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WEEKLY NEWS ✠ March 6, 2022

✠ 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. 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 ✠

JESUS DOES BATTLE IN OUR PLACE

In the Garden, man exalts himself to be a god in place of God (Gen. 3:1-21). He succumbs to the temptation of the devil, and eating of the forbidden fruit, he receives death. But in the sin-cursed wilderness, God humbles Himself to become man in place of man (Mt. 4:1-11). He does not eat but fasts and bears the onslaughts of the devil for us that we may be restored to life. Jesus stands as David in our place to do battle against the Goliath, Satan (1 Samuel 17:40-51). Though outwardly Jesus appears weak, yet He comes in the name of the Lord of hosts. He draws from the five smooth stones of the books of Moses and slings the Word of God. The stone sinks into the forehead, and the enemy falls. In Christ we are victorious over the devil. Let us therefore not receive the grace of God in vain (2 Cor. 6:1-10), but seeing that we have a great High Priest, let us come boldly to the throne of grace, that we may obtain help in time of need (Heb. 4:14-16).

✠ THE MUSIC FOR TODAY ✠

With the beginning on Lent we show restraint in which portions of the liturgy we sing. You will notice that the *Hymn of Praise* and *Alleluia Verse* are omitted during the Lenten season. With the beginning of Lent/Eastertide we also move into a different musical setting of the Divine Service. During this season we make use of Divine Service Setting Two from *Lutheran Service Book*. This morning we also sing the Litany. Traditionally used on the first Sundays of Lent and Advent, this expanded prayer serves as a way to remind us of the penitential nature of both seasons.

✠ 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 656, "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"

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 ✠

SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT (March 13, 2022)

Jesus praises the persistent faith of a Canaanite (Gentile) woman.

Old Testament: **Genesis 32:22-32** — Jacob wrestles with God.

Psalm: **Psalm 121** — "I lift up my eyes to the hills. From where does my help come?
My help comes from the Lord, ..."

Epistle: **1 Thessalonians 4:1-7** — God calls us to be holy.

Holy Gospel: **Matthew 15:21-28** — The Canaanite woman's "great faith."



✠ PARISH NEWS AND NOTES ✠

EASTER LILIES will be used on Easter Sunday in the altar area. If you wish to place a plant in honor or memory of someone, please pick up an envelope from the narthex or call Carol, 314-752-0525 or 314-691-3619, **before April 4**. Lilies are \$8.00 each and are yours to take home after the service on Easter.

PASTOR ASBURY WILL BE ON VACATION MARCH 3-8. Please contact the church office if you are in need of pastoral care.

APPLICATIONS FOR SCHOLARSHIPS from the “Roschke-Stohlmann Lutheran Vocations and Education Fund” are now being accepted. Scholarships shall be granted based on motivation, financial and scholarship needs of the applicant as evaluated by the Board of Finance. Scholarships shall be awarded in the following order of priority: 1. Seminary training; 2. Pre-seminary training; 3. Full-time rostered church work training (teacher, DCE, DCO, Deaconess, etc.); 4. Lutheran elementary education; 5. Lutheran high school education. Application must be received by **Sunday, March 20, 2022**. Contact the church office for a copy of the application.

STEWARDSHIP BLURB FOR SUNDAY, March 6: Matthew 4:7 – And Jesus answered him, “It is written.” Isn’t it interesting that Jesus does not defeat Satan with His power as God but rather by His perfect obedience in His perfect humanity? Jesus defeats Satan not by miracles but by quoting the Scriptures and living according to it. This should cause us great joy for two reasons. First, because we see Jesus win the victory for us. Second, because here Jesus shows us how to stand in that victory – on the Word of God alone. Let us build our lives on the sure rock of this Word!

SANCTIFYING YOUR DAILY ERRANDS WITH THE WORD OF GOD... 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 topics include: LGBTQ vs. Man & Woman Made in the Image of God; The Salutation & the Collect; Jesus as Prophet; Baptismal Validity 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.

CHRIST FOR YOU this week on KFUE AM850 & kfue.org: Study Baptism in the Augsburg Confession Article IX on Concord Matters (3/12 at 10:00 a.m.), hear Lenten Midweek Recital and Worship Service 3/9 at 11:00 a.m., and study Luke 13-15 on Sharper Iron’s “The Beloved Physician’s Orderly Account” (weekdays at 8:00 a.m.). Find your favorite programs on demand at kfue.org or on the KFUE Radio app.

STEWARDSHIP AT HOPE ✠ *January 30 - February 12*

ATTENDANCE
Sunday: 75

FINANCIAL

<i>January 30 – February 12</i>			2022	
	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budgeted</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budgeted</u>
Income:	\$10,070	\$11,871	Income: \$45,524	\$24,074
Expense:	\$11,402	\$11,604	Expense: \$20,679	\$23,531

THIS WEEK AT HOPE ✠ *March 6, 2022*

SCHEDULE

9:00 – DIVINE SERVICE
Live stream at
www.facebook.com/hopelutheranstl
10:15 – Coffee Hour
10:30 – Bible Study/ Sunday School
11:45 – Schola rehearsal
11:45 – Youth Catechism Class

SUNDAY SCHOOL HOUR OFFERINGS

2nd Floor:
Early Childhood Sunday School

Basement:
Primary – Junior High Sunday School

Basement Auditorium:
Hymn of the Day Study:
“A Mighty Fortress Is Our God”
(LSB 656/657)
Rev. Dr. Jon Vieker

WEEK’S CALENDAR

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY
5:00 *Kantorei Rehearsal*
7:00 *Evening Prayer*

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY
Pastor’s Day Off