



HOPE is called by God to look beyond ourselves. We walk together in faith, treasuring all people and sharing with them the love, hope, and acceptance that is in Christ".

Sunday, July 28, 2024
10th Sunday After Pentecost

GATHER

Prelude

Confession and Forgiveness

Please pray with me.
Jesus, you spread out your arms
to welcome the world.
And then you tell us to feed them.

**But we struggle with your command.
We find the seed of doubt growing in our hearts:
What is our compassion among so much pain?
What is our small kindness in a system of injustice?
What is one act of reconciliation in a divided society?
How can so little food feed so many hungry mouths?**

We have simply forgotten:
when you ask us to feed the world, you always provide the bread.

**Even when we have tasted the bread you multiply;
even when we gather your leftovers, we still find ourselves
between your wondrous power and our sinful reality.**

So we ask for your forgiveness.

When you call for our faith, forgive our unbelief.

**As you prepare our heavenly dwelling,
forgive our earthly worries.**

**When you offer us armfuls of food that satisfies,
forgive our appetite for unhealthy fare.**

**When your gospel challenges us,
forgive our irritable complaints.**

You are patient with us even when we prove fussy and doubtful,
reluctant and argumentative.

How often do we act this way just because we are hungry?

We receive God's immediate forgiveness

People of God, Jesus knows you are hungry
for forgiveness.

So Jesus has set our table with bread from heaven;
and a feast to heal the soul.

You are forgiven.

God leavens you with eternal goodness.

Jesus gives you forgiveness enough to share.

And the Holy Spirit fills your life with the flavor of transformation.

You are forgiven.

God, give us this bread always.

Gathering Hymn

ELW 807

Led by Strings of Hope

Break Now the Bread of Life

The musical score is written for a three-part setting (Soprano, Alto, and Tenor/Bass) in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of three systems of music. Each system has a vocal line on a treble clef staff and a piano accompaniment line on a bass clef staff. The lyrics are printed below the vocal line.

1 Break now the bread of life, dear Lord, to me, as once you
2 Bless your own word of truth, dear Lord, to me, as when you
3 You are the bread of life, dear Lord, to me, your ho - ly

broke the loaves be - side the sea. Be - yond the sa - cred page
blessed the bread by Gal - i - lee. Then shall all bond-age cease,
word the truth that res - cues me. Give me to eat and live

I seek you, Lord; my spir - it waits for you, O liv - ing Word.
all fet - ters fall; and I shall find my peace, my All - in - All!
with you a - bove; teach me to love your truth, for you are love.

Greeting

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

Bread of Life, **you nourish our whole selves.**

You give abundantly.

You are present among us.

**You have embodied the grace of God for us
by your life, death, and resurrection.**

**Help us to embody your life-giving grace
for others, that all the world may be fed.**

Amen.

WORD

First Reading: 2 Kings 4: 42-44

A man came from Baal-shalishah, bringing food from the first fruits to [Elisha,] the man of God: twenty loaves of barley and fresh ears of grain in his sack. Elisha said, "Give it to the people and let them eat." But his servant said, "How can I set this before a hundred people?" So he repeated, "Give it to the people and let them eat, for thus says the Lord, 'They shall eat and have some left.'" He set it before them, they ate, and had some left, according to the word of the Lord.

Word of God, Word of Life

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 145: 10-18

All your works shall praise you, O Lord,
and your faithful ones shall bless you.

**They shall tell of the glory of your kingdom
and speak of your power,**

that all people may know of your power
and the glorious splendor of your kingdom.

**Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom;
your dominion endures through-out all ages. You, Lord,
are faithful in all your words, and loving in all your works.**

The Lord upholds all those who fall and
lifts up those who are bowed down.

**The eyes of all wait upon you, O Lord,
and you give them their food in due season.**

You open wide your hand and satisfy the desire of every living thing.

You are righteous in all your ways and loving in all your works.

You are near to all who call upon you, to all who call upon you faithfully.

Second Reading: Ephesians 3: 14-21

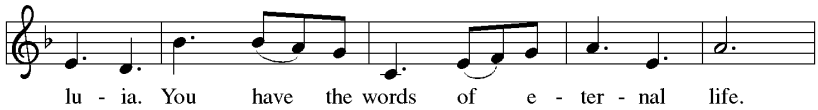
For this reason I bow my knees before the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth takes its name. I pray that, according to the riches of his glory, he may grant that you may be strengthened in your inner being with power through his Spirit, and that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith, as you are being rooted and grounded in love. I pray that you may have the power to comprehend, with all the saints, what is the breadth and length and height and depth, and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, so that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.

