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WEEKLY NEWS ✠ June 19, 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 ✠

FAITH TRUSTS IN CHRIST FOR LIFE ETERNAL

When the beggar Lazarus died, he was carried by the angels to Abraham's bosom. For he was truly Abraham's seed. Like Abraham, he believed in the Lord, and the Lord *"counted it to him as righteousness"* (Gen. 15:6). The name Lazarus means "God is my help." The unnamed rich man, on the other hand, did not love and trust in God. For he evidently cared little for the beggar at his gate. And *"he who does not love his brother whom he has seen cannot love God whom he has not seen"* (1 John 4:20). He who loved and trusted in possessions and prestige died and was in torments in Hades (Luke 16:19-31). Repentance and faith are worked only through Moses and the prophets—that is, the Word of God, for it points us to Christ. Only through His death and resurrection are we brought the comfort of life everlasting.

✠ THE MUSIC FOR TODAY ✠

To God The Holy Spirit Let Us Pray (LSB 768). The first stanza of this leisen hymn (each stanza ending with "Lord, have mercy," Kyrieleis in German) is from the 12th century, from a sermon by Berthold of Regensburg; Martin Luther penned the other three stanzas. The first stanza points to three truths which can perplex man: 1) the Holy Spirit IS God and deserving of prayers like the Father and Son, 2) the Holy Spirit is the giver of the true Christian faith, which faith later is defined as knowing aright the Lord Jesus Christ who bought us [st. 4], and 3) saints on earth are exiles. Not only are Christians to believe in Christ as Lord and Savior, they are—as forgiven sinners—called upon to live in love with each other [st. 2]. While the church militant fights against devil, world, and flesh, she receives comfort and strength for the battle [st. 3]. Finally, by the Lord who bought her, the pilgrim church will cross the Jordan to enter the promised land of heaven [st. 4]. While now we cry out, "Lord, have mercy," in need and with trust, then we triumphant saints will proclaim the merciful works of the Triune God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit (Psalm 118:17). Lord, have mercy! [Taken from www.logia.org hymn summaries]

✠ 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 33 in the front part of *Lutheran Service Book*.
- *PONDER* today's Hymn of the Day, LSB 768, "To God the Holy Spirit Let Us Pray"

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 SECOND SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY (June 26, 2022) –

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| Old Testament: | Proverbs 9:1-10 – The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom. |
| Psalms: | Psalm 34:12-22 – "Come, O children, listen to me; I will teach you the fear of the Lord." |
| Epistle: | Ephesians 2:13-22 – Fellow citizens and members of God's household. |
| Holy Gospel: | Luke 14:15-24 – The Lord's invitation to the wedding banquet. |



✂ PARISH NEWS AND NOTES ✂

OPEN DATES for Altar Vases are Sunday, June 26, July 3, 10, 17, 24 and 31. Vases are \$25 each and are yours to take home after the service. Please call Carol, 314-691-3619, to reserve a date or place your name on the calendar in the narthex.

THE BASEMENT RENOVATION COMMITTEE HOSTS ITS SECOND LISTENING POST on Sunday, August 21 after Bible class and invites all members of the congregation to come help the committee gain insight and feedback so renovation plans can be adjusted accordingly. This meeting is your next opportunity to look closely at the proposed plans and share questions, concerns, and ideas.

ASCENSION LUTHERAN CHURCH, 5347 Donovan Ave., 63109, continue outdoor concerts this summer, Saturday evenings at 7:00pm in June and July. Bring a lawn chair and come enjoy a great night of music! The last June concert is: Saturday, June 25- Knights of Swing (Swing Big Band).

THE CONCORDIA SEMINARY CONCERT SERIES WELCOMES ALL TO ATTEND the carillon concerts in June on campus, 801 Seminary Place, St. Louis, MO 63105. Concerts are 7 p.m. every Tuesday. Bring your lawn chairs and picnic blankets and come enjoy!

STEWARDSHIP BLURB FOR SUNDAY, June 19: **Luke 16:19 - “There was a rich man who was clothed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day.”** This is often called the story of “The Rich Man and Lazarus.” But it should really be called the story of “The Two Rich Men and Lazarus.” The other rich man in this story is Abraham. Obviously, these two men used the gift of riches that God gave them in very different ways. The life and decisions of Abraham flowed from faith; the rich man’s life and choices flowed from disbelief and self-centeredness. So Abraham was kind and generous, reflecting his trust in a kind and generous God. And the rich man? Well, you saw what happened to him and what god he served.

CHRIST-CENTERED, CROSS-FOCUSED... 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 Movie “Jurassic World: Dominion;” The Sanctus; The Hero’s Journey & Jesus; Black Liberation Through the Marketplace; The Return of Christ 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 ✂ May					
ATTENDANCE		FINANCIAL			
Sunday: 72		May		Year to Date thru May	
		Actual	Budgeted	Actual	Budgeted
Income:		\$17,887	\$24,070	Income:	\$133,770
Expense:		\$21,075	\$23,552	Expense:	\$112,577
					\$120,382
					\$121,274

THIS WEEK AT HOPE ✂ June 19, 2022		
SCHEDULE	SUNDAY SCHOOL HOUR OFFERINGS	WEEK’S CALENDAR
9:00 – DIVINE SERVICE Live stream at www.facebook.com/hopelutheranstl	2 nd Floor:	MONDAY
10:15 – Coffee Hour	Basement:	TUESDAY
10:30 – Bible Study	Basement Auditorium:	WEDNESDAY
	“A More Excellent Way: Looking at Life through Christ-centered Lenses”	THURSDAY 6:00 – ThriVe Parent University
	Pastor Asburry	FRIDAY
		SATURDAY Pastor’s day off