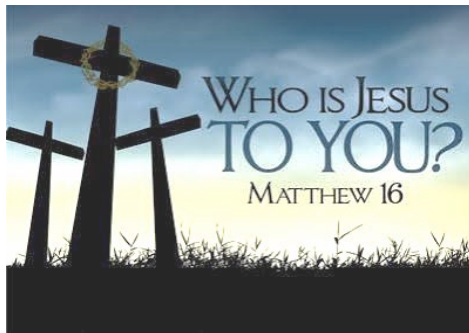


THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST SAT. AUG. 22/SUN. AUG. 23, 2026



WELCOME

AS WE GATHER

Sometimes people at worship are seemingly surprised when the same hymn is sung at services two weeks in a row or even twice in the same month. Many hymns are chosen in a way that honors the statement of Martin Luther: “A good song may well be sung often” (*WLS* § 1839). Luther expressed this truism as he was commenting on how frequently telling and retelling the grace of God is a good thing for Christian people. He states in a sermon from 1537: “This is grace: the forgiveness of sins for the sake of the Lord Christ, the covering up of all sins” (*WLS* § 1839). Our lives are shaped by the amazing grace of God, for which, through our faithful worship, we offer our thanks again and again.

OPENING HYMN “Glory Be to God the Father” *LSB* 506

HYPERLINK

<https://youtu.be/u329Kl6qZgk?si=YB4YZi0OXByCzOoL&t=5>

1 Glory be to God the Father,
Glory be to God the Son,
Glory be to God the Spirit:
Great Jehovah, Three in One!

Glory, glory While eternal ages run!

**2 Glory be to Him who loved us,
Washed us from each spot and stain;
Glory be to Him who bought us,
Made us kings with Him to reign!
Glory, glory To the Lamb that once was slain!**

**3 Glory to the King of angels,
Glory to the Church's King,
Glory to the King of nations;
Heav'n and earth, your praises bring!
Glory, glory To the King of glory sing!**

**4 Glory, blessing, praise eternal!
Thus the choir of angels sings;
Honor, riches, pow'r, dominion!
Thus its praise creation brings.
Glory, glory, Glory to the King of kings!**

INVOCATION

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

People: Amen.

CONFESSION & 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: Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

People: Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

Pastor: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

✠ WORD ✠

KYRIE



Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer - cy; Lord, have mer - cy.

HYMN OF PRAISE

Gloria in Excelsis

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Luke 2:14; John 1:29

**1 To God on high be glory And peace to all the earth;
Good-will from God in heaven Proclaimed at Jesus' birth!
We praise and bless You, Father; Your holy name, we sing—
Our thanks for Your great glory, Lord God, our heav'nly King.**

**2 To You, O sole-begotten, The Father's Son, we pray;
O Lamb of God, our Savior, You take our sins away.
Have mercy on us, Jesus; Receive our heartfelt cry,
Where You in Pow'r are seated At God's right hand on high—**

**3 For You alone are holy; You only are the Lord.
Forever and forever, Be worshiped and adored;
You with the Holy Spirit Alone are Lord Most High,
In God the Father's glory. "Amen!" our glad reply.**

SALUTATION

Pastor: The Lord be with you.
People: And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: Let us pray. Almighty God, whom to know is everlasting life, grant us to know Your Son, Jesus, to be the way, the truth, and the life that we may boldly confess Him to be the Christ and steadfastly walk in the way that leads to life eternal; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
People: Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING *Isaiah 51:1–6*

51 "Listen to me, you who pursue righteousness,
you who seek the LORD:
look to the rock from which you were hewn,
and to the quarry from which you were dug.
² Look to Abraham your father
and to Sarah who bore you;
for he was but one when I called him,
that I might bless him and multiply him.

³ For the LORD comforts Zion;
 he comforts all her waste places
and makes her wilderness like Eden,
 her desert like the garden of the LORD;
joy and gladness will be found in her,
 thanksgiving and the voice of song.
⁴ “Give attention to me, my people,
 and give ear to me, my nation;
for a law will go out from me,
 and I will set my justice for a light to the peoples.
⁵ My righteousness draws near,
 my salvation has gone out,
 and my arms will judge the peoples;
the coastlands hope for me,
 and for my arm they wait.
⁶ Lift up your eyes to the heavens,
 and look at the earth beneath;
for the heavens vanish like smoke,
 the earth will wear out like a garment,
 and they who dwell in it will die in like manner;
but my salvation will be forever,
 and my righteousness will never be dismayed.

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE *Romans 11:33–12:8*

³³ Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of
God! How unsearchable are his judgments and how inscrutable his
ways!

