

Lutheran Church of Hope

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*Drawn together by God, celebrating Grace, serving all*

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FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



# Welcome to Worship!

We are glad you are here. May you feel the presence of God with you and in this community as we sing, pray, hear the Word and share in God's communion.

If you would like to share with us your name and connect with us in other ways, there is a visitor card at the back of this bulletin that may be filled out and placed in the offering plate.

## Here's some things it may be helpful to know:

Most of what you need to follow the service is in this bulletin. "ELW" refers to the red hymnal at your seat. If a song is not in the bulletin, it will be in that book.

Our "Pray & Play" area is for our children! We are so glad they are here and rejoice that God gives us many ways to worship, learn and pray. We love their giggles and squirms. Children's coloring pages are available for them. There are books and bibles available for all ages, and kids are encouraged to participate and help with every and any aspect of the service - including reading Scripture and helping with communion! There is also a "Wiggle Room" towards the back of the sanctuary if you need a separate space for your little one where you can still hear the service.



*This Sunday*

*Next Sunday*

**Communion Preparation**

Sharon Starry

Allen Clendaniel

**Fellowship**

Phyllis Rude

**Technical Support**

Megan Bladow

Don Bladow

**Altar Flowers**

In memory of Janeice Amick's mother

WELCOME

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, the God of manna, the God of miracles, the God of mercy.

**Amen.**

Drawn to Christ and seeking God's abundance,  
let us confess our sin.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

God, our provider,

**help us.**

**It is hard to believe there is enough to share.**

**We question your ways when they differ from the ways  
of the world in which we live.**

**We turn to our own understanding  
rather than trusting in you.**

**We take offense at your teachings and your ways.**

**Turn us again to you.**

**Where else can we turn?**

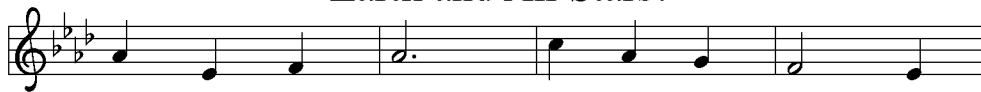
**Share with us the words of eternal life  
and feed us for life in the world.**

**Amen.**

Beloved people of God: in Jesus, the manna from heaven, you are fed and nourished. By Jesus, the worker of miracles, there is always more than enough. Through Jesus, † the bread of life, you are shown God's mercy: you are forgiven and loved into abundant life.

**Amen.**

## Earth and All Stars!



1 Earth and all stars! Loud rush - ing plan - ets!  
 2 Trum - pet and pipes! Loud clash - ing cym - bals!  
 3 En - gines and steel! Loud pound - ing ham - mers!  
 4 Class-rooms and labs! Loud boil - ing test tubes!  
 5 Knowl-edge and truth! Loud sound - ing wis - dom!



Sing to the Lord a new song!  
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Hail, wind, and rain! Loud blow - ing snow - storm!  
 Harp, lute, and lyre! Loud hum - ming cel - los!  
 Lime - stone and beams! Loud build - ing work - ers!  
 Ath - lete and band! Loud cheer - ing peo - ple!  
 Daugh - ter and son! Loud pray - ing mem - bers!



Sing to the Lord a new song!  
 Sing to the Lord a new song!  
 Sing to the Lord a new song!  
 Sing to the Lord a new song!  
 Sing to the Lord a new song!

*Refrain*



God has done mar - vel - ous things.



I too sing prais - es with a new song!

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## CHILDREN'S SERMON

### SCRIPTURE—Ezekiel 17:22-24

<sup>22</sup> Thus says the Lord GOD: I myself will take a sprig  
from the lofty top of the cedar;  
I will set it out.

I will break off a tender shoot  
from the topmost of its young twigs;  
I myself will transplant it  
on a high and lofty mountain.

<sup>23</sup> On the mountain height of Israel  
I will transplant it,  
and it will produce boughs and bear fruit  
and become a noble cedar.

Under it every kind of bird will live;  
in the shade of its branches will nest  
winged creatures of every kind.

<sup>24</sup> All the trees of the field shall know  
that I am the LORD.

I bring low the high tree;  
I make high the low tree;  
I dry up the green tree  
and make the dry tree flourish.

I the LORD have spoken;  
I will accomplish it.

Word of God, Word of Life.

**Thanks be to God.**

### SCRIPTURE — Psalm 130

<sup>1</sup> It is good to give thanks to the LORD,  
to sing praises to your name, O Most High,

<sup>2</sup> **to declare your steadfast love in the morning  
and your faithfulness by night,**

<sup>3</sup> to the music of the lute and the harp,

to the melody of the lyre.

