

Fifth Sunday in Lent

March 26, 2023 10 am

We don't change the message, the message changes us



Please sign Fellowship Book today.

**If you wish to continue to wear a mask during service,
we encourage you to do so until you feel comfortable.**

Hope Lutheran Chapel

5709 Osage Beach Parkway, Osage Beach, MO 65065
Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod

10 a.m. Indoor Communion Worship Service
11:00 a.m. Fellowship
11:20 a.m. Sunday School/Adult Bible Study

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WE WELCOME you in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. You are invited to open your heart to God's Word in Scripture, Sermon, and Song. Please sign our Record of Fellowship at each end of the open pews. **You are Always welcome here – this is your Father's House!** As we worship, we stand for some parts of the Liturgy. However, please feel free to remain seated if you prefer.

**LARGE PRINT BULLETINS ARE AVAILABLE.
PLEASE ASK THE USHER IF YOU NEED ONE.**

A cry room is available for fussy babies.

God Bless your worship with us!



Hope Lutheran Chapel Communion Statement: If you are a confirmed member in good standing of a LCMS or an AALC congregation, are repentant of your sins, and believe Jesus gives you His true body and blood for the forgiveness of your sins in the Lord's Supper, you are welcome to commune with us today. (I Cor. 11:17-32) For Lutherans, receiving the Lord's Supper, is an action of the celebrating community, signifying a oneness in faith, life, and worship of the community. (I Cor. 10:14-22, 11:18-19, 26; Eph. 4:2-6) If you are a visitor from another Christian Church body or other faith, we welcome you to our service. As a sad consequence of the divisions in Christianity we cannot extend to you a general invitation to the Lord's Supper. Reception of the Lord's Supper by Christians not fully united with us would imply a oneness which does not yet exist, and for which we must all pray. If you are a visitor and not sure whether or not you should commune, please speak with the Pastor, Elder, or Usher before the service.

Communion Note: For those who need assistance with the cup please hold out your hand and the Elder will hand it to you. Please place cup in buckets at end of rail when finished.

SANITIZER/WIPES ARE LOCATED AT THE END OF AISLE FOR THE HAND RAILS. Trashcans for wipes are at end of ramp.

If it is difficult for you to kneel at the rail, please feel free to remain standing.

ORGAN PRELUDE

Opening Hymn ~ *My Song Is Love Unknown*

LSB 430 v. 1-3

- 1 My song is love unknown,
My Savior's love to me,
Love to the loveless shown
That they might lovely be.
Oh, who am I
That for my sake
My Lord should take
Frail flesh and die?
- 2 He came from His blest throne
Salvation to bestow;
But men made strange, and none
The longed-for Christ would know.
But, oh, my friend,
- 3 My friend indeed,
Who at my need
His life did spend!
- 3 Sometimes they strew His way
And His sweet praises sing;
Resounding all the day
Hosannas to their King.
Then "Crucify!"
Is all their breath,
And for His death
They thirst and cry.

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DIVINE SERVICE - Setting Four

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The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

Stand

Confession and Absolution

P In the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C who made heaven and earth.

P If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

C But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.

P Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

C Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.

P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Service of the Word

Introit

Ps. 116:1-4, 8; antiphon: Ps. 116:15

P Precious in the sight of the LORD

C is the death of his saints.

P I love the LORD, because he has heard

C my voice and my pleas for mercy.

P Because he inclined his ear to me,

C therefore I will call on him as long as I live.

P The snares of death encompassed me; the pangs of Sheol laid hold on me;

C I suffered distress and anguish.

P Then I called on the name of the LORD:

C "O LORD, I pray, deliver my soul!"

P For you have delivered my soul from death,

C my eyes from tears, my feet from stumbling.

All: Glory be to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning,
is now, and will be forever. Amen.

P When he calls to me, I will answer him; I will be with him in trouble;

C I will rescue him and honor him.

P With long life I will satisfy him

C and show him my salvation.

Kyrie



C Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer - cy; Lord, have mer - cy.

