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WEEKLY NEWS ❖ September 5, 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. 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 ❖

THE CRY OF FAITH: LORD, HAVE MERCY

The ten lepers cried out from a distance, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!" (Luke 17:11-19). Their condition cut them off from God and others. So also do the works of the flesh cut us off from God and others. "Those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God" (Gal. 5:16-24). Thus we cry out with the lepers, "Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy," eagerly seeking His good gifts. Jesus said to the lepers, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went, they were cleansed. So too, we walk by faith and not by sight, being confident of Jesus' help before we see any evidence of it, trusting that Jesus' cleansing words of forgiveness will restore us to wholeness in the resurrection. Let us be as the one leper who returned to the true High Priest to give Him thanks and glory. For Jesus bore our infirmities in His sacrifice at Calvary. His words are life to those who find them, and health to all their flesh (Prov. 4:10-23).

❖ THE MUSIC FOR TODAY ❖

The Hymn of the Day, "Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness" (LSB 849), comes to us partially via the Sacred Harp hymnal and singing style. Sacred Harp singing is a style of singing that is indigenous to the Eastern United States, particularly Appalachia and New England. Sacred Harp hymnals make use of shape-note notation, basically symbols that represent the solfege syllables. The text is by Rev. Rusty Edwards, a recently retired pastor whose hymn texts are in use by over forty different denominations around the world.

❖ 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 119 in the front part of *Lutheran Service Book*.
- *PONDER* today's Hymn of the Day, LSB 849, "Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness."

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 FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY (September 12, 2021)

- Old Testament: **1 Kings 17:8-16**—Prophet Elijah visits a widow's home and God provides for her.
 Psalm: **Psalm 146**—"The Lord watches over the sojourners."
 Epistle: **Galatians 5:25-6:10**—Life in the Spirit: restoring each other and doing good.
 Holy Gospel: **Matthew 6:24-34**—Jesus teaches us not to worry but to trust God's providing hand.



✠ PARISH NEWS AND NOTES ✠

TODAY WE WELCOME REV. DR. KEVIN GOLDEN, Associate Professor at Concordia Seminary, as he fills in for Pastor Asbury, who is taking a quarterly Sunday off to visit family.

HOPE MUSIC ENSEMBLES- REHEARSAL RESUMPTION

Music ensembles are resuming rehearsals in September. If you haven't replied yet:

- 1) Use this QR code with your phone to submit your name.
- 2) Email Kantor Janssen (mjanssen@hopelutheranstl.org)
- 3) Talk to Kantor before or after Sunday services



THANK YOU ALICIA AND CHAD ROLLAND for planning and teaching the summer Sunday School class. The new Sunday School session for 3 year olds through high school begins Sunday, Sept. 12. All students and teachers will meet in the basement auditorium for the opening and class assignments.

TWO NEW SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS ARE NEEDED AT THE ELEMENTARY LEVEL. Please see Kay Shoemaker for details of areas of need as soon as possible.

OPEN ALTAR FLOWER DATES are Sunday, September 12, 19 and 26. 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.

A BOOK GROUP MEETS AT DIANA FROST'S HOUSE EVERY MONTH. We will be meeting next on September 21 to discuss *The Power and the Glory* by Graham Greene. If you would like to attend or would like more information, please email or call Diana at dianafrost@sbcglobal.net or (636) 692-8159.

STEWARDSHIP BLURB FOR SUNDAY, *September 5: Luke 17:18-19 - [Jesus said,] 'Was no one found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?' And he said to him, 'Rise and go your way; your faith has made you well.'* Faith and thanksgiving go together. How could they not go together? Our Lord gave Himself for us, and we trust Him and His every Word. Once we have this faith, we want to say thank you - it's only natural. And thus, our stewardship is only a natural part of the Christian faith. We thank the Lord with our gifts, which enable the Church to reach more with the Good News of Christ.

CHRIST FOR YOU THIS WEEK ON KFUE AM850 & kfuo.org: Begin studying Zephaniah on Sharper Iron (weekdays at 8:00 a.m.), study Psalm 142-144 and 9-10 on Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 11:00 a.m.), and hear stories about vocation and living boldly Lutheran on The Coffee Hour (weekdays at 9:00 a.m.). Find your favorite programs on demand at kfuo.org or on our KFUE Radio app!

SOLID, SERIOUS, SUBSTANTIVE... 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 teachings include: Union with Christ; The Theology of Worship; The Movies "Old" and "Pig;" Old Testament Prophet Ezekiel and more. You can tune in live weekdays from 3-5 p.m. on KFUE, 850 AM in St. Louis. You can also listen on-demand at issuesetc.org, the LPR mobile app and your favorite podcast provider.

STEWARDSHIP AT HOPE ✠ August 8-21

ATTENDANCE
Sunday: 70

FINANCIAL

	August 8-21		Year-to-date through July	
	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budgeted</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budgeted</u>
Income:	\$11,809	\$10,983	\$165,605	\$170,249
Expense:	\$9,023	\$10,552	\$146,020	\$153,497

THIS WEEK AT HOPE ✠ September 5, 2021

SCHEDULE

9:00 - DIVINE SERVICE
Live stream at
www.facebook.com/hopelutheranstl
10:15 - Coffee Hour
10:30 - NO Bible Study/Summer Sunday School

SUNDAY SCHOOL HOUR OFFERINGS

2nd Floor:
Summer Sunday School
Chad & Alicia Rolland

Basement Auditorium:
NO Bible Study

WEEK'S CALENDAR

MONDAY
Labor Day- Church office Closed

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY
5:00 Kantorei rehearsal

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY
Pastor's Day Off