**<sup>4</sup>For you, O LORD, have made me glad by your work;  
at the works of your hands I sing for joy.**

<sup>12</sup>The righteous flourish like the palm tree  
and grow like a cedar in Lebanon.

**<sup>13</sup>They are planted in the house of the LORD;  
they flourish in the courts of our God.**

<sup>14</sup>In old age they still produce fruit;  
they are always green and full of sap,

**<sup>15</sup>showing that the LORD is upright;  
he is my rock, and there is no unrighteousness in him.  
in your word is my hope.**

#### SCRIPTURE — 2 Corinthians 5:6-10

<sup>6</sup>So we are always confident, even though we know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord— <sup>7</sup>for we walk by faith, not by sight. <sup>8</sup>Yes, we do have confidence, and we would rather be away from the body and at home with the Lord. <sup>9</sup>So whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to be pleasing to him. <sup>10</sup>For all of us must appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each may receive due recompense for actions done in the body, whether good or evil.

Word of God, Word of Life.  
**Thanks be to God.**

#### SCRIPTURE — Mark 3:20-35

<sup>26</sup>He also said, “The kingdom of God is as if someone would scatter seed on the ground <sup>27</sup>and would sleep and rise night and day, and the seed would

sprout and grow, he does not know how. 28 The earth produces of itself first the stalk, then the head, then the full grain in the head. 29 But when the grain is ripe, at once he goes in with his sickle because the harvest has come.” 30 He also said, “With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable will we use for it? 31 It is like a mustard seed, which, when sown upon the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth, 32 yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes the greatest of all shrubs and puts forth large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade.” 33 With many such parables he spoke the word to them as they were able to hear it; 34 he did not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything in private to his disciples.

Word of God, Word of Life.  
**Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

Pastor Liz

HYMN

ELW 512

### Lord, Let My Heart Be Good Soil

Lord, let my heart be good soil, o-pen to the seed of your word.

Lord, let my heart be good soil, where love can grow and peace is un-der-stood.

When my heart is hard, break the stone a - way. When my heart is cold,

warm it with the day. When my heart is lost, lead me on your way.

Lord, let my heart, Lord, let my heart, Lord, let my heart be good soil.

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Lord in your mercy.  
Hear our prayer.

## SHARING OF THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you always.  
And also with you!

## OFFERING

*On the back of this bulletin you will find a tear-off sheet for you to fill out your information if you are visiting, or if you would like to submit a prayer request. All prayers are private unless you indicate otherwise. Please place the sheet in the offering.*

## OFFERTORY

### Yours, Lord, Is the Glory

ELW 849



*Tu - ya es la glo - ria, la hon - ra tam - bién;*  
1 Yours, Lord, is the glo - ry, and hon - or as well;  
2 Yours, Lord, the do - min - ions, and pow - er as well;  
3 To you I sur - ren - der my be - ing, my life;  
4 Glo - ry in the high - est, and on earth as well.



*tu - ya pa - ra siem - pre. A - mén, a - mén.*  
yours, Lord, now and al - ways.  
yours, Lord, now and al - ways.  
all, Lord, I sur - ren - der. A - men, a - men.  
Glo - ry, al - le - lu - ia.

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## OFFERING PRAYER

Jesus, Bread of life, you have set this table with your very self, and called us to the feast of plenty. Gather what has been sown among us, and strengthen us in this meal. Make us to be what we receive here, your body for the life of the world. **Amen.**



## EUCCHARIST PRAYER

Blessed are you, O God of the universe.  
Your mercy is everlasting and your faithfulness endures from age to age.  
Praise to you for creating the heavens and the earth.  
Praise to you for saving the earth from the waters of the flood.  
Praise to you for bringing the Israelites safely through the sea.  
Praise to you for leading your people through the wilderness  
to the land of milk and honey.  
Praise to you for the words and deeds of Jesus, your anointed one.  
Praise to you for the death and resurrection of Christ.  
Praise to you for your Spirit poured out on all nations.

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.

