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WEEKLY NEWS ✠ June 14, 2020

✠ IN THE LORD'S HOUSE TODAY ✠

WELCOME! We are happy that you are worshipping with us. As Psalm 122:1 says, "I was glad when they said to me, 'Let us go to the house of the Lord!'" Here in the Lord's House our Lord Jesus Christ is truly present in His Word and Sacrament to give us His gifts of forgiveness, life, and salvation. As we resume in-person, public worship, we are following appropriate social distancing and hygienic protocols as noted in the service folder. The 9:00 Divine Service is also being live-streamed on Hope's [Facebook page](#) and the service folder (bulletin) may be [accessed here](#). "Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, for his steadfast love endures forever" (Psalm 136:1).

✠ THE WORD FOR TODAY ✠

FAITH TRUSTS IN CHRIST FOR LIFE ETERNAL

When the beggar Lazarus died, he was carried by the angels to Abraham's bosom. For he was truly Abraham's seed. Like Abraham, he believed in the Lord, and the Lord "counted it to him as righteousness" (Gen. 15:6). The name Lazarus means "God is my help." The unnamed rich man, on the other hand, did not love and trust in God. For he evidently cared little for the beggar at his gate. And "he who does not love his brother whom he has seen cannot love God whom he has not seen" (1 John 4:20). He who loved and trusted in possessions and prestige died and was in torments in Hades (Luke 16:19-31). Repentance and faith are worked only through Moses and the prophets—that is, the Word of God, for it points us to Christ. Only through His death and resurrection are we brought the comfort of life everlasting.

✠ THE MUSIC FOR TODAY ✠

To God The Holy Spirit Let Us Pray (LSB 768). The first stanza of this leisen hymn (each stanza ending with "Lord, have mercy," Kyrieleis in German) is from the 12th century, from a sermon by Berthold of Regensburg; Martin Luther penned the other three stanzas. The first stanza points to three truths which can perplex man: 1) the Holy Spirit IS God and deserving of prayers like the Father and Son, 2) the Holy Spirit is the giver of the true Christian faith, which faith later is defined as knowing aright the Lord Jesus Christ who bought us [st. 4], and 3) saints on earth are exiles. Not only are Christians to believe in Christ as Lord and Savior, they are—as forgiven sinners—called upon to live in love with each other [st. 2]. While the church militant fights against devil, world, and flesh, she receives comfort and strength for the battle [st. 3]. Finally, by the Lord who bought her, the pilgrim church will cross the Jordan to enter the promised land of heaven [st. 4]. While now we cry out, "Lord, have mercy," in need and with trust, then we triumphant saints will proclaim the merciful works of the Triune God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit (Psalm 118:17). Lord, have mercy! [Taken from www.logia.org hymn summaries]

✠ PREPARING FOR WORSHIP ✠

- *PREPARE* to receive the Lord's Supper by reviewing "Christian Questions and Their Answers" beginning on 329 in the front part of *Lutheran Service Book*.
- *REFLECT* on Psalm 33 in the front part of *Lutheran Service Book*.
- *PONDER* today's Hymn of the Day, LSB 768, "To God the Holy Spirit Let Us Pray"

HOLY COMMUNION is celebrated at each Sunday morning Divine Service, with both chalice and individual cup offered. Members of congregations of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod may partake of the Sacrament trusting that in this Holy Meal the Lord Jesus Christ is present and gives His Body and Blood for our forgiveness, life, and salvation. Guests are asked to speak with the pastor prior to communing. Those who have a health concern with the alcohol in the cup are asked to speak with the pastor. If you are taking Communion, please fill out the attendance card by marking an "X" in the box by the names of those communing, and hand the card to an usher as you go to the Lord's Table.

