

WELCOME - HOPE LUTHERAN CHURCH - LCMS
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"Sharing Hope In The Joy Of Christ"

Sundays - Holy Communion, 9:30 a.m. Sunday School - Bible Study, 8:30 a.m.
3rd Sunday after Pentecost June 18, 2023

HYMNS 790 – 571 – 392 – 561, 791, 825, 636 – 594

ORDER OF SERVICE Hymnal page 203 then proceed to the Kyrie, p. 204

RESPONSE: sing after the 1st Reading at pg. 205 Psalm 100; ♪ tone B

Make a joyful noise to the Lord, | all the earth!

Serve the Lord with gladness! Come into his presence with | singing!

Know that the Lord, | he is God!

**It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, and the
sheep of his | pasture.**

Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his | courts with praise!

Give thanks to him; | bless his name!

**For the Lord is good; his steadfast love endures for- | ever,
and his faithfulness to all gener- | ations.**

Altar Flowers — Craig and Diane Signall — celebration of anniversary.
Reader — Janette Barry. **Assisting** — Ken Halbe. **Crucifer** — Travis Pennekamp. **Altar Guild** — Charlie Finck and Janette Barry. **Organ** — Jackie Tieman. **Last wk** – atnd, 48; offr, \$1,975.

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: None of our **regular activities** will take place this week with Pastor and Sandy on vacation. However, **Tuesday** at 7:00 p.m. there will be **Alcoholics' Anonymous** meeting. **Full** normal Hope activities **resume Saturday** with Pastor and Sandy's return. This includes all Sunday mornings Bible Studies next week.

LOOKING AHEAD: Next Sunday, June 25 is Installation of Officers. June 26 is We've Been There Group trip to Botanical Garden. Social Ministry Committee meeting will be June 27 (moved up one week because of July 4th). Vacation Bible School will take place on July 24-28.

GOD'S BLESSINGS TO YOU THIS FATHER'S DAY. Today we recognize the honorable and noble God-given vocation of fatherhood. A sincere thank you to all fathers for the sacrifices you make, the sustainment you provide, and the example you set. Following the service today our Social Ministry Committee has a gift for each of the men in our congregation.

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.

OFFERING COLLECTED IN THE NARTHEX TODAY Given the availability of those normally involved in ushering all being out of town at the same time, offerings can be placed in the collection plate in the narthex this morning. That is, the normal collection of passing the offering plate is suspended for just today.

INTERESTED IN BEING A MEMBER OF OUR CARE COMMITTEE? As we look to start this back up, are you interested/willing to serve on this 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.

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.

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.

NEW PORTALS OF PRAYER NOW AVAILABLE. Portals of Prayer for July through September are now out and available for taking. For those who have ordered or have special need for large print edition, they are available on the filing cabinet in the church office. This is an excellent source to use to spend time in God's Word. There are plenty of copies available. Feel free to take extras and give them to friends.

WELCOME AND THANK YOU TO REV. M^cMILLER We appreciate the ministry and leading of our service today by Rev. Dan McMiller, retired executive director of the LCMS Office of International Missions. It is a privilege and joy to have him with us. Pastor Beuster will be returning next Friday evening, June 23. Should pastoral needs arise prior to this, Pastor Bill Hale from St. John has graciously agreed to be on call for us. His number is (630)-726-0128.

READINGS FOR THE DAY: The Lord is the God of compassion. He bore the Israelites

