

***Sermon Hymn:** “All I Need Is You” (Sing the Faith #2080/Screen)

Baptism of Cason James Hatch

Son of Jayeden Christensen & Alex Hatch
Sponsors: Shawn & Katie Fischer, Brandon Christensen,
Kabrie Weber and Blake Schuck

“Jesus Loves Me!” Verse 1 (Blue #304/Screen)

***Affirmation of Faith/The Apostles’ Creed**

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Sharing of Joys & Concerns

Prayers for the People/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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

Offering/Offertory: “God Claims You” Adult Choir

***Doxology** (Blue #592/Screen)

***Prayer of Dedication**

***Closing Hymn:** “Song of Hope” (Blue #432/Screen)
(Children will sing the song first, then Congregation)

***Charge/Benediction:** “Aaron’s Blessing” Rev. Dr. Brian Jones/Cong. echo

Postlude Maggie Harp

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Sunday, February 25, 2024

2nd Sunday in Lent

9:15 a.m. Coffee in Fellowship Hall

10:00 a.m. Worship

(On Facebook Live & KGLH 96.9 FM Radio)



CASON JAMES HATCH

As a community of Christ, Hope Presbyterian Church demonstrates the good news of God’s love, grace and hope.

- *We build relationships with one another in order that we might strengthen our ability to love God and love others.*
- *Visitors, youth and children are welcome to participate in worship, Bible Study, spiritual development opportunities, prayer, and service.*

God is here and welcomes you! If you are a visitor and are looking for a church home, be assured you are welcome and needed at Hope Presbyterian Church. We are a people who seek to respond to God's love in Christ and we invite you to join us.

Please be advised that our sanctuary worship service is on Facebook Live and taped for television broadcast, aired on Channel 18 (Windstream Cable) and Channel 181 (Charter Cable) on Sundays (2:30 pm), Tuesdays (11:30 am and 8:30 pm), and Thursdays (8:00 am and 5:00 pm).

ATTENDANCE FOLDERS: Please fill out the attendance pad located at the inside end of your pew and pass it down your row. If you are visiting, please mark the visitor column and include your mailing address. Thank You!

***(Please stand as you are able)**

Prelude

Maggie Harp

Welcome

Lay Reader: Larry Bratsch

***Call to Worship**

One: Christ died for our trespasses but was raised for our justification.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

***Opening Prayer**

One: God, your Son Jesus Christ bore the cross for our salvation and was raised from the dead for the redemption of the world. Give us the courage to take up our cross and follow him, so that through his grace we may accept the cost of faithful discipleship and receive the joy of everlasting life with Christ, who lives with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

ALL: Amen.

***Hymn of Praise:** "My Faith Looks Up to Thee"

(Blue #383/Screen)

***Prayer of Confession**

ALL: Merciful God, we confess that we have not been sincere Christians. We claim to follow Jesus but have not taken his path of sacrificial love. We profess to be disciples, but we are sometimes unwilling to bear the cost of discipleship. We affirm the virtue of self-denial, but we indulge our selfish desires and seek earthly gain. Forgive us, we pray. Free us for sincere repentance through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness

***Gloria**

(Insert/Screen)

Glory be-to the Father, Glory be-to the Son, Glo...ry be-to the Holy Ghost. (Repeat)
As it was in the beginning is now and ever shall be, World without end, World without end. A...men. A...men.

***Passing of the Peace** (Let us share Christ's peace by greeting each other)

Announcements

Presentation to Jerry Bents

Special Music: "El Shaddai"

Adult Choir

Children's Sermon

Response: "Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying" (Sing the Faith #2193/Screen)

Prayer for Illumination

One: Holy Spirit, open our hearts to receive your Word, reveal to us the good news, and enable us to trust in the promise of salvation in Jesus Christ.

All: Amen.

Responsive Reading: Psalm 22:23-31

²³You who fear the LORD, praise him! All you offspring of Jacob, glorify him; stand in awe of him, all you offspring of Israel!

²⁴**For he did not despise or abhor the affliction of the afflicted; he did not hide his face from me, but heard when I cried to him.**

²⁵From you comes my praise in the great congregation; my vows I will pay before those who fear him.

²⁶**The poor shall eat and be satisfied; those who seek him shall praise the LORD. May your hearts live for ever!**

²⁷All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the LORD; and all the families of the nations shall worship before him.

²⁸**For dominion belongs to the LORD, and he rules over the nations.**

²⁹To him, indeed, shall all who sleep in the earth bow down; before him shall bow all who go down to the dust, and I shall live for him.

³⁰**Posterity will serve him, future generations will be told about the Lord,**

³¹and proclaim his deliverance to a people yet unborn, saying that he has done it.