Hymn of Praise (replaces Gloria in Excelsis)

The Royal Banners Forward Go

LSB 455

- 1 The royal banners forward go;
The cross shows forth redemption's flow,
Where He, by whom our flesh was made,
Our ransom in His flesh has paid:
- 2 Where deep for us the spear was dyed,
Life's torrent rushing from His side,
To wash us in the precious flood
Where flowed the water and the blood.
- 3 Fulfilled is all that David told
In sure prophetic song of old,
That God the nations' king should be
And reign in triumph from the tree,
- 4 On whose hard arms, so widely flung,
The weight of this world's ransom hung,
The price of humankind to pay
And spoil the spoiler of his prey.
- 5 O tree of beauty, tree most fair,
Ordained those holy limbs to bear:
Gone is thy shame, each crimsoned bough
Proclaims the King of Glory now.
- △ 6 To Thee, eternal Three in One,
Let homage meet by all be done;
As by the cross Thou dost restore,
So guide and keep us evermore.
Amen.

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Collect of the Day

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P The Lord be with you.

G And also with you.

P Let us pray.

Almighty God, by Your great goodness mercifully look upon Your people that we may be governed and preserved evermore in body and soul; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

G Amen.

Sit

Jesus Christ Is the Resurrection and the Life

Ezekiel 37:1–14 ~ Romans 8:1–11 ~ John 11:1–45 (46–53) or John 11:17–27, 38–53

The illness and death of Lazarus happened *“that the Son of God may be glorified through it”* (John 11:4). Jesus' miracle of raising Lazarus prompted His arrest and crucifixion, whereby He would die *“for the nation”* and gather *“into one the children of God who are scattered abroad”* (John 11:51–52). As He called Lazarus from the tomb and commanded others to *“unbind him, and let him go”* (John 11:44), Jesus also calls us and releases us from the bondage of sin and death. We would not *“submit to God's law,”* nor could we *“please God”* (Rom. 8:7–8), but *“he condemned sin”* in His own flesh so *“that the righteous requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us”* (Rom. 8:3–4). Now through the Gospel, *“the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells”* in us (Rom. 8:11). His Word breathes His Spirit

into our mortal flesh, animating us with His own life. As His ministers preach according to His divine command, the Lord Jesus calls us from the grave into the good land that He gives us (Ezek. 37:12, 14).

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Ezekiel 37:1–14

The LORD laid His hand on me and by His Spirit took me out and put me down in the middle of a valley that was full of bones. He led me past them all around. There were a great number lying on the floor of the valley, and they were very dry. “Son of man,” He asked me. “can these bones become alive?” “Lord GOD,” I answered, “You know.” “Prophecy about these bones,” He told me, “and say to them: ‘Dry bones, listen to what the LORD says. The Lord GOD says this to these bones: I will make *breath* enter into you, and you will *live*. I will put sinews on you, have flesh come on you, cover you with skin, and *put breath in you* so you will live and know I am the LORD.’” I prophesied as I was ordered, and as I prophesied, there was a noise and a rustling as the bones came together, one bone to another. I saw sinews coming on them. Flesh came on them, and skin covered them, but there was no breath in them. “Prophecy to the breath,” He told me. “Prophecy, son of man, and tell the breath, ‘The Lord GOD says this: Come from the *four winds*, *O breath*, and breathe on these slain people so they will *live*.’” So I prophesied as He ordered me, and *breath entered into them* and they stood on their feet—a very great army. “Son of man,” He said to me, “these bones are all the people of Israel. They are saying, ‘Our bones are dry, and we've lost all hope. We're completely cut off.’ So prophesy and tell them, ‘The Lord GOD says this: I will open your graves and raise you out of them, O My people, and bring you to the land of Israel. Then you will know I am the LORD when I open your graves and raise you out of your graves, O My people. I will *put My Spirit in you* so you will *live*, and I will settle you in your own land. Then you will know I the LORD said it and I did it, says the LORD.’”

P This is the Word of the Lord.

G Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE LESSON

Romans 8:1–11

So those who are believers in Christ Jesus can no longer be condemned. The rule of the Spirit, who gives life, has in Christ Jesus freed you from the rule of sin that kills. What the Law, weakened by the flesh, could not do God has done by sending His Son to be like sinful flesh and to be a sacrifice for sin. He condemned sin in the flesh so that we who don't follow the flesh but the spirit will be as righteous as the Law demands. Those who follow the flesh have their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who follow the spirit have their minds on the things of the spirit. What the flesh thinks kills; what the spirit thinks gives life and peace. This is so because the fleshly mind hates God. It refuses to obey God's Law because it can't obey it. Those who are in the flesh can't

please God. You are not in the flesh but in the spirit if God's Spirit lives in you. But anyone who doesn't have the Spirit of Christ doesn't belong to Him. But if Christ is in you, even though your bodies are dead because you were sinful, your spirits are alive because you are righteous. And if the Spirit of Him Who raised Jesus from the dead lives in you, He Who raised Christ Jesus from the dead will also make your dying bodies alive by His Spirit living in you.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

Tract for Lent 5

P “Greatly have they afflicted me from my youth”—

C let Israel now say—

P “Greatly have they afflicted me from my youth,

C yet they have not prevailed against me.

