

In the midst of all the doom and gloom, oh no! everyone is going to die and in the midst of all the fear caused by this latest opening of one of the seven seals (at least we'd like to go there) with the disease de jour because there is so much we don't understand about it, is there any hope and boldness in Christ out there?



It is written, Matt. 28:20... "remember, I am with you always until the end of the age."

Again it is written, Hebrews 13:5 "I will never leave you or desert you." ⁶And so we have the courage to say: "The Lord is my Help. I will not be afraid. What can man do to me?"

In our lesson from the Ascension Paul by the Holy Spirit says, Ephesians 1:19 "the same mighty power ²⁰with which He worked in Christ, raised Him from the dead, and made Him sit at His right in heaven, ²¹above all rulers, authorities, powers, lords, and any name that can be mentioned, not only in this world but also in the next. ²² And He put everything under His feet, and gave Him as the Head of everything to the church,..."

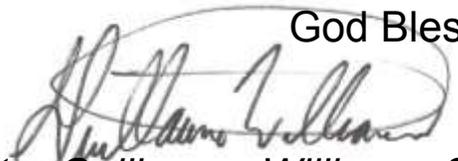
Our LORD Jesus Christ, is with us always and the Father has placed everything, everything, including covid-19, Democrats, Republicans, the Chinese, the Russians, 5G, Hydra, the New World Order and including Satan, the Antichrist and all their forces, everything under Jesus' feet. There is nothing that is not under his power and authority. Why are we so afraid?

Paul by the Holy Spirit has written in Romans 8:31 "If God is for us, who can be against us? ³²He didn't spare His own Son but gave Him up for all of us -- He will certainly with Him give us everything." And again he says, ³⁸ "I'm convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor rulers, nothing now nor in the future, no powers, ³⁹ nothing above or below, nor any other creature can ever separate us from the love God has for us in Christ Jesus our Lord."

Yet, why we act like unbelieving, hardheaded, stiff-necked Israelites who complained in the wilderness, “Is the LORD among us or not?” (Ex. 17:7)

While we should not put the LORD to the test and should take the headline de jour seriously and not foolishly, we should not fear, we should not be afraid. We should not strike out at people who we think aren’t taking something seriously like we’re taking it seriously. Let us rather commend ourselves and one another to the LORD in prayer believing those passages I started with. Such words of our LORD should strengthen our spirits and our hearts.

God Bless!



Pastor Guillaume Williams, Sr.

FROM OUR ELDERS

Greetings from your Board of Elders.

I pray that this message finds everyone doing well. While we are still operating on some limitations, we will resume services inside the sanctuary on June 7, 2020. Service will be at 10:00 am. We request that you only sit in the pews that are not restricted. One family unit per pew whenever possible, but maintain at least 6 (six) feet distance between you and another family, if sharing a pew. Fellowship and Sunday School/Bible class is still suspended at least through June.

The Elders encourage everyone to participate in pastor’s Wednesday morning Bible study. This Bible study is available on Zoom at 10:00 am. Study guidelines are available on Hope Lutheran’s website a few days prior to the class.

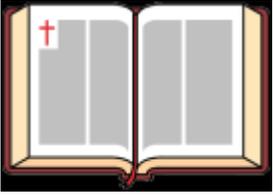
Let’s all celebrate the return to worship in the sanctuary by attending the June 7, 2020 service and all weekly services following.

Yours in Christ, your Board of Elders
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BIBLE STUDIES



Sunday's Bible Study Classes – Pastor is working on a possible online option, but until we can get that worked out, they are cancelled till social distancing restrictions are lifted.

Weekday Bible Study Classes – Join us online on Zoom Wednesday mornings at 10 am for a 40 minute bible study on The Psalms of Lament. You will need to download Zoom onto your computer or smartphone. Just click on the link that Pastor sent out in an email and follow the directions. If you did not receive an email attention, please call the church office so we can email you a invitation with all the credentials. Or you can access it through our Facebook event page or our website.

DRIVE IN SERVICES on STANDBY

We are moving services inside but know that we may go back to drive in services if the situation warrants. If you are not ready to move inside then you are welcome to listen from the parking lot as we have been broadcasting our indoor services to the parking lot for years and will continue to do so.

Thank you to Debbie Thompson and the Williams Family for all their hard work on the modified drive in services! It was greatly appreciated by many.



JULY VOTER'S MEETING

Due to all the changes and social distancing, our congregational president is determining if we need to hold a July Voter's Meeting. We cancelled the April meeting due to the stay at home order and the July meeting is to be a business meeting only with Treasurer's report and any actional items from boards and committee's.

All Boards and Committee's are asked to submit their items that need voter's approval to Don Hunkeler no later than July 10th.

ALL reports from the boards and committee's will be published in the August Newsletter and *must be submitted to the congregational secretary (currently also the church secretary) no later than Sunday, June 21, 2020.*

2020 FELLOWSHIP

Do you have an idea for an event/activity for us? Just let the church office know and we will put it on the calendar.

We still need someone to chair this committee. This committee is in charge of helping organize all fellowship activities and potluck's at Hope Chapel. They also help get volunteers to pick up donuts and make coffee for Sunday Fellowship. If you are interested in chairing this committee, please let Pastor, Don Hunkeler, or Kathy Heinemann know.

BUDGET INFORMATION

FYI – to keep in mind our 2020 Budgeted weekly amount is \$3,430.87.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Service Type</u>	<u>Total Offerings</u>	<u>Total Attend.</u>
April 26 2020	Sunday	\$ 2,085.00	39
May 3 2020	Sunday	\$ 1,940.00	45
May 10 2020	Sunday	\$ 2,560.00	47
May 17 2020	Sunday	\$ 1,700.00	57
May 24 2020	Sunday	\$ 1,873.51	45

PRAYER CHAIN

PRAY *for one*
another
James 5:16

To place a prayer request on the prayer chain, please call the coordinator, Doris Meyer at 346-7681 or 434-6633. If you cannot reach Doris, call the church office at 348-2108 or Pastor Williams. All the participants are appreciated and more are certainly welcome to join. Just sign the sheet in the narthex or call

Doris or the Church office. Prayer changes things. Thanks be to God!

In His Name we pray,

Doris Meyer, 346-7681

If you CAN NOT reach Doris, call the church office, 348-2108.

STEWARDSHIP



The sin of the world is paid for. God's Law has been kept perfectly on our behalf. The prophecies have all been fulfilled. Jesus Christ has finished it all! And that, dear Christians, should fill us with complete confidence in our salvation. Since Jesus has finished all these things in

His self-sacrifice, we can be fully certain our sins are forgiven, and we have everlasting life!

St. Paul wrote: "I appeal to you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship." (Rom. 12:1)

We hear the same teaching in 1 Peter. "As you come to him, a living stone, rejected by men but in the sight of God chosen and precious, you yourselves, like living stones, are being built up as a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ." (1 Peter 2:4-5)

It's the very thing Malachi foretold of the Lord, that He would come and purify His priestly people, that they may offer to Him an offering in righteousness. (Mal. 3:3)

So, what does this mean? In view of God's mercies – that is, because Jesus sacrificed Himself to make us pure, giving His entire self into death – Paul said that

we are to sacrifice ourselves entirely to God, offering Him our whole lives. For our Savior did not give Himself for us in part. So, we do not give back to Him in part.

We don't offer ourselves to God just on Sunday mornings or Wednesday evenings, for example. Rather, we give Him our whole selves, all the time. We understand that offering ourselves to God as living sacrifices involves the giving of our time. It requires us to be faithful stewards of the time He has given us. Yes, it means we devote to our Savior all our time. Otherwise we are not sacrificing our whole lives.

You see, God both teaches us, and has graciously qualified us, to present ourselves to Him as living sacrifices – to live as His holy priests, who offer Him acceptable sacrifices through Jesus Christ, all day, every day, in our various callings.

In the passages from Romans and 1 Peter, we hear several examples of Christian self-sacrifice: serving, teaching, encouraging, giving, leading, showing mercy, living peaceably with others, submitting to governing authorities and those over us in the workplace, wives submitting to husbands, husbands honoring wives, showing compassion, and suffering patiently in doing good.

In all these things, and in all our other everyday activities, we sacrifice ourselves by using our time, not just for our own benefit, but also and especially for the well-being of others. Work time, school time, exercise time, study time, mealtime, chore time, recreation and relaxation time, even sleep time – it's all God's gift to us to use for purposes that please and honor Him.

This challenges us to think about the way we spend our time, how we utilize our talents, and the way we spend our treasures. Whatever it is I'm doing, am I doing it "for the Lord"? (Col. 3:23) Am I presenting God a living sacrifice? Am I conducting myself as a holy priest, whose sacrifice is acceptable to God?

Because our Lord sacrificed Himself wholly for us, we offer ourselves wholly to Him as living sacrifices. This is following Jesus in self-sacrifice. By His saving mercy, yes, our sacrifice is acceptable to God. For the sake of Jesus' finished work, God is pleased with us.

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LATEST SERVICE/PROCEDURE CHANGES

We have made many changes to our way of doing things to accommodate the possibility of contagion. As the government revises its guidelines/restrictions we will be revising ours as well so please stay tuned.

Please remember to sign the fellowship book at the end of the pew if you are taking communion. This helps us in many ways. Mainly so we can all worship and not worry about who is or isn't present at worship and why. If you are worried about being "tracked", we do not provide your attendance to anyone. It is strictly for statistics and to help the Elders determine if there is an issue that we can help with. Thank you for your help in this!

From our Board of Elders, President, and Pastor:

On June 2nd Pastor, the Elders and the President of the congregation met to discuss reopening. We decided to reopen the Church for worship June 7th.

Here are the guidelines for worship.

- Do not congregate in the Narthex.
- An usher will hand you the bulletin with a mask on.
- An usher will usher you to your seat. There are closed pews and open pews designating 6' social distancing between pews.
- There will be a 6' spacer in each pew to insure social distancing between family units in a pew.
- There will be no hymnals in the pews. Everything will be in the bulletin you need for worship.
- The offering will be collected after the service in plates in the back of the church.
- The ushers will dismiss each pew after the service. Please do not congregate in the narthex but leave the building after being dismissed.
- If you have business in the church after service i.e. counters, altar guild, let the ushers know and remain in your pew until everyone else leaves.
- Try not to touch things in the church.

During Communion

- Pastor will call up each pew to receive the Lord's Supper starting with the pulpit side.

- As each row comes up make sure you keep 6' between you and the family unit in front of you.
- We are planning on up to 2 family units at the altar rail. One unit should go to the wall, the other stay towards the center. Keep an eye on pastor for directions.
- Pastor will wash his hands before the distribution. He will use hand sanitizer between tables.
- The elders will wipe off altar rail between pews coming up.
- After communion return to your seats for the rest of worship

If you don't feel comfortable coming inside yet, the service will still be broadcast to the parking lot and you can listen to it outside or you may watch it livestream on our Facebook page.

Fellowship – Will resume when restrictions are lifted.

Sunday School – Will resume when restrictions are lifted.

Sunday Bible Study - Will resume when restrictions are lifted.

Weekday Bible Study – Will continue to be online via the above instructions until notice is given by Pastor.

Lambs of Hope – LOH has been continuing to constantly deep clean all toys and surfaces that the children touch. This has always been done, but it is done a lot more frequently now. Before each child is let into the building their temperature is taken and child is not allowed to stay if elevated. Parents are only allowed just inside the door. These are just a few of the steps the ladies are taking to keep themselves and the kiddo's safe.

OBSC and Sokoll Building – The OBSC is only open to curbside pickup of meals. Some seniors are choosing to eat in their cars with their windows down so they can chat with each other. Otherwise, only employees and select volunteers are allowed in the building. Due to this, Kari is only cleaning over there 1x a week and it usually is on the weekend. At this time Aging Best is planning on reopening congregational meals and activities in Phase 3 of the Governor's plan to reopen Missouri. At this time the Sokoll Building is not being rented so there is no concern over cleaning it at this time. We will address when it comes up.

LWML Ladies Guild News



we are planning an outing to one of the wineries this month. As soon as details are finalized they will be in the bulletin. We normally do not have meetings in the summer, but I believe we will need to have one sometime in July. When it is confirmed, it will be in the July newsletter. And don't forget – Gift Cards are still available for sale.

If you have any questions, call 573-348-2108 or email office@hopelutheranchapel.org

The Missouri District LWML Convention has been modified to be online only. Voting will still be accomplished via a website platform.

Spring Rummage Sale will be announced – more information to follow as soon as we have it. Sonja Howard and Joyce Trost will host it, please let one of them know if you have items you wish to donate. Clothes are ok, but they really do not sell as well as other items.

HELP WANTED!!

Want to share your gifts? Have a chat with your Elder, Don Hunkeler, Pastor, or church secretary! Many roles/opportunities are available.

VBS

The Board of Education is looking for a volunteer to coordinate VBS this year. Don't worry, you will have help! Please contact Debbie Thompson or the church office if you are interested.

SURVIVING COVID-19

From CDC Website:

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/prevent-getting-sick/prevention.html>

Know how it spreads

- There is currently no vaccine to prevent coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19).
- The best way to prevent illness is to avoid being exposed to this virus.
- The virus is thought to [spread mainly from person-to-person](#).
 - Between people who are in close contact with one another (within about 6 feet).
 - Through respiratory droplets produced when an infected person coughs, sneezes or talks.
 - These droplets can land in the mouths or noses of people who are nearby or possibly be inhaled into the lungs.
 - Some recent studies have suggested that COVID-19 may be spread by people who are not showing symptoms.

Everyone Should Wash your hands often

- [Wash your hands](#) often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds especially after you have been in a public place, or after blowing your nose, coughing, or sneezing.
- If soap and water are not readily available, **use a hand sanitizer that contains at least 60% alcohol**. Cover all surfaces of your hands and rub them together until they feel dry.
- **Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth** with unwashed hands.

Avoid close contact

- **Avoid close contact with people who are sick, even inside your home**. If possible, maintain 6 feet between the person who is sick and other household members.
- **Put distance between yourself and other people outside of your home**.
 - Remember that some people without symptoms may be able to spread virus.
 - [Stay at least 6 feet \(about 2 arms' length\) from other people](#).
 - Do not gather in groups.
 - Stay out of crowded places and avoid mass gatherings.

- Keeping distance from others is especially important for [people who are at higher risk of getting very sick](#).

Cover your mouth and nose with a cloth face cover when around others

- You could spread COVID-19 to others even if you do not feel sick.
- Everyone should wear a [cloth face cover](#) when they have to go out in public, for example to the grocery store or to pick up other necessities.
 - Cloth face coverings should not be placed on young children under age 2, anyone who has trouble breathing, or is unconscious, incapacitated or otherwise unable to remove the mask without assistance.
- The cloth face cover is meant to protect other people in case you are infected.
- Do NOT use a facemask meant for a healthcare worker.
- Continue to keep about 6 feet between yourself and others. The cloth face cover is not a substitute for social distancing.

Cover coughs and sneezes

- **If you are in a private setting and do not have on your cloth face covering, remember to always cover your mouth and nose** with a tissue when you cough or sneeze or use the inside of your elbow.
- **Throw used tissues** in the trash.
- Immediately **wash your hands** with soap and water for at least 20 seconds. If soap and water are not readily available, clean your hands with a hand sanitizer that contains at least 60% alcohol.

Clean and disinfect

- **Clean AND disinfect frequently touched surfaces daily.** This includes tables, doorknobs, light switches, countertops, handles, desks, phones, keyboards, toilets, faucets, and sinks.
- **If surfaces are dirty, clean them.** Use detergent or soap and water prior to disinfection.
- **Then, use a household disinfectant.** Most common EPA-registered household disinfectants will work.

Monitor Your Health

- **Be alert for symptoms.** Watch for fever, cough, shortness of breath, or [other symptoms](#) of COVID-19.

- Especially important if you are [running essential errands](#), going into the office or workplace, and in settings where it may be difficult to keep a [physical distance of 6 feet](#).
- **Take your temperature** if symptoms develop.
 - Don't take your temperature within 30 minutes of exercising or after taking medications that could lower your temperature, like acetaminophen.
- Follow [CDC guidance](#) if symptoms develop.

The CDC says: Cloth face coverings should—

- fit snugly but comfortably against the side of the face
- be secured with ties or ear loops
- include multiple layers of fabric
- allow for breathing without restriction
- be able to be laundered and machine dried without damage or change to shape

Tired of your cooking? Call your favorite restaurant and see if they are still offering curbside pickup and sometimes delivery.

www.fema.gov and www.usa.gov/coronavirus are great resources for facts about the pandemic. There are so many rumors about the virus so please be careful who you are listening to.



FROM THE CHURCH SECRETARY

FLOWER CHART!



Find your special date to donate flowers for the Altar while the selection is good. Sign up early and often. The cost of flowers is \$26 per Sunday and you just need to put the money in the offering plate marked “Altar Flowers”.

MISC WOOD PROJECTS

We have a few small woodworking projects that we are looking for 1 – 2 volunteers to help with.

Contact the church office for more measurements.

1. Shelf above TV in Large Fellowship hall so VCR & DVD player are not sitting right on top.
 - a. Preferably a $\frac{1}{2}$ - $\frac{3}{4}$ shelf so the cords can be free and air can circulate.
2. Shelf in counter’s cabinet above the current top shelf.
 - a. Approximately 5” from top – just low enough to hold the basket with the book.
 - b. Can be a $\frac{3}{4}$ deep shelf.
3. Stand for the CD player and sound board in overflow. Would like a couple of shelves below for storage. See secretary for exact dimensions needed.

Collections requested:

“infant items” – for Swaddling Clothes mission

“Cancelled stamps” – for missions (LWML)

“Money-off coupons – no expiration date” - for Concordia Seminary Food Bank (LWML)

“Portals of Prayer” – Prison Ministries (LWML)

“Empty Inkjet Cartridges” – Offset office supplies & Habitat for Humanity

Office Secretary Hours for June

Monday thru Friday - 8 am to 12 pm.

New Article/Bulletin Deadlines:

Newsletter Articles – 2nd to last Sunday of the Month

Bulletin Notes – Wednesdays at 9 am



WARNING: Articles not received by their deadline will not be included.

Articles for the church newsletter, “The Anchor,” or notices for the bulletins, may be put in the in-box on the church secretary’s desk or sent by e-mail to: office@hopelutheranchapel.org

God

**grant me the Serenity to accept the things I cannot change,
the Courage to change the things I can,
and the Wisdom to know the difference;**

**Living one day at a time;
Accepting hardship as a pathway to peace;
Taking, as Jesus did, this sinful world as it is,
not as I would have it:**

**Trusting that you will make all things right
if I surrender to your will;
that I may be reasonably happy in this life
and supremely happy with you forever in the next.**

CANS FOR CHARITY PROGRAM

Just drop your aluminum (soda) cans in the small dumpster that is located at the top of the upper driveway and we will turn them in for \$\$ that will be used to help those in need locally and world wide. We also still have the smaller trash can in the drive in kitchen available to deposit your cans.



JUNE WORSHIP SERVICE OPTIONS

Radio – you can listen to an abbreviated service on your radio on Sundays from 8:30 – 9:00 am on KRMS 1150 AM and 97.5 FM Radio (If you tune in at 8 am you will hear Christ the King - Lake Ozark service). It will be a week behind the live service so if you tune in on April 5th, you will hear March 29th's service.

Website – Our website: www.hopelutheranchapel.org will have previous sermon's and a recording of the last couple of services. Sunday's service won't be posted until that afternoon or evening. The video is actually on YouTube, but it is much easier to access it through our website.

Facebook - If you haven't already saved our page to your favorites, just search for #HopeChapelOBMO and you will find us. Pastor will be live streaming the service on Sunday at 10 am and it will be saved so you can view it later.

Congregate – We are moving to Modified Indoor Services with modified communion. Social Distancing guidelines do apply. More information under "Latest Service/Procedure Changes". If you are not comfortable coming inside still, you are welcome to listen in your car. *Going forward bulletins will only be mailed to local shut in's and upon request. If you would like to continue to receive the bulletin via email, please let the church secretary know.*

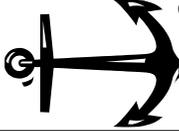
Daily Devotions

Our Pastor publishes daily devotions on our website, facebook, twitter, and linkedin.

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Service Schedule

11 a.m. Fellowship
11:20 a.m. Sunday School / Adult Bible Study
10 a.m. Communion / Worship Service
Sunday Communion with Cup
Sunday Communion with Cup
Communion 5th Sunday (Common Cup only)

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June 2020