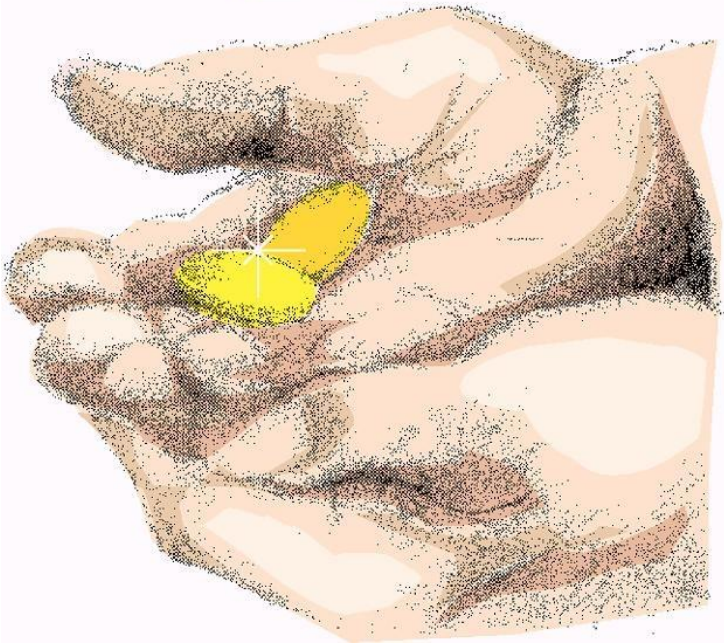


Hope Lutheran Church
Ladysmith, Wisconsin

"...she ... put in
everything -
all she had..."

Mark 12:44



25th Sunday after Pentecost
Commitment Sunday
November 10, 2024 - 9:00am

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Confession & Forgiveness

P: In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

silence for reflection and self-examination

P: Most merciful God,

C: we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

P: Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Hymn: "Blessed Assurance"

ELW #638

Greeting

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

♪ P: The Lord be with you.

♪ **C: And also with you.**

P: Almighty, eternal God, show mercy to your children who humbly pray, that we who have no confidence in our worth may not be judged but tenderly received. Grant this, we pray, through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

First Reading: 1 Kings 17:8-16

L: The Word of the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.**

Responsive Reading: Psalm 146

L: Hallelujah! Praise the LORD, O my soul! I will praise the LORD as long as I live; I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.

C: Put not your trust in rulers, nor in any child of earth, for there is no help in them.

L: When they breathe their last, they return to earth, and in that day their thoughts perish.

C: Happy are they who have the God of Jacob for their help, whose hope is in the LORD their God;

L: Who made heaven and earth, the seas, and all that is in them; who keeps his promise forever;

C: Who gives justice to those who are oppressed, and food to those who hunger.

L: The LORD sets the prisoners free; the LORD opens the eyes of the blind; the LORD lifts up those who are bowed down;

C: The LORD loves the righteous; the LORD cares for the stranger; he sustains the orphan and widow, but frustrates the way of the wicked.

L: The LORD shall reign forever, your God, O Zion, throughout all generations. Hallelujah!

Second Reading: Hebrews 9:24-28

L: The Word of the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.**

♪ Gospel Acclamation: "Alleluia"

Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?

You have the words of eternal life.

Alleluia, alleluia.

Holy Gospel: Mark 12:38-44

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark the 12th chapter.

♪ **C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

♪ **C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

Children's Sermon/Sermon

Pastor Christopher Martin

♪ Hymn of the Day: "Take My Life, That I May Be"

ELW #685

Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayers of the Church

Sharing of the Peace

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: And also with you.

Rite of First Communion

Offering of Financial Commitments

Hymn: #686 - "We Give Thee But Thine Own"

♪ Presentation of the Offering/Offertory

Let the vineyards be fruitful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of blessing. Gather a harvest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life. Gather the hopes and the dreams of all; unite them with the prayers we offer now. Grace our table with your presence, and give us a foretaste of the feast to come.

Offertory Prayer

P: Let us pray. Merciful God,

C: we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us—ourselves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving

♪ 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 our thanks and praise.**

P: It is indeed right and salutary...and join their unending hymn:

♪ **C: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might:**

Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna. Hosanna. Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who come in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

P: Blessed are you, Lord of heaven and earth...as he comes to us in his holy supper.

C: Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

The Words of Institution

The 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.

♪ Distribution of Holy Communion

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have

mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.

♪ Hymns during Communion
#689 – “Praise and Thanksgiving”
#779 – “Amazing Grace”

♪ Post-Communion Canticle

Thank the Lord and sing his praise; tell ev'ryone what he has done. Let all who seek the Lord rejoice and proudly bear his name. He recalls his promises and leads his people forth in joy with shouts of thanksgiving. Alleluia. Alleluia.

Post-Communion Prayer

P: We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life; and we pray that in your mercy you would strengthen us, through this gift, in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

Benediction

L: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face shine upon you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor, and give you peace.

C: Amen.

♪ Sending Hymn: “Precious Lord, Take My Hand” ELW #773

Dismissal

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Lisa Borman

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Holy Communion: We are celebrating the sacrament of Holy Communion during our service today. As a congregation of the North American Lutheran Church (NALC), all are welcome to receive the Lord's Body and Blood who are baptized and believe that Jesus Christ, crucified and risen, is truly present in, with, and under the forms of bread and wine in this sacrament for the forgiveness of sins, life, and salvation.

Prayer Concerns: Health Concerns – Merrilee Anhalt, Austin Boehm, Gina Cooley, Wayne Crozier, Meghan Diller, Aiden Dohr, Emma Dohr, Pr. Phil Gagnon, Brittany Haag, Fred Hemm, Pr. Amy Little, Irwin Martin, Brian Michaelson, Ken Parejko, Mike Preston, Grant Rydlund, Michelle Whittenberger, Homebound Members and Nursing Home Residents; Those affected by natural disasters; Military Deployment: Kionte Peterson.

Worship Assistants: Gordie & Bev Dukerschein; Acolyte: Addison Hulle.

Bible Study: The Bible study on the book of Romans continues this morning at 10:30am in the Fireside Room.

Livestream Sponsorship: The livestream of our worship service this morning is sponsored by Gretchen Pedersen in honor of her grandchildren.

Committee Meetings this Week: Tuesday, November 12 – 4:00pm Social Ministries, 5:30pm Stewardship & Finance, 6:00pm Property; Wednesday, November 13 – 5:00pm Parish Education.

Collection of Personal Care Items: The Service & Fellowship Committee will be collecting personal care items to help ease the financial burden of local families in need during this holiday season. Items needed are soap, deodorant, shampoo/conditioner, lotions, feminine products, laundry soap, toothbrush/toothpaste and other similar items. Items can be placed in the totes in the narthex and the multipurpose room through December 1. These will be distributed by during food pantry hours in December. Monetary donations to purchase items will also be accepted (checks should be made payable to Hope Lutheran Church with "care items" in the memo line).

Cookie Walk: The Cookie Walk will take place on Saturday, December 7. Members of Hope are asked to bake five dozen or more home baked cookies or Scandinavian pastries. Volunteers are also needed to help with set-up and working the day of the event. Sign-up sheets will be available in the narthex. If you are unable to bake, please consider a donation of \$10 or more to help defray expenses. If you have questions about the Cookie Walk, please contact Cindy Albus, Lisa Borman, Jackie Buchholz, or Dee Peterson.

Informational Meeting: During the month of October, voting members of Hope received a letter and a document with proposed amendments to the Constitution and Bylaws of Hope Lutheran Church and a call for a Special Congregational Meeting to be held on Sunday, December 8, 2024. In an effort to help answer questions regarding these proposed amendments and how they would affect Hope Lutheran Church moving forward, the Council is hosting an information session on Sunday, November 17 following the 9:00am worship service. This is NOT a formal, special congregational meeting; thus, you will not be voting on anything and the discussion at this particular session will be limited to the Constitution and Bylaw proposals only. If you have questions, please contact the Church Office.

Book Discussion: The book group will meet next Sunday, November 17 to discuss Two From Galilee by Marjorie Holmes.

Donuts & Devotions: Youth in grades 6-12 are invited for Donuts & Devotions following the worship service next Sunday, November 17. Friends are always welcome.

Mission Statement

Hope Lutheran Church is commissioned to make disciples, commanded to love God and others, and committed to serve.

Vision Statement

The Hope Lutheran Church family seeks to form disciples of Jesus in our daily relationships with Christ through weekly worship, daily prayer, and empowering them to develop their spiritual gifts to serve God and others.



Community Thanksgiving Dinner

Hope Lutheran Church will be holding the Community Thanksgiving Dinner on Thanksgiving Day, Thursday, November 28 with serving from 12:00noon-1:00pm. Deliveries to homebound members of the community within five miles of the church will also be available. To reserve a meal, please contact the church office (715-532-7739) by noon on Monday, November 25.

MENU

Turkey, Dressing, Potatoes & Gravy,
Vegetables, Cranberry Sauce, Dinner Rolls,
Pies, and Beverages

It takes many hands to make this meal happen. Volunteers are needed to provide food and money, help with cooking and clean-up, and to deliver meals. Sign-up sheets are posted on the bulletin board in the narthex. Questions? Contact Josi Hamilton (715-532-6052).



Meal of the Month: The November Meal of the Month will take place on Thursday, November 14 at 11:30am at Grandpa's Pizza. This is an opportunity for members of Hope to have a meal and time of fellowship while supporting a local business.

School Collections: The HLCW will again be collecting items for area schools. Items needed are underwear, sweatpants, and leggings for both boys and girls. There will also be a collection of school supplies. Items can be place on the tree or in the bin in the narthex.

A Week of Hope

Today	10:00am Fellowship
	10:15am Sunday School
	10:30am Bible Study
Tuesday	4:00pm Social Ministries Committee
	5:30pm Stewardship & Finance Committee
	6:00pm Property Committee
Wednesday	3:15pm Wednesday School
	6:00pm GriefShare
	6:30pm Confirmation
Sunday	9:00am Worship
	10:00am Fellowship
	10:15am Sunday School
	10:15am Donuts & Devotions
	10:30am Book Discussion
	6:30pm Marriage Enrichment Group