

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, August 4, 2024 11th Sunday After Pentecost

GATHER

Prelude Confession and Forgiveness

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?

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.

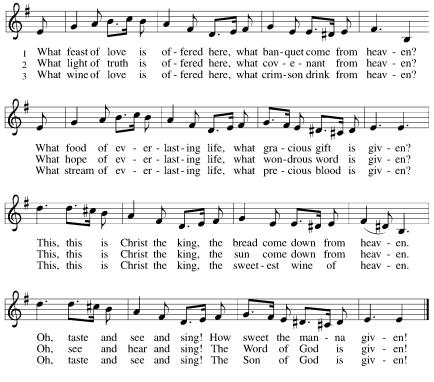
And the Holy Spirit fills your life with the flavor of transformation. You are forgiven.

God, give us this bread always.

Gathering Hymn

ELW 487

What Feast of Love



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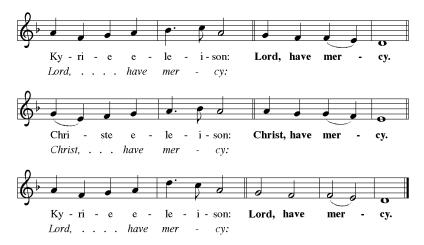
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Greeting

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.**

Kyrie



Hymn of Praise





Prayer of the Day

Let us pray. Bread of Life, you have fed us before. Somehow we are still hungry. You will feed us today. Tomorrow we will hunger again. Feed us every time we hunger. Even before we know we are hungry-even before we understand what satisfies-you have set the table. Amen.

Word

First Reading: Exodus 16: 2-4, 9-15

The whole congregation of the Israelites complained against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness. The Israelites said to them, "If only we had died by the hand of the Lord in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the fleshpots and ate our fill of bread; for you have brought us out into this wilderness to kill this whole assembly with hunger." Then the Lord said to Moses, "I am going to rain bread from heaven for you, and each day the people shall go out and gather enough for that day. In that way I will test them, whether they will follow my instruction or not."

Then Moses said to Aaron, "Say to the whole congregation of the Israelites, 'Draw near to the Lord, for he has heard your complaining.'" And as Aaron spoke to the whole congregation of the Israelites, they looked toward the wilderness, and the glory of the Lord appeared in the cloud. The Lord spoke to Moses and said, "I have heard the complaining of the Israelites; say to them, 'At twilight you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall have your fill of bread; then you shall know that I am the Lord your God.'"

In the evening quails came up and covered the camp; and in the morning there was a layer of dew around the camp. When the layer of dew lifted, there on the surface of the wilderness was a fine flaky substance, as fine as frost on the ground. When the Israelites saw it, they said to one another, "What is it?" For they did not know what it was. Moses said to them, "It is the bread that the Lord has given you to eat."

Word of God, Word of Life **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 78: 23-29

So God commanded the clouds above and opened the doors of heaven,

raining down manna upon them to eat and giving them grain from heaven.

So mortals ate the bread of angels; God provided for them food enough.

The Lord caused the east wind to blow in the heavens and powerfully led out the south wind,

raining down flesh upon them like dust and flying birds like the sand of the seas,

letting them fall in the midst of the camp and round about the dwellings.

So the people ate and were well filled, for God gave them [|] what they craved.

Second Reading: Ephesians 4: 1-8, 11-16

I therefore, the prisoner in the Lord, beg you to lead a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called, with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, making every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope of your calling, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is above all and through all and in all.

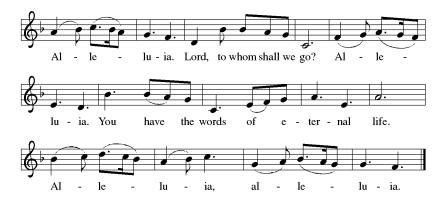
But each of us was given grace according to the measure of Christ's gift.

Therefore it is said, "When he ascended on high he made captivity itself a captive; he gave gifts to his people." ... The gifts he gave were that some would be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, until all of us come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to maturity, to the measure of the full stature of Christ. We must no longer be children, tossed to and fro and blown about by every wind of doctrine, by people's trickery, by their craftiness in deceitful scheming. But speaking the truth in love, we must grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, from whom the whole body, joined and knit together by every ligament with which it is equipped, as each part is working properly, promotes the body's growth in building itself up in love

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation



Gospel According to John 6:24-35 Glory to you ,O Lord

When the crowd saw that neither Jesus nor his disciples were [beside the sea,] they themselves got into the boats and went to Capernaum looking for Jesus.

When they found him on the other side of the sea, they said to him, "Rabbi, when did you come here?" Jesus answered them, "Very truly, I tell you, you are looking for me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves. Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For it is on him that God the Father has set his seal." Then they said to him, "What must we do to perform the works of God?" Jesus answered them, "This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent." So they said to him, "What sign are you going to give us then, so that we may see it and believe you? What work are you performing? Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, 'He gave them bread from heaven to eat.'" Then Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world." They said to him, "Sir, give us this bread always."

Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty."

