

# **WELCOME**

## **EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

### **SAT. AUGUST 2/SUN. AUGUST 3, 2025**



**“YOU’RE ‘WORDLY’ RICH!”**

### **AS WE GATHER**

There is a lot of “wisdom” floating around our world on how to become wealthy. Some of the celebrities of our modern age are people like Jeff Bezos, Warren Buffett, Bill Gates, and Elon Musk. They are people who seem to have a super abundance of everything. Many of us spend at least one-third of our lives working to accumulate enough wealth to hopefully retire in comfort and security. Yet, as Jesus reminds us, our focus is misplaced when we mistakenly believe that our investments, our retirement funds, and our possessions are actually our own—that we earned them all by ourselves. As

we gather, we come together today to worship the  
King of all creation who generously gives us  
everything that we have for this world and the next.

## **WELCOME**

### **✠ PREPARATION ✠**

#### **OPENING HYMN “Christ Is Our Cornerstone”**

*LSB 912*

<https://youtu.be/Qap9CVz6o2o?si=J89mkrLcqOzD40Lz>

1. Christ is our corner stone,  
On Him alone we build;  
With His true saints alone  
The courts of heav’n are filled.  
On His great love  
Our hopes we place  
Of present grace  
And joys above.

2. Here may we gain from heav’n  
The grace which we implore,  
And may that grace, once giv’n,  
Be with us evermore

**Until that day  
When all the blest  
To endless rest  
Are called away.**

**\*3. Oh, then, with hymns of praise  
These hallowed courts shall ring;  
Our voices we will raise  
The Three in One to sing  
And thus proclaim  
In joyful song,  
Both loud and long,  
That glorious name.**

## **INVOCATION**

**Pastor:** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son  
and of the Holy Spirit.

**People: Amen.**

## **OPENING SENTENCES**

*Psalm 24:1–2; 127:2; 147:9; Matthew 6:26;  
James 1:17; Exodus 20:3; Colossians 3:5–6*

Pastor: The earth is the LORD's and the fullness thereof, the world and those who dwell therein, for He has founded it upon the seas and established it upon the rivers.

**People: He gives to the beasts their food, and to the young ravens that cry.**

Pastor: Look at the birds of the air: they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they?

**People: It is in vain that you rise up early and go late to rest, eating the bread of anxious toil; for He gives to His beloved sleep.**

Pastor: Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change.

**People: The First Commandment reminds us, "You shall have no other gods before Me."**

Pastor: Put to death therefore what is earthly in you: sexual immorality, impurity, passion, evil desire, and covetousness, which is idolatry.

**People: On account of these the wrath of God is coming.**

## **CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION**

**Pastor: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.**

**People: But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

*Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.*

**Pastor: O almighty God, merciful Father,**

**People: I, a poor miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.**

**Pastor: Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a**

called and ordained servant of the Word,  
announce the grace of God unto all of you,  
and in the stead and by the command of  
my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your  
sins in the name of the Father and of the +  
Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**People: Amen.**

**✠ WORD ✠**

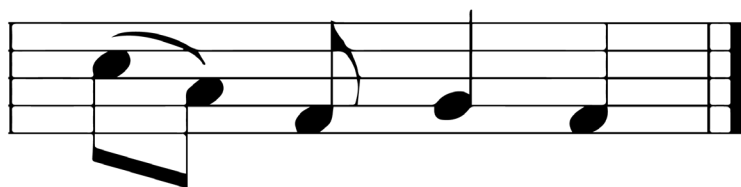
**KYRIE**



**C** Lord, have mer - cy;



Christ, have mer-cy;



Lord, have mer - cy.

## **HYMN OF PRAISE**

*(LSB 817, Sts. 1 & 7)*

**Earth and all stars! Loud rushing planets!**

**Sing to the Lord a new song!**

**Oh, victory! Loud shouting army!**

**Sing to the Lord a new song!**

**He has done marvelous things,  
I too will praise Him with a new song!**

**Children of God, dying and rising,**

**Sing to the Lord a new song!**

**Heaven and earth, hosts everlasting,**

**Sing to the Lord a new song!**

**He has done marvelous things,  
I too will praise Him with a new song!**

## **SALUTATION**

**Pastor:** The Lord be with you.

**People:** And also with you.

## **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Pastor: Let us pray. O God, You are the giver of all that we have, including all that we are. We praise and thank You for blessing us with family, friends, opportunities, jobs, and possessions. Guide us to be good stewards of all You generously give to us; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**People: Amen.**

## **OLD TESTAMENT READING**

*Ecclesiastes 1:2, 12–14; 2:18–26*

*(Enjoying your work is a gift from God.)*

**1<sup>2</sup>** Vanity of vanities, says the Preacher,  
vanity of vanities! All is vanity.

**1<sup>2</sup>** I the Preacher have been king over Israel in Jerusalem. **1<sup>3</sup>** And I applied my heart to seek and to search out by wisdom all that is done under heaven. It is an unhappy business that God has given to the children of man to be busy with. **1<sup>4</sup>** I have seen everything that is done under the sun, and behold, all is vanity and a striving after wind.