P The plowers plowed upon my back;

C they made long their furrows.”

P The LORD is righteous;

C he has cut the cords of the wicked.

HOLY GOSPEL LESSON

John 11:1-45 (46-53)

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the eleventh chapter.

C Glory to You, O Lord.

Then Lazarus was sick. He was in Bethany, the village where Mary and her sister Martha were living. Mary was the one who poured perfume on the Lord and wiped His feet with her hair. It was her brother Lazarus who was sick. So the sisters sent someone to tell Jesus, “Lord, the one You love is sick.” When Jesus heard it, He said, “The purpose of this sickness isn't death but to show God's glory: it is to glorify God's Son.”

Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus. Now, when He heard Lazarus was sick, He stayed two days where He was. After that He said to His disciples, “Let us go back to Judea.” “Master,” the disciples said to Him, “the Jews have just been wanting to stone You, and You're going back there?” “Aren't there twelve hours in a day?” Jesus answered. “If you walk during the day, you don't stumble, because you see the light of this world. But if you walk at night, you stumble, because you have no light.” After He said this, He told them, “Our friend Lazarus has gone to sleep, but I'm going

there to wake him up.” “Lord, if he has gone to sleep,” His disciples said to Him, “he'll get well.” Jesus meant he was dead, but they thought He meant he was only sleeping. Then Jesus told them in plain words, “Lazarus died. And I'm glad I wasn't there, so that you will believe. But let us go to him.” Then Thomas, who was called Twin, said to his fellow disciples, “Let us go too and die with Him.” When Jesus got there, He found that Lazarus had been in the grave four days already. Bethany was near Jerusalem, not quite two miles away, and many Jews had come to Martha and Mary to comfort them about their brother.

Now, when Martha heard, “Jesus is coming,” she went to meet Him, while Mary stayed at home. “Lord, if You had been here,” Martha told Jesus, “my brother wouldn't have died. But even now I know God will give You anything You ask Him.” “your brother will rise again,” Jesus told her. “I know he'll rise again,” Martha answered Him, “in the resurrection on the last day.” “I am the Resurrection and the Life,” Jesus said to her. “Anyone who believes in Me will live even if he dies. Yes, anyone who lives and believes in Me will never die. Do you believe that?” “Yes, Lord,” she told Him, “I believe You are the Christ, God's Son, Who is coming into the world.”

After she said this, she went to call her sister Mary. “The Teacher is here,” she whispered, “and is calling for you.” When Mary heard it, she got up quickly to go to Him. Jesus hadn't come to the village yet but was still where Martha had met Him. Now, the Jews who were in the house with Mary to comfort her saw her get up quickly and leave. So they followed her, thinking she was going to the grave to weep there. When Mary came where Jesus was and saw Him, she bowed down at His feet and said, “Lord, if You had been here, my brother wouldn't have died.”

When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews weeping who came with her, He groaned deeply and was troubled. “Where did you lay him?” He asked. “Lord, come and see,” they answered Him. Jesus burst into tears. “See how He loved him,” the Jews said. But some of them asked, “He gave sight to the blind man - couldn't He have kept this man from dying?” Groaning deeply again, Jesus went to the grave. It was a cave, and a stone was laid against it. “Move the stone away,” said Jesus. Martha, the dead man's sister, told Him, “Lord, by this time there will be a terrible odor. He's been dead four days.”

Jesus said to her, “Didn't I tell you, ‘If you believe, you will see God's glory?’” So they moved the stone away. Jesus looked up and said, “Father, I thank You for hearing Me. I knew You always hear Me. But I spoke so that the people standing around Me will believe You sent Me.” After He had said this, He called out with a loud voice, “Lazarus, come out!” The man who had been dead came out, his feet and

hands wrapped in bandages and his face wrapped in a cloth. “Unwrap him,” Jesus told them, “and let him go.”

