



# Hope Ev. Lutheran Church

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## WEEKLY NEWS ✠ April 3, 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 IS OUR REDEMPTION*

In the temple Jesus said, *"If anyone keeps my word, he will never see death"* (John 8:51). For Jesus came to taste death for us—to drink the cup of suffering to the dregs in order that we might be released from its power. Clinging to His life-giving words, we are delivered from death's sting and its eternal judgment. Christ is our High Priest, who entered the Most Holy Place and with His own blood obtained everlasting redemption for His people (Heb. 9:11–15). He is the One who was before Abraham was, and yet is his descendant. He is the promised Son who carries the wood up the mountain for the sacrifice, who is bound and laid upon the altar of the cross. He is the ram who is offered in our place, who is willingly caught in the thicket of our sin, and who wears the crown of thorns upon His head (Gen. 22:1–14). Though Jesus is dishonored by the sons of the devil, He is vindicated by the Father through the cross.

### ✠ THE MUSIC FOR TODAY ✠

#### *MY SONG IS LOVE UNKNOWN – LSB 430*

What kind of love does the Father have for us? He sent His Son to die so we would be called children of God (1 John 3:1). This love no one born from Adam can fully understand. This love we know only as we ponder what Jesus Christ has done for us, especially His death in the place of sinners. To defeat the devil for sinners, He is exchanged for a murderer (Barabas). Christ, the Suffering Servant (Isaiah 52–53), came from heaven for this purpose: to die the death of sinners and to be buried in our place. Because He died this death, all Christians rejoice and sing praises since we shall be taken to dwell with our saving God in heaven. Thus we sing of God's love for us in Christ, now and forevermore. (from [logia.org](http://logia.org))

### ✠ 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 43 in the front part of *Lutheran Service Book*.
- *PONDER* today's Hymn of the Day, *LSB 430, "My Song is Love Unknown"*

*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 ✠

#### *PALM SUNDAY (April 10, 2022)*

*Jesus enters Jerusalem to go to the cross for our forgiveness, life, and salvation.*

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| Processional:  | <b>John 12:12-19</b> —Jesus enters Jerusalem in triumph.     |
| Old Testament: | <b>Zechariah 9:9-12</b> —Behold, your King is coming to you. |
| Psalm:         | <b>Psalm 73</b> —"Truly God is good to Israel."              |
| Epistle:       | <b>Philippians 2:5-11</b> —Jesus humbled Himself unto death. |
| Holy Gospel:   | <b>Matthew 27:11-54</b> —Jesus is crucified.                 |



✠ PARISH NEWS AND NOTES ✠

LAST CHANCE TO ORDER EASTER LILIES! EASTER LILIES will be used on Easter Sunday in the chancel (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, **TODAY**. Lilies are \$8.00 each and are yours to take home after the service on Easter.

JOIN *Laudamus* from Concordia Seminary TODAY at 4:00 pm for the home concert of their spring tour. The concert will be held here at Hope as part of our “Music in a Sacred Space” series. *Laudamus* is a select choir of seminarians preparing for full-time service as pastors in The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod (LCMS). Under the direction of Dr. James Marriott, the Seminary’s director of music arts, the choir delights in proclaiming the Gospel of Jesus Christ through music. Each year, the choir schedules tours to LCMS schools, universities, and churches throughout the country, singing an eclectic program representing the church’s song from many different genres.

THE FINANCE COMMITTEE has an opening for a person who can help with counting the funds collected at church services. Money is counted on Monday afternoons and would involve approximately one hour of time for one Monday a month (12 times a year). If interested please call Bill Truebe, 314-631-1218.

MOTHER’S DAY OUT TEACHER NEEDED AT TIMOTHY LUTHERAN - Seeking a compassionate, well rounded teacher for our Mother’s Day Out program serving children ages 12 months through 5 years old. Duties include: Interacting in play with children, diapering needs, feeding snack and lunch, and provide a loving and supportive environment for growing little ones. 3 to 5 days a week from 8:30-1:30 pm. You may bring your own child (12 months to 5 years of age) for free. In addition, we are hiring substitutes for 2-3 days a week with potential for more days as the program grows. Please contact Kathy Willhite at 314-781-8673.

STEWARDSHIP BLURB FOR SUNDAY, APRIL 3: **Hebrews 9:12** - “He entered once for all into the holy places, not by means of the blood of goats and calves but by means of his own blood, thus securing an eternal redemption.” What price could cover our sins? What could we pay God to forget our wickedness? The only price that could redeem us was the very Blood of the Christ. His sacrificial giving sets the pattern for our life. For how can we, who are redeemed by the self-giving of God, also not give of ourselves to His Kingdom

CHRIST FOR YOU THIS WEEK ON KFUE AM850 & [kfue.org](http://kfue.org): Hear Midweek Lenten Recital and Worship Service from Peace Lutheran in St. Louis on 4/6 at 11:00 a.m., study Luke 20-22 on Sharper Iron’s “The Beloved Physician’s Orderly Account” (weekdays at 8:00 a.m.), and study Matthew 35-36 on Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 11:00 a.m.). Find your favorite programs live and on demand at [kfue.org](http://kfue.org) or on the KFUE Radio app!

STEWARDSHIP AT HOPE ✠ March 13 - 26				
ATTENDANCE		FINANCIAL		
Sunday: 81		March 13 - 26		2022
		<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budgeted</u>	<u>Actual</u> <u>Budgeted</u>
Income:		\$12,807	\$10,876	Income: \$45,524      \$24,074
Expense:		\$15,510	\$12,247	Expense: \$20,679      \$23,531
THIS WEEK AT HOPE ✠ April 3, 2022				
SCHEDULE	SUNDAY SCHOOL HOUR OFFERINGS		WEEK’S CALENDAR	
9:00 – DIVINE SERVICE Live stream at <a href="http://www.facebook.com/hopelutheranstl">www.facebook.com/hopelutheranstl</a>	2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor: Early Childhood Sunday School		MONDAY	
10:15 – Coffee Hour	Basement: Primary – Junior High Sunday School		TUESDAY	
10:30 – Bible Study/ Sunday School	Basement Auditorium: Hymn of the Day Study: “My Song Is Love Unknown” (LSB 430) Pastor Randy Asburry		WEDNESDAY 5:00 Kantorei Rehearsal 7:00 Evening Prayer	
11:45 – Schola rehearsal			THURSDAY 6:00 ThriVe Parent University	
11:45 – Youth Catechism Class			FRIDAY	
			SATURDAY Pastor’s Day Off	