**2<sup>18</sup>** I hated all my toil in which I toil under the sun, seeing that I must leave it to the man who will come after me, <sup>19</sup> and who knows whether he will be wise or a fool? Yet he will be master of all for which I toiled and used my wisdom under the sun. This also is vanity. <sup>20</sup> So I turned about and gave my heart up to despair over all the toil of my labors under the sun, <sup>21</sup> because sometimes a person who has toiled with wisdom and knowledge and skill must leave everything to be enjoyed by someone who did not toil for it. This also is vanity and a great evil. <sup>22</sup> What has a man from all the toil and striving of heart with which he toils beneath the sun? <sup>23</sup> For all his days are full of sorrow, and his work is a vexation. Even in the night his heart does not rest. This also is vanity. <sup>24</sup> There is nothing better for a person than that he should eat and drink and find enjoyment in his toil. This also, I saw, is from the hand of God, <sup>25</sup> for apart from him who can eat or who can have enjoyment? <sup>26</sup> For to the one who pleases him God has given wisdom and knowledge and joy, but to the sinner he has given the business of gathering and collecting, only to give to one who pleases God. This also is vanity and a striving after wind.

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**EPISTLE**    *Colossians 3:1–11 (Live as the people you are in Christ.)*

**3** If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. **2** Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth. **3** For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. **4** When Christ who is your life appears, then you also will appear with him in glory.

**5** Put to death therefore what is earthly in you: sexual immorality, impurity, passion, evil desire, and covetousness, which is idolatry. **6** On account of these the wrath of God is coming. **7** In these you too once walked, when you were living in them. **8** But now you must put them all away: anger, wrath, malice, slander, and obscene talk from your mouth. **9** Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have put off the old self with its practices **10** and have put on the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge after the image of its creator. **11** Here

there is not Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave, free; but Christ is all, and in all.

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

## **ALLELUIA AND VERSE**

*(LSB p. 205)*

**Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**These things are written that you may believe  
that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God.**

**Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**HOLY GOSPEL** *Luke 12:13–21*

*(Trust in the Giver of all that is good.)*

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the twelfth chapter.

**People: Glory to You, O Lord.**

<sup>13</sup> Someone in the crowd said to him, “Teacher, tell my brother to divide the inheritance with me.” <sup>14</sup> But he said to him, “Man, who made me a judge or arbitrator over you?” <sup>15</sup> And he said to them, “Take

care, and be on your guard against all covetousness, for one's life does not consist in the abundance of his possessions.” <sup>16</sup> And he told them a parable, saying, “The land of a rich man produced plentifully, <sup>17</sup> and he thought to himself, ‘What shall I do, for I have nowhere to store my crops?’ <sup>18</sup> And he said, ‘I will do this: I will tear down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. <sup>19</sup> And I will say to my soul, “Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry.”’ <sup>20</sup> But God said to him, ‘Fool! This night your soul is required of you, and the things you have prepared, whose will they be?’ <sup>21</sup> So is the one who lays up treasure for himself and is not rich toward God.”

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**People: Praise to You, O Christ.**

## **HYMN OF THE DAY**

“We Give Thee But Thine Own” *LSB 781*

<https://youtu.be/Havg3ArFVfo?si=JzuwctkhJ7ad1IG>

**1 We give Thee but Thine own,  
Whate'er the gift may be;  
All that we have is Thine alone,  
A trust, O Lord, from Thee.**

**2 May we Thy bounties thus  
As stewards true receive  
And gladly, as Thou blessest us,  
To Thee our firstfruits give!**

**3 Oh, hearts are bruised and dead,  
And homes are bare and cold,  
And lambs for whom the Shepherd bled  
Are straying from the fold.**

**4 To comfort and to bless,  
To find a balm for woe,  
To tend the lone and fatherless  
Is angels' work below.**

**5 The captive to release,  
To God the lost to bring,  
To teach the way of life and peace,  
It is a Christ-like thing.**

**6 And we believe Thy Word,  
Though dim our faith may be:  
Whate'er for Thine we do,  
O Lord, We do it unto Thee.**

**SERMON**

*Rev. Dr. Timothy Oswald*

**CONFESSION OF FAITH –  
THE APOSTLES' CREED**

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, Maker of  
heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,  
Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of  
the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried. He  
descended into hell. The third day he rose again  
from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits  
at the right hand of God the Father almighty.  
From thence he will come to judge the living and  
the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian  
Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness**

**of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

## **PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

### **OFFERING**

### **✠ SACRAMENT ✠**

### **PREFACE** *2 Timothy 4:22*

**Pastor:** The Lord be with you.

**People:** And also with you.

**Pastor:** Lift up your hearts.

**People:** We lift them to the Lord.

**Pastor:** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**People:** It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

### **PROPER PREFACE**

**Pastor:** It is truly, good, right, and salutary that we should at alltimes and in all places give thanks to You, O God, the giver of every

good and every perfect gift, that in Your mercy You sent Your Son that though He was rich, yet for our sakes He became poor, so that we by His poverty might become rich. It is through His life, death, and resurrection that we receive the riches of Your kingdom—forgiveness, life, and salvation. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:

## **SANCTUS**

*(LSB, p. 161)*

**Holy, holy, holy Lord God of pow'r and might:**

**Heaven and earth are full of Your glory.**

**Hosanna. Hosanna.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**



## **THE WORDS OF OUR LORD**

*Matthew 26:26–28; Mark 14:22–24;*

*Luke 22:19–20; 1 Corinthians 11:23–25*

Pastor: Our Lord Jesus Christ, the same night in which He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He brake it and gave it to His disciples saying, *“Take, eat; this is My body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me.”*

After the same manner also He took the cup when He had supped, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying, *“Drink ye all of it; this cup is the new testament in My blood, which is shed for you for the remission of sins. This do, as oft as ye drink it, in remembrance of Me.”*

## **PROCLAMATION OF CHRIST**

Pastor: As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord’s death until He comes.

**People: Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

## **PAX DOMINI**

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

People: Amen.

## **AGNUS DEI**

*(LSB page 163)*

**Lamb of God, You take away  
the sin of the world;  
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, You take away  
the sin of the world;  
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, You take away  
the sin of the world;  
grant us peace.**

## **+DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION+**

*By communing, a person says publicly that they -*

*- are baptized and confirmed*

*- believe Christ's words*

*- repent of their sins*

*- fully agree with all that the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod teaches.*

***How to receive –***

- anyone may come to the altar but keep hands folded if not receiving Communion*
- the center of the tray has a cup with just a drop of wine for those who must minimize alcohol*
- smile, exude your joy, but keep a reverent demeanor as others commune*

**DISTRIBUTION HYMN**

“Great Is Thy Faithfulness”

*LSB 809*

[https://youtu.be/PHq\\_HJThkoY?si=NaLjqSkeo6HiVqv&t=](https://youtu.be/PHq_HJThkoY?si=NaLjqSkeo6HiVqv&t=)

**1. Great is Thy faithfulness, O God my Father;  
There is no shadow of turning with Thee.  
Thou changest not: Thy compassion,  
they fail not;  
As Thou hast been, Thou forever wilt be.  
Great is Thy faithfulness!  
Great is Thy faithfulness!  
Morning by morning new mercies I see;  
All I have needed Thy hand hath provided;  
Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!**

**2. Summer and winter and  
springtime and harvest,  
Sun, moon, and stars in their courses above  
Join with all nature in manifold witness  
To Thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love.  
Great is Thy faithfulness!  
Great is Thy faithfulness!  
Morning by morning new mercies I see;  
All I have needed Thy hand hath provided;  
Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!**

**3. Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,  
Thine own dear presence  
to cheer and to guide;  
Strength for today  
and bright hope for tomorrow,  
Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside!  
Great is Thy faithfulness!  
Great is Thy faithfulness!  
Morning by morning new mercies I see;  
All I have needed Thy hand hath provided;  
Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!**

## **POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE**

**“Thank the Lord and Sing His Praises”**

*Tune: LSB 803*

**Thank the Lord and sing His praises,  
Tell the world what He has done.  
For each person who seeks Jesus  
He the victory has won.  
Alleluia, alleluia,  
Sing we to the Father, Son;  
Alleluia to the Spirit,  
Ever with them Three in One.**

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## **POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING**

**Pastor: Let us pray. O God, the fountain and source  
of all that is good, who in Your mercy sent  
Your one and only Son into the flesh to be  
our Savior, we thank You for the rich  
blessings You generously pour into our  
lives—our health, our families, our  
vocations, and our material possessions. We**

especially thank You this day for the gifts we receive in this Sacrament—forgiveness, life, and salvation. Rule our hearts and minds by the Holy Spirit so that we are empowered to bless others with the blessings we receive from You; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**People: Amen.**

## **BENEDICTION**    *Numbers 6:24–26*

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.  
The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠  
give you peace.