With this bread and cup  
we remember our Lord's passover from death to life  
as we proclaim the mystery of faith:  
**Christ has died.**  
**Christ is risen.**  
**Christ will come again.**

O God of resurrection and new life:  
Pour out your Holy Spirit on us  
and on these gifts of bread and wine.  
Bless this feast.  
Grace our table with your presence.  
**Come, Holy Spirit.**

Reveal yourself to us in the breaking of the bread.  
Raise us up as the body of Christ for the world.  
Breathe new life into us.  
Send us forth,  
burning with justice, peace, and love.  
**Come, Holy Spirit.**

With your holy ones of all times and places,  
with the earth and all its creatures,  
with sun and moon and stars,  
we praise you, O God,  
blessed and holy Trinity,  
now and forever.  
**Amen.**

#### **LORD'S PRAYER**

**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.**

## All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly



- 1 All who hun-ger, gath-er glad-ly; ho-ly man-na is our bread.  
 2 All who hun-ger, nev-er strang-ers; seek-er, be a wel-come guest.  
 3 All who hun-ger, sing to- geth-er, Je- sus Christ is liv- ing bread.



Come from wil-der-ness and wan-d'ring. Here in truth we will be fed.  
 Come from rest-less-ness and roam-ing. Here in joy we keep the feast.  
 Come from lone-li-ness and long-ing. Here in peace we have been fed.



You that yearn for days of full-ness, all a-round us is our food.  
 We that once were lost and scat-tered in com-mu-nion's love have stood.  
 Blest are those who from this ta-ble live their days in grat-i-tude.



Taste and see the grace e-ter-nal. Taste and see that God is good.  
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## As Rivers Flow from a Distant Spring



1 As riv - ers flow from a dis - tant spring  
 2 As trees rise up from the for - est floor  
 3 As woods make shel - ter with - in its shade  
 4 So let us praise you, Cre - a - tor God,



to quench our thirst and feed the earth,  
 by roots that feed each limb a - bove,  
 for beasts to feed and birds to nest,  
 for worlds that wit - ness to your care,



so let our lives flow from you, our Source,  
 so let our lives rise in praise to you  
 so let our lives be a shel - tered space,  
 that show your pres - ence in ev - 'ry place,



to coun - ter death and nur - ture birth.  
 from hearts we root in your deep love.  
 a ref - uge for the worn to rest.  
 your glo - ry shin - ing ev - 'ry - where.

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## BLESSING

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **Amen.**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

## BENEDICTION

The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us,  
✠ be upon you now and forever. **Amen.**

## SENDING HYMN

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## DISMISSAL

Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.  
**Thanks be to God.**

# Build Us Up, Lord

1 Build us up, Lord, build us up; set in  
 2 Build us up, Lord, build us up; let our

us a strong foun - da - tion. Lead us to do your  
 lives re - flect your glo - ry. Cast a - way all our

ho - ly will; form and shape your new cre - a - tion.  
 doubts and fears; help us tell the world your sto - ry.

Build us up, Lord, build us up; as we  
 Build us up, Lord, build us up; help us

guide and teach each oth - er, help us to share your love with the  
 bear good fruit for you, Lord, give us vi - sion and keep us

world: ev - 'ry sis - ter, ev - 'ry broth - er.  
 sure. Grant us faith that's stead - fast and true.

*Refrain*

Grow - ing in Christ, we plant seeds for the king - dom; we fol - low in  
 faith what's be - gun! Lord, set in our hearts the pow'r of your  
 word to spread the news of your Son!

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# welcome

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

I am a...

- First Time Visitor
- Regular Visitor
- Church Member
- In Need of Prayer

I would like to...

- receive the Weekly News email
- receive the monthly Newsletter
- learn how to get involved
- receive a call from Pastor Liz



## PRAYER REQUEST

Please place this tab in the offering plate.

## CALENDAR

*Lutheran Church of Hope events are in **bold***

### SUNDAY, JUNE 16

- **8:30 AM—Bible Study**
- **10 AM—Worship with Holy Communion**
- 2 PM—Christian Worship Center

### MONDAY, JUNE 17 *Office Hours 1-5 PM*

- 6 PM—Sit Stay Play AK

### TUESDAY, JUNE 18 *Office Hours 1-5 PM*

- 4:30 PM—Mobile Food Pantry
- 7 PM—Plus 24 AA
- 7 PM—Shoulder to Shoulder Al Anon

### WEDNESDAY, JUNE 19 *Office Hours 1-5 PM*

### THURSDAY, JUNE 20 *Office Hours 1-5 PM*

- **5:00pm—Summer Solstice Weed & Feed**
- 6:30 PM—Overeaters Anonymous

### FRIDAY, JUNE 21

- 6 PM—Sit Stay Play AK

### SATURDAY, JUNE 22

- 12 PM—United Church of God
- 5 PM—Christian Worship Center

### SUNDAY, JUNE 13

- **8:30 AM—Bible Study**
- **10 AM—Worship With Holy Communion**
- 2 PM—Christian Worship Center

I would like a call from  
Pastor Liz  
June 9, 2024