## WELCOME - HOPE LUTHERAN CHURCH - LCMS

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"Sharing Hope In The Joy Of Christ"

Sundays - Holy Communion, 9:30 a.m. 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday School - Bible Study, 8:30 a.m. June 11, 2023

HYMNS 702 - 611 - 610 - 618, 609, 566, 641 - 689

**ORDER OF SERVICE Hymnal page 151** then proceed to the Kyrie, p. 152

**RESPONSE:** sing after the 1<sup>st</sup> Reading at pg. 156 Psalm 119;  $\Box$  tone C

You have dealt well with your | servant,
O Lord, according | to your word.

Teach me good judgment and | knowledge,
for I believe in your com- | mandments.

You are good and | do good;
teach me your | statutes.

It is good for me that I was af- | flicted, that I might learn your | statutes.

The law of your mouth is bet- | ter to me than thousands of gold and silver | pieces.

Altar Flowers — Janette Barry — Sharing Hope In The Joy Of Christ. Reader — Nichol Tieman. Assisting — Ken Halbe. Crucifer – Travis Pennekamp. Altar Guild — Sandy Jessee. Organ — Elizabeth Meschke. Last wk – attnd, 48; offrg, \$3,035.

Greetings to our Guests. We are glad you have joined us in worship. We trust you will draw strength, peace, and hope as together we hear God's Word. It is truly our intent to welcome you and make you feel comfortable here in God's house. Since communion implies unity of faith we do not practice open communion but invite those not fully united with us to enter full membership in the Lutheran community first before receiving the Sacrament. Sit-down communion, front left. We are called by God to be disciples of Jesus Christ. Centered in Word and Sacrament, and receiving the gifts of the Holy Spirit, we live the Christian life by faith.

**EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES: Sundays** – (children, teens, adults); 8:30 – 9:15 a.m. Sunday School and Bible Study; **Tuesdays** –10:00 – 11:00 a.m. Bible Study; and Third **Saturday** – Men's Breakfast Fellowship, 8:00 – 9:30 a.m. Bible study and Christian growth opportunities are for everyone all year.

**OTHER WAYS WE ARE STAYING IN TOUCH.** Facebook is our main method of communicating but there are other ways also. We continue to keep our website current: **www.hopelutherangc.org** with manuscripts of our sermons and bulletins.

**PLEASE KNOW** that private communion is always available. Please contact Pastor and appropriate arrangements will be made for this.

THIS WEEK AT HOPE: Monday at 11:30 a.m. is BUNKO. Tuesday at 10:00 a.m. is Bible Study and at 7:00 p.m. is Alcoholics' Anonymous meeting and Carillon Concert at Concordia Seminary. Thursday from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Pastor will be in Sidewalk Ministry and from 1:00 to 2:30 p.m. Pastor will be in Prison Ministry. Friday Pastor and Sandy will be on vacation for one week. Saturday from 8:00 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. is Men's Breakfast Fellowship (led by Pastor Hale). Pastor will be posting a daily devotion on Hope's Facebook page all this week.

**LOOKING AHEAD:** June 25 is Installation of Officers. June 26 is We've Been There Group trip to Botanical Garden. Vacation Bible School is July 24-28.

**BUNKO IS TOMORROW.** It is not too late to join us. Always good food, fun, and fellowship. A sign-up sheet is on the hallway bulletin board.

**HELP WITH BIRTHDAY CAKE SUPPLIES.** Our Social Ministry Committee is continuing their collection of cake mixes, cans of frosting, and birthday candles (as well as monetary donations towards these items). A table is out in the narthex for this through the month of June. Materials collected will be placed for distribution to needy families for their children's birthdays. The intent is for every child to have a cake for their birthday.

**INTERESTED IN BEING A MEMBER OF OUR CARE COMMITTEE?** It will be led by Sandy Townzen and Wanda Wuehler. There are many in our church who from time to time need a little assistance. Committee members help out as appropriate but also help to identify and facilitate other church members who are also able to lend a hand. If interested in being on the committee, please see Sandy Townzen, Wanda Wuehler or Pastor. "Don't forget to do good and to share what you have because God is pleased with these kinds of sacrifices." Hebrews 13:16.

WE'VE BEEN THERE GROUP TRIP TO BOTANICAL GARDEN. We will leave from the church on Monday, June 26 at 10:30 a.m. Cost is \$14 for admission to the Botanical Garden and then we will have lunch at Favazza's on the Hill at your own cost. You need not be a member of the We've Been There Group to attend this. All events are always open to everyone. A sign-up sheet is on the hallway bulletin board.

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL IS COMING!** It will be from July 24 – 28 from 9:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. each day. (Breakfast available beginning at 9:00 a.m. each day). Our theme this year will be "Heroes of the Bible". Invitations were recently sent to those students who attended last year; and flyers put up around town. If you know of any students entering kindergarten through sixth grade, please invite them. Questions – please see Diane Signall.

**ALTAR GUILD.** Are you interested in joining our Altar Guild? We are in need of additional help. Members work in pairs, are trained and serve once a month to prepare the altar for services and clean-up afterwards. If interested, please see either Janette Barry or Pastor.

**CARILLON CONCERT ANYONE?** Throughout the month of June, every Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. there will be a carillon concert at Concordia Seminary, St. Louis. It is free on the main quad grounds. Everyone is invited to bring lawn chairs, blankets and picnic baskets and enjoy beautiful music. We are organizing a group trip there for this coming Tuesday, June 13. Those wanting to carpool can meet at the church at 6:15 p.m. to go over. Some have talked of stopping at Ted Drew's for ice cream on the way home. Your call on that! If interested in carpooling, please sign the sheet on the hallway bulletin board so we can plan accordingly.

**PASTOR AND SANDY ON VACATION**. Pastor and Sandy will be leaving next Friday (June 16) on vacation and returning Friday (June 23). Next Sunday there will be no Bible Classes. Rev. Dan McMiller, retired executive director of the LCMS Office of International Missions will be filling in. There will also be no Bible Class on Tuesday, June 20. Should pastoral needs arise, Pastor Bill Hale from St. John has graciously agreed to be on call for us. His number is (630)-726-0128. Full activities will resume on Saturday, June 24.

**THEME FOR THE DAY**: Today in our Gospel reading we see Jesus invited by Matthew to eat with him and his friends. Jesus, of course, accepts. What? Jesus is eating with "sinners and tax collectors?" Yes, and Jesus eats with us sinners also. Today we will consider all this in a message entitled, "Eating At The Table With Jesus."