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.
All Saints' Day (Observed) November 5, 2023

HYMNS 563– 676 – 671 – 507, 762, 673, 677 – 733

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RESPONSE: sing after the 1st Reading at pg. 205 Psalm 149; ♫ *tone C*

Praise the Lord! Sing to the Lord a | new song,
his praise in the assembly of the | godly!
Let Israel be glad in his | Maker;
let the children of Zion rejoice | in their King!
Let them praise his name with | dancing,
making melody to him with tambou- | rine and lyre!
For the Lord takes pleasure in his | people;
he adorns the humble with sal- | vation.
Let the godly exult in | glory;
let them sing for joy | on their beds.

Altar Flowers — Janette Barry — to the Glory of God. ***Reader*** — Phil Lamm. ***Assisting*** — Ken Halbe. ***Crucifer –*** Travis Pennekamp. ***Altar Guild*** — Anna Hollenbeck and Janette Barry. ***Organ*** — Jackie Tieman. ***Last wk*** – attnd, 44; offrg, $2,975.

***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 − 8:30 − 9:15 a.m.; **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. You can view live or any time later our church services and daily devotions by going to: **HopeLutheranChurch GraniteCity,IL–Posts/Facebook.** We also continue to keep our website current: **www.hopelutherangc.org** with information, upcoming events, and manuscripts of our sermons and bulletins. CD audio recordings of each of our services are also available. Arrangements can be made for private communion or a home visit by contacting Pastor.

THIS WEEK AT HOPE: Today following the service will be **Junior Confirmation,** at 2:00 p.m. Pastor will be leading the service at **Eden Retirement Village,** and at 6:00 p.m. is **closing ceremony** for **Forty Days for Life. Tuesday** at 10:00 a.m. is **Bible Study** and at 3:30 p.m. will be **Alcoholics' Anonymous**. **Wednesday** Pastor will be in **Prison Ministry** from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. **Thursday** from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Pastor will be in **Sidewalk Ministry**. Pastor will continue to be posting a **daily devotion** on **Hope's Facebook page**.

LOOKING AHEAD: Return date for Christmas boxes is November 12. November 13 is BUNKO. November 14 is both Social Ministry and Board of Elders. November 15 is We've Been There Group. Our Thanksgiving Eve Service is November 22. November 28 is Voters' Assembly. Advent begins December 6.

COMMEMORATION OF THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED. On this celebration of All Saints' Day, we especially remember the faithful who have departed in the last year: Allen Wuehler, Velman Stark, June Schneider, Clayton Beatty, Jerry Jostes, and Jerry Lakin. Thank you to the Social Ministry Committee for providing flowers in loving memory of these loved ones. Following the service family members are invited to take the flowers home.

CLOSING CEREMONY FOR 40 DAYS FOR LIFE TONIGHT at 6:00 p.m. at the Granite City Abortion Facility. It will be a meaningful close-out to this current campaign with a candle light vigil service. Please make plans to join us.

LAST WEEK FOR OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD. To meet deadlines for shipping Christmas presents to needy children overseas, this is the final week for this project. For those who have taken boxes, please return them by next Sunday, November 12. Monetary donations are also still welcomed to both defray costs to purchase items and for the shipping of the boxes. Thank you to all who are able to help with this providing of a Christmas message and present to a child who otherwise would never receive them.

LUNCH AND BUNKO IS NOVEMBER 13 at 11:30 a.m. A sign-up sheet is on the hallway bulletin board.

OUR NEXT WE'VE BEEN THERE GROUP OUTING will be November 15**.** We will leave from the church at 9:00 a.m. to visit the Arch Museum. There is no cost for this but there are costs if you want to do additional things while there. After that we will go to the Old Spaghetti Factory in Laclede's Landing (your own cost) and then return to church. A sign-up sheet is on the hallway bulletin board.

HELP IS AVAILABLE AS NEEDED. Please don't forget our Care Committee is now again functioning to help you with both one time and reoccurring needs. Please contact Wanda Wuehler, (618-920-1929), Sandy Townzen (618-304-8692), or Pastor as needs arise.

LUTHERAN WITNESS RENEWAL It is that time of year! If you wish to have a subscription to the Lutheran Witness for the coming year, please see Debbie Lamm prior to November 19. Cost is $26.50 which is at a reduced price in going through the Church/District. Also, by purchasing it this way you will also receive the Southern Illinois District insert each month.

PLANS FOR ADVENT: We will once again have an 11:00 a.m. service here each Wednesday at Hope and then be sharing a 7:00 p.m. service with the other two Granite City Lutheran Churches. The theme for the 11:00 a.m. services is "The Clothing of the King", and the theme for the 7:00 p.m. services is "The Coming Of Jesus – As Time Goes By."

THEME FOR THE DAY: Today we have the observance and celebration of All Saints' Day. And to help us with this we look to our assigned Gospel reading – the beatitudes or blessings of Jesus. The setting for this is Jesus' Sermon on the Mount. God has brought together people of all walks of life and all situations; and because of the work of Christ is able to promise present and future blessings to them. And it is with that reality in mind, that we name today specifically those who have died in the past year. Today we will consider all this in a message entitled, "Blessings For All The Ages."