

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: "Seek Ye First"

Handbells

\*Doxology

(Blue #592/Screen)

\*Prayer of Dedication

\*Closing Hymn: "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"

(Screen)

\*Charge/Benediction

Postlude

Maggie Harp

## Hope Presbyterian Church

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### Sunday, November 12, 2023

9:15 a.m. Coffee in Fellowship Hall

10:00 a.m. Worship (Sanctuary)

(On Facebook Live & KGLH 96.9 FM Radio)



**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: People of God, listen: the Lord has done marvelous things.

ALL: We will teach our children all that God has done so that they may live in hope and die in peace.

**\*Opening Prayer**

One: Eternal God, you are our hope and our salvation, for in Jesus Christ, you have conquered death. Baptized in him, we are raised to new life. Increase in us our faith and keep us watchful, that we may welcome Christ with joy when he comes to set the whole world free.

**ALL: Amen.**

**\*Hymn of Praise:** "All People That on Earth Do Dwell"

(Screen)

**Prayer of Confession**

**ALL: Holy and gracious God, you are all light and wonder and glory. You are our strength and our delight; you give us all we need to live. Yet we are distracted by all that glitters, continually grasping for more. Rather than trust in your provision, we chase after our own happiness. Forgive us, Lord, and turn us back to you. Overwhelm us with your goodness and cover us with grace for we know that you are the source of life, the fount of all that is good. In the name of Jesus we pray. Amen.**

**Assurance of Forgiveness**

**\*Gloria Patri**

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Glory be to the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen.

**\*Passing of the Peace** (Please share a sign of Christ's peace with one another)

**Announcements**

**Gideon Presentation**

Stan Wubben

**Special Music:** "Let All Things Now Living"

Handbells

Eli Twernbold, Kristene Foreman, (Brooklyn Johnson), Melissa Mangen, Skylar King, Evelyn Titus, Alan Mangen and Jan Saulsbury, Flute

**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: Lord, to whom should we go? You have the words of eternal life. By the power of your Holy Spirit, speak to us of your promises so that we might hear your truth and enjoy you forever, in Jesus' name.

**All: Amen.**

**Responsive Reading: Psalm 78:1-7**

**Gospel Reading: Matthew 25:1-13**

**Sermon: "Pushing Back"**

Rev. Dr. Brian Jones

**\*Sermon Hymn:** "Be Still My Soul"

(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**

**HOSPITALITY SERVANTS**

**Coffee Servers**

**November 12: Carol & Bob Sampson**

**November 19: Wendy & Bob Barr**

**Ushers**

**November 12: Tim & Sue Block, Karen Hagemeyer, Kathy Taatjes**

**November 19: Tim & Sue Block, \*\*2 more needed\*\***

**Acolytes**

**November 12: \*\*Open\*\***

**November 19: \*\*Open\*\***

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

**WORSHIP ASSISTANTS**

**Lay Readers**

**November 12: Sue Block**

**November 19: Jeff Wersal**

**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

**Contact Information for Rev. Dr. Brian Jones:** For any pastoral emergencies in the evenings or weekends when the office is not open, please contact Pastor Brian on his cell phone (605-204-0625) or email him at [brianwjones1980@hotmail.com](mailto:brianwjones1980@hotmail.com)

**FINANCE REPORT**

	October	Year to Date 10/31/2023	Year to Date Monthly Average
Income	\$30,192.85	\$229,034.21	\$22,903.42
Expenses	\$22,439.18	\$239,275.82	\$23,927.58
Net Profit (Loss)	\$7,753.67	(\$10,241.61)	
Income Needed to Cover Monthly Budgeted Expenses			\$24,895.98
Per Capita Assessment for 2023			\$8,494.08
Per Capita Paid by Members Through 10/31/2023			\$3,511.50

Jerry Bents, Treasurer

**HOPE HAPPENINGS!**

**CARE Pantry Challenge November is.... Laundry Detergent**

Please leave your donations on the table by the church mailboxes.

**Missing totes!**

We are missing 11 empty totes after the Fall Festival. Please return them to church if you took them by mistake. Thanks!

**Part-time Church Treasurer Position Open**

We have a part-time, paid Church Treasurer position open since Jerry is retiring. Commitment will be about four hours per week, more hours as needed, so will be a flexible schedule. Jerry will provide training. Interested? Please email cover letter to [sandywersal@gmail.com](mailto:sandywersal@gmail.com)

**Open House Fundraiser for The Link**

An Open House Fundraiser for The Link will be held on Tuesday, November 14th from 4-7 pm. Shopping-door prizes-affle drawing! Your monetary donation will enter you into a drawing for a gift basket or 2 Adirondak chairs and fire pit. Light appetizers and refreshments provided. Bring a friend!

**Women's Retreat**

A Women's Retreat will be held this Saturday, November 18th 9:30 am-3:30 pm, at the River of Hope Youth Center. Sign up today! Join other women for a day of reflection, music, worship, prayer, food, creativity and conversation centered on taking and making time to connect with God. Lunch included. Free will offering. Sponsored by Eagle Lake, Ebenezer & Tripolis and Big Grove, Crow River and Grace Lutheran Churches.

**Thanksgiving Service – Sunday, November 19th 7:00 p.m. in sanctuary**

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**West Central Singers** presents "A Sweet Slice of Gratitude" next Saturday, November 18th at 4:00 p.m. at the Nordland Lutheran Church and on Sunday, November 19th at 4:00 p.m. at the Calvary Lutheran Church in Willmar. Adults \$10. Children & students are free.

**Prairie Arts Chorale** presents "A Life in Song" connecting generations through the magic of music, next Sunday, November 19th at 4:00 p.m. at the Faith Lutheran Church in Spicer. Adults \$15. Under 18 are free.

## THIS WEEK AT HOPE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

November 12 (Sunday) 9:15 a.m. Coffee & Fellowship  
10:00 a.m. Worship (Also Facebook Live and Radio)

November 13 (Monday) 5:15 p.m. Mission Committee  
6:30 p.m. Finance Committee

November 14 (Tuesday) 6:00 p.m. Tuesday's Table at Evang. Covenant Church, NL  
6:30 p.m. HPW Meeting Devotions: Jody Leason

November 15 (Wednesday) 4:00 p.m. Choir sings at Teals  
5:30 p.m. Confirmation  
6:15 p.m. WOW  
6:15 p.m. Adult Bible Study (Understanding Poverty)  
6:30 p.m. TAG  
7:15 p.m. Choir practice

November 16 (Thursday)

November 17 (Friday) Office Closed

November 18 (Saturday) 9:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Women's Retreat at ROHYC  
7:00 p.m. AA

November 19 (Sunday) 9:15 a.m. Coffee & Fellowship  
10:00 a.m. Worship (Also Facebook Live and Radio)  
7:00 p.m. Thanksgiving Service

## PRAYER REQUESTS

\*Denotes new

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

Dick Lindahl, Kathy Jansen, John Williamson, Conny Williamson, Bob Hinderks

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

Jamie Duke	Erlis Flickinger
Terry & Deb Holmquist	Travis Muller
Chet (Kylie Taatjes' friend)	Pete & Steve (Pastor & Tyann's friends)
Anakin Jorschumb	Kevin Taatjes
Sheila Kelly (Jody Leason's cousin)	Ross Antonson (Deb Steele's brother)
Vicky Mattson (Friend of Sharon Jones)	Connie Benson (Helmstetter's friend)
Dale (Friend of the Hagemeyers)	Greg Skinner (Virginia McKean's son-in-law)
Jordan Bast	Holly (Dee Schurman's sister)

### **Grieving:**

Family of Ron Abalama (Jonelle Foreman's uncle), Family of Bob Rierson (Sue Block's uncle), Family of Shelly Erickson, Family of Bob Dieken (Karen Bents' brother)

### **Care Facilities:**

Jerry Gault (Prairie Senior Cottages, 1705 19<sup>th</sup> Ave. SW-Willmar), Shar Williams (Carris Health Care Center-Rice Care Center-1801 Willmar Ave. SW), Kathy Jansen (Bethesda North Pointe), 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  
For those serving in the military

**\*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.

**November Deacons of the Month: Dave Helmstetter & Greg Swenson**