



August 17, 2025  
9am Service  
Time after Pentecost

Welcome & Announcements

Our Mission Statement:

***As God's people, abounding in HOPE and empowered by the Holy Spirit, we invite all to share in the unfolding experience of Jesus Christ.***

Confession and Forgiveness

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Baptized in Christ, let us confess our sin.

*Silence for reflection.*

**Merciful God, you free us to love others, but we neglect our neighbors and follow our own way. You lead us by the Spirit of joy and peace, but we turn away from the abundant life you offer. You surround us with patience, kindness, and generosity, but we grow weary in doing what is right. In your mercy, forgive us. Do not give up on us. Heal us, break our bonds, and show us the path of life. Amen.**

You belong to Christ Jesus and you are God's children through faith. In the cross of + Christ, and through the power of the Holy Spirit, your sins are forgiven.

Clothed with Christ, you are a new creation. **Amen.**

1. Let the whole creation cry, "Glory to the Lord on high!"  
Heav'n and earth, a wake and sing, "Praise to our almighty king!"  
Praise God, angel hosts above, ever bright and fair in love;  
sun and moon, lift up your voice; night and stars, in God rejoice.
2. Servants striving for the Lord, prophets burning with the word,  
those to whom the arts belong add their voices to the song.  
Pow'rs of knowledge and of law, to the glorious circle draw;  
all who work and all who wait, sing, "The Lord is good and great!"
3. Men and women, young and old, raise the anthem loud and bold,  
and let children's happy hearts in this worship take their parts;  
from the north to southern pole let the mighty chorus roll:  
"Holy, Holy, Holy One; glory be to God alone!"

## Greeting

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

## Hymn of Praise

### This is the Feast

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#### *Refrain:*

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

1. Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain,  
whose blood set us free to be people of God.  
Power, riches, wisdom, and strength, and honor, blessing, and glory are his. *Refrain*
2. 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, for the Lamb who was slain has

begun his reign. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

## Prayer of the Day

**O God, judge eternal, you love justice and hate oppression, and you call us to share your zeal for truth. Give us courage to take our stand with all victims of bloodshed and greed, and, following your servants and prophets, to look to the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen**

## Special Music

What a Fellowship, What a Joy Divine

Summer Choir

## Word

### First Reading

Hebrews 11:29-34 12:1-2

*When the reading is completed, please respond:*

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

## Children's Time

Lauren Kainz

## Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?  
You have the words of eternal life.  
Alleluia. Alleluia.

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## Gospel Reading

Luke 12:49-56

*When the reading is completed, please respond:*

The Gospel of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

## Hymn of the Day

## How Firm a Foundation

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1. How firm a foundation, O saints of the Lord, is laid for your faith in Christ Jesus the word! What more can he say than to you he has said who unto the Savior for refuge have fled?
2. "Fear not, I am with you, oh, be not dismayed, for I am your God and will still give you aid; I'll strengthen you, help you, and cause you to stand, upheld by my righteous, omnipotent hand."
3. "When through fi'ry trials your pathway shall lie, my grace, all sufficient, shall be your supply. The flames shall not hurt you; I only design your dross to consume and you gold to refine."
4. "Throughout all their lifetime my people shall prove my sov'reign, eternal, unchangeable love; and then, when gray hairs shall their temples adorn, like lambs they shall still in my bosom be borne."

## Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father, and 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 for the People

Prayer Petitions will end with “Lord in your Mercy”

Prayer response is “**Hear Our Prayer**”

## Sharing God’s Peace & Noisy Offering

The peace of the Lord be with you all.

**And also with you.**

## Offertory

Create In Me a Clean Heart

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Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.

Cast me not away from your presence, and take not your Holy Spirit from me.

Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and uphold me with you free Spirit.

## Offering Prayer

### Meal

## Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

## Words of Institution

## The Lord’s Prayer

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us**

**from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever.  
Amen**

Invitation to Communion and Distribution

*All are welcome to receive the sacrament. If you are unable to handle the elements, require gluten free, or would prefer grape juice, please tell the server. If you are unable to come forward, please inform an usher and you will be served in your pew.*

Distribution Music	Lamb of God	page 146
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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.

Distribution Hymn	Come, Let Us Eat	#491
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1. Come let us eat, for now the feast is spread,  
come, let us eat, for now the feast is spread.

Our Lord's body let us take together.

our Lords body let us take together.

2. Come, let us drink, for now the wine is poured,  
come let us drink, for now the wine is poured.

Jesus' blood poured let us drink together,

Jesus' blood poured let us drink together.

3. In Jesus' presence now we meet and rest,  
in Jesus' presence now we meet and rest.

In the presence of our Lord we gather,

in the presence of our Lord we gather

4. Rise, then, to spread abroad God's mighty word,  
rise, then, to spread abroad God's mighty word.  
Jesus risen will bring in the kingdom,  
Jesus risen will bring in the kingdom.

## Post Communion Prayer

### Sending

#### Benediction

#### Sending Hymn

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!

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1. All hail the pow'r of Jesus' name! Let angels prostrate fall;  
bring forth the royal diadem and crown him Lord of all.  
Bring forth the royal diadem and crown him Lord of all.
2. O seed of Israel's chosen race now ransomed from the fall,  
hail him who saves you by his grace and crown him Lord of all.  
Hail him who saves you by his grace and crown him Lord of all.
3. Hail him, you heirs of David's line, whom David Lord did call  
the God incarnate, man divine and crown him Lord of all.  
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4. Sinners, whose love can ne'er forget the wormwood and the gall,  
Go spread your trophies at his feet and crown him Lord of all.  
Go spread your trophies at his feet and crown him Lord of all.
5. Let ev'ry kindred, ev'ry tribe on this terrestrial ball  
to him all majesty ascribe and crown him Lord of all.  
to him all majesty ascribe and crown him Lord of all.
6. Oh, that with yonder sacred throng we at his feet may fall!  
We'll join the everlasting song and crown him Lord of all.  
We'll join the everlasting song and crown him Lord of all.

## Dismissal

Go in peace. Live by the Spirit. **Thanks be to God.**

## Worship Leaders

Ministers	The People of Hope Lutheran Church
Presiding Pastor	Pastor Eric Nielsen
Assistant Liturgist	Cullen Dambow
Reader	Nola Strom
Greeters	Roger Skatrud, Janet Thompson
Ushers	Butch Martin, Sue Smith
Communion Assistants	Nancy and Ron Kaeding, Carol Mohr
Worship/Music Director	Jim Newman
Organist/Pianist	Donna Benrud

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