in Him,

P: who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit,

C: one God, now and forever. Amen.



OLD TESTAMENT READING

1 Kings 19:1-8

(Elijah flees and the Lord feeds.)

Ahab told Jezebel all that Elijah had done, and how he had killed all the prophets with the sword. ²Then Jezebel sent a messenger to Elijah, saying, “So may the gods do to me and more also, if I do not make your life as the life of one of them by this time tomorrow.” ³Then he was afraid, and he arose and ran for his life and came to Beersheba, which belongs to Judah, and left his servant there. ⁴But he himself went a day's journey into the wilderness

and came and sat down under a broom tree. And he asked that he might die, saying, “It is enough; now, O Lord, take away my life, for I am no better than my fathers.” ⁵And he lay down and slept under a broom tree. And behold, an angel touched him and said to him, “Arise and eat.” ⁶And he looked, and behold, there was at his head a cake baked on hot stones and a jar of water. And he ate and drank and lay down again. ⁷And the angel of the Lord came again a second time and touched him and said, “Arise and eat, for the journey is too great for you.” ⁸And he arose and ate and drank, and went in the strength of that food forty days and forty nights to Horeb, the mount of God.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

EPISTLE

Ephesians 4:17-5:2

(*New life as God's children*)

¹⁷Now this I say and testify in the Lord, that you must no longer walk as the Gentiles do, in the futility of their minds. ¹⁸They are darkened in their understanding, alienated from the life of God because of the ignorance that is in them, due to their hardness of heart. ¹⁹They have become callous and have given themselves up to sensuality, greedy to practice every kind of impurity. ²⁰But that is not the way you learned Christ!— ²¹assuming that you have heard about him and were taught in him, as the truth is in Jesus, ²²to put off your old self, which belongs to your former manner of life and is corrupt through deceitful desires, ²³and to be renewed in the spirit of your minds, ²⁴and to put on the new self, created after the likeness of God in true righteousness and holiness. ²⁵Therefore, having put away falsehood, let each one of you speak the truth with his neighbor, for we are members one of another. ²⁶Be angry and do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, ²⁷and give no opportunity to the devil. ²⁸Let the thief no longer steal, but rather let him labor, doing honest work with his own hands, so that he may have something to share with anyone in need. ²⁹Let no corrupting talk come out of your mouths, but only such as is good for building up, as fits the occasion, that it may give grace to those who hear. ³⁰And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, by whom you were sealed for the day of redemption. ³¹Let all bitterness and wrath and anger and clamor and slander be put away from you, along with all malice. ³²Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you. ¹Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children. ²And walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

RESPONSE

(Chorus)

“Cry of My Heart”

ABS (1) 3

It is the cry of my heart to follow You.

It is the cry of my heart to be close to You.

It is the cry of my heart to follow all of the days of my life.

1. Teach me Your holy ways, O Lord, so I can walk in Your truth. Teach me Your holy ways, O Lord, and make me wholly devoted to You. (Chorus)
2. Open my eyes so I can see the wonderful things that You do. Open my heart up more and more, And make it wholly devoted to You. (Chorus to end)

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HOLY GOSPEL

John 6:35-51

(Jesus, the bread of life, continues teaching.)

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the sixth chapter.
 C: (Spoken) **Glory to You, O Lord!**

³⁵Jesus said to them, “I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me shall not hunger, and whoever believes in me shall never thirst. ³⁶But I said to you that you have seen me and yet do not believe. ³⁷All that the Father gives me will come to me, and whoever comes to me I will never cast out. ³⁸For I have come down from heaven, not to do my own will but the will of him who sent me. ³⁹And this is the will of him who sent me, that I should lose nothing of all that he has given me, but raise it up on the last day. ⁴⁰For this is the will of my Father, that everyone who looks on the Son and believes in him should have eternal life, and I will raise him up on the last day.” ⁴¹So the Jews grumbled about him, because he said, “I am the bread that came down from heaven.” ⁴²They said, “Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How does he now say, ‘I have come down from heaven?’” ⁴³Jesus answered them, “Do not grumble among yourselves. ⁴⁴No one can come to me unless the Father who sent me draws him. And I will raise him up on the last day. ⁴⁵It is written in the Prophets, ‘And they will all be taught by God.’ Everyone who has heard and learned from the Father comes to me— ⁴⁶not that anyone has seen the Father except he who is from God; he has seen the Father. ⁴⁷Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever believes has eternal life. ⁴⁸I am the bread of life. ⁴⁹Your fathers ate the manna in the wilderness, and they died. ⁵⁰This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that one may eat of it and not die. ⁵¹I am the living bread that came down from heaven. If anyone eats of this bread, he will live forever. And the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh.”