Now to him who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation



Gospel According to John 6: 1-21

Glory to you ,O Lord

Jesus went to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, also called the Sea of Tiberias. A large crowd kept following him, because they saw the signs that he was doing for the sick. Jesus went up the mountain and sat down there with his disciples. Now the Passover, the festival of the Jews, was near. When he looked up and saw a large crowd coming toward him, Jesus said to Philip, "Where are we to buy bread for these people to eat?" He said this to test him, for he himself knew what he was going to do. Philip answered him, "Six months' wages would not buy enough bread for each of them to get a little." One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said to him, "There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish. But what are they among so many people?" Jesus said, "Make the people sit down." Now there was a great deal of grass in the place; so they sat down, about five thousand in all. Then Jesus took the loaves, and when he had given thanks, he distributed them to those who were seated; so also the fish, as much as they wanted. When they were satisfied, he told his disciples, "Gather up the fragments left over, so that nothing may be lost." So they gathered them up, and from the fragments of the five barley loaves, left by those who had eaten, they filled twelve baskets. When the people saw the sign that he had done, they began to say, "This is indeed the prophet who is to come into the world."

When Jesus realized that they were about to come and take him by force to make him king, he withdrew again to the mountain by himself.

When evening came, his disciples went down to the sea, got into a boat, and started across the sea to Capernaum. It was now dark, and Jesus had not yet come to them. The sea became rough because a strong wind was blowing. When they had rowed about three or four miles, they saw Jesus walking on the sea and coming near the boat, and they were terrified. But he said to them, "It is I; do not be afraid." Then they wanted to take him into the boat, and immediately the boat reached the land toward which they were going.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ

Children's Message

Pasto Annie

Message

Pastor Annie

Christ, Be Our Light



1 Long - ing for light, we wait in dark - ness. Long - ing for
 2 Long - ing for peace, our world is trou - bled. Long - ing for
 3 Long - ing for food, man - y are hun - gry. Long - ing for
 4 Long - ing for shel - ter, man - y are home - less. Long - ing for
 5 Man - y the gifts, man - y the peo - ple, man - y the



truth, we turn to you. Make us your own,
 hope, man - y de - spair. Your word a - lone
 wa - ter, man - y still thirst. Make us your bread,
 warmth, man - y are cold. Make us your build - ing,
 hearts that yearn to be - long. Let us be ser - vants



your ho - ly peo - ple, light for the world to see.
 has pow'r to save us. Make us your liv - ing voice.
 bro - ken for oth - ers, shared un - til all are fed.
 shel - ter - ing oth - ers, walls made of liv - ing stone.
 to one an - oth - er, signs of your king - dom come.



Refrain
 Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts. Shine through the



dark - ness. Christ, be our light! Shine in your



church gath - ered to - day.

Text: Bernadette Farrell, b. 1957

Music: CHRIST, BE OUR LIGHT, Bernadette Farrell

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Apostles Creed

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

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Prayers of Intercession

One in the communion of saints and in the power of the Holy Spirit,
we join our voices in prayer.

A brief silence.

God of generations, you work in us far more than we can ask or
imagine. Bless the church you have called into being across time
and space, and fill it with the power of the Spirit for loving service.
In your mercy,

hear our prayer.

God of field and forest, streams and seas, you are the fullness of
all things. As grains of wheat grow upon the earth and fish swim in
the waters, sustain your creation. Protect harvests and give every
person food in due season. In your mercy,

hear our prayer.

God beyond borders, you rule all in all. Bless the work of
humanitarians and peacekeepers, shield those who live, work, or
serve in harm's way, and bring an end to war and conflict
throughout our world. In your mercy,

hear our prayer.

God of healing, you open wide your hand and satisfy the desire of
every living thing. We remember any who are sick or suffering
especially those on our prayer list, those we name before you aloud
or in the silence of our hearts... families in our community who

endure hunger, those who seek asylum or citizenship, and our beloved for whom death is near. In your mercy,

hear our prayer.

God of grace, you root us and ground us in love. As you inspired our ancestors in this place in their ministry, sustain us also in new endeavors, that your glory may be made known, and your lovingkindness shared anew. In your mercy,

hear our prayer.