³⁴ “For who has known the mind of the Lord,
 or who has been his counselor?”

³⁵ “Or who has given a gift to him
that he might be repaid?”

³⁶ For from him and through him and to him are all things. To him
be glory forever. Amen.

12 I appeal to you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God, to
present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God,
which is your spiritual worship. ² Do not be conformed to this
world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by
testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and
acceptable and perfect.

³ For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to
think of himself more highly than he ought to think, but to think
with sober judgment, each according to the measure of faith that
God has assigned. ⁴ For as in one body we have many members, and
the members do not all have the same function, ⁵ so we, though
many, are one body in Christ, and individually members one of
another. ⁶ Having gifts that differ according to the grace given to us,
let us use them: if prophecy, in proportion to our faith; ⁷ if service, in
our serving; the one who teaches, in his teaching; ⁸ the one who
exhorts, in his exhortation; the one who contributes, in
generosity; the one who leads, with zeal; the one who does acts of
mercy, with cheerfulness.

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

VERSE *Ephesians 2:19b–20*

Pastor: Alleluia. You are fellow citizens with the saints and
members of the household of God,

People: **built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets,
Christ Jesus Himself being the cornerstone. Alleluia.**

HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 16:13–20

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 16th chapter.

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

¹³ Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, “Who do people say that the Son of Man is?” ¹⁴ And they said, “Some say John the Baptist, others say Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.” ¹⁵ He said to them, “But who do you say that I am?” ¹⁶ Simon Peter replied, “You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.” ¹⁷ And Jesus answered him, “Blessed are you, Simon Bar-Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father who is in heaven. ¹⁸ And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it. ¹⁹ I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven.” ²⁰ Then he strictly charged the disciples to tell no one that he was the Christ.

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

HYMN OF THE DAY “Built on the Rock”

LSB 645

HYPERLINK

https://youtu.be/ed_M7PHDIuY?si=YAILPZGBRnR3jLtP

**1. Built on the Rock the Church shall stand
Even when steeples are falling.
Crumbled have spires in ev’ry land;
Bells still are chiming and calling,
Calling the young and old to rest,**

**But above all the souls distressed,
Longing for rest everlasting.**

**2.Surely in temples made with hands
God, the Most High, is not dwelling;
High above earth His temple stands,
All earthly temples excelling.
Yet He who dwells in heav'n above
Chooses to live with us in love,
Making our bodies His temple.**

**3.We are God's house of living stones,
Built for His own habitation.
He through baptismal grace us owns
Heirs of His wondrous salvation.
Were we but two His name to tell,
Yet He would deign with us to dwell
With all His grace and His favor.**

**4.Here stands the font before our eyes,
Telling how God has received us,
The altar recalls Christ's sacrifice
And what His Supper here gives us.
Here sound the Scriptures that proclaim
Christ yesterday, today, the same,
And evermore, our Redeemer.**

**5.Grant, then, O God, Your will be done,
That, when the church bells are ringing,
Many in saving faith may come
Where Christ His message is bringing:
"I know My own; My own know me.
You, not the world, My face shall see.
My peace I leave with you. Amen."**

SERMON

Rev. Dr. Timothy Oswald

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 proper that we should give thanks to You, Lord our God, for You have come to redeem Your fallen creation. Through the saving work of Jesus Christ, whom to know is everlasting life, we are granted all good things and are directed in ways of peace. By the working of Your Holy Spirit, bestow upon us Your grace that we may take up our cross and live our lives as sacrifices of service day by day. Together with angels and archangels and with all that rejoice in the courts of heaven, we praise Your glorious name.

People: Amen.

SANCTUS

Tune: LSB 507

**Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty!
Day and night we join to praise
Your love and majesty.
You alone are holy, worthy, and righteous.
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!**

**Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty!
We rejoice to join the hymns
Of earth and sky and sea.
Generations praise You, with saints and angels.
Holy and bless'd through all eternity.**

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 *1 Corinthians 11:26; Revelation 22:20*

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.

THE LORD’S PRAYER

Pastor: Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

**Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name,
Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven;
give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as
we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into
temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom
and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.**

PAX DOMINI

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

People: Amen.