**People: Amen.**

## **CLOSING HYMN**

“For the Fruits of His Creation”    *LSB 894*

<https://youtu.be/Eo1qfQHppUA?si=TRbH2vdFmTLrcyvN&t=11>

**1 For the fruits of His creation,  
Thanks be to God.**

**For His gifts to ev'ry nation,  
Thanks be to God.**

**For the plowing, sowing, reaping,  
Silent growth while we are sleeping,  
Future needs in earth's safekeeping,  
Thanks be to God.**

**2 In the just reward of labor,  
God's will is done.**

**In the help we give our neighbor,  
God's will is done.**

**In our worldwide task of caring  
For the hungry and despairing,  
In the harvests we are sharing,  
God's will is done.**

**3 For the harvests of the Spirit,  
Thanks be to God.**

**For the good we all inherit,  
Thanks be to God.**

**For the wonders that astound us,  
For the truths that still confound us,  
Most of all, that love has found us,  
Thanks be to God.**

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **HOPE LUTHERAN CHURCH MISSION STATEMENT:**

**“Dedicated to knowing Christ and making Christ  
known to others”**

**Creative Worship for the Lutheran Parish, Series C, Quarter 3.**

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- **Pastor: Rev. Dr. Timothy Oswald**
- **Liturgist (Sun.) Rev. Maurice Lind, Pastor Emeritus**
- **Sat. Organist: Lina Schaal**
- **Sun. Organist: George Kelm**
- **Choir Director: Gail Feick**
- **Ensemble Coordinator: Tabra Gomski**
- **A/V Team: Brian & Amanda Larie**
  - **Stan & Cheryl Grey,**
  - **Dawn Oswald, Josh Walton**
  
- **Please call (757-831-6948) or e-mail Pastor Oswald (oswald1@charter.net) with your prayer requests.**
- **WOMEN OF HOPE: Monthly Mites Collection is today and 1<sup>st</sup> weekend of each month. Please put your mites in the Large Mite box. Pick up a new mite box to refill.**
- **AUG MONTHLY LADIES LUNCHEON at Local Folks in Slades Corner, Tuesday, August 12, 11:30 am. All Hope ladies, friends, children/grandchildren welcomed. POC is Kim Zembal 262-206-5609.**
- **BRAT FRY at Berkot's is Saturday, August 16. A sign-up sheet is on the table. Please drop-off goodies there between 10-11 am. POC is Mary Beth Fragassi 847-269-0818.**



- **WOH QUARTERLY MEETING:** We will meet on Tuesday, September 2, at 4:30 pm (instead of September 9) in the church lower level. All Women at Hope encouraged to attend. POC is Beth Schneider 262-351-6578.
- **SEPT WOH LUNCHEON** is Saturday, September 20, 10:45 am, in the church lower level. (NO Ladies Luncheon at Local Folks in September.) Please join us! POC is Beth Schneider.
- **CONFIRMATION:** Any parents who have children that you would like to see catechized and go through the Rite of Confirmation, please contact Pastor Tim. If any members have family or friends who might be interested in this even though they are not members, Pastor Tim would gladly reach out to them; just let him know and pass their contact info on to him.
- **SHARING CENTER:** August is back-to-school month at the Sharing Center. Our top 3 needs: Wired Head-Sets, Thin Markers (washable or permanent) and Post-It Notes. POC and collector of items is Gail Feick.
- **SUNDAY SCHOOL:** We are looking for teachers/assistants/substitutes/helpers for children's Sunday School this Fall. If you have any interest, please see Pastor.
- Hope will need a new **TREASURER** when the current term expires in 2026. Please talk to Pastor if the Lord might be moving your heart to serve in this important role.

### **WORSHIP ASSISTANTS TODAY**

<b>Reader:</b>	<b>Gary Estes</b>
<b>Communion:</b>	<b>Peter Voigt</b>
<b>Acolyte:</b>	<b>Lexi Johnson</b>
<b>Ushers:</b>	<b>John &amp; Peggy Tueting</b>
<b>Fellowship:</b>	<b>Peggy Tueting</b>
<b>Altar Guild:</b>	<b>Gail Feick</b>

### **NEXT WEEK**

**Reader:** Mike Gomski  
**Communion:** Peter Voigt  
**Acolyte:** Adeline Wachholder  
**Ushers:** Brian Larie & Kyle Wachholder  
**Fellowship:** Carol Trettin  
**Altar Guild:** Gail Feick

### **BIRTHDAYS**

**8/4** Jake Metz  
**8/5** Grace Urban

### **Calendar of Events This Week**

**8/4/25 – 8/10/25**

**Monday: 11:00am Twin Lakes Seniors**

**Thursday: 6:00pm AA Meeting**

**Saturday: 9:30am Worship Service**

**Sunday: 9:00am Worship Service**

**10:20am Adult Bible Study**

**Council Meeting**

**7:00pm AA Meeting**