Then many of the Jews who had come to Mary and had seen what He did believed in Him. But some of them went to the Pharisees and told them what Jesus had done. Then the ruling priests and the Pharisees called a meeting of the council. “What are we doing?” they asked. “This man is doing many miracles. If we let him go on like this, everyone will believe in him, and then the Romans will come and take away our place and our nation.” But one of them, Caiaphas, who was high priest that year, told them, “You don't know anything, and you don't consider it is better for you that one man dies instead of the people and the whole nation doesn't perish.” He didn't think of this himself, but being high priest that year, he prophesied Jesus was going to die for the nation, and not only for this nation but also to bring God's scattered children together and make them one. From that day on they plotted to put Him to death.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

ATHANASIAN CREED

P Whoever desires to be saved must, above all, hold the catholic faith.

C **Whoever does not keep it whole and undefiled will without doubt perish eternally.**

P And the catholic faith is this,

C **that we worship one God in Trinity and Trinity in Unity, neither confusing the persons nor dividing the substance.**

P For the Father is one person, the Son is another, and the Holy Spirit is another.

C **But the Godhead of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit is one: the glory equal, the majesty coeternal.**

P Such as the Father is, such is the Son, and such is the Holy Spirit:

C **the Father uncreated, the Son uncreated, the Holy Spirit uncreated;**

P the Father infinite, the Son infinite, the Holy Spirit infinite;

C **the Father eternal, the Son eternal, the Holy Spirit eternal.**

P And yet there are not three Eternals, but one Eternal,

C **just as there are not three Uncreated or three Infinites, but one Uncreated and one Infinite.**

- P** In the same way, the Father is almighty, the Son almighty, the Holy Spirit almighty;
- C** **and yet there are not three Almighty's, but one Almighty.**
- P** So the Father is God, the Son is God, the Holy Spirit is God;
- C** **and yet there are not three Gods, but one God.**
- P** So the Father is Lord, the Son is Lord, the Holy Spirit is Lord;
- C** **and yet there are not three Lords, but one Lord.**
- P** Just as we are compelled by the Christian truth to acknowledge each distinct person as God and Lord, so also are we prohibited by the catholic religion to say that there are three Gods or Lords.
- C** **The Father is not made nor created nor begotten by anyone.**
- P** The Son is neither made nor created, but begotten of the Father alone.
- C** **The Holy Spirit is of the Father and of the Son, neither made nor created nor begotten, but proceeding.**
- P** Thus, there is one Father, not three Fathers; one Son, not three Sons; one Holy Spirit, not three Holy Spirits.
- C** **And in this Trinity none is before or after another; none is greater or less than another;**
- P** but the whole three persons are coeternal with each other and coequal, so that in all things, as has been stated above, the Trinity in Unity and Unity in Trinity is to be worshiped.
- C** **Therefore, whoever desires to be saved must think thus about the Trinity.**
- P** But it is also necessary for everlasting salvation that one faithfully believe the incarnation of our Lord Jesus Christ.
- C** **Therefore, it is the right faith that we believe and confess that our Lord Jesus Christ, the Son of God, is at the same time both God and man.**
- P** He is God, begotten from the substance of the Father before all ages; and He is man, born from the substance of His mother in this age:
- C** **perfect God and perfect man, composed of a rational soul and human flesh;**

- P** equal to the Father with respect to His divinity, less than the Father with respect to His humanity.
- C** **Although He is God and man, He is not two, but one Christ:**
- P** one, however, not by the conversion of the divinity into flesh, but by the assumption of the humanity into God;
- C** **one altogether, not by confusion of substance, but by unity of person.**
- P** For as the rational soul and flesh is one man, so God and man is one Christ,
- C** **who suffered for our salvation, descended into hell, rose again the third day from the dead,**
- P** ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father, God Almighty, from whence He will come to judge the living and the dead.
- C** **At His coming all people will rise again with their bodies and give an account concerning their own deeds.**
- P** And those who have done good will enter into eternal life, and those who have done evil into eternal fire.
- C** **This is the catholic faith; whoever does not believe it faithfully and firmly cannot be saved.**

