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WEEKLY NEWS ✠ July 12, 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 ✠

JESUS MAKES FISHERS OF MEN

The Lord called fishermen to be fishers of men (Luke 5:1-11). The net they would use is the message of the cross, which is foolishness and a stumbling block to the world (1 Cor. 1:18-25). The power of God to save is not in spectacular signs like wind and fire and earthquakes (1 Kings 19:11-21), nor is it to be found in human intelligence and wisdom. The power of God to save comes in the still, small voice of the preaching of Christ crucified. In worldly darkness the disciples could catch nothing. But in the light of Christ, whose Word was attached to the water, the boats were filled with fish. So it is that in Baptism you have been drawn in to the ship of the Church. Though the nets are breaking and some who hear the Word do not believe, pastors continue to cast the net of the Gospel and the Sacraments, that Christians may abide in the boat of the Church and that we may be ready to give a defense to everyone who asks a reason for the hope that is in us (1 Peter 3:8-15).

✠ THE MUSIC FOR TODAY ✠

"*COME, FOLLOW ME,*" *THE SAVIOR SPAKE* (LSB 688). Based on Matthew 16:24, Johann Scheffler wrote four stanzas of this hymn (stanzas 1-3, 5). Stanza four was published with the original stanzas in 1704. Scheffler, a physician by training, was raised as a Lutheran and wrote most of his poetry while still a Lutheran. Later in his life he became a follower of a mystic preacher and found his beliefs more in line with the Roman Catholic church.

✠ 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 16 in the front part of *Lutheran Service Book*.
- *PONDER* today's Hymn of the Day, LSB 688, "'Come, Follow Me,' the Savior Spake."

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 SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY (July 28, 2018) –

Old Testament: **Exodus 20:1-17** – God gives His Ten Commandments as the pattern of life for all people.

Psalm: **Psalm 19** – "The precepts of the Lord are right, rejoicing the heart; the commandment of the Lord is pure, enlightening the eyes."

Epistle: **Romans 6:3-11** – Baptized into Christ's death and resurrection.

Holy Gospel: **Matthew 5:20-26** – Living in Jesus' perfect righteousness (which exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees!).



✠ PARISH NEWS AND NOTES ✠

IN KEEPING WITH THE ST. LOUIS CITY "REOPENING STANDARDS AND GUIDELINES," we are conducting in-person public worship with proper hygienic and social-distancing measures. We are offering two Divine Service times – **9:00 am and 11:00 am**. For more details, see the [Pastoral Letter](#) on our [website](#).

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

STEWARDSHIP BLURB FOR SUNDAY, JULY 12: **Luke 5:5 – "And Simon answered, 'Master, we toiled all night and took nothing! But at your word I will let down the nets.' "** All our toil, all our work, all our efforts mean nothing without the Lord's guidance. But if we walk in the Word of Jesus, well, look what happened to Simon Peter. The Lord gives grace, and He promises to bless our efforts and bring blessings out of them that we never expected.

KFUO Radio, AM850 & [kfuo.org](#), a media ministry extension of LCMS congregations, shares Christ for you on AM850 & [kfuo.org](#) via worship services, Bible and theology studies, practical talk programs, and sacred music. You can find programs on demand at [kfuo.org](#) and wherever you get your podcasts! Find us on social: @KFUOradio on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), and [Instagram](#).

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 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](#), study Judges 4-7 on Sharper Iron's Wisdom from Above series (weekdays at 8:00 a.m.), learn more about how play affected mental health on Mental Health Monday with Deaconess Heidi Goehmann (7/13 at 9:00 a.m.), and study Exodus 26-30 on Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 11:00 a.m.). Find these program on your favorite podcasting app!

SINCE THE 2020 Issues, Etc. "Making the Case" Conference is being offered in a virtual video format, we are taking new registrations. The \$135 registration fee includes the ability to watch a live stream on Friday, July 24 and Saturday, July 25, and/or recorded presentations on-demand. If you have any questions, please send an email to lynn@issuesetc.org.

STEWARDSHIP AT HOPE ✠ June 21 – July 4, 2020

ATTENDANCE

Hearers:
Communion:

FINANCIAL

<i>June 21-July 4, 2020</i>		<i>Year-to-Date</i>	
	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budgeted</u>	
Income:	\$14,446	\$10,901	Income: \$113,805
Expense:	\$10,356	\$10,901	Expense: \$97,729
			\$117,899

THIS WEEK AT HOPE ✠ July 12, 2020

SCHEDULE

9:00 DIVINE SERVICE
Live stream at
www.facebook.com/hopelutheranstl

11:00 DIVINE SERVICE

NO Sunday School/Bible Study
NO Schola Rehearsal
NO Youth Catechism Class

SUNDAY SCHOOL HOUR OFFERINGS

Nursery:
2nd Floor -
Auditorium:
Bible Class-

WEEK'S CALENDAR

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY
Pastor's Day Off