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WEEKLY NEWS ✠ August 21, 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 WEEPS FOR JERUSALEM

Our Lord wept over Jerusalem for the destruction that would soon come upon her. For she did not recognize the time of God's visitation in Christ, who had come to bring her peace (Luke 19:41-48). Through His prophets God had consistently called His people to turn from their deceit and false worship. "But My people do not know the judgments of the Lord" (Jer. 8:4-12). They sought to establish their own righteousness rather than receive Christ's righteousness through faith (Rom. 9:30-10:4). So it was that God was in His temple to cleanse it, a precursor to the once-for-all cleansing from sin which He would accomplish in the temple of His own body on the cross. God grant us to know the things that make for our peace—His visitation in the Word and Sacraments—that by the Holy Spirit we may penitently confess "Jesus is Lord" (1 Cor. 12:1-11).

✠ THE MUSIC FOR TODAY ✠

The Church's One Foundation (LSB 644). A long-time favorite of many Christians, this hymn text was born out of an ecclesiastical controversy over the historicity of many of the Old Testament accounts. The hymn writer, Samuel Stone (1839-1900), published *Twelve Hymns on the Twelve Articles of the Apostle's Creed* in 1866. *The Church's One Foundation* is based on the ninth article, "The holy catholic church; the communion of saints." The well-known tune AURELIA was written in 1864 as a wedding hymn by the highly regarded church musician Samuel Sebastian Wesley. It was first matched with Stone's hymn text in the appendix of the hymnal *Hymns Ancient and Modern* published in 1868.

✠ 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 92 in the front part of *Lutheran Service Book*.
- **PONDER** today's Hymn of the Day, LSB 644, "The Church's One Foundation."

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 ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY (August 28, 2022) –

Old Testament: **Genesis 4:1-15** – The fallout of the Fall into sin: Cain kills his brother, Abel.

Psalm: **Psalm 50** – God himself is judge.

Epistle: **Ephesians 2:1-10** – We are dead in our trespasses and sins, but God make us alive in Christ Jesus.

Holy Gospel: **Luke 18:9-14** – God justifies (saves; forgives) not the self-righteous Pharisee, but the humble, confessing tax-collector.



✂ PARISH NEWS AND NOTES ✂

OPEN DATES for Altar Vases are Sunday, August 28. 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.

CHOIR RESUMES SOON. The choirs of Hope will resume after Labor Day. The Kantorei, for children in grades 3-8, resumes on Wednesday, September 7 from 5:00-6:30 pm. The Schola Cantorum, for high school and beyond, resumes on Sunday, September 11 from 11:30-12:30 pm. The Handbell Ensemble is looking for members with rehearsals to be arranged. If you are interested in joining any of the choirs please contact Kantor Janssen via email at mjanssen@hopelutheranstl.org.

JOIN FOR A HYMN SING AT LACLEDE GROVES on Saturday, August 27! Meet at Laclede Groves (723 S Laclede Station Rd, St. Louis, MO 63119) at 1:50 PM and sing hymns during the 2:00 PM hour. Check in will be in the lobby of 723 (map details upon request). Lunch will be served beforehand at Hope Lutheran at 12:30 PM, but singers are welcome to meet at Laclede. Contact Nathan Maichel at nathanmaichel@protonmail.com to join.

THE BOARD OF FINANCE is looking for individuals to volunteer to serve on the reconstituted Committee of Trustees to oversee the maintenance and upkeep of the church building and the parsonage, and oversee the function of the sexton. To volunteer or receive additional information, please contact Bart Day (bart.day@lcef.org).

THE BOARD OF FINANCE will hold a Budget Townhall on Sunday, August 28, at 11:30 (following Bible Class) for all to preview and give input on the church budget for 2023. All Hope members are welcome.

HOPE LANDSCAPE PROJECT UPDATE: Thank you, thank you, one and all who contributed! Watch for new landscaping in the fall!

ALL ARE INVITED to today’s Basement Renovation “Listening Post” after Bible Class. Look over the proposed plan, ask questions, and provide feedback. Most areas where walls will go up or be removed have been marked. Look for the blue tape on the floors to get a sense of the various spaces being proposed. There are also two easels with the architect’s rendering of the floor plan. More listening posts may be scheduled in September but you can always reach out to the renovation committee members with your questions and concerns. The committee members are: Julie Vigil, Julie Day, Kay Shoemaker and Pam Nielsen. The goal is to gather all feedback and give to the architects so they can adjust the plan. We hope to have the architects back for an updated presentation at the October Voters Assembly meeting.

STEWARDSHIP BLURB FOR SUNDAY, August 21: Luke 19:46 - “It is written, ‘My house shall be a house of prayer,’ but you have made it a den of robbers.” The Lord’s House is not a house of merchandise or profit – it is a House of Prayer where people freely offer up their petitions to the Lord and their produce for His purposes. Not compulsion or sharp dealing, but generosity and joy characterize the House of the Lord. “Freely you have received; freely give.” That’s pretty much the opposite of the world’s marketplace!

STEWARDSHIP AT HOPE ✧ July						
ATTENDANCE Sunday: 82	FINANCIAL					
	July		Year to Date thru July			
	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budgeted</u>		<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budgeted</u>	
	Income:	\$23,867	\$24,076	Income:	\$182,251	\$168,486
	Expense:	\$20,138	\$23,555	Expense:	\$152,476	\$171,961

THIS WEEK AT HOPE ✧ August 21, 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
11:30 – Basement Renovation “Listening Post”	“A More Excellent Way” A Christ-centered Look at CRT (Critical Race Theory) Pastor Asburry	THURSDAY 6:00 – ThriVe Parent University
		FRIDAY
		SATURDAY Pastor’s day off