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WEEKLY NEWS ✠ July 11, 2021

✠ 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. Today we open all of the center section pews and Bible Class moves back to the basement auditorium. Coffee Hour also returns! See the service folder for updated health and safety protocols. The Sunday 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 ✠

OUR ONLY HOPE IS IN CHRIST'S RIGHTEOUSNESS

"Unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven" (Matt 5:20). God demands nothing less than perfection and holiness from you in regard to His commandments (Ex. 20:1-17). Your only hope, then, is not in your own goodness but in the goodness of Christ, who did not come to destroy the Law and the Prophets, but to fulfill them for you. In Christ, your righteousness does indeed exceed that of the scribes and Pharisees. For you have been baptized into Christ's death and your sinful nature crucified. Therefore, he who has died has been freed from sin (Rom 6:1-11). You are now raised with Christ to walk in newness of life and to share in His resurrection on the Last Day. Christ has brought you through the baptismal sea "out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery" (Exodus 20:2). Therefore, "consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus" (Rom. 6:11).

✠ THE MUSIC FOR TODAY ✠

All Mankind Fell in Adams Fall (LSB 562). During the Reformation era this hymn was held in high regard as a teaching and confessional hymn of the evangelical faith. It reinforces the theology of original sin. However, in good Law/Gospel format, stanzas 4-6 tell of our Savior Jesus. "To bear our sin and woe and shame," he, "took our place". We can rejoice in the new life we have through Christ's death for our eternal salvation.

✠ 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 19 in the front part of *Lutheran Service Book*.
- **PONDER** today's Hymn of the Day, LSB 562, "All Mankind Fell in Adam's Fall."

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 SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY (July 18, 2021) –

- Old Testament: **Genesis 2:7-17** – God creates Adam from the dust and provides for his bodily needs.
- Psalm: **Psalm 33:1-11** – "By the word of the LORD the heavens were made, and by the breath of his mouth all their host."
- Epistle: **Romans 6:19-23** – We are freed from sin to be slaves for God.
- Holy Gospel: **Mark 8:1-9** – Jesus feeds the 4,000, thus showing His re-creation of our bodies as holy.
- Holy Gospel: **Matthew 5:17-26** – Living in Jesus' perfect righteousness (which exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees!).

✠ PARISH NEWS AND NOTES ✠

PLEASE NOTE, THE ENTIRE SMALL PARKING LOT IS STILL reserved only for elderly and handicapped parking. We have elderly that are not able to walk from the large lot. THANK YOU for reserving that lot for those that truly need it!

TODAY WE SAY FAREWELL AND GODSPEED TO BAILEY AND MADISON MOSS. Madison has finished her studies here in Saint Louis and they will be moving to Chapel Hill, North Carolina. Madison will be joining Carrboro Family Vision there as an Associate Optometrist. We thank God for their time here with us and for always being a part of our Hope family. God bless and keep you!

OPEN ALTAR FLOWER DATES are Sunday, July 25. Vases are \$21 each and are yours to take home after the service. You can take an envelope by the calendar to put your payment in or call Carol, 752-0525 or 691-3619 to reserve a date.

ALL ARE INVITED TO FAMILY FRIENDLY CONCERTS AT PEACE LUTHERAN, 737 BARRACKSVIEW ROAD. This Thursday, July 8, from 7-8 pm will be Second Nature Horns with local legend Charles Glenn on vocals as they perform jazz tunes and tell about the composers and jazz genre.

SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL CONTINUES! Chad and Alicia Rolland will be leading one class (meeting upstairs in Room 2 next to the nursery) for all children who have not yet been confirmed. Older students will help lead with reading and activities. The summer line-up includes learning and singing the liturgy, digging into New Testament stories together, and activities/crafts.

STEWARDSHIP BLURB FOR SUNDAY, July 11: **Matthew 5:24 - "Leave your gift there before the altar and go. First be reconciled to your brother, and then come and offer your gift."** First things first: the Lord won't be bribed by our giving. Our giving must flow forth from a faithful Christian life that receives Christ's forgiveness and freely shares that forgiveness. Or, in other words, a good work isn't a good work if it doesn't flow from faith.

NEW MISSIONARY PRESENTATIONS. Are you interested in a unique opportunity to help our newly employed LCMS missionaries? This month, our brand-new missionaries will be creating presentations about their work. They are looking for feedback and need practice presenting in front of a live audience. Join the LCMS Office of International Mission on Saturday, July 24 from 9:00 a.m.-1 p.m. for "New Missionary Presentations." Come meet our new LCMS missionaries and learn about their work to help spread the Gospel to the ends of the earth. Provide feedback for them as they aim to refine their presentations and prepare to share their message with the church at-large. A complimentary barbecue lunch will be provided by LCMS International Mission after the presentations. For location details and to help us get a head count, please RSVP to mservices@lcms.org or call 314-996-1332.

STEWARDSHIP AT HOPE ✠ June 13-26

ATTENDANCE Sunday: 87	FINANCIAL			
	June 13-26		Year-to-date through May	
	Actual	Budgeted	Actual	Budgeted
Income:	\$9,665	\$11,353	\$118,526	\$121,602
Expense:	\$11,370	\$12,303	\$106,400	\$109,634

THIS WEEK AT HOPE ✠ July 11, 2021

SCHEDULE	SUNDAY SCHOOL HOUR OFFERINGS	WEEK'S CALENDAR
9:00 - DIVINE SERVICE Live stream at www.facebook.com/hopelutheranstl	2nd Floor: Summer Sunday School Chad & Alicia Rolland	MONDAY
10:15 - Coffee Hour	Basement Auditorium: "Living as Easter Christians: A Study in 1 Peter" Pastor Randy Asburry	TUESDAY
10:30 - Bible Study/Summer Sunday School		WEDNESDAY
		THURSDAY
		FRIDAY
		SATURDAY