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ**

Children's Message

Pastor Annie

Hymn of the Day

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Bread of Life from Heaven



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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 holv catholic church. the communion of saints. the forgiveness of sins. the resurrection of the body. and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayers of Intercession

Calling on the spirit of Wisdom to guide our hearts and our minds, let us pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

A brief silence.

O Wise One, your wisdom has been present in this world since its beginning. Pour out your wisdom into the hearts of the whole church, especially the newly baptized, lay leaders, deacons, pastors, and bishops. Merciful God,

receive our prayer.

Holy God of all creation, you are the source of all life. Where the sun blazes hard and strong, bring a gentle breeze. In the places experiencing the cold of winter, bring your warmth. Merciful God,

receive our prayer.

Compassionate God, help government leaders of this world unite for peace and justice. Humble all who hold authority, that power is directed toward a more just society. Merciful God,

receive our prayer.

Bread of life from heaven, you feed us. Fill all who hunger with needed nutrition and open our hearts to eliminate hunger in this world. May we see a day when all are fed. Merciful God,

receive our prayer.

Sustaining God, you are present with us and bring healing of mind, body, and spirit. Provide a sure sign of your presence to all in need this day, especially those on our prayer list and those we name before you aloud or in the silence of our hearts...Empower each of us to work whatever signs of healing you call us to provide for those in need. Merciful God,

receive our prayer.

O Wisdom of truth, help us to understand your will for the church. Be with congregations experiencing transition, redevelopment, and the exciting yet frightening path of newness. May your wisdom be found at every step. Merciful God,

receive our prayer.

Redeeming God, we give you thanks for the lives and witness of your saints now departed. Bring your beloved into eternal glory, opening wide the gates to the heavenly banquet. Merciful God,

receive our prayer.

We lift up these prayers to you, gracious God. Receive them into your holy keeping.

Amen.

Sharing the Peace

The peace of Christ be with you always. And also with you.

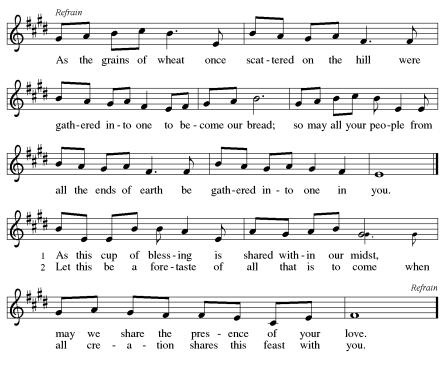
THE MEAL

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: <u>http://www.hopelutheranrf.com/giveonline/</u> Give by Text to: 833-961-2156. Learn how <u>here</u>. 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

Offertory Music

As the Grains of Wheat



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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. FI W 465

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.**

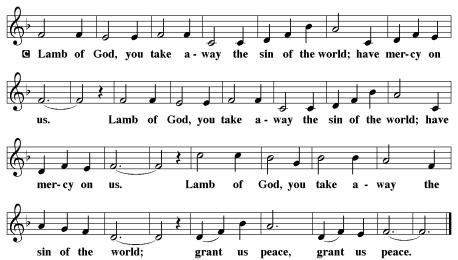
The Lord's Prayer

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!

Lamb of God



Communion Hymn

Bread of Life from Heaven



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Post Communion Blessing & Prayer Jesus, Bread of life, we have received from your table more than we could ever ask. As you have nourished us in this meal, now strengthen us to love the world with your own life. In your name we pray. Amen.

Send

Announcements

Blessing



Text: William Williams, 1717–1791; tr. William Williams and Peter Williams, 1722–1796, alt. Music: CWM RHONDDA, John Hughes, 1873–1932

Sending

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

Postlude

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Looking Ahead at HOPE	
Monday August 5 th	10:00 – Coffee & Faithful Conversation
	11:00 – Congregational Life Ministry
	6:30 – Worship Ministry Meeting
Tuesday August 6 th	12:00-6:00 – Red Cross Blood Drive
	5:30-8:00 – National Night Out
	7:00 – Communications Ministry Meeting
Wednesday	
August 7 th	6:00 – Holy Yoga
Thursday	
August 8 th	9:00 – Strings of Hope Rehearsal
Friday	
August 9 th	All Day – Pastor's Sabbath
Sunday	9:30 – Sunday Service
August 11 th	10:45- Civic Life & Faith Conversation 3









ELCA Civic Life and Faith Discussion Series

What? So What? Now What? Discussion 3: "Now What?"

Further discussion of previous topics and what we'd like our next steps to be

> Sunday, August 11th 10:45 am - 12:00 pm





YOU are invited to join the Northwest Synod For a Workshop: Reconciling in Christ: Building Inclusive Church Saturday August 17th, 2024 in Hudson, WI Register at: <u>https://www.reconcilingworks.org/trainings/bic/</u> Contact Rev. Sara Bishop at <u>synodadvocate@nwswi.org</u> if you have questions!

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 Annove (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 Fave 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/HOPEL utheranRiverFalls 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:

Reader:

Ushers/Greeters:

Communion Preparation:

Communion Asst.:

Coffee Fellowship: Paula Klacan

Flowers:

AV Support: Ryan Brill Don Leisz