P: This is the Gospel of our Lord!
 C: (Spoken) **Praise to You, O Christ!**

SONG OF THE DAY

“Great I Am”

I wanna be close, close to Your side so Heaven is real and death is a lie;
 I wanna hear voices of angels above singing as one.

(Chorus) Hallelujah, holy, holy, God Almighty, great I am;
 Who is worthy, none beside Thee, God Almighty, great I am.

**I wanna be near, near to Your heart, loving the world, hating the dark;
I wanna see dry bones living again, singing as one. (Chorus)**

(Bridge) The mountains shake before You; The demons run and flee
At the mention of Your name, King of majesty; There is no pow'r in hell or any
who can stand Before the power and the Presence of the great I Am,
The great I Am, the great I Am, the great I Am, The great I Am, the great I Am.
(Chorus)

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SONG OF RESPONSE "Rock of Ages" ABS (3) 65
There is no Rock, There is no God like our God, No other name,
Worthy of all our praise. The Rock of Salvation That cannot be moved,
He's proven Himself to be faithful and true. There is no Rock;
There is no God like ours. (Repeat first time)

**Rock of Ages, Jesus is the Rock. Rock of Ages, Jesus is the Rock.
Rock of Ages, Jesus is the Rock. There is no Rock; There is no God like ours.**

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APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven, and sits at the right hand of God, the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

OFFERING PRAYER

Lord, help me to grasp that all the blessings I think I have are really Yours. Help me to grasp that all the blessings our church has do not belong to the church, but to You. Give us healthy giving hearts to use these blessings according to Your purpose. In Your name I pray. Amen.

PRESENTATION OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Our tithes are our regular, top priority, proportionate, grateful gifts to the Lord for the work of the gospel. Our offerings are our special gifts for special causes over and above our tithes.

PRAYERS OF GOD'S PEOPLE

- P: The eyes of all look to You, O Lord. You open Your hand and satisfy the desire of every living thing. Incline now Your ears to us. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C: **hear our prayer.**
- P: Preserve the pure proclamation of the Gospel throughout all the world. Thwart all false teaching and the lies of Satan, and draw many to Yourself through Your Son, Jesus Christ. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C: **hear our prayer.**
- P: Cause our congregation and all congregations in our circuit, district and the Synod to flourish and thrive. Make them strong witnesses to their confession of faith, eager to show mercy on account of Your steadfast mercy. Knit us together in unity of doctrine and love for our neighbors as we strive to connect people to Jesus. Bless us as we build Hope for the Future to reach out with love and so add to your kingdom. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C: **hear our prayer.**
- P: Bless all families and homes, that one generation may tell to the next the wonderful works of God in Christ. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C: **hear our prayer.**
- P: Hear our prayers for our nation. Cause us to live in harmony with one another, and free our citizens from want, suffering, danger and fear. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C: **hear our prayer.**
- P: Show kindness to the sick including *Cindy Kemp, Lee Kimbrell, Vivian Stahl, Rayetta Stare, Dennis Walkenhorst, Dodie Walker, and John Walsh*. Never let them be in doubt that You hear their prayers. Relieve all pain and provide for those who suffer from any kind of hardship. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C: **hear our prayer.**
- P: Father of our risen, ascended and glorified Lord, who has promised that those who believe in Christ as the true and living bread will never hunger nor thirst: By Your Holy Spirit, keep us steadfast in faith. Give us grace to live out our baptismal lives in repentance and forgiveness, and keep our eyes ever focused on the life that never ends, knowing that You will raise us up on the Last Day; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with the Father 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.**

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 upon you and be gracious unto you.
The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.
- C: Amen.
- P: We are now entering the mission field!
- C: Here am I! Send me!"