God of all, your love in Christ surpasses all knowledge. We give thanks for the departed who have come to know the fullness of your grace. Join our voices with theirs and all the saints in singing your praises. In your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Holy God, holy and merciful: into your outstretched arms we commend ourselves and all for whom we pray, trusting in the one who is the way, the truth, and the life, Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

Sharing the Peace

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

THE MEAL

Offering

Your gifts enable our ministry to continue.

Here are ways to share God's abundance:

Giving In-Person: Baskets will be passed

GIVE ONLINE: <http://www.hopelutheranrf.com/giveonline/>

Give by Text to: 833-961-2156. Learn how [here](#).

Give by Mobile App: Search "GivePlus Church" on Apple or Android devices and follow instructions

MAIL YOUR OFFERING: HOPE Lutheran, 3337 Kingsbarn Ave., River Falls, WI 54022

As the Grains of Wheat

Refrain

As the grains of wheat once scat-tered on the hill were
 gath-ered in - to one to be - come our bread; so may all your peo-ple from
 all the ends of earth be gath-ered in - to one in you.
 1 As this cup of bless-ing is shared with-in our midst,
 2 Let this be a fore-taste of all that is to come when
Refrain
 may we share the pres - ence of your love.
 all cre - a - tion shares this feast with you.

Text: Didache, 2nd cent.; Marty Haugen, b. 1950

Music: AS THE GRAINS, Marty Haugen

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Offering Prayer

Jesus, **Bread of life,**
you have set this table with your very self,
and called us to the feast of plenty.
Gather what has been sown among us,
and strengthen us in this meal.
Make us to be what we receive here,
your body for the life of the world.
Amen.

Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Eucharistic Prayer

God of all, mighty and merciful,
heaven and earth are full of your glory...
...All honor and glory to you, almighty God, now and forever.
Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

**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.**

Invitation to Communion

Christ has set the table with more than enough for all.
Come and feast on the Bread of Life!

Lamb of God



☩ Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on



us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have



mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the



sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

Blessing

The blessing of God,
who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us,
✠ be upon you now and forever.
Amen.

Sending Hymn

ELW 674

Led by Strings of Hope

Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ



1 Let us tal - ents and tongues em - ploy, reach - ing out with a shout of joy:
2 Christ is a - ble to make us one, at the ta - ble he sets the tone,
3 Je - sus calls us in, sends us out bear - ing fruit in a world of doubt,



bread is bro - ken, the wine is poured, Christ is spo - ken and seen and heard.
teach - ing peo - ple to live to bless, love in word and in deed ex - press.
gives us love to tell, bread to share: God (Im - man - u - el) ev - 'ry - where!

Refrain



Je - sus lives a - gain, earth can breathe a - gain, pass the Word a - round: loaves a - bound!

Text: Fred Kaan, b. 1929

Music: LINSTEAD, Jamaican folk tune; adapt. Doreen Potter, 1925–1980

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Sending

Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.
Thanks be to God.

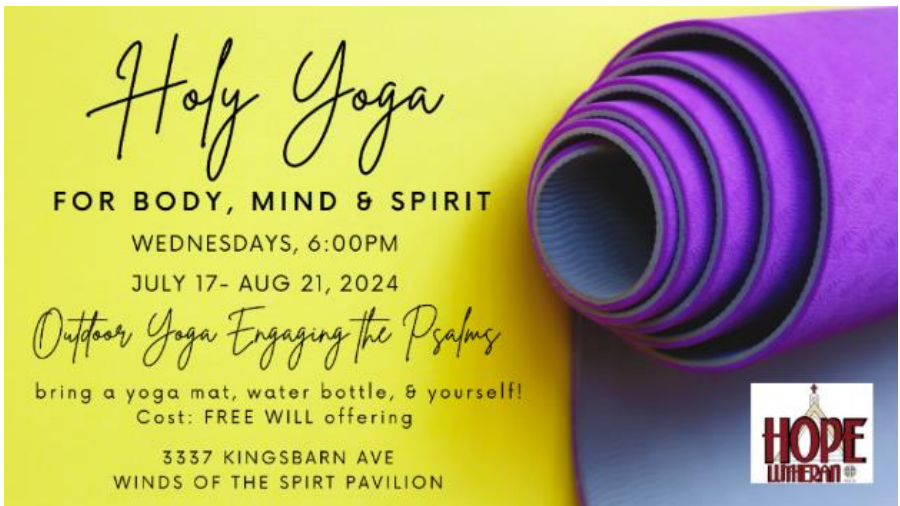
Postlude

Strings of Hope: Margaret Anderson, Diane Clark, Nathan Clark,
John Hamilton, Caroly Jackson, Steve Kaste, Paula Klacan, Phil
Klacan, Steve Meyer, Lynda Meyers, Tom Peterson, Genny Range,
Linda Yde