Sit

Hymn of the Day ~ My Song Is Love Unknown

LSB 430 v. 4-7

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| <p>4 Why, what hath my Lord done?
 What makes this rage and spite?
 He made the lame to run,
 He gave the blind their sight.
 Sweet injuries!
 Yet they at these
 Themselves displease
 And 'gainst Him rise.</p> <p>5 They rise and needs will have
 My dear Lord made away;
 A murderer they save,
 The Prince of Life they slay.
 Yet cheerful He
 To suff'ring goes
 That He His foes
 From thence might free.</p> | <p>6 In life no house, no home
 My Lord on earth might have;
 In death no friendly tomb
 But what a stranger gave.
 What may I say?
 Heav'n was His home
 But mine the tomb
 Wherein He lay.</p> <p>7 Here might I stay and sing,
 No story so divine!
 Never was love, dear King,
 Never was grief like Thine.
 This is my friend,
 In whose sweet praise
 I all my days
 Could gladly spend!</p> |
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Sermon

“Do you believe this?”

P The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.

C Amen.

Stand

Prayer of the Church

SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Lift up your hearts.

C We lift them to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

P It is truly good, right, and salutary . . . evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus *(Sing)*

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C Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth adored;
Heav'n and earth with full acclaim shout the glory of Your name.
Sing hosanna in the highest, sing hosanna to the Lord;
Truly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

P Blessed are You . . . Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

Lord's Prayer

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C 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.**

The Words of Our Lord

P Our Lord Jesus Christ . . . in remembrance of Me.”

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C Amen.

Agnus Dei (*Sing*)

LSB 210

C O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God,
You take the sin of the world away;
O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God,
Have mercy on us, Lord, we pray.

O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God,
You take the sin of the world away;
Have mercy on us, Jesus Christ,
And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

Distribution Hymns

The Death of Jesus Christ, Our Lord

LSB 634

- 1 The death of Jesus Christ, our Lord,
We celebrate with one accord;
It is our comfort in distress,
Our heart’s sweet joy and happiness.
- 2 He blotted out with His own blood
The judgment that against us stood;
For us He full atonement made,
And all our debt He fully paid.
- 3 That this forever true shall be
He gives a solemn guarantee:
In this His holy Supper here
We taste His love so sweet, so near.
- 4 His Word proclaims and we believe
That in this Supper we receive
His very body, as He said,
His very blood for sinners shed.

- 5 We dare not ask how this can be,
But simply hold the mystery
And trust this word where life begins:
“Given and shed for all your sins.”
- 6 They who this word do not believe
This food unworthily receive,
Salvation here will never find—
May we this warning keep in mind!
- 7 But blest is each believing guest
Who in these promises finds rest;
For Jesus shall in love remain
With all who here His grace obtain.
- 8 Help us sincerely to believe
That we may worthily receive
Your Supper and in You find rest.
Amen! They who believe are blest.

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O Living Bread from Heaven

1 O living Bread from heaven,
 How well You feed your guest!
 The gifts that You have given
 Have filled my heart with rest.
 Oh, wondrous food of blessing,
 Oh, cup that heals our woes!
 My heart, this gift possessing,
 With praises overflows.

2 My Lord, You here have led me
 To this most holy place
 And with Yourself have fed me
 The treasures of Your grace;
 For You have freely given
 What earth could never buy,
 The bread of life from heaven,
 That now I shall not die.

3 You gave me all I wanted;
 This food can death destroy.
 And You have freely granted
 The cup of endless joy.
 My Lord, I do not merit
 The favor You have shown,
 And all my soul and spirit
 Bow down before Your throne.

4 Lord, grant me then, thus strengthened
 With heav'nly food, while here
 My course on earth is lengthened,
 To serve with holy fear.
 And when You call my spirit
 To leave this world below,
 I enter, through Your merit,
 Where joys unmingled flow.

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Stand

The musical score is written on four staves in a treble clef with a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat). The lyrics are printed below the notes. The first staff begins with a square symbol containing the number 1, indicating the start of the first verse. The lyrics are: "1 O Lord, now let Your ser - vant De - 2 All glo - ry to the Fa - ther, All part in heav'n - ly peace, For I have seen the glo - ry to the Son, All glo - ry to the glo - ry Of Your re - deem - ing grace: Spir - it, For - ev - er Three - in - One; A light to lead the Gen - tiles Un - For as in the be - gin - ning, Is".



to Your ho - ly hill, The glo - ry of Your
now, shall ev - er be, God's tri - une name re -
peo - ple, Your cho - sen Is - ra - el.
sound - ing Through all e - ter - ni - ty.

Stand

A Let us pray.

We give thanks to You . . . now and forever.

C Amen.

A Let us bless the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

P The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and ✠ give you peace.

C Amen.

Closing Hymn ~ *Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus*

LSB 685

1 Let us ever walk with Jesus,
Follow His example pure,
Through a world that would deceive us
And to sin our spirits lure.

Shall give way to mirth hereafter.
Jesus, here I share Your woe;
Help me there Your joy to know.

Onward in His footsteps treading,
Pilgrims here, our home above,
Full of faith and hope and love,
Let us do the Father's bidding.
Faithful Lord, with me abide;
I shall follow where You guide.

3 Let us gladly die with Jesus.
Since by death He conquered death,
He will free us from destruction,
Give to us immortal breath.

2 Let us suffer here with Jesus
And with patience bear our cross.
Joy will follow all our sadness;
Where He is, there is no loss.
Though today we sow no laughter,
We shall reap celestial joy;
All discomforts that annoy

Let us mortify all passion
That would lead us into sin;
And the grave that shuts us in
Shall but prove the gate to heaven.
Jesus, here with You I die,
There to live with You on high.

4 Let us also live with Jesus.
He has risen from the dead
That to life we may awaken.

Jesus, You are now our head.
 We are Your own living members;
 Where You live, there we shall be
 In Your presence constantly,
 Living there with You forever.

Jesus, let me faithful be,
 Life eternal grant to me.
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Offering plates are in the back of the sanctuary as you leave.

YOU ARE INVITED to join us in the downstairs fellowship hall for refreshments following service today.



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ADULT SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE CLASS OPPORTUNITIES



➤ A topical study in Deuteronomy led by Pastor Williams will meet in the downstairs fellowship hall following service today.

DAILY SCRIPTURE READINGS

Mar. 26	Sunday	Ex. 1:1-22	Mark 14:12-31
Mar. 27	Monday	Ex. 2:1-22	Mark 14:32-52
Mar. 28	Tuesday	Ex. 2:23-3:22	Mark 14:53-72
Mar. 29	Wednesday	Ex. 4:1-18	Mark 15:1-15
Mar. 30	Thursday	Ex. 4:19-31	Mark 15:16-32
Mar. 31	Friday	Ex. 5:1-6:1	Mark 15:33-47
Apr. 1	Saturday	Ex. 7:1-25	Mark 16:1-20
Apr. 2	Sunday	Ex. 8:1-32	Heb. 1:1-14

IN OUR PRAYERS:

Steve Bauer	Donna Duschene	Frances Marr
Donna Beeman	Henry Goddard	Doris Meyer
Emma Beeman	Len Grawe	Jackie Onstott
Mark Buchholz	Jane Hale	Sandra Pohlmann
Stella Cardin	Donovan Hill	Joanne Scanlon
Donna Carlson	Dylan Hill	Gene Scheiter
Fran Carlson	Jennifer Klann	Olivia Stoehner
Ronda Connelly	Vicky Kory	Marta Szabo
Kinsly Coonce	John Kretzschmar	Bill Tetley
Kellie Diaz	Jerol Laughlin	Debbie Thompson
Evie Domm	Baby Luke Llewellen	Elizabeth Wiese

ALTAR FLOWERS

This mornings altar flowers are given to the Glory of God by Mike and Irene Merchant.

Last weeks were given to the Glory of God by Jeff and Carol Zelms.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO:

3/27 Dylan Jackson

TIME FOR LILIES



If you wish to purchase an Easter lily for decorating the sanctuary for Easter, there is a sign up sheet on the credenza. The cost is \$9.00 each. Please put your check in a designated gift envelope, mark 'Easter Lily' on the envelope and place it in the offering plate. Orders must be placed by April 3, 2023.

SUNDAY SCHOOL COLLECTION



DURING MARCH our Sunday School offerings will benefit the radio program. Please place your offerings in the jar or basket during the Sunday School hour.

MOVING HELP

LouAnn Hollenberg could use some boxes and wrapping materials to help her move. If you have either, please give her a call at 302-0795.