CLOSING SONG

"In Christ Alone"

ABS (2) 42

In Christ alone my hope is found, He is my light, my strength, my song;
This cornerstone, this solid ground, Firm thro' the fiercest drought and storm.
What heights of love, what depths of peace, When fears are stilled,
when striving cease. My comforter, my all in all, Here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone who took on flesh, Fullness of God in helpless babe.
This gift of love and righteousness, Scorned by the ones He came to save.
Till on that cross, as Jesus died, The wrath of God was satisfied;
For ev'ry sin on Him was laid. Here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground His body lay, Light of the world by darkness slain;
Then bursting forth in glorious day, Up from the grave He rose again.
And as He stands in victory, Sin's curse has lost its grip on me,
For I am His and He is mine—Bought with the precious blood of Christ.

No guilt in life, no fear in death, This is the pow'r of Christ in me;
From life's first cry to final breath, Jesus commands my destiny.
No pow'r of hell, no scheme of man, Can ever pluck me from His hand;
Till He returns or calls me home, Here in the pow'r of Christ I stand.

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Growing in the Grace of Giving

When it comes to stewardship, a favorite Bible verse is the account of the widow's mite (Luke 21:1–4). It's a moving account. Our Lord praises the seemingly small gift of two copper coins given by a poor widow above the abundance of gifts given by the rich, saying, "Truly, I tell you, this poor widow has put in more than all of them" (Luke 21:3). And that is usually where we stop. But the text goes on. "For they all contributed out of their abundance, but she out of her poverty put in all she had to live on" (Luke 21:4).

"She ... put in all she had to live on." She gave everything. She held nothing back. She trusted that the Lord who made her and all creatures; who gave her everything she had; who redeemed her from her own sin, from death, and the power of the devil; who called her by the gospel and enlightened her with His gifts of Word and Sacrament; would continue to do this. He would provide her with all that she needed for this body and life because that is the character of the God she had.

But this is not why we give small gifts. Her gift, though it appeared small, was actually large. When we are tempted to give small gifts, it is precisely because we want them to be small! We don't trust the Lord to provide for us. We give small gifts because we lack faith in the One who created us, redeemed us, sanctifies and keeps us in the one true faith. We give small gifts because we doubt that God will really give us what we need and desire. We give small gifts because we are not content with what God has already given.

We are not slaves, children of the slave woman, under the Old Covenant (Galatians 4). We are adopted sons of the free woman. And since we are sons, we are also heirs. And heirs receive the inheritance. For everything is already ours in Christ. And thus, moved by the willing spirit of adoption, we do the will of God in financial matters far beyond all that done by those under the Old Covenant who were forced by legal demands.

So, what have you decided to give? How do I decide what to give? Let the Scriptures be your guide.

We are to give proportionally to what we have received from God's giving to us (Luke 12:48; 1 Corinthians 16:1–2, 2 Corinthians 8:12). But you have not been set free to give nothing. See that you excel in the grace of giving (2 Corinthians 8:7)!

We are not free to live selfishly outside the Gospel, without regard for God who gives us all good gifts, without generosity for our neighbor who needs us and our gifts, without supporting the community of faith in which we live, without care for our spiritual fathers and those who teach and help raise our children in the faith, and without resources for the poor and needy.

In short, we are not free to live unto ourselves, hoarding what God has given us only for us. For love is the fulfillment of the law (Romans 13:10). And the sum of the law is this: Love God and love your neighbor (Matthew 22:34–40). We love because He first loved us. We give because He has given to us.

Luther once said, "Possessions belong in your hands, not in your heart" (LW 14:240). There is a reason your 10 fingers spread apart. With your hands you catch God's gifts for what you need and let the rest fall through your fingers to your neighbors – your family, your friends, your community, your church.

Connecting Points

TODAY: we continue the Sundays after Pentecost, also referred to as the "long green season." This season of the church year will take us all the way to Advent, with few festivals in-between. The emphasis of this half of the church year will be to take the ministry and message of our Lord into our hearts and lives and put it into action in our daily lives. The color of the day is green~ the color of growth and life. A constant reminder that we are to daily grow in the Word and in our faith.



DONOR NEEDED: Hope member John Walsh will soon be in need of a bone marrow donor in his fight against leukemia, and we are looking to get a jump start on the matching process sooner rather than later. To see if you might qualify as a match go to: bethematch.org. All donors must be 18-44 years of age.



FLOWERS NEEDED: There are some openings for YOU to place flowers on our Lord's altar for the **following Sundays: August 22 and September 5 & 12**. Please call the church office (813-752-4622) to sign up.



Altar Flowers

REMINDER: 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!