Gospel Reading: Mark 8:31-38

Sermon: "Getting What We Don't Want"

Rev. Dr. Brian Jones

HOSPITALITY SERVANTS

Coffee Servers

February 25: Brenda & Pete Bratberg

March 3: Dee & Bill Schurman

Ushers

February 25: Alisa Taatjes, Myron Ficek, Jeff Lamphere, Eli Twernbold

March 3: **Open**

*****Please sign up on the sheets in the Fellowship Hall (by the library) to usher or lay read. Thank You!**

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Lay Readers

February 25: Larry Bratsch

March 3: Jonelle Foreman

Sound Operators: Pete Bratberg, Duane Taatjes, Daryl Taatjes

Video Operators: Carter Taatjes, Pete Bratberg, Wally Titus, Daryl Taatjes,
Jerry Leason & Barry Sampson

Screen Operators: Stephanie Bents, Sherry Bratsch, Jerry Bents

Radio Operators: Harold Foreman, Daryl Taatjes, Duane Taatjes

HOPE HAPPENINGS!

CARE Pantry Challenge

February is....Body Wash

March is....Donations for the Food Pantry at The Link

Please leave your donations on the table by the church mailboxes. Thank You!

Soup & Bread Suppers

Our Lenten Soup & Bread Suppers will be on Wednesdays, at 5:45 p.m. with a Lenten Service to follow at 6:15 p.m. in the Sanctuary. Group 2 will be in charge of the kitchen duties on February 28th. Please see the sign-up sheet for bringing soup, crackers or milk.

Clearwater Forest Summer Camp 2024 Registration Now Open!

Join Clearwater for this summer's camp theme: **Linked By Love**. Please see the camp schedule on the Community Events board by the offices or check the website www.clearwaterforest.org to register.

“Light of the World” Service

We will be hosting the “Light of the World” service next Sunday evening at 7:00 p.m. This is an ecumenical evening prayer service written and composed by Carol Meier from the Eagle Lake Lutheran Church by Willmar. Refreshments will be served in the Fellowship Hall following the service.

THIS WEEK AT HOPE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

February 25
(Sunday) **2nd Sunday in Lent**
9:15 a.m. Coffee & Fellowship (Cake to honor Jerry Bents)
10:00 a.m. Worship – Baptism for Cason James Hatch
(Son of Jayeden Christensen & Alex Hatch)
(Also Facebook Live and Radio)

February 26
(Monday)

February 27
(Tuesday) 6:00 p.m. Tuesday’s Table at Peace Lutheran, NL
6:30 p.m. Christian Education & Families Committee

February 28
(Wednesday) 5:30 p.m. Confirmation
5:45 p.m. Soup & Bread Supper
6:15 p.m. Lenten Service
6:15 p.m. WOW
6:30 p.m. TAG
7:00 p.m. Choir Practice

February 29
(Thursday)

March 1
(Friday) Office Closed

March 2
(Saturday) 7:00 p.m. AA

March 3
(Sunday) **3rd Sunday in Lent - Communion**
9:15 a.m. Coffee & Fellowship
10:00 a.m. Worship (Also Facebook Live and Radio)
7:00 p.m. “Light of the World” Service
Followed by refreshments in the Fellowship Hall

February Deacons of the Month: Bob & Julie Ehrlich
March Deacons of the Month: Lisa Thorson & Greg Swenson

PRAYER REQUESTS

****Denotes new**

Members with Health Concerns:

Darlene Bratberg, Jeff Lamphere, Sandy Ardoff, Jo Holm, Sharon Jones, Darlene Thompson, Dick Lindahl, John Williamson, Conny Williamson, Bob Hinderks

Family and Friends with Health Concerns:

Mike (Friend of Wade Swenson)
Aaron Cameron (Schurman’s brother-in-law) Dorothy (Eldy William’s sister)
Chris (Doreen Mitchell’s son-in-law) Mike Holme
Jerry Jones Duane (Friend of Joni Lamphere)
Bryce Hinderks Harlan Brace
Troy Houdek (Julee Clark’s brother) Genia (Pastor Candace’s granddaughter)
Lennon Ludewig Barb Knittel (Tyann’s friend’s Mom)
Ruth (Friend of Carol Sampson) Kevin Taatjes
Vicky Mattson (Friend of Sharon Jones) David (Karen Hagemeyer’s nephew)

Grieving:

**Family of Steven Chapin (Karen Hagemeyer’s brother), Family of Jerry Dahl, Family of George Panetti, Family of Inez Underland (Kim O’Malley’s Grandmother)

Care Facilities:

Jerry Gault (Prairie Senior Cottages, 1705 19th Ave. SW-Willmar), Shar Williams (Carris Health Care Center, 1801 Willmar Ave. SW), Kathy Jansen (Bethesda Grand, 901 Willmar Ave. SE, Room 103), David Carlson (Bethesda North Pointe), Jeanette Gault (GlenOaks), Betty Harder (Bethesda North Pointe), Arlos Jones (GlenOaks Apts.), Barb Morris (Copperleaf-Willmar), Mary Lou Swart (PCU’s at GlenOaks)

Other Concerns:

For those dealing with mental health issues and who struggle with addiction
For those deeply wounded by domestic violence
For those grieving the death and injury of a loved one due to violence and war
For the unrest in Israel and Gaza
For those affected by natural disasters, COVID-19

Please Note** If you have a prayer request, please fill out the prayer request card from the ushers and return it to them, which will be given to Pastor Brian.