

**Sermon: “The Unexpected”**

**Rev. Dr. Brian Jones**

**\*Sermon Hymn: “He Touched Me”**

(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: “King with a Crown of Thorns”**

Adult Choir

**\*Doxology**

(Blue #592/Screen)

**\*Prayer of Dedication**

**\*Closing Hymn: “Servant Song”**

(Sing the Faith #2222/Screen)

**\*Charge/Benediction: “Aaron’s Blessing”**

Rev. Dr. Brian Jones/Cong. echo

**Postlude**

Maggie Harp

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**Sunday, March 24, 2024**

**Palm Sunday**

9:15 a.m. Coffee in Fellowship Hall

10:00 a.m. Worship

(On Facebook Live & KGLH Radio 96.9)



**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: Sue Block**

**\*Call to Worship**

One: Blessed is the coming kingdom.

**ALL: Hosanna in the highest!**

One: Blessed is the coming kingdom of God.

**ALL: Hosanna in the highest!**

**\*Opening Prayer**

One: God of salvation, our Lord entered his passion to raise us to life. In this holiest of weeks, help us to walk the way of the cross, so that we may be raised in a resurrection like his and dwell forever in you, Eternal God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

**ALL: Amen.**

**\*Hymn of Praise:** "Hosanna, Loud Hosanna"

(Blue # 89/Screen)

**\*Prayer of Confession**

**ALL: We confess that we have sinned, and although we would like to deny it, we have forsaken you. We are horrified by the suffering we cause—to you, ourselves, and the world you have created. We are truly horrified. Open the gates of your forgiveness and restore us in your love, for the sake of our Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.**

**Assurance of Forgiveness**

**\*Gloria**

(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**

**Special Music:** "Praise Him, Praise Him, All You Little Children" Children & Adults

**Children's Sermon**

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

**Prayer for Illumination**

One: Come Holy Spirit, source of all life. Break open our hearts this day through the power of the Holy Spirit, so that we may celebrate this day, and then enter into the coming Holy Week with the same mind that was in Christ Jesus.

**All: Amen.**

**Responsive Reading: Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29**

<sup>1</sup> O give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; his steadfast love endures for ever!

<sup>2</sup> **Let Israel say, 'His steadfast love endures for ever.'**

<sup>19</sup> Open to me the gates of righteousness, that I may enter through them and give thanks to the LORD.

<sup>20</sup> **This is the gate of the LORD; the righteous shall enter through it.**

<sup>21</sup> I thank you that you have answered me and have become my salvation.

<sup>22</sup> **The stone that the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone.**

<sup>23</sup> This is the LORD's doing; it is marvellous in our eyes.

<sup>24</sup> **This is the day that the LORD has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

<sup>25</sup> Save us, we beseech you, O LORD! O LORD, we beseech you, give us success!

<sup>26</sup> **Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the LORD.**

**We bless you from the house of the LORD.**

<sup>27</sup> The LORD is God, and he has given us light.

Bind the festal procession with branches, up to the horns of the altar.

<sup>28</sup> **You are my God, and I will give thanks to you; you are my God, I will extol you.**

<sup>29</sup> O give thanks to the LORD, for he is good, for his steadfast love endures for ever.

**Gospel Reading: Mark 11:1-11**

## HOSPITALITY SERVANTS

### Coffee Servers

March 24: Robin & Greg Mulder

March 31: Session-Muffins, Juice & Coffee

### Ushers

March 24: Duane & Alisa Taatjes, Joni Lamphere & Eli Twernbold

March 31: \*\*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

March 24: Sue Block

March 31: Larry Bratsch

**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

**\*\*April-May-June Devotional Booklets are available on the table in the Narthex, in the office or on the table in the library.**

## HOPE HAPPENINGS!

### CARE Pantry Challenge: March is....Donations for the Food Pantry at The Link

Please leave your unexpired box or canned food donations on the table by the church mailboxes. There are also envelopes on the table for making cash donations.

Thank You!

### Good Friday Service

Pastors Michael Hartwell, Pamela Prouty, Brian Jones, Beverly Brock and Mark Ford have created and recorded a Good Friday service for your use on the seven last words of Christ. The online link will be shared with you when available. We will also be showing the service at 10:30 am in the Jack Anderson Fireside Room, for those who would like to come.

### One Great Hour of Sharing

The One Great Hour of Sharing offering will be taken next Sunday. Envelopes are in the pews. Join with Presbyterians worldwide in sharing God's love with our neighbors-in-need around the world by providing relief from natural disasters, food for the hungry, and support for the poor and oppressed.

### Camp GK Bear

CentraCare Hospice will be holding Camp GK Bear on Saturday, April 13<sup>th</sup>. Please pass this on to anyone you feel might benefit from this grief camp for kids, grades K-6. Registration can be done online at [www.CentraCare.com/CampGKBear](http://www.CentraCare.com/CampGKBear). The registration deadline is Friday, April 5. Camp GK Bear will be offered from 10:00 am until 3:00 pm at the Lakeland Auditorium, (lower level Lakeland Health Center) in Willmar. There is no cost to attend. Lunch, snacks and beverages will be provided.

If you have questions, please contact either Gina Jacobs or Kathy Tweten at (320) 231-4450.

### Moving Sale - Saturday, April 6<sup>th</sup>

Kathy Jansen's home has been sold! HPW will be selling the remaining household items at her home, 130 Pine St. NW in New London, on Saturday, April 6<sup>th</sup>, 9 am till 3 pm. The proceeds will support the mission projects supported by HPW, of which many are local. She has a large variety of items-baking and cooking items, casseroles, food storage containers, small appliances, a Keurig, home décor, vases, lamps, crocks, end tables, sofas, large flat screen TV, entertainment center, Armoire, nightstand, bedding and much more. We need people, men and women, to work on Thursday and Friday to prepare for the sale and also for 3 shifts on Saturday. Please see the sign-up sheet in the library area.

## THIS WEEK AT HOPE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

March 24 (Sunday)	<b>Palm/Passion Sunday</b> 9:15 a.m. Coffee & Fellowship 10:00 a.m. Worship (Also Facebook Live and Radio)
March 25 (Monday)	
March 26 (Tuesday)	6:00 p.m. Tuesday's Table at Peace Lutheran Church, NL 6:30 p.m. Christian Education & Families Committee
March 27 (Wednesday)	5:15 p.m. Meatball Supper Meeting 6:15 p.m. W.O.W. 6:30 p.m. TAG 7:00 p.m. Choir Practice 8:00 p.m. Men's Ensemble Practice
March 28 (Thursday)	7:00 p.m. Maundy Thursday Service/Communion
March 29 (Friday)	Office Closed 10:30 a.m. Good Friday Online Service-Fireside Room (Available Online All Day)
March 30 (Saturday)	7:00 p.m. AA
March 31 (Sunday)	<b>Easter Sunday</b> 9:15 a.m. Muffins, Juice & Coffee (served by Session) 10:00 a.m. Worship/Communion (Also Facebook Live and Radio) (One Great Hour of Sharing Offering)

## PRAYER REQUESTS

### **Members with Health Concerns:**

Barb Morris, Gwen Anfinson, Karen Hagemeyer, Sandy Ardoff, Jo Holm, Darlene Thompson, Dick Lindahl, Conny Williamson, Bob Hinderks

### **Family and Friends with Health Concerns:**

Deb Everson (Sandy Ardoff's sister-in-law)	Mary Mathieson (Friend of Pat Hinderks)
Daryl Niemeyer (Bents' brother-in-law)	Kevin Peterson (Greg Swenson's cousin)
Lori (Friend of Sherry Bratsch)	Mike Nielsen
Mike (Friend of Wade Swenson)	Aaron Cameron (Schurman's brother-in-law)
Dorothy (Eldy William's sister)	Chris (Doreen Mitchell's son-in-law)
Duane (Friend of Joni Lamphere)	Harlan Brace
Lennon Ludewig	Barb Knittel (Tyann's friend's Mom)
Ruth (Friend of Carol Sampson)	Vicky Mattson (Friend of Sharon Jones)

### **Grieving:**

Family of David (Karen Hagemeyer's nephew), Family of Randy Patton, Family of Steven Chapin (Karen Hagemeyer's brother)

### **Care Facilities:**

Jerry Gault (Prairie Senior Cottages, 1705 19<sup>th</sup> 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.

**March Deacons of the Month: Lisa Thorson & Greg Swenson**