WELCOME - **HOPE LUTHERAN CHURCH** - LCMS
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Sundays - Holy Communion, 9:30 a.m. Sunday School - Bible Study, 8:30 a.m.
17th Sunday after Pentecost October 2, 2022

HYMNS 902 – 770 – 894 – 637, 771, 575, 622 – 392

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RESPONSE: sing after the 1st Reading at pg. 156 Psalm 62; ♫ *Tone B*

For God alone my soul waits in | silence;
from him comes my sal- | vation.
He only is my rock and my salvation, my| fortress;
I shall not be greatly | shaken.
On God rests my salvation and my | glory;
my mighty rock, my refuge | is God.
Trust in him at all times, O people; pour out your heart be- | fore him;
God is a refuge | for us.
He only is my rock and my salvation, my | fortress;
I shall not be greatly | shaken.

Reader — Jim Pennekamp. ***Assisting*** – Seminarian Sean Sheppard. ***Crucifer*** – Travis Pennekamp. ***Altar Guild*** — Anna Hollenbeck and Janette Barry. ***Field Worker*** – Seminarian Sean Sheppard. ***Organ*** — Jackie Tieman. ***Last wk*** – attnd, 50; offrg, $1,718.

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, serving others in God's love and praying for their evangelization.

EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES: Sundays – (children, teens, adults); 8:30 – 9:15 a.m.; **Tuesdays** - 10:00 – 11:00 a.m. Devotions; **Thursdays** – 5:00 - 6:00 p.m. Junior Confirmation; 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: Today following the service until approximately 1:00 p.m. will be Social Ministry Committee **soup luncheon. Tuesday** at 10:00 a.m. is **Bible Study,** at 11:30 a.m. is **Social Ministry Committee meeting** and at 7:00 p.m. is **Alcoholics' Anonymous** meeting here at Hope. **Thursday** from 1:00 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. Pastor will be in **Prison Ministry.** Pastor will continue to be posting a **daily devotion** on **Hope's Facebook page.**

LOOKING AHEAD: The next Lunch and BUNKO will be October 24. Lutheran Church Day for 40 Days for Life is October 27. Fall Festival/Silent Auction will be October 30.

JOIN US FOR SOUP TODAY! Following our service today until 1:00 p.m. will be a soup luncheon hosted by our Social Ministry Committee. Various soups will be offered along with sandwiches, drinks, and dessert. You can come and go as you please (stay as long as you want and have fellowship). Take-out orders will be offered. Cost is a free will donation with all funds raised going towards the cost of a new ultrasound machine for Mosaic Health Center.

SOCIAL MINISTRY COMMITTEE TUESDAY beginning at 11:30 a.m. This will be a regular monthly meeting; but much to be discussed as many things are going on or planned.

FALL/BAKE SALE FINAL NUMBERS. In total $992.46 was raised. $496.50 from the bake sale (including $62 additional donations Sunday morning), $380 from tables, and $115.96 from Hot Dogs and Lemonade. Thank you to everyone who helped make this a success.

LUTHERAN CHURCH DAY FOR 40 DAYS FOR LIFE. An appeal is again made for your presence on the sidewalk at the Granite City abortion clinic to give a witness to the sanctity of life our God has created. Our date is October 27 from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. (2 people per hour). If you are uncomfortable with this for any reason, Pastor is willing to join you as the second person for your hour.

FALL FESTIVAL/SILENT AUCTION IS BACK! Prior to COVID, this was a fun, annual October event. Voters' Assembly this week decided to once again have it. It will be Sunday, October 30 beginning at 4:00 p.m. All food will be provided (pork steak and fish). Social Ministry Committee will also have items for a silent auction. Please make plans to join us. Good food, fun and fellowship. A sign-up sheet is on the hallway bulletin board.

APPOINTED READINGS FOR THE DAY: Faith does not preclude Christians from adversity and persecution. Faith arms believers with Christlike tenacity, equipping us to persevere in prayer and joy, continually confessing Jesus as the source of life and immortality. Temptations will come; believing saints will sin; yet repentant sinners will be forgiven. Satan will surely seek to undermine our faith, yet Christ Jesus in unrelenting mercy and forgiveness will guard us until the day of salvation.

THEME FOR THE DAY: Our message today is based on our Old Testament reading from the Book of Habakkuk. The prophet Habakkuk cries to the Lord, "O Lord, how long shall I cry for help and you will not hear?" That, many times, can be our cry also. Today we will look at God's reply to Habakkuk that ought to give us encouragement and strength. Today we will consider all this in a message entitled, "A Vision Completed at the Right Time."