

FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

June 25, 2023



Mount Hope Lutheran Church

Sunday Service - 9:30am

Sunday Bible Study – after Service

Wednesday Bible Study – 10:30am

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Welcome! Members and Guests

We are blessed to have you here today. Please fill out the Guest/Member Attendance Card located in the pew rack in front of you. Guests please include your full address, zip code, and phone number. The cards will be collected by the ushers early in the service. Prayer Requests cards are available in the pew racks and should be handed to the ushers when the attendance cards are collected.

Holy Communion

The Lord's Supper is a sacrament in which Jesus' body and blood are given in and with the bread and wine for the forgiveness of sins (Matthew 26:26-30). When we receive the Holy Communion at a church, we are making a public statement that we agree with the teachings of that church (1 Corinthians 10:14-18). The Bible cautions us against receiving the body and blood of Christ in a manner that is spiritually harmful (1 Corinthians 11:27-29). Therefore, we invite to the Lord's Supper those who have been instructed and confirmed in the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod.

Large Print Bulletins

Large print worship guides are available at the ushers' stand.

Listening Devices

Listening devices are available; our ushers will be glad to assist you in signing one out for today's service.

Pew Cushions

Pew cushions are available; our ushers will be glad to get them for you.

Wheelchair Accessible Seating

Wheelchair seating is located in the fifth row from the front of the church on the left and right side of the center aisle.

Church Nursery

Our Nursery is located in the Parlor, which is the first room next to the stained glass doors. The worship service can be heard in this room. The ushers can direct you to this room.

Our Divine Service, & Bible Studies

Our Divine Service is held on Sundays at 09:30 a.m. Bible Study is held on Sundays after Service and Wednesdays at 10:30 a.m. Our Bible studies are held Sep-May.

Our Vision Statement: Revitalize Within—Reach Out!

PRELUDE
THE RINGING OF THE BELLS
PREPARATION

Pastor: When Jesus sent out His followers to proclaim the Word of His kingdom to all who would listen, He assured them: **“The one who hears you hears Me”** (Luke 10:16). Those who responded in faith knew that the kingdom of God had come near to them and that they had been made members of the household of God. Although this sending of the seventy took place some two thousand years ago, the same reality is ours today! Jesus continues to send out His workers in order that they may preach His Word, preside over His Meal, and welcome into the household of God all who trust in Him. We are listening to Jesus Himself as His kingdom comes near to us. What peace and joy can be ours when we trust that heaven’s grace is ours to receive!

✠ PREPARATION ✠

(Please stand)

HYMN

“Come, Thou Almighty King” *LSB 905 vs 1 & 4*

Come Thou almighty King

Help us Thy name to sing

Help us to praise

Father all glorious

O’er all victorious

Come and reign over us

Ancient of Days

**To Thee great One in Three
 Eternal praises be
 Hence evermore
 Thy sov'reign majesty
 May we in glory see
 And to eternity
 Love and adore**

INVOCATION

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and
of the Holy Spirit.

People: (spoken) **Amen.**

(Please be seated or kneel as you are able for the confession and
absolution)

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION *Psalm 124:8; 30:3–4*

Pastor: Our help is in the name of the LORD,

People: who made heaven and earth.

Pastor: If You, O LORD, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who
could stand?

**People: But with You there is forgiveness; therefore
You are feared.**

Pastor: Almighty God, heavenly Father, hear the prayers
of confession we bring before You.

A moment of silence for personal prayers of confession.

Pastor: Together we pray:

People: Gracious Lord, we confess that we have not feared, loved, and trusted in You above all things. We have allowed other things to distract us from Your presence in our homes and Your mission in our lives. We have not extended Your saving love to others as we ought, choosing to keep Your good blessings to ourselves instead of sharing them with those around us. Have mercy upon us, O Lord. Grant us the Spirit of Jesus, who cleanses us from our sin that we may worship You with joyful hearts and proclaim Your kingdom all our days. Amen.

Pastor: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. His kingdom has come near to you in Christ, and you are blessed to be part of His mission and ministry. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, it is my joy to proclaim Jesus' words of peace to you and, by His authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: (spoken) Amen.

(Please stand)

☩ WORD ☩

INTROIT *Psalm 19:2, 4–6; antiphon: v. 1*

Pastor: The heavens declare the glory of God,

People: and the sky above proclaims His handiwork.

Pastor: Day to day pours out speech, and night to night
reveals knowledge.

**People: Their measuring line goes out through all the
earth, and their words to the end of the world.**

Pastor: In them He has set a tent for the sun, which
comes out like a bridegroom leaving his chamber,

People: and, like a strong man, runs its course with joy.

Pastor: Its rising is from the end of the heavens, and its
circuit to the end of them,

People: and there is nothing hidden from its heat.

GLORIA PATRI (sing)

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

KYRIE (sing)

**All: Lord, have mercy upon us
Christ, have mercy upon us
Lord, have mercy upon us**

HYMN OF PRAISE

“From All That Dwell Below the Skies” *LSB 816 vs 1 & 3*

From all that dwell below the skies

Let the Creator's praise arise

Alleluia alleluia

Let the Redeemer's name be sung

Through ev'ry land by ev'ry tongue

Alleluia alleluia

Alleluia alleluia alleluia

**All praise to God the Father be
 All praise eternal Son to Thee
 Alleluia alleluia
 Whom with the Spirit we adore
 Forever and forevermore
 Alleluia alleluia
 Alleluia alleluia alleluia**

SALUTATION

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: (sing) **And also with you.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: Let us pray.

Almighty God, You have built Your Church on the foundation of the apostles and prophets

**People: with Christ Jesus Himself as the true
 cornerstone.**

Pastor: Continue to send Your messengers to preserve Your people in true peace that, by the preaching of Your Word,

**People: Your Church may be strengthened in the
 mission and ministry of the Gospel;**

Pastor: through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: (spoken) **Amen.**

(Please be seated)

OLD TESTAMENT READING *Jeremiah 20:7-13* ESV

O LORD, you have deceived me, and I was deceived; you are stronger than I, and you have prevailed. I have become a laughingstock all the day; everyone mocks me. For whenever I speak, I cry out, I shout, "Violence and destruction!" For the word of the LORD has become for me a reproach and derision all day long. If I say, "I will not mention him, or speak any more in his name," there is in my heart as it were a burning fire shut up in my bones, and I am weary with holding it in, and I cannot. or I hear many whispering. Terror is on every side! "Denounce him! Let us denounce him!" say all my close friends, watching for my fall. "Perhaps he will be deceived; then we can overcome him and take our revenge on him." But the LORD is with me as a dread warrior; therefore my persecutors will stumble; they will not overcome me. They will be greatly shamed, for they will not succeed. Their eternal dishonor will never be forgotten. O LORD of hosts, who tests the righteous, who sees the heart and the mind, let me see your vengeance upon them, for to you have I committed my cause. Sing to the LORD; praise the LORD! For he has delivered the life of the needy from the hand of evildoers.

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL *Romans 10:15b, 18b; Isaiah 52:7b*

Pastor: How beautiful are the feet of those who preach
the good news,

**People: who publish peace and bring good news of
salvation.**

Pastor: Their voice has gone out to all the earth,

People: and their words to the ends of the world.

EPISTLE *Romans 6:12-23 ESV*

Let not sin therefore reign in your mortal body, to make you obey its passions. Do not present your members to sin as instruments for unrighteousness, but present yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life, and your members to God as instruments for righteousness. For sin will have no dominion over you, since you are not under law but under grace. What then? Are we to sin because we are not under law but under grace? By no means! Do you not know that if you present yourselves to anyone as obedient slaves, you are slaves of the one whom you obey, either of sin, which leads to death, or of obedience, which leads to righteousness? But thanks be to God, that you who were once slaves of sin have become obedient from the heart to the standard of teaching to which you were committed, and, having been set free from sin, have become slaves of righteousness. I am speaking in human terms, because of your natural limitations. For just as you once presented your members as slaves to impurity and to lawlessness leading to more lawlessness, so now present your members as slaves to righteousness leading to sanctification. For when you were slaves of

sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. But what fruit were you getting at that time from the things of which you are now ashamed? For the end of those things is death. But now that you have been set free from sin and have become slaves of God, the fruit you get leads to sanctification and its end, eternal life. For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

VERSE *Luke 10:5b, 9b*

Pastor: Alleluia. Peace be to this house!

People: The kingdom of God has come near to you.

Alleluia.

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the tenth chapter.

People: Glory to You, O Lord.

HOLY GOSPEL *Matthew 10:5a, 21-33 ESV*

These twelve Jesus sent out, instructing them, "Go nowhere among the Gentiles and enter no town of the Samaritans,

Brother will deliver brother over to death, and the father his child, and children will rise against parents and have them put to death, and you will be hated by all for my name's sake. But the one who endures to the end will be saved. When they persecute you in one town, flee to the next, for truly, I say to you, you will not have gone through all the towns of Israel before the Son of Man

comes. "A disciple is not above his teacher, nor a servant above his master. It is enough for the disciple to be like his teacher, and the servant like his master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household. Have No Fear "So have no fear of them, for nothing is covered that will not be revealed, or hidden that will not be known. What I tell you in the dark, say in the light, and what you hear whispered, proclaim on the housetops. And do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul. Rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell. Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? And not one of them will fall to the ground apart from your Father. But even the hairs of your head are all numbered. Fear not, therefore; you are of more value than many sparrows. So everyone who acknowledges me before men, I also will acknowledge before my Father who is in heaven, but whoever denies me before men, I also will deny before my Father who is in heaven.

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to You, O Christ.

HYMN

"Lift High the Cross" LSB 837

**Lift high the cross the love of Christ proclaim
Till all the world adore His sacred name**

**Come Christians follow where our Captain trod
Our King victorious Christ the Son of God**

**Lift high the cross the love of Christ proclaim
Till all the world adore His sacred name**

Led on their way by this triumphant sign
The hosts of God in conqu'ring ranks combine

Lift high the cross the love of Christ proclaim
Till all the world adore His sacred name

All newborn soldiers of the Crucified
Bear on their brows the seal of Him who died

Lift high the cross the love of Christ proclaim
Till all the world adore His sacred name

O Lord once lifted on the glorious tree
As Thou hast promised draw us all to Thee

Lift high the cross the love of Christ proclaim
Till all the world adore His sacred name

Let ev'ry race and ev'ry language tell
Of Him who saves our lives from death and hell

Lift high the cross the love of Christ proclaim
Till all the world adore His sacred name

So shall our song of triumph ever be
Praise to the Crucified for victory

Lift high the cross the love of Christ proclaim
Till all the world adore His sacred name

++ SERMON ++

NICENE CREED

People: I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible. And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end. And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life ☩ of the world to come. Amen.

(Please be seated or kneel as you are able for the prayer)

JUNTEENTH REVIEW

Given by Carolyn Kimbrough

HYMN

“We’ve Come This Far by Faith” TFBF 197 Refrain only

We’ve come this far by faith

Leaning on the Lord

Trusting in his holy word

He’s never failed us yet

Oh, we can’t turn back

We’ve come this far by faith

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PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Pastor: Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs. Almighty Father, Your kingdom has come near to us through the preaching of the Word of Jesus. He alone gives us life and makes us Your household, Your family, where You dwell by Your Holy Spirit.

People: Enable us to receive Your Word with trusting hearts, knowing that the message we hear today is the living and active voice of Jesus.

Pastor: When You sent out workers into Your harvest field, O Lord, You equipped them to proclaim the message of peace and salvation to all who would

listen. Even when they faced rejection, You remained faithful to them and strengthened them through Your ongoing presence in their lives.

People: We praise You for doing the same in our lives today, gracious Lord! Even as Your Church goes through challenging times, remind us that Your mission continues and Your presence remains with us always.

Pastor: Merciful King, equip all pastors, teachers, missionaries, and servants of Your Church to know Your love and declare it boldly to those You have called them to serve. Bless the partnership of the Gospel that is ours in the household of faith that we may work together as brothers and sisters in Christ in the ventures You have prepared for us.

People: Bless our ministry and mission here that we may worship You in Spirit and in truth, doing all that we can to proclaim Your Word in our community.

Pastor: Healing Lord, You give the pure medicine of Your Word and Supper to bless and nourish the souls of those who trust in You. As we gather together at Your altar today, we remember also those who are sick, homebound, hospitalized, and, for other reasons, unable to join with us in person. Send Your Spirit to fill their hearts and homes with Your perfect peace. Be especially with, that they may be restored by Your mighty, healing

hand and ever praise You for Your work in their lives.

People: We thank You, O Lord, that You hear and heal. Answer and bless all those who call out to You for mercy.

Pastor: Sovereign God, You are exalted above all nations, rulers, and authorities on earth. Today we pray for our nation as we celebrate the anniversary of our independence. Continue to bless our country and keep us mindful of Your blessings. Raise up godly men and women who will serve among us and work for the common good. Place Your hand upon all public servants and members of the armed forces that they may know Your presence and provision in their lives.

People: Almighty God, bless our native land! Govern us by Your grace that we may experience Your lasting peace!

Pastor: Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend ourselves and all those for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

People: (spoken) Amen.

(Please Stand)

✠ SACRAMENT ✠

PREFACE *2 Timothy 4:22*

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: (spoken) And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

People: (spoken) We lift them to the Lord.

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

People: (spoken) **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

PROPER PREFACE

Pastor: It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely give to us and to all who belong to the household of faith. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into this world to bear our burdens and pay the penalty for our sins by His death upon the cross. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, Satan is defeated and the victory of Jesus belongs to all who trust in Him! Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:

SANCTUS *(sing) LSB 195*

**Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Sabaoth
Heav'n and earth are full of Thy glory**

Hosanna Hosanna

Hosanna in the highest

Blessed is He Blessed is He

Blessed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord

Hosanna, Hosanna

Hosanna in the highest

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Pastor: Blessed are You, O Lord our God, King of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life. Your Word has declared to all who trust in Him that we are now members of a Kingdom that can never be taken away.

We give You thanks for the redemption You have prepared for us through Jesus Christ. Grant that the healing medicine of Your Word and Sacrament may put to flight the diseases of our souls that, with willing hearts, we may ever love and serve You. Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

LORD'S PRAYER *Matthew 6:9–13*

People: 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 trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

Matthew 26:26–28; Mark 14:22–24; Luke 22:19–20; 1 Corinthians 11:23–25

Pastor: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples

and said: **“Take, eat; this is My ✕ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me.”**

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: **“Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ✕ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.”**

PAX DOMINI

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

People: (spoken) **Amen.**

AGNUS DEI (Sung) LSB 198

**O Christ, Thou Lamb of God that takest away the sin of
the world have mercy upon us**

**O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of
the world, have mercy upon us**

**O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of
the world, grant us Thy peace. Amen.**

(Please be seated)

DISTRIBUTION HYMN

“When I Survey the Wondrous Cross” LSB 425

**When I survey the wondrous cross
On which the Prince of Glory died
My richest gain I count but loss
And pour contempt on all my pride**

**Forbid it Lord that I should boast
 Save in the death of Christ my God
 All the vain things that charm me most
 I sacrifice them to His blood**

**See from His head His hands His feet
 Sorrow and love flow mingled down
 Did e'er such love and sorrow meet
 Or thorns compose so rich a crown**

**Were the whole realm of nature mine
 That were a tribute far too small
 Love so amazing so divine
 Demands my soul my life my all**

(Please stand at the conclusion of the distribution for the blessing followed by the Post-Communion Canticle, The Nunc Dimittis)

THE POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

Pastor: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting.

People: (spoken) **Amen.**

THE NUNC DIMITTIS (sung) TLH p. 29-30

**Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant
 depart in peace according to Thy word,
 for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation,
 which Thou hast prepared before the face
 of all people, a light to lighten the
 Gentiles and the glory of Thy people Israel.
 Glory be to the Father and to the Son
 and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is
 now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen**

POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING

Pastor: Let us pray.

O God the Father, the fountain and source of all goodness, who in loving-kindness sent Your only-begotten Son into the flesh, we thank You that for His sake You have given us pardon and peace in the fellowship of this Table. Reign in our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit so that, through the preaching and receiving of Your Gospel, we may know that we belong to the household of God; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: (spoken) **Amen.**

CLOSING SENTENCES *Luke 10:5b, 9b*

Pastor: Peace be to this house!

People: The kingdom of God has come near to you.

BENEDICTION *Numbers 6:24–26*

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

People: (spoken) **Amen.**

HYMN

“Before You, Lord, We Bow” *LSB 966*

**Before You Lord we bow
Our God who reigns above
And rules the world below
Boundless in pow’r and love**

**Our thanks we bring
In joy and praise
Our hearts we raise
To You our King**

**The nation You have blest
May well Your love declare
From foes and fears at rest
Protected by Your care
For this bright day
For this fair land
Gifts of Your hand
Our thanks we pay**

**May ev'ry mountain height
Each vale and forest green
Shine in Your Word's pure light
And its rich fruits be seen
May ev'ry tongue
Be tuned to praise
And join to raise
A grateful song**

**Earth hear your Maker's voice
Your great Redeemer own
Believe obey rejoice
And worship Him alone
Cast down your pride
Your sin deplore
And bow before
The Crucified**

And when in pow'r He comes
 Oh may our native land
 From all its rending tombs
 Send forth a glorious band
 A countless throng
 With joy to sing
 To heav'n's high King
 Salvation's song

THOSE SERVING IN GOD'S HOUSE

Rev. Paul Pollatz, Pastor

Marie Brown, Organist

Jim Bumgarner, Elder & Reader

Bill Switter, Dave Brown & Kathy King, Ushers

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

BINGO!

July 5th & 19th

Quilting

Every Thursday from 10am to 2pm

Friendship Sunday coming!

Cultivate a friendship with a neighbor to invite to church for Friendship Sunday, to be scheduled.

Attendance

Sunday June 18th

9:30 am 43

Prayer List

If sudden illness or the need for immediate prayers occurs, please feel free to contact Nancy Dajos at 313-982-7417. Prayer requests will remain on the list for two weeks.

Anniversary

Carolyn & Melvin Kimbrough – June 28th

Birthdays

Kathleen Schellman – June 28th

Maria Zowie – June 30th

For the Shut-Ins

Judy Ohannasian, at home

Dorothy MacTavish, at home

Camell Faulk, at home

Phyllis Witte, at rehab

Melvin Kimbrough, at home

Lynn Mayfield, at home

For Those Who Are Sick or Healing

Mary Bigliardi, passed away Thursday morning

Brad Hackney, Pam Benford's Friend, Pulmonary Fibrosis & other health issues.

Rita Merkey, mother of Patricia McNeil, passed away

Joy Mead, sister of Pastor Pollatz, declining in health because of dementia

Barnet Martin, Diane Walker tells us she is home from rehab after a stroke; praise God for his miraculous gift of healing

Melvin Kimbrough, in rehab, pray for patience waiting for our Lord's strengthening powers

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES AT MOUNT HOPE

Sunday

June 25

9:30 am - Worship w/ HC

Thursday

June 29

10am Quilting

Friday

June 30

Office Closed

Sunday

July 2

9:30 am - Worship w/ HC



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