LCMS Stewardship Ministry Generosity Thoughts

Ps. 142:5 – “I cry to you, O LORD; I say, ‘You are my refuge, my portion in the land of the living.’ ” The Lord is our portion, our refuge, our everything. His mercy preserves us through all our days in the land of the living. This confidence frees us from the fear that so often leads to sins of greed and coveting. We have the Lord, we have a Father, and He is in control. We can follow His Word in confidence.

ATTENTION EASTER COOKS/BAKERS

Easter will be here in just 2 weeks!

If you like to cook we are looking for donations of a couple of egg casseroles and sweet treats for the Easter Breakfast.



They need to be in the downstairs kitchen by 8:00 am on Easter morning and ready to either reheat, cook, or keep warm.

The Hope Lutheran Ladies Guild would like to sincerely thank you for your help. Sign up sheet is on the credenza.

Holy Week Services start Monday
April 3rd

Friends at Hope Chapel



Find yourself away from family this Easter? You are not alone!

Following bible class the Wiese's are hosting a luncheon for those that don't have family to spend Easter with.

Reservations are required to make sure we have enough food prepared. Sign up on the credenza in narthex. If you would like to bring a side or dessert, please note it on the sign up sheet.

thrivent[®] Reminder: The deadline for directing Choice Dollars from 2023 is March 31st. Please call 800-847-4836 and when prompted say “Thrivent Choice”. In 2022 we received \$1058 in Thrivent Choice Dollars[®] grant funding.

FUTURE OF LAMBS OF HOPE

Please add Lambs of Hope to your daily prayers.

Voter’s Meeting - April 16th we will need to decide if we are going to keep the Lambs of Hope mission going or to close it.



MISSION STATEMENT

“Lamb’s of Hope Lutheran Preschool, Daycare and Afterschool Care provides a Christ-centered education in a happy and safe environment. We are dedicated to the nurturing of each child as a unique individual, created and loved by our Lord and Savior.”

Currently we have:

- 2 employees (working a lot of overtime)
- 16 kids on roles (7 are school age kids)
- Average about 5-6 kids a day in attendance
- **NO director** (only 1 response to add’s and she declined)
- No floating employee to help with breaks and days off
- Tuition is not covering employee’s pay, much less supplies, utilities and food
- We do have a couple of inquiries for enrollment

LOH History:

In 1997 a request was brought to the Council and to the Voters Assembly of Hope Chapel to begin a Mother’s Day Out (MDO) program. There was much researching and planning during 1998 and a program was presented to the Voters at the October meeting in 1998. Approval was given and work began. The first MDO session began in September of 1999, and has enjoyed great success and became Hope Chapel Christian Day School.

The year 2004 saw the change of our Hope Chapel Christian Day School. It became Lambs of Hope Christian Pre-School. In 2007 LOH started offering afternoon classes and daycare. LOH has grown from just a handful of little ones to 49 enrolled in our 3 programs: Pre-school, daycare, and afterschool care. (We haven’t had 49 enrolled since Brenda retired as director)



THIS WEEK AT HOPE

March 26 th	Sunday	10:00 am	Indoor Communion Worship - DS4
		11:00 am	Fellowship
		11:20 am	Sunday School for all ages
April 2 nd	Sunday	10:00 am	Indoor Communion Worship
		11:00 am	Fellowship
		11:20 am	Sunday School for all ages

Palm Sunday

Lambs of Hope: Mon - Fri ~ 6:30 am – 5:30 pm
 Secretary's hours: Mon - Fri ~ 8 am - Noon
 Pastor's office hours: Mon - Thurs ~ 9 am - Noon

Those Who Serve

Today

April 2nd

Elder	Mike Merchant	Mike Merchant
Preparing the Altar	Sonja Howard	Joyce Trost
Preparing the Candles	Chuck Kiel	Sonja Howard
Counters	Chuck Kiel and Susan Kuhn	Jerol Laughlin and Anita Topel

Directing Thrivent Choice Dollars® Deadline is March 31, 2023!

IMMEDIATE HELP!!

Volunteers are desperately needed to help with:

Cooking Lunch *eat daily at 11:30 am*

Making snacks

This can be done anytime, but it needs to be done in our kitchen

Story time

Come in for 30 min and read the kids a story

And Day to Day Management!!



If you can help with any of these things, please let Debbie Thompson or the church secretary know so a schedule can be made. This will help our 2 employees keep the preschool/daycare open until we find a new director and enroll more kids. We currently have 18 kids enrolled (5 are after school kids).