✠ SCRIPTURE READINGS TO PREPARE FOR NEXT SUNDAY ✠

THE SECOND SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY (June 21, 2020) –

- Old Testament: **Proverbs 9:1-10** – The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom.
Psalm: **Psalm 34:12-22** – "Come, O children, listen to me; I will teach you the fear of the Lord."
Epistle: **Ephesians 2:13-22** – Fellow citizens and members of God's household.
Holy Gospel: **Luke 14:15-24** – The Lord's invitation to the wedding banquet.

✠ PARISH NEWS AND NOTES ✠

GREAT NEWS! In keeping with the new City of St. Louis “Reopening Standards and Guidelines,” we are resuming in-person public worship at Hope with proper hygienic and social-distancing measures. We are offering two Divine Service times – **9:00 am and 11:00 am**. We plan this schedule to run four (4) weeks, but it may be revised. For more details, see the [Pastoral Letter](#) on our [website](#).

OPEN ALTAR FLOWER DATES ARE: Sunday, June 21, 28 and July 5, 12, and 26. Vases are \$21 each and are yours after the last service. Please call Carol, 752-0525, to reserve a date.

CONGRATULATIONS TO AHREN REITER upon his ordination today into the Office of the Holy Ministry! Ahren will be ordained at Trinity Lutheran Church, Rock Springs, Wyoming, at a 4:00 pm (Mountain Time) Vespers service. Trinity records its services and posts them on YouTube. If you wish to watch the service in which Ahren is ordained to be a pastor, you may [watch here](#). Rev. Ahren Reiter will be installed as pastor at Holy Cross Lutheran Church in Lawton, Oklahoma, on Sunday, July 12.

STEWARDSHIP BLURB FOR SUNDAY, JUNE 14: Luke 16:19 - “There was a rich man who was clothed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day.” There is another rich man in this story – Abraham. Obviously, these two men used the gift of riches that God gave them in very different ways. The life and decisions of Abraham flowed from faith; the rich man’s life and choices flowed from disbelief and self-centeredness. So Abraham was kind and generous, reflecting his trust in a kind and generous God. And the rich man? Well, you saw what happened to him and what god he served.

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THE LUTHERAN RESALE SHOP is pleased to let all our faithful customers know that we have reopened! We will be open Mondays through Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Just like many other shops we will require you to wear a face covering. We will be sanitizing door handles, etc. throughout the day to keep us all safe. In these special times we rely on our Savior Jesus Christ for all our needs. As always our profits go to Lutheran Family and Children’s Services and Lutheran Senior Services for Hidden Lake and Breeze Park Retirement Community. We are accepting donations. Our phone number is 314-389-9970.

THIS WEEK ON KFUE AM850 & kfuo.org, dig into James 1-2 on Sharper Iron with Pastor Timothy Appel (weekdays at 8:00 a.m.), study Exodus 10-13 on Thy Strong Word with Pastor AJ Espinosa (weekdays at 11:00 a.m.), and study a curious theological topic with Pastor Bryan Wolfmueller on Cross Defense (6/15 at 2:00 p.m.). Find these programs on demand at kfuo.org.

STEWARDSHIP AT HOPE ✠ May 2020

ATTENDANCE Hearers: Communion:	FINANCIAL			
	<i>The month of May</i>		<i>Year-to-Date</i>	
	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budgeted</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budgeted</u>
Income:	\$25,969	\$23,577	Income: \$113,805	\$117,885
Expense:	\$20,192	\$23,579	Expense: \$97,729	\$117,899

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SCHEDULE	SUNDAY SCHOOL HOUR OFFERINGS	WEEK’S CALENDAR
9:00 DIVINE SERVICE Live stream at www.facebook.com/hopelutheranstl	Nursery: 2nd Floor -	MONDAY
11:00 DIVINE SERVICE	Auditorium: Bible Class-	TUESDAY
NO Sunday School/Bible Study		WEDNESDAY
NO Schola Rehearsal		THURSDAY
NO Youth Catechism Class		FRIDAY
		SATURDAY <i>Pastor’s Day Off</i>