BOARD OF DIRECTORS: Don't forget our meeting on **Thursday evening**. Be sure to read chapter 5 of our book "GodSpace" in advance of our meeting. Your meeting packet will be emailed to you **by NOON on Thursday**. If you need your packet printed, please contact Jessica. Due to COVID, we will meet in Fellowship Hall, and please be sure to wear your mask! Thank you!



NATIONAL YOUTH GATHERING: For those teens interested in attending the LCMS National Youth Gathering in Houston, TX, **July 9-13, 2022**, there will be a meeting on **Sunday, August 22 following Family Bible Hour**. Parents of those teens interested should attend as well. The Gatherings are phenomenal, life-changing experiences that you don't want to miss!



TREMENDOUS THANKS: to all who came out to assist with our MOVING HOPE mobile food pantry. Your help and caring are ALWAYS appreciated! Our next food distribution is **Monday, August 23rd**. We hope to see even more Hope members lending a hand!





LIMITED SUPPLY: available of the commemorative Communion cups that were distributed at the closing communion our "former" sanctuary. If you did not get one of the cups, please see or contact Pastor Pfeffer. Remember, we do not have the mailboxes at the present time so he cannot leave it for you.

UNITED FOOD BANK: has a barrel in our Fellowship Hall for you to donate some much-needed non-perishable food items (peanut butter, jelly, mac-n-cheese, tuna, canned fruit, dry cereal, etc.). Our Food Bank provides breakfast & lunch for all children when school is not in session as well as a backpack program for those children who would otherwise go hungry Friday evening—Monday morning. Thanks in advance for your Spirit motivated giving and support! Many thanks to all who have provided much needed groceries!

ATTENTION QUILTERS: Quilting has been CANCELED for the month of **August**. We plan to resume in **September**.



THE TREASURE-Greg Kelley, the CEO/Executive Director for World Missions and Dan Reichard, Vice President of Strategic Partnerships, have expressed great thanks for Hope's amazing contribution toward 60 Treasures, the handheld devices that bring the Bible audibly to the world with a possibility of 7,000 languages or dialects. The Treasures sponsored by Hope were sent to Indonesia, Sri Lanka, Pakistan, and Nigeria. Your generous donations are helping to fulfill Acts 1:8 - "and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and in Samaria, and TO THE ENDS OF THE EARTH." To God be the glory! Pray that God will use these Treasures to reach many and that they will be used repeatedly to connect people to Jesus.



You're Invited: August Events

Join the Thrivent Member Network - Southeast Region this month for our upcoming events. We help Christians find financial clarity, enabling lives full of meaning and gratitude.

August 11	Living in Financial Victory with Tony Evans On Demand Event Learn to be a good steward of what God has entrusted to you. Watch anytime during the 24 hour period. RSVP Get your virtual ticket at https://bit.ly/Tonyflyer	August 11, 2021 12:00 a.m. - 11:59 p.m.
August 12/17	Paychecks & Playchecks with Tom Hegna Online Webinar Learn a proven approach to retirement that is tailored to your priorities. RSVP Register at https://bit.ly/Playchecks	August 12 at 7:30 p.m. August 17 at 12:30 p.m.
August 14	Create Money Habits that Stick Online Webinar Learn about Money Canvas, visual learning tools to help you build savings habits and set achievable goals. RSVP Register at https://bit.ly/Moneycanvas	August 14, 2021 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
August 18	Faith & Finances with Ron Blue Online Webinar Biblical principles of finance, simplify money management, and take the confusion out of managing your money. RSVP Register at https://bit.ly/RonBlueLink	August 18, 2021 12 & 7 p.m.
August 25	BINGO: A Celebration of Membership Virtual Event Celebrate with other Thrivent clients and guests in a friendly virtual BINGO game challenge and hear Thrivent updates. RSVP Register to play at https://bit.ly/thriventbingo	August 25, 2021 6:00 - 7:00 p.m.

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Summer Worship

SUNDAYS

9:15am-Worship

w/live-stream @ hopeplantcity.com

10:30am-Family Bible Hour

4:00pm-Spanish Worship

WEDNESDAYS

6:30pm-Living Hope Worship

FAMILY BIBLE HOUR SUNDAYS 10:30AM

PRESCHOOL-GRADE 5

SIMPLY LOVED: JOIN US AS WE EXPLORE THE OLD AND NEW TESTAMENTS. WE WILL JOURNEY CHRONOLOGICALLY THROUGH THE BIBLE AND DISCOVER FRIENDSHIPS WITH JESUS THROUGHOUT GOD'S STORY. SIMPLY LOVED IS DESIGNED TO HELP KIDS REMEMBER EACH LESSON WITH ACTIVITIES, SONGS, AND SPECIAL BIBLE MEMORY BUDDIES.

