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November 16, 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

Blessed be the Holy Trinity +, one God who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever. **Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and one another.

Silence for reflection.

Faithful God, **you have shown us the ways of your heart, yet we stray from your paths. We are stuck in sinful systems of oppression and do not embrace the freedom of your faithful promises. We ignore our neighbors. We exploit the earth. We reject your abundance, trusting our impulses instead of your steadfast love. Repair our relationships, restore what we have broken, renew our hearts, and bring us to new life. Amen.**

Opening Hymn

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 your gold to refine."
4. "Throughout all their lifetime my people shall prove my sov'reign, eternal, unchanged able love; and then, when gray hairs shall their temples adorn, like lambs they shall still in my bosom be borne."

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, the protector of all who trust in you, without you nothing is strong, nothing is holy. Embrace us with your mercy, that with you as our ruler and guide, we may live through what is temporary without losing what is eternal, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Special Music

My Hope is Built on Nothing Less

Voices of Hope

Word

First Reading

Malachi 4:1-2a

When the reading is completed, please respond:

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

Second Reading

2 Thessalonians 3:6-13

When the reading is completed, please respond:

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

Children's Time

Grace Lenhart

Gospel Acclamation

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

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Alleluia. Alleluia.

Gospel Reading

Luke 21:5-19

When the reading is completed, please respond:

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

Sermon

Pastor Diane House

1. Love divine, all loves excelling, Joy of heav'n to earth come down!
Fix in us thy humble dwelling, all thy faithful mercies crown.
Jesus, thou art all compassion, pure, unbounded love thou art;
visit us with thy salvation, enter ev'ry trembling heart.
2. Breathe, oh, breathe thy loving Spirit into ev'ry troubled breast;
let us all in thee inherit; let us find thy promised rest.
Take away the love of sinning; Alpha and Omega be;
end of faith, as its beginning, set our hearts at liberty.
3. Come, Almighty, to deliver; let us all thy life receive;
suddenly return, and never, never more thy temples leave.
Thee we would be always blessing, serve thee as thy hosts above,
pray, and praise thee without ceasing, glory in thy perfect love.
4. Finish then thy new creation, pure and spotless let us be;
Let us see thy great salvation perfectly restored in thee!
Changed from glory into glory, till in heav'n we take our place,
till we cast our crowns before thee, lost in wonder, love, and praise!

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 your 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, 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.

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

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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

Day of Arising

#374

1. Day of arising, Christ on the roadway, unknown companion walks with his own.
When they invite him, as fades the first day, and bread is broken, Christ is made known.
2. When we are walking, doubtful and dreading, blinded by sadness, slowness of heart, yet Christ walks with us, ever awaiting our invitation: Stay, do not part.
3. Lo, I am with you, Jesus has spoken. This is Christ's promise, this is Christ's sign:
When the church gathers, when bread is broken, there Christ is with us in bread and wine.
4. Christ, our companion, hope for the journey, bread of compassion, open our eyes.
Grant us your vision, set all hearts burning that all creation with you may rise.

Post Communion Prayer

Sending

Benediction

Sending Hymn

O God, Our Help in Ages Past

#632

1. O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come,
our shelter from the stormy blast, and our eternal home:
2. Under the shadow of your throne your saints have dwelt secure;
sufficient is your arm alone, and our defense is sure.
3. Before the hills in order stood or earth received its frame,
from everlasting you are God, to endless years the same.
4. A thousand ages in your sight are like an evening gone,
short as the watch that ends the night before the rising sun.
5. Time, like an ever-rolling stream, bears all our years away;
they fly forgotten, as a dream dies at the op'ning day.
6. O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come,
still be our guard while troubles last and our eternal home.

Dismissal

Go in peace. Share the harvest. **Thanks be to God**

Worship Leaders

Ministers	The People of Hope Lutheran Church
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