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WEEKLY NEWS ✠ September 6, 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 IS OUR GOOD SAMARITAN

The Law cannot help us or give us life. Rather, it confines everyone under sin as wounded and naked before God (Gal. 3:15-22). So it is that two figures of the Law, the priest and the Levite, passed by the injured man on the side of the road (Luke 10:23-37). Only the promised Seed of Abraham can rescue us and make us righteous before God. Only the Samaritan, our Lord Jesus, had compassion. He came down to us in our lost and dying condition, pouring on the oil and wine of the Sacraments. He placed us on His own animal, bearing our sin and brokenness in His body on the cross to restore us. Jesus brought us to the inn, that is, the Church, and gave the innkeeper two denarii, that His double forgiveness might continue to be ministered to us. In this way the Lord, by whose Law we are torn and stricken, heals us and revives us by His Gospel and raises us up with Himself on the third day, that we may live in His sight (Hos. 6:1-6).

✠ THE MUSIC FOR TODAY ✠

Jesus, Thy Boundless Love to Me (LSB 683). Johann Gerhardt is arguably one of the prolific and popular Lutheran hymn-writers of all time. The lineage of this hymn text is a distinctly Lutheran path. Written by Gerhardt, it is based off a prayer found in Johann Arndt's (a Lutheran theologian) devotion book *Paradiesgärtlein*. The entire original sixteen stanzas were first printed in Johann Crüger's (a Lutheran composer and music educator) *Prazis pietatis melica* in 1653.

✠ 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 32 in the front part of *Lutheran Service Book*.
- **PONDER** today's Hymn of the Day, LSB 683, "Jesus, Thy Boundless Love to Me."

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 FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY (September 13, 2020)

Old Testament: **Proverbs 4:10-23** – Our Lord God teaches us the way of life.

Psalm: **Psalm 119:9-16** – "Blessed are you, O Lord; teach me your statutes!"

Epistle: **Galatians 5:16-24** – The life of the flesh vs. the life of the Spirit.

Holy Gospel: **Luke 17:11-19** – Jesus heals ten lepers and one follows Him in faith.



✠ 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**. Effective Sunday, September 13, we will return to our regular Sunday morning schedule to include Sunday School, Bible Class, and Catechism Class. The 11:00 am Divine Service will be moved to Wednesdays at 7:00 pm, beginning September 16. For more details, see the most recent (7/29/20) [Pastoral Letter](#) on our [website](#).

FLOWERS AT THE ALTAR are placed to the praise and glory of God in honor of the 90th birthday, September 8, of Mrs. Ruth Paul placed by her children, grandchildren, great grandchildren and great great grandchildren.

OPEN ALTAR FLOWER DATES ARE: Sunday, September 13, 20 and 27. Vases are \$21 each and are yours after the last service. Please call Carol, 752-0525, to reserve a date.

SUNDAY SCHOOL NEEDS CO-TEACHERS. One co-teacher is needed for 5, 6, and 7 year olds and one for grades 3-5. Contact Kay Shoemaker at keshoemaker@gmail.com if you have questions or can volunteer your time and gifts to teach.

MISSOURI DISTRICT NEWS: The state of Missouri is one vast and varied mission field. Starting on September 22, the Missouri District will be hosting three evenings called "Meet the Missionaries" via ZOOM. You are cordially invited to log on and learn about these ministries, as well as how you can be involved through prayer and support. Head to mo.lcms.org/missionaries for more information. See you online!

THIS WEEK ON KFUEO AM850 & kfuo.org, continue studying the book of Proverbs on Sharper Iron (weekdays at 8:00 a.m.), study Psalm 113 and continue in the book of 1 Samuel on Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 11:00 a.m.), and worship with us in daily chapel services at 10:00 a.m. from the LCMS International Center. Find programming on demand at kfuo.org or your favorite podcasting app.

STEWARDSHIP BLURB FOR SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 6: **Luke 10:25 - "And behold, a lawyer stood up to put him to the test, saying, 'Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?' "** That's just not a good question! Doing and inheriting just don't go together. What can you do to inherit the Rockefeller fortune? Nothing. Inheriting is about birthright; doing is about merit. We receive eternal life by birthright in our Baptism into Christ. All of our doing in the Kingdom of God flows from this, from who we are by our new birth. It can never be the other way around.

WHERE CHRISTIANITY MEETS CULTURE... Issues, Etc. is a radio talk show and podcast produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL and hosted by LCMS Pastor Todd Wilken. This week's subjects include: The Influence of Christianity on Labor & Economic Freedom, A Christian Response to Soft Totalitarianism, The Demolition of the Western Mind, Constitutional Republic vs. Democracy and more. You can tune in live weekdays from 3-5 p.m. on KFUEO, 850 AM in St. Louis. You can also listen at your convenience at issuesetc.org, the LPR mobile app and your favorite podcast provider.

STEWARDSHIP AT HOPE ✠ August 16 - 29, 2020

ATTENDANCE Hearers: Communion:	FINANCIAL			
	August 16 - 29		Year-to-Date	
	Actual	Budgeted	Actual	Budgeted
Income:	\$9,689	\$10,647	Income: \$164,030	\$164,899
Expense:	\$2,911	\$10,647	Expense: \$145,725	\$165,055

THIS WEEK AT HOPE ✠ September 6, 2020

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