

Epistle Reading: Ephesians 6:10-20

Gospel Reading: John 6:56-69

Sermon: “Nowhere Else to Turn”

Rev. Dr. Brian Jones

Sermon Hymn: “O Lord My Rock and My Redeemer”

(Insert/Screen)

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

ALL: 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

Offering/Offertory: “In The Garden”

Catherine & Dempsey

***Doxology**

(Blue #592/Screen)

***Prayer of Dedication**

***Closing Hymn: “Lead On, O King Eternal”**

(Blue #447/Screen)

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

Rev. Dr. Brian Jones/Cong. Echo

Postlude

Maggie

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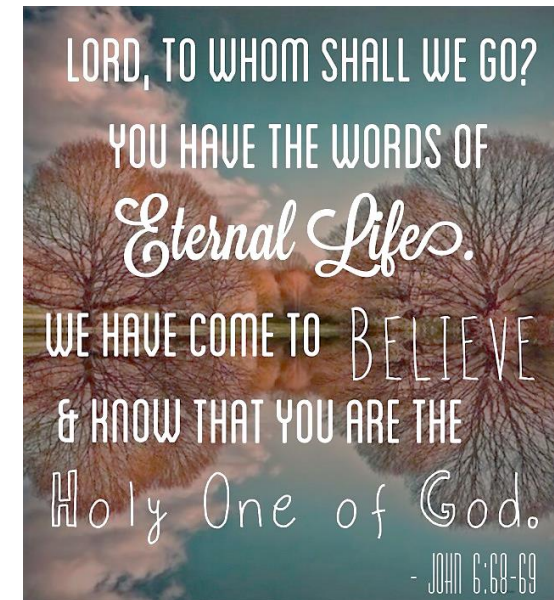
Sunday, August 25, 2024

8:30 a.m. Outdoor Worship in Chapel

9:15 a.m. Coffee & Fellowship

10:00 a.m. Worship in Sanctuary

(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).

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

Prelude

Maggie Harp

Welcome

Lay Reader: Larry Bratsch

***Call to Worship**

One: The living God has sent the living bread from heaven.

ALL: To fill our hearts with strength!

One: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

ALL: Amen.

***Morning Prayer**

One: God our strength, you have brought us into your holy place through Christ, who has the words of eternal life. As you made us alive by his flesh and blood, cause us to boldly witness to the gospel, welcome the stranger, and pursue peace, standing through the struggles of our times.

ALL: Amen.

***Hymn of Praise:** "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing" (Blue #356/Screen)

***Prayer of Confession**

ALL: Watchful God, you know our plight. Offended, we have not believed your words. Complaining, we have betrayed your love. We are weak, estranged, wandering, and lost. Seeking to stand in our own strength, we fall. Strangers to your holiness, we wander. Defenseless against evil within and without, we are lost. Shine your light in our darkness and guide us back to our place in you. Amen.

***Assurance of Forgiveness**

***Gloria Patri**

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: "How Great Thou Art" Catherine Anderson, Soloist
Dempsey Schroeder, Violin

Children's Sermon

Response: "Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying" (Sing the Faith #2193/Screen)
Lord, listen to your children praying, Lord, send your Spirit in this place; Lord, listen to your children praying, send us love, send us power, send us grace. (Repeat)

Prayer for Illumination

One: Holy God, you have the words of eternal life. By your Holy Spirit, let your words pierce our darkness, strengthen our faith, and illumine our witness for you.

All: Amen.

Responsive Reading: Psalm 84

¹ How lovely is your dwelling place, O LORD of hosts!

² **My soul longs, indeed it faints for the courts of the LORD; my heart and my flesh sing for joy to the living God.**

³ Even the sparrow finds a home, and the swallow a nest for herself, where she may lay her young, at your altars, O LORD of hosts, my King and my God.

⁴ **Happy are those who live in your house, ever singing your praise.**

⁵ Happy are those whose strength is in you, in whose heart are the highways to Zion.

⁶ **As they go through the valley of Baca they make it a place of springs; the early rain also covers it with pools.**

⁷ They go from strength to strength; the God of gods will be seen in Zion.

⁸ **O LORD God of hosts, hear my prayer; give ear, O God of Jacob!**

⁹ Behold our shield, O God; look on the face of your anointed.

¹⁰ **For a day in your courts is better than a thousand elsewhere.**

I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God than live in the tents of wickedness.

