Hope Lutheran Church

Ladysmith, Wisconsin Pastor: Rev. Christopher Martin



"And he took the children in his arms, put his hands on them and blessed them."

Mark 10:16

20th Sunday after Pentecost October 6, 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: "Blest Be the Tie That Binds" ELW #656

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.

- P: In peace, let us pray to the Lord.
- C: Lord, have mercy.
- P: For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.
- C: Lord, have mercy.
- P: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.
- C: Lord, have mercy.
- P: For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.
- C: Lord, have mercy.
- P: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.
- C: Amen.

♪ Hymn of Praise: "This is the Feast"

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Power, riches, wisdom, and strength, and honor, blessing, and glory are his. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation: Blessing, honor, glory, and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

For the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign. Alleluia. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Prayer of the Day

♪ P: The Lord be with you.

♪ C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray, Generously pardon and give peace to your faithful people, O Lord, that being cleansed from every sin, we may be free and glad to serve; 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: Genesis 2:18-25

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Responsive Reading: Psalm 128.

L: Happy are they all who fear the LORD, and who follow in his ways!

C: You shall eat the fruit of your labor; happiness and prosperity shall be yours.

L: Your wife shall be like a fruitful vine within your house, your children like olive shoots round about your table.

C: The man who fears the LORD shall thus indeed be blessed.

L: The LORD bless you from Zion, and may you see the prosperity of Jerusalem all the days of your life.

C: May you live to see your children's children; may peace be upon Israel.

Second Reading: Hebrews 2:1-13

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 10:2-16

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark the 10th chapter.

♪ C: Glory to you, O Lord.

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

♪ C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Children's Sermon/Sermon

Pastor Martin

♪ Hymn of the Day: "Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

ELW #733

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

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:

Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

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.

♪ 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: "God Be with You Till We Meet Again" ELW #536

Dismissal

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Terry Wedwick

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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, Kay Thompson, Michelle Whittenberger, Homebound Members and Nursing Home Residents; Grieving: family & friends of Dan Rydlund.

Worship Assistants: Ushers – Charlie & Chris Holtebeck; Lector - Charlie Holtebeck; Communion Asst – Rosemary Johnson; Acolyte – Tanner Davis.

Livestream Sponsorship: The livestream of our worship service this morning is sponsored by Burt & Heidi Zielke in honor of Kelsey Zielke and Blayne Field on their wedding anniversary.

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

Duty & Delight Study: The Duty & Delight Bible study will continue on Friday, October 11 at 1:00pm in the fellowship hall.

Feed My People Delivery: Volunteers are needed on Monday, October 7 to unload the Feed My People delivery and stock food pantry shelves.

Committee Meetings this Month: Tuesday, October 8 – 4:00pm Social Ministries, 5:30pm Stewardship & Finance, 6:00pm Property; 6:00pm Worship & Music; Thursday, October 10 – 4:00pm Parish Education.

Meal of the Month: The October Meal of the Month will take place on Thursday, October 10 at 9:00am at the Farmhouse Restaurant in Weyerhaeuser. This is an opportunity for members of Hope to enjoy a meal and fellowship while supporting a local business. If you would like to carpool, please contact Kathy Ducommun.

Donuts & Devotions: Youth in grades 6-12 are invited for donuts & devotions next Sunday, October 13 at 10:15am. 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.

FALL DINNER

The Hope Lutheran Church Women will hold a fall dinner on Wednesday, October 16 with serving from 5:00-6:30pm Adults & Carry-Outs- \$13; Children (10 yrs old & younger) - \$6 Preschool and younger eat free



A Week of Hope

Today 10:00am Fellowship

10:15am Sunday School 10:30am Bible Study

Monday 9:15am Feed My People Delivery Tuesday 4:00pm Social Ministries Committee

5:30pm Stewardship & Finance Committee

6:00pm Property Committee

6:00pm Worship & Music Committee

Wednesday 3:15pm Wednesday School

5:30pm Choirchimes 6:00pm GriefShare

6:30pm 7th & 8th Grade Confirmation 7:30pm 9th Grade Confirmation

Thursday 9:00am Meal of the Month

4:00pm Parish Education Committee

Friday 1:00pm Duty & Delight Bible Study

Sunday 9:00am Worship

10:00am Fellowship 10:15am Sunday School 10:15am Donuts & Devotions

10:30am Bible Study

NALC DISASTER RESPONSE HURRICANE HELENE - 2024

The NALC Disaster Response is responding to the needs of those affected by Hurricane Helene in Florida, Georgia, Tennessee, North Carolina, and South Carolina.

What can you do to help those in need?

- *Pray for those in crisis, for all volunteers and relief workers, and for God's love to be shared through acts of service.
- *Buy Walmart, Lowe's, Home Depot and Tractor Supply Gift Cards and send to:

NALC Disaster Response Warehouse 16500 Noble Ave. Caldwell, OH 43724

- *Put together Disaster Kits to fill up your Mission District warehouses. Hope recently assembled 83 health kits, 71 flood buckets and donated 54 quilts but more are needed.
- *Donate: rakes, shovels, brooms, buckets, and mops. If you purchase through Amazon, have items shipped to:

St John's Lutheran Church 740 North Center Statesville, NC 28677

*Financial Contributions are needed to pay for renting trucks, travel expenses, and for materials we need to buy. Make checks out to the NALC and write Disaster Response on the memo line. Mail to:

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