LEADERS: STACEY GREATENS, TRACY MACDONALD, ELLEN WHITEHURST

MIDDLE & HIGH SCHOOL

THE CASE FOR CHRIST: WHAT EVIDENCE IS THERE FOR JESUS OUTSIDE OF THE BIBLE? IF GOD IS SUCH A GOOD GOD, WHY IS THERE SO MUCH SUFFERING AND EVIL AND CHAOS IN THE WORLD? LET'S DIG INTO THESE TOUGH QUESTIONS AND MORE—AND LEARN HOW TO DEFEND OUR FAITH. **LEADERS:** YOUTH MINISTRY TEAM

ADULTS

EENDURING FAITH: AS WE PROGRESS THROUGH THIS PROGRAM, WE LEARN IN DEPTH ABOUT OUR SAVIOR, JESUS CHRIST, WHAT OUR SAVIOR MEANS TO US, HOW TO DEFEND OUR FAITH, AND HOW TO TEACH THE FAITH TO OTHERS. LESSONS SPIRAL GOING DEEPER EACH TIME WE RE-ENCOUNTER A BIBLE PASSAGE. **LEADER:** PASTOR PFEFFER

BUILDING NEWS

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

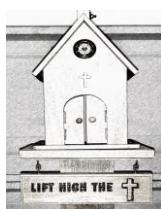


NEW SANCTUARY UPDATE: To make sure that we finish **early in October**, and to give us some cushion to accommodate unforeseen delays, we continue to meet in the Fellowship Hall for **a few weeks** until the new sanctuary is complete and we have the required temporary certificate of occupancy. As of now we are planning to hold the first service in our new sanctuary on **August 29th**. A full dedication of our new sanctuary will take place when the project is 100% complete. This will give the contractor 4 additional weeks to complete the project and will give us about 2 weeks to move out of the sanctuary.

THANK YOU: to EVERYONE who took the opportunity **last week and earlier this summer** to add their favorite Bible verses to the floor in our new sanctuary. What a tremendous witness we have all given to every one of the workers as they see our verses covering the floor and for them to know that this congregation truly does stand on the inerrant Word of God!

STILL NEEDED: for the opening of our new sanctuary are new flower vases. We are in need of 2 new brass vases, each costing \$581.00. If you are willing to assist with this purchase, please see Pastor Pfeffer. Thanks to donors who have already purchased new altar candles, the hanging sanctuary candle, new offering plates, and various portions of the furniture needed for the building.

Building Hope for the Future: Impact Phase July 2021



June contributions have increased our total to \$595,753 which is 88% of our goal. We thank God that He continues to bless us with Immeasurably More, and we thank you who have heard His call to support Building Hope for The Future. At this writing, we are covering the floor of the new sanctuary with Scripture so that we may "stand on the inerrant Word of God" in just a few short weeks. Praise Him! We know that God loves a cheerful giver, so let's spread some cheer this month! Please keep Building Hope for The Future in your prayers and plans.

Jeremiah 29:11—"For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future."

Bread from Heaven

A crowd came to Jesus.
What did He say to the crowd?



Go through the maze and read the words along the correct path to find the answer.



BEGIN

"I

give the am treasure
How joy lake sorrow
peace bread path filled
of alone truth Spirit you
lose of go never will up
mountains heaven Me smooth
life because lamb pool be whoever
hope to stones prayer be go you will river in Me
same comes living be believes never ever.
Whoever let forgiveness

The maze consists of several concentric paths. The starting point is at the top left, labeled "BEGIN" and followed by the word "I". The path leads through various words and phrases, some of which are contained within rectangular boxes. The words include "give", "the", "am", "treasure", "How", "joy", "lake", "sorrow", "peace", "bread", "path", "filled", "of", "alone", "truth", "Spirit", "you", "lose", "of", "go", "never", "will", "up", "mountains", "heaven", "Me", "smooth", "life", "because", "lamb", "pool", "be", "whoever", "hope", "to", "stones", "prayer", "be", "go", "you", "will", "river", "in Me", "same", "comes", "living", "be", "believes", "never", "ever.", "Whoever", "let", and "forgiveness". The path ends at the bottom right, labeled "END" and followed by a small illustration of a person in a robe.