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Looking Ahead at HOPE

Monday July 29 th	10:00 – Coffee & Faithful Conversation
Wednesday July 31 st	6:00 – Holy Yoga
Thursday August 1 st	9:00 – Strings of Hope Rehearsal
Friday August 2 nd	All Day – Pastor's Sabbath
Sunday August 4 th	9:30 – Sunday Service



Holy Yoga

FOR BODY, MIND & SPIRIT


WEDNESDAYS, 6:00PM

JULY 17- AUG 21, 2024

Outdoor Yoga Engaging the Psalms

bring a yoga mat, water bottle, & yourself!
Cost: FREE WILL offering

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HOPE LUTHERAN CHURCH

FREE ADMISSION!

**A POOL PARTY WITH
HOPE LUTHERAN CHURCH**

08.03.23 | 6:15-7:30 PM | GLEN PARK POOL | ALL ARE WELCOME!

Treats provided!

National Night Out is fast approaching on Tuesday, August 6. It runs from 5:30-8:00 p.m. with lots of opportunities for neighbors to get to know their neighbors and to promote police and community partnerships. Local fire, police, EMT and more will be there to show their support for our community and their wishes to work together to make our neighborhoods safe. A free light meal will be served with lots of activities. See the complete list in TWAH. Donations for area non-profits will be collected. If you are not currently on a ministry team, please reach out to any of the coordinators to see how you might be able to help



Songs & Suds
Summer sing-along at
Rush River Brewery

With Strings of HOPE

Monday, Aug. 12

6:30 pm



New songs to sing and
new people to meet!

Same great beer!
Bring a friend or two!

Please lift up the following people in prayer

Joe McIntosh

Brad Hermann (Friend of Pastor Annie)

Family of Jerry Sather (Brother of Karen Hamilton)

Woody Fangmeier (Friend of Jeff & Karen Rodewald)

Sharon Paulson and Family

Marcus Stack (Friend of Karen & Steve Kaste)

Jan Cudd (Friend of Jeff & Karen Rodewald)

Jeremy Martinson (Brother-in-law to Elise Forward)

Mary Alice Jones (Martie Guthrie's mother)

Family of Teajai Schmidt (Relative of the Boocks)

Jacob Dan and family (Friends of Jeff Rodewald)

Karen Hamilton

Patricia Miller (Sister of Carl Warren)

Rhiannon Bondhus (Niece of Bondhus family)

Lori Snyder (Friend of Nancy & David Peters)

Ed and Gwen Paulson

Randy Dopkins (Family friend of Olive Olson)

Eden Annoye (Relative of Debra James)

John Weller (Cousin of Karen Brohaugh)

Dave and Deb Haugen (Family of Ellen Roose)

Phyllis and Tom Haugen (Family of Ellen Roose)

Fatma Aljarrah (Friend of Faye Perkins)

Beth Lindgren Family (Dan Malaney)

Michael Jacobson (Brother of Linda Jacobson)

Barb Carmichael (Friend of Nancy Sailer)

Dennis & Sandy Schultz (Friends of Bill & Kay Montgomery)

Nancy Miller (Friend of Paula & Phil Klacan)

Linda Shurden (Friend of Nancy Sailer)

Joyce Kendall (Mother of Cara Getschel)

Hannah Forward

Amanda Olson (daughter of Olive Olson)

Ella Conover (Phil & Paula's Klacan's Niece)

Daryl Kleeman (brother of Darcy Boock)

David Boock (Relative of the Boocks)

Lee Hill (friend of Naomi)

Gary Siebold

David Hendrickson

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Sunday Schedule:

In Person
9:30 a.m.

Online:

<http://youtube.com/c/HOPELutheranRiverFalls>
9:30 a.m.

Welcome to
HOPE Lutheran
Church.

If you are new to
HOPE, welcome!
It is a blessing to have
you join us for worship
this morning!

Leading Us in
Worship

Presiding Pastor:
Pastor Annie

Pianist:
Phil Klacan

Assisting Minister:
Diane Clark

Reader:
Hallie Neuhaus

Ushers/Greeters:
Neuhaus Family

Communion
Preparation:
The Green Team

Communion Asst.:
Ainsley Neuhaus

Coffee Fellowship:
Paula Klacan

Flowers:

AV Support:
Ryan Brill
Don Leisz