AGNUS DEI

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**O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God,
You take the sin of the world away;
O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God,
Have mercy on us, Lord, we pray.**

**O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God,
You take the sin of the world away;
Have mercy on us, Jesus Christ,
And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.**

✠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 “Your Table I Approach”

LSB 628

**1) Your table I approach;
Dear Savior, hear my prayer.
Let not an unrepentant heart
Prove hurtful to me there.**

**2) Lord, I confess my sins
And mourn their wretched hands;
A contrite heart is sure to find
Forgiveness at Your hands.**

3) Your body and Your blood,

**Once slain and shed for me,
Are taken at Your table, Lord
In blest reality.**

**4)Search not how this takes place,
This wondrous mystery,
God can accomplish vastly more
Than what we think could be.**

**5)O grant, most blessed Lord,
That earth and hell combined
May not about this sacrament
Raise doubt within my mind.**

**6)Oh, may I never fail
To thank You day and night
For Your true body and true blood,
O God, my peace and light.**

NUNC DIMITTIS “Thank We the Lord” *Tune: LSB 493*

**Thank we the Lord and sing His praise.
Tell ev’ryone what He has done
With rejoicing, His name voicing.
He has His promises fulfilled;
Christ kept them just as He had willed.
Shout we, praising, His fame raising.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

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POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Pastor: Let us pray.

We give You thanks, O Lord, for the foretaste of the heavenly banquet that You have given us to eat and to drink in this Sacrament. Through this gift You have fed our faith, nourished our hope, and strengthened our love. By Your Holy Spirit, give us grace to live as Your beloved people until that day when You will receive us as Your guests in glory at the eternal Table of Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever.

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

“Abide, O Dearest Jesus”

LSB 919

HYPERLINKS

https://youtu.be/ZfUMTmMXemA?si=PiF_MPrDtQTXbUzG&t=20

1. Abide, O dearest Jesus,
Among us with Your grace
That Satan may not harm us
Nor we to sin take place.

2. Abide, O dear Redeemer,
Among us with Your word,
And thus now and hereafter
True peace and joy afford.

**3. Abide with heav'nly brightness
Among us, precious light;
Your truth direct and keep us
From errors' gloomy light.**

**4. Abide with richest blessings
Among us, bounteous Lord;
Let us grace and wisdom
Grow daily through Your Word.**

**5. Abide with Your protection
Among us, Lord, our strength,
Lest world and Satan fell us
And overcome at length.**

**6. Abide, O faithful Savior,
Among us with Your love;
Grant steadfastness and help us
To reach our home above.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

**HOPE LUTHERAN CHURCH MISSION STATEMENT:
“Dedicated to knowing Christ and making Christ
known to others”**

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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
- **Please call (757-831-6948) or e-mail Pastor Oswald (oswald1@charter.net) with your prayer requests.**
- **IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO RECOMMEND A PASTOR** to be considered on Hope's Call List, please see Peter Voigt (Head Elder) for the form. *You must personally know the Pastor in order to nominate him.* The completed form will be submitted to the District President for consideration.
- **JUST A REMINDER:** Please turn in your luncheon reservation for Pastors' retirement on August 30th.
- **TODAY IS THE LAST DAY WOH WILL BE COLLECTING** Back packs and School Supplies for Trina Metz's school, Beach Elementary School Round Lake Beach IL and Melani Wachholder's school Wheatland Center School Burlington WI until August 22/23. Here's their wish list: Beach Elementary School- a lot of black dry erase markers, glue sticks, crayons, hand sanitizer, baby wipes, Clorox wipes, and backpacks. Wheatland Center School Burlington- Classroom needs are hand sanitizer, Clorox wipes, zip lock bags dry erase markers

and backpacks. The supplies can be placed in the white bin under coat rack.

- **TASTY FELLOWSHIP:** We would appreciate additional help in providing treats after Sunday services. If you are interested or would like more information, please see Tami Voigt.
- **CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL** will be starting September 13th. Time to be announced.

THIS WEEK

Reader:	Paul Trettin
Communion:	Peter Voigt
Ushers:	Kim Zembal & Phyllis Klen
Fellowship:	Kathleen Blume
Altar Guild:	Phyllis Klen

NEXT WEEK

Reader:	Rev. Pastor Lind
Communion:	Peter Voigt
Ushers:	Paul & Carol Trettin
Fellowship:	Luncheon for Pastor Oswald
Altar Guild:	Phyllis Klen

ANNIVERSARIES

08/26 Ken & Terri Stade
08/27 Tara & Kevin Jones
08/29 George & Nadine Kelm
08/29 Paul & Carol Trettin

BIRTHDAYS

08/25 Bill Keating
08/29 Nathan Oswald

Calendar of Events This Week **08/24/26–08/30/26**

Thursday: 6:00pm AA Meeting

Saturday: 9:30am Worship Service

Sunday: 10:00am Worship Service
Luncheon to follow immediately after
service in Fellowship Hall, lower level
7:00pm AA Meeting