In Our Thoughts and Prayers

SHUT-INS:

Jim Baldwin	Putt & Sue Crouse
Diane Bates	Bonnie Genrich
Winnifred Brookman	Ray & Rita Gonzalez
Howard Brown	Liz Miller
Betty Christiansen	Chuck Wigand

LEADERS:

Rev. Dean & Liz Pfeffer	Pres. Joseph Biden
LCMS Synod & District	Our Nation & World
Hope Staff & Ministries	Our Armed Forces
	Our 1 st Responders

NEW REQUESTS:

Claude	brother of Carol Walkenhorst—hospitalized; health concerns
Shirley	sister of Michele Floyd—health concerns
Dodie Walker	recovering; health concerns

CURRENT REQUESTS:

Judy Adkins	mourning death of her sister, Lynnie Green
Albano family	mourning death of Corrine
Bryan & Dana Bullington	missionaries in Namibia, Africa—ministering to families during COVID losses
Kayra Cannell	niece of Alan & Sue Griffin—rare form of lupus
Carolyn	sister of Marion Engel—pancreatic cancer
	parents of Carlos Floyd—health concerns
	cousin Julie Gates & Christine Mansell—broken rib
Larry	cousin's grandson of Julie Gates & Christine Mansell—recovery
Helen McCue	friend of Carlos & Michele Floyd—cancer
Rob & Terri	friend of Sandy Booher—Parkinson's Disease
Art Saitta	friends of Carlos & Michele Floyd—health concerns
Shannon	friend of Pastor & Li Pfeffer—health concerns
Vivian Stahl	sister of Michele Floyd—health concerns
Rayetta Stare	hospitalized; health concerns
John Walsh	health concerns; recovering
	leukemia

BATTLING CANCER:

Dave Cannell	Austin Dobbs	Jim	Faye Mueller	
Carolyn	Jerry Gross	Marie Kopp	Ovie	Betty Snaper
Mary Clapp	GZ	Larry	Becky Schlicher	Virginia
Derek	Burt Hermann	Pat Mason	Kurt Schrinee	Millie Wetz
	Joy Huang	Jennifer McCourt	Mary Scott	Heather Whitehurst

Serving in the Military (R—Reserves)

Alex Almaguer	Stephanie Enloe—R	Tyler Newkirk	Derek Quackenbush
Jacob Bertsch	Brandon Hastings	Stephen Olliff—R	Justin Rappa
Stephen Daniell—R	Brad Landis	Blake Paton—R	Ryan Sonnenberg
Lorrie Daniell—R	Bobby Martin	Donnie Pittman	Mike Szostkiewicz—R
	Aaron Morley	Hank Poirier	

Please email your prayer requests to hopePCprays@gmail.com.

Due to space limitation, prayer requests can only be listed for four weeks.



“Think of us in this way as servants of Christ and stewards of God’s mysteries.”

1Corinthians 4:1

SERVING OUR LORD THIS SUNDAY (8/8/2021) ARE:

Lector	9:15/Cathie Warner
Elder on Duty	9:15/Nick Trivunovich
Flowers	Mueller & Pfeffer families
Offerings	Alan & Sue Griffin
Altar Guild	Liz Pfeffer
Ushers	Team 2

10:30/Nick Trivunovich, * Alex Drapp, Jim Drapp, Ken Hartmann

*Altar flowers are given to the glory of God by
Billy & Dora Mueller in honor of Billy's birthday
and
Pastor & Liz Pfeffer in honor of Jesilynn's birthday*

SERVING OUR LORD THIS WEDNESDAY (8/11/2021) ARE:

Lector	6:30/Carl Bergner
Elder on Duty	6:30/Wayne Warner

SERVING OUR LORD NEXT SUNDAY (8/15/2021) ARE:

Lector	9:15/Dan Paton
Elder on Duty	9:15/Mike McMinn
Communion Assistant	9:15/Mike McMinn
Flowers	D. Walkenhorst family
Offerings	Wendell & Pam Lattz
Altar Guild	Liz Pfeffer
Ushers	Team 3

10:30/Stuart Howell,* Wendell Lattz, Andrew MacDonald, Ron MacDonald, Jack Moberg