

**16 Your eyes beheld my unformed substance.**

**In your book were written all the days that were formed for me,  
when none of them as yet existed.**

**17 How weighty to me are your thoughts, O God! How vast is the sum of them!**

**18 I try to count them—they are more than the sand;  
I come to the end—I am still with you.**

**Old Testament Reading: Jeremiah 18:1-6**

**Epistle Reading: Philemon 1-25**

**Sermon: “Brothers and Sisters? Really?”**

**Rev. Dr. Brian Jones**

**Pastoral Prayer**

**\*Hymn of Preparation: “Jesus, Thou Joy of Loving Hearts”** (Blue #510/Screen)

**Sacrament of Communion: The Great Thanksgiving:**

One: The Lord be with you.

**ALL: And also with you.**

One: Lift up your hearts.

**ALL: We lift them to the Lord.**

One: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**ALL: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

One: It is truly right...who forever sing to the glory of your name:

**ALL: Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might; Heaven and earth  
are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes  
in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

One: You are holy, O God of majesty,...Great is the mystery of faith:

**ALL: Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.**

One: Gracious God...all glory and honor are yours, almighty God, now and forever.

**The Lord’s Prayer (Sung)**

**Communion of the People** (Bread is gluten-free)

**Offering/10:00 a.m. Offertory: “You Are Near”**

Maggie

**\*Doxology**

(Blue #592/Screen)

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below;

Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

**\*Prayer of Dedication**

**\*Closing Hymn: “Holy God, We Praise Your Name”**

(Blue #460/Screen)

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

Rev. Dr. Brian Jones/Cong. echo

May the LORD bless you and keep you; May the LORD make His face to shine on  
you, And be gracious to you; May the LORD lift His countenance on you (x 2), May  
He keep you in perfect peace.

**Postlude**

Maggie

## Hope Presbyterian Church

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**Sunday, September 4, 2022**

8:30 a.m. Hopewood Chapel

10:00 a.m. Worship Service

(Facebook Live & on 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 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 also 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: (10:00 am service) 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:** 8:30 a.m. Myron Ficek 10:00 a.m. Deb Ficek

**\*Call to Worship**

One: Happy are those who delight in the Word of God.

**ALL: They are like trees planted by streams of water, and they will flourish.**

One: As those who bear the likeness and blessing of God, as mortals charged with holy purpose,

**ALL: Let us worship the One who summons us to life.**

**\*Opening Prayer**

One: Weaver of life, framer of the ages, we marvel at your artistry and the trust you place in us. From our first cries to our final breaths, we are your own. Bind us now to each other in ways beyond our choosing, so that your purpose might find fulfillment in our common life and service. For we pray in the name of Jesus, the firstborn of all creation.

**ALL: Amen.**

**\*Hymn of Praise:** "God of Grace and God of Glory" (Blue #420/Screen)

**Prayer of Confession**

**ALL: Holy God, like children long indulged, we are quick to presume your pardon, your sanction of the way we live. We turn away from neighbors in need, sharing fragments that remain only after our cravings have been met. Merciful Maker, you created us for better use; remake us now. Where we are distorted, re-center and reshape us, bring us low and raise us up. Then fire our hearts until we shine with your glory and find our place in your purpose. Amen.**

**Assurance of Forgiveness**

**\*Gloria Patri** (Blue #577/Screen)

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**

**Sing-Along** (8:30 a.m.) Congregation choice-see booklet

**Children's Sermon**

**Response:** "Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying" (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 and merciful God, we have come to hear your word. Help us to bear it. Break down in us, all that resists your will and plant in us a willingness to turn, for we would live; we would be your disciples. By your Spirit, come to us, now, in ancient texts, in everyday visions, in the need of our neighbor; we pray in the name of Jesus, our light.

**ALL: Amen.**

**Responsive Reading: Psalm 139: 1-6,13-18**

<sup>1</sup> O LORD, you have searched me and known me.

<sup>2</sup> **You know when I sit down and when I rise up; you discern my thoughts from far away.**

<sup>3</sup> You search out my path and my lying down and are acquainted with all my ways.

<sup>4</sup> **Even before a word is on my tongue, O LORD, you know it completely.**

<sup>5</sup> You hem me in, behind and before, and lay your hand upon me.

<sup>6</sup> **Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; it is so high that I cannot attain it.**

<sup>13</sup> For it was you who formed my inward parts;

you knit me together in my mother's womb.

<sup>14</sup> **I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made.**

**Wonderful are your works; that I know very well.**

<sup>15</sup> My frame was not hidden from you, when I was being made in secret, intricately woven in the depths of the earth.

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## HOSPITALITY SERVANTS

### **Coffee Servers**

**September 4:** Wendy & Bob Barr

**September 11:** Sarah & Barry Sampson

### **Ushers**

**September 4:** 8:30 a.m. Greg & Robin Mulder

10:00 a.m. Rod & Nancy Gjerde, Bill & Dee Schurman

**September 11:** 10:00 a.m. **Open**

**\*\*\*Please sign up on the sheets in the Fellowship Hall (by the library) to usher in September-Thank You!**

## WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

### **Lay Readers**

**September 4:** 8:30 a.m. Myron Ficek

10:00 a.m. Deb Ficek

**September 11:** 10:00 a.m. Sue Block

### **Communion Servers:**

**September 4:** 8:30 a.m. Greg Mulder

10:00 a.m. Steve Barney, Nancy Birkeland, Deb Ficek and Jody Leason.

**Sound Operators:** Pete Bratberg, Duane Taatjes, Daryl Taatjes, Stephanie Bents

**Video Operators:** Carter Taatjes, Pete Bratberg, Wally Titus, Daryl Taatjes

**Screen Operators:** Stephanie Bents, Sherry Bratsch, Jerry Bents

**Radio Operators:** Harold Foreman, Daryl Taatjes

## COMMUNITY EVENTS

**Music Under the Prairie Stars** Friday, September 9<sup>th</sup>, 5:30 p.m. at the Prairie Woods Environmental Learning Center.

**Our Lady of the Lakes Catholic Church Fall Festival** Saturday, September 17<sup>th</sup> 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

**West Central Walk to End Alzheimer's** Saturday, September 17<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m. at Robbins Island in Willmar. To register go to alz.org/walk.

## HOPE HAPPENINGS!

### **Sign-up to lay read, usher, acolyte or mow lawn.**

Please see the sign-up sheets by the library. Thanks!

**\*\*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. He will mention these during the time of "Sharing of Joys & Concerns." Thank You!

### **New Church Directories and T-shirts have arrived!!**

Please pick up your new church directory from the table in the Fellowship Hall. Also, we do have a donation box set up for any donations for the Directories, lunch items and any other needed supplies for our 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebration. Please also pick up your T-shirt that you ordered and please wear it on the 11<sup>th</sup>!

### **Tuesday's Table meals return September 6<sup>th</sup>**

The Link is set to restart its Tuesday's Table free community meal event. The first Tuesday's Table takes place on September 6<sup>th</sup> at Our Lady of The Lakes Church from 6-6:30 p.m. The Evangelical Covenant Church in New London hosts the second Tuesday of the month; Faith Lutheran Church hosts the third Tuesday of the month; and Peace Lutheran hosts the fourth Tuesday of the month. The free meal is for everyone in the New London-Spicer area.

### **Mark your calendars for September 11<sup>th</sup>!!**

Come, help us celebrate 50 years of worshiping together at Hope Presbyterian Church! Worship at 10:00 a.m. with a program following. Former Pastors will be here to give short messages. A lunch will be served following the program with games, root beer floats and Blue Grass music following outside. This day will also be Rally Day, marking the beginning of Christian Education classes on Wednesday, September 14<sup>th</sup> and a Bible will be awarded to our second grader, Eli Twernbold.

### **CARE Pantry Challenge in September**

The September CARE Pantry Donation Challenge is ..... Paper Towels and Facial Tissue. Please leave your donations on the table by the church mailboxes. Thanks!

### **Clearwater Forest Work Weekend**

Please sign up, in the Fellowship Hall on the sheet by the library, to attend Clearwater Forest Work Weekend **September 16<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup>**. Everyone is welcome! Join us for a great time!!

## THIS WEEK AT HOPE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

September 4 (Sunday)	<b>COMMUNION</b> (All bread is gluten-free) 8:30 a.m. Worship in Hopewood Chapel 9:15 a.m. Coffee 10:00 a.m. Worship in Sanctuary (Also FB Live & Radio)
September 5 (Monday)	<b>LABOR DAY - OFFICE CLOSED</b>
September 6 (Tuesday)	12:00 p.m. CARE Pantry Devotion, Lunch & Distribution 6:00 p.m. Tuesday's Table at Our Lady of the Lakes Church 6:30 p.m. HPW Meeting – Election of Officers/Approval of Missions/2023 Calendar Devotions-Eileen Helmstetter
September 7 (Wednesday)	5:30 p.m. Teacher's Meeting 7:00 p.m. Choir
September 8 (Thursday)	
September 9 (Friday)	Office Closed
September 10 (Saturday)	7:00 p.m. AA
September 11 (Sunday)	<b>50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration/Rally Sunday</b> 9:15 a.m. Coffee 10:00 a.m. Worship in Sanctuary (Also FB Live & Radio) 11:00 a.m. 50 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary Program, followed by lunch in the Fellowship Hall. Outdoor activities, Root Beer floats, and Blue Grass music in the outdoor chapel

**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).

## PRAYER REQUESTS \*Indicates new



**Members with Health Concerns:**  
Lisa Thorson, Darlene Thompson, Karen Bents

**Family and Friends with Health Concerns:**

Nathan Saetveit	Jeff Heath (Don & Judy's son)
Friend of Eileen Helmstetter	Anka Oman
Bill Titus	Ross Antonson (Deb Steele's brother)
Bev (Sherry Bratsch's Aunt)	Linda Everson (Gwen Anfinson's sister)

**Grieving:**

Family of Violet Klucas, Family of David Peterson, Family of Ryan Nygaard, Family of Harley Johnson, Family of Woody Williams

**Care Facilities:**

Gary Anfinson (Bethesda-Willmar), David Carlson (Bethesda North Pointe), Jeanette Gault (GlenOaks), Ed Johnston (GlenOaks Apts.), Bob Sietsema (Bethesda North Pointe), Barb Morris (Copperleaf - Willmar), Mary Lou Swart (PCU's at GlenOaks), Maxine Quale (Willmar)

**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 those affected by natural disasters, COVID-19 pandemic  
For those serving in the military in Ukraine and elsewhere

**Joys:**

Charlotte DeLong: Birth of great grandson!

**September Deacons of the Month: Robin Mulder & Deb Steele**