¹¹ For the LORD God is a sun and shield; he bestows favour and honour. No good thing does the LORD withhold from those who walk uprightly.

¹² **O LORD of hosts, happy is everyone who trusts in you.**

HOSPITALITY SERVANTS

Coffee Servers

August 25: Sherry Bratsch & Lisa Thorson

September 1: Jill & Grace Gau

Ushers

August 25: 8:30 am Bob & Carol Sampson

10:00 am Steve Barney, Pam Sigafos, Bob & Wendy Barr

September 1: 8:30 am **Open**

10:00 am **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

August 25: Larry Bratsch

September 1: 8:30 am Jeff Wersal

10:00 am Sue Block

Sound Operators: Pete Bratberg, Duane Taatjes, Daryl Taatjes, Wally Titus

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:

August is...Paper Towels and Facial Tissue. Please leave your donations on the table by the mailboxes. Thanks! **September** is...Baby Wash, Baby Lotion, Baby Wipes, Diapers and Pull-ups

REMINDER.....

Anyone planning on going on the Belize Mission Trip in March 2025 needs to turn in your information sheet and deposit check (made out to Hope Presbyterian Church) to Steph or Karen by next Sunday, September 1st. Any questions, please ask Steph, Tyann, or Pastor Brian. Thank you!

Family Fun Festival's Mission Projects

The mission projects for the Family Fun Festivals were: Food for The Link and the First Responders. You can still donate to these projects at the display on the table in the Fellowship Hall.

HPW Meeting

Our next HPW meeting scheduled for September 3rd will be changed to Tuesday, September 24th at 6:30 pm. We will have election of Officers, Approval of Missions and work on our 2025 Calendar. Devotions will be led by Sue Block.

Fall Harvest Festival/Home Décor

Our Fall Harvest Festival/Home Decor Sale will be held on Saturday, October 12th 8 am-1 pm. More details will be coming soon. The Accessory Sisters would appreciate any donations of used jewelry. Please place them in the blue tote by the library.

Circle II

There are only three more meetings this year. We conclude in December and then take the three snowiest months off (January, February & March). We have been meeting in the church and that is working well. We have nine lessons, with a Leader signing up by the month. There are about a dozen members-not everyone gets to lead a lesson. We welcome anyone who would like to join our group on the first Thursday of the month. If you would like more information, please leave Jonelle Foreman a message at 320-796-2810. The next meeting is on Thursday, September 5th at 6:00 pm. We will be meeting at Kathy Jansen's, near to her room at Bethesda Grand—Room 103. Any questions please contact Eileen Helmstetter.

THIS WEEK AT HOPE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

August 25 (Sunday) 8:30 a.m. Outdoor Worship in Hopewood Chapel
9:15 a.m. Coffee
10:00 a.m. Worship (Also Facebook Live and Radio)

August 26 (Monday) 10:00 a.m. Coffee & Conversation

August 27 (Tuesday) 6:00 p.m. Tuesday's Table at Peace Lutheran Church, NL

August 28 (Wednesday) 10:00 a.m. Coffee & Conversation
7:15 p.m. Choir Practice

August 29 (Thursday)

August 30 (Friday) Office Closed

August 31 (Saturday) 7:00 p.m. AA

September 1 (Sunday) **COMMUNION** – Commissioned Pastor Kathy Terpstra
8:30 a.m. Outdoor Worship in Hopewood Chapel
9:15 a.m. Coffee
10:00 a.m. Worship (Also Facebook Live and Radio)

PRAYER REQUESTS

***Denotes New**

Members with Health Concerns:

Kathy Jansen, Sandy Wersal, Barb Morris, Erica Hippen

Family and Friends with Health Concerns:

Jack Tatge Mother of Lance Baumann (from Clearwater Forest Camp)
Ruth (Friend of Carol Sampson) Bennett Anderson
(Isaiah) Johanna Jergenson & baby Esther (Foreman's nephew)
Dick Bratsch (Larry's brother) Danny Poe (Sandy Wersal's brother)
Hudson (Brooke Appleby's relative) Paul Barney (Steve's brother)

Grieving:

Family and friends of Susan Johnson, Family of Hope Sampsal (Conny Williamson's Mother)

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 in 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.

August Deacons of the Month: Sandy Meyer & Karen Bents
September Deacons of the Month: Jeff Wersal & Kathy Taatjes