

**November 15-16, 2025
23rd Sunday after Pentecost
New Members**

The Prelude is a signal to *end our conversation* and prepare our hearts for worship.

PRELUDE

WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS

New Members called forward (If in attendance for service)

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NEW MEMBERS

The Living Charter

“To know Christ and to make Christ known by caring for and about our members and supporting our community.”

- P WE BELIEVE...It is the purpose of Hope Lutheran Church to engage as many persons as will share its confession of faith in a fellowship of worship, learning, witness and service so that the Word of God in Jesus Christ may become effective in their lives. Together and individually, we work to fulfill our mission as a congregation and work in relationship with other Christian fellowships and social institutions at home and throughout the world. To develop the individual ministries, we will remain flexible and open to meet the changing needs of the church, the community, and the world. It is our aim to draw on the talents of all persons to involve them in the life and mission of the church.**
- C WE PLEDGE...In our desire to unite with Hope Lutheran Church, we pledge faithful support and active participation to ensure and further the goals of this congregation that we may express, through our church and our life, the love and faith of Jesus Christ.**

PASSING OF PEACE

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

- P** Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✝ one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.
- C** Amen.
- P** Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another. Faithful God,
- C** you have shown us the ways of your heart, yet we stray from your paths. We are stuck in sinful systems of oppression and do not embrace the freedom of your faithful promises. We ignore our neighbors. We exploit the earth. We reject your abundance, trusting our impulses instead of your steadfast love. Repair our relationships, restore what we have broken, renew our hearts, and bring us to new life. Amen.
- P** Hear the good news: God the Faithful One loves you, ✝ in Christ Jesus your sins are forgiven, and by the power of the Holy Spirit you are set free.
- C** Amen.

GATHERING HYMN "STAND UP, STAND UP FOR JESUS"

- 1** Stand up, stand up for Jesus,
as soldiers of the cross,
lift high his royal banner;
it must not suffer loss.
From vict'ry unto vict'ry
his army he shall lead,
till ev'ry foe is vanquished
and Christ is Lord indeed.

**2 Stand up, stand up for Jesus;
the trumpet call obey;
stand forth in mighty conflict
in this his glorious day.
Let all his faithful serve him
against unnumbered foes_;
let courage rise with danger,
and strength to strength oppose.**

**4 Stand up, stand up for Jesus,
the strife will not be long;
this day the din of battle,
the next the victor's song.
The soldiers, overcoming,
their crown of life shall see_,
and with the King of glory
shall reign eternally.**

GREETING

P The peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, the love of Christ that guards our hearts and minds, and the joy and consolation of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

G And also with you.

CANTICLE

**Glory to God in the high - est
And peace_ to God's people on earth
Glory to God in the high - est
And peace_ to God's people on earth**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Let us pray together.

C O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without you nothing is strong, nothing is holy. Embrace us with your mercy, that with you as our ruler and guide, we may live through what is temporary without losing what is eternal, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

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ANTHEM

LESSON OF THE DAY

2 Thessalonians 3:6-13

The lesson begins:

In the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, we command you, brothers and sisters, to keep away from every believer who is idle and disruptive and does not live according to the teaching you received from us. For you yourselves know how you ought to follow our example. We were not idle when we were with you, nor did we eat anyone's food without paying for it. On the contrary, we worked night and day, laboring and toiling so that we would not be a burden to any of you. We did this, not because we do not have the right to such help, but in order to offer ourselves as a model for you to imitate. For even when we were with you, we gave you this rule: "The one who is unwilling to work shall not eat." We hear that some among you are idle and disruptive. They are not busy; they are busybodies. Such people we command and urge in the Lord Jesus Christ to settle down and earn the food they eat. And as for you, brothers and sisters, never tire of doing what is good.

P The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

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GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Al - leluia, Al - lelu - ia, Al - leluia, Alle - luia.

GOSPEL

Luke 21:5-19

P **The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the twenty-first chapter.**

G **Glory to You, O Lord.**

Some of his disciples were remarking about how the temple was adorned with beautiful stones and with gifts dedicated to God. But Jesus said, "As for what you see here, the time will come when not one stone will be left on another; every one of them will be thrown down." "Teacher," they asked, "when will these things happen? And what will be the sign that they are about to take place?" He replied: "Watch out that you are not deceived. For many will come in my name, claiming, 'I am he,' and, 'The time is near.' Do not follow them. When you hear of wars and uprisings, do not be frightened. These things must happen first, but the end will not come right away." Then he said to them: "Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. There will be great earthquakes, famines and pestilences in various places, and fearful events and great signs from heaven. "But before all this, they will seize you and persecute you. They will hand you over to synagogues and put you in prison, and you will be brought before kings and governors, and all on account of my name. And so you will bear testimony to me. But make up your mind not to worry beforehand how you will defend yourselves. For I will give you words and wisdom that none of your adversaries will be able to resist or contradict. You will be betrayed even by parents, brothers and sisters, relatives and friends, and they will put some of you to death. Everyone will hate you because of me. But not a hair of your head will perish. Stand firm, and you will win life.

P **The Gospel of the Lord.**

G **Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON

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SERMON RESPONSE "RESTORE IN US, O GOD"

Restore in us, O God, the splendor of your love;

Renew your image in our hearts, and all our sins remove.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

A Gathered with one voice, we offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

A brief silence.

A God of victory, among quests for power, guide those in government, courts, law enforcement agencies, and the military. Turn them from war and violence to actions of care that build up the common good. Lord in your mercy,

C Hear our prayer

A God of roaring seas, in a world of earthquake, famine, and plague, use your mighty power to nurture the land and all that lives upon it. Restore peoples and places experiencing natural disasters (*especially...*). Strengthen organizations who provide aid to any in crisis. Lord in your mercy,

C Hear our prayer

A God of healing, where injustice and exploitation result in populations that are marginalized or underserved, accompany those abandoned by friends, hurt by family, and harmed by violence or oppression. Care for all who are ill, anxious, or in pain of any kind (*especially the family of...*). Lord in your mercy,

C Hear our prayer

A God of new songs, in a congregation of faithful believers, energize us for compassionate service and delight us through worship and inspired prayer. Encourage your people in building equitable community where all are valued. Lord in your mercy,

C Hear our prayer

P We offer these and all our prayers to you, O God, trusting in your grace and unyielding love; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C Amen.

OFFERING – Plates will be passed

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THE OFFERTORY “CREATE IN ME A CLEAN HEART”

**Create in me a clean heart_, O God,
and renew a right spirit within_ me.**

**Cast me not away from your presence,
and take not your Holy Spir-it from_ me.**

**Restore to me the joy of your salvation,
and uphold me with your free_ Spir-it.**

**Create in me a clean heart_, O God,
and renew a right spirit within_ me.**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Lift up your hearts.

C We lift them to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C It is right to give him thanks and praise.

P It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

SANCTUS

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of pow'r and might_,
Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of pow'r and might.
Heaven and earth are full_, full_ of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes_ in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.**

- P Holy God, mighty Lord, gracious Father: Endless is your mercy and eternal your reign. You have filled all creation with light and life; heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

- P For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes:**

C Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

- P Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here, and on these gifts of bread and wine. Make them be for us the body and blood of Christ, that we may be for the world the body of Christ, redeemed by his blood. Through your Son Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in your holy Church, all honor and glory is yours, almighty Father, now and forever.**

C Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

P As a community, let us say the Lord's Prayer.

C 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

P There is a place for you at the table of God. Come, receive the food that does not perish, a taste of life eternal.

THE COMMUNION is given and received.

THE BLESSING

P God of field and flower, wheat and grape, you have nourished us with the bread of heaven that gives life to the world. Strengthened by the body and blood of your Son, send us out to gather your good gifts for all who hunger and thirst, and embolden us to love and serve in Christ's name.

C Amen.

THE BENEDICTION

SENDING HYMN "WORD OF GOD COME DOWN ON EARTH"

1 Word of God, come_ down on_ earth,
living rain_ from heav'n descending;
touch our hearts and_ bring to_ birth
faith and hope_ and love unending.
Word almighty, we re - vere you;
Word made flesh, we long to hear you.

**3 Word that speaks God's_ tender_ love,
one with God_ beyond all telling,
Word that sends us_ from a - bove
God the Spir - it, with us dwelling,
Word of truth, to all truth lead us;
Word of life, with one bread feed us.**

DISMISSAL

- A Let us go forth in the name of the Lord,**
- G To know Christ, and to make Christ known.
Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE