Twenty-Third Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday November 13, 2022



Straighten up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near. *Luke 21:28b*

Mount Hope Lutheran Church

Sunday Service - 9:30am Sunday Bible Study – after Service Wednesday Bible Study – 10:30am (313) 565- 9445 5323 Southfield Allen Park, MI 48101

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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!

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

November 13, 2022
PRELUDE
THE RINGING OF THE BELLS
PREPARATION

Pastor: In today's Epistle, we hear a word from Paul calling on the Church in Thessalonica to live quiet lives, confident in God's faithfulness to them, for "the Lord is faithful. He will establish you and guard you against the evil one" (2 Thessalonians 3:3). It seems as though our lives are sometimes the opposite of quiet and confident. Life can be filled with noise and uncertainty. But confidence and quietness come to us as all of life does: as gifts from our heavenly Father. God grant this to all of us.

(Please stand)

▼ PREPARATION

HYMN

"My Faith Looks Up To Thee" LSB 702

My faith looks up to Thee

Thou Lamb of Calvary

Savior divine

Now hear me while I pray

Take all my guilt away

O let me from this day

Be wholly Thine

May Thy rich grace impart
Strength to my fainting heart
My zeal inspire
As Thou hast died for me
Oh may my love to Thee
Pure warm and changeless be
A living fire

While life's dark maze I tread
And griefs around me spread
Be Thou my guide
Bid darkness turn to day
Wipe sorrow's tears away
Nor let me ever stray
From Thee aside

When ends life's transient dream
When death's cold, sullen stream
Shall over me roll
Blest Savior then in love
Fear and distrust remove
O bear me safe above
A ransomed soul

INVOCATION

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

People: (spoken) Amen.

OPENING SENTENCES

Pastor: The Lord is faithful.

People: He establishes us and guards us against Satan.

Pastor: The Lord is steadfast.

People: He directs our hearts to love our neighbors.

Pastor: We can be confident in the Lord and His love for us.

People: May He grant us quiet lives free from trouble.

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

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Pastor: In our lives, we struggle to follow Jesus' example of love, steadfastness, and faith. We have sown hatred, shown laziness, and known many doubts. We have not kept our eyes fixed on Jesus. Yet our heavenly Father invites us to draw near to His throne in confidence and ask for forgiveness.

Silence for reflection.

Pastor: Heavenly Father,

People: we have sinned against You in thoughts, words, and actions. Help us to serve in joy and love. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us back to You, on account of Jesus. Amen.

Pastor: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die and rise for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ♣ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen. We are forgiven by the steadfast love of Christ.

(Please stand)

₩ WORD ₩

INTROIT *Psalm 121:1–2, 5, 7–8; antiphon: Luke 21:33*

Pastor: Heaven and earth will pass away, but My words will not pass away.

People: Heaven and earth will pass away, but My words will not pass away.

Pastor: I lift up my eyes to the hills. From where does my help come? My help comes from the LORD, who made heaven and earth. The LORD is your keeper; the LORD is your shade on your right hand. The LORD will keep you from all evil; He will keep your life. The LORD will keep your going out and your coming in from this time forth and for- evermore.

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

"O Worship the King" LSB 804 vs 1

O worship the King all glorious above
O gratefully sing His pow'r and His love
Our shield and defender the Ancient of Days
Pavilioned in splendor and girded with praise

SALUTATION

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: (spoken) And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: Let us pray.

O Lord, almighty and ever-living God, You have given exceedingly great and precious promises to those who trust in You. Rule and govern our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that we may live and abide forever in Your Son, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: (spoken) Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING Malachi 4:1–6 ESV

"For behold, the day is coming, burning like an oven, when all the arrogant and all evildoers will be stubble. The day that is coming shall set them ablaze, says the LORD of hosts, so that it will leave them neither root nor branch. But for you who fear my name, the sun of righteousness shall rise with healing in its wings. You shall go out leaping like calves from the stall. And you shall tread down the wicked, for they will be ashes under the soles of your feet, on the day when I act, says

the LORD of hosts. "Remember the law of my servant Moses, the statutes and rules that I commanded him at Horeb for all Israel. "Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet before the great and awesome day of the LORD comes. And he will turn the hearts of fathers to their children and the hearts of children to their fathers, lest I come and strike the land with a decree of utter destruction."

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord. **People:** (spoken) **Thanks be to God.**

GRADUAL Revelation 7:14b; Psalm 84:5

Pastor: These are the ones coming out of the great tribulation. They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

Blessed are those whose strength is in You, in whose heart are the highways to Zion.

EPISTLE 2 Thessalonians 3:1–13

Finally, brothers, pray for us, that the word of the Lord may speed ahead and be honored, as happened among you, and that we may be delivered from wicked and evil men. For not all have faith. But the Lord is faithful. He will establish you and guard you against the evil one. And we have confidence in the Lord about you, that you are doing and will do the things that we command. May the Lord direct your hearts to the love of God and to the steadfastness of Christ. Now we command you, brothers, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that you keep away from any brother who is walking in idleness and not in accord with the tradition that you received from us. For you yourselves know how you ought to

imitate us, because we were not idle when we were with you, nor did we eat anyone's bread without paying for it, but with toil and labor we worked night and day, that we might not be a burden to any of you. It was not because we do not have that right, but to give you in ourselves an example to imitate. For even when we were with you, we would give you this command: If anyone is not willing to work, let him not eat. For we hear that some among you walk in idleness, not busy at work, but busybodies. Now such persons we command and encourage in the Lord Jesus Christ to do their work quietly and to earn their own living. As for you, brothers, do not grow weary in doing good.

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord. **People:** (spoken) **Thanks be to God.**

VERSE Luke 21:28b

Pastor: Alleluia. Straighten up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near.

Alleluia.

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the twenty-first chapter.

People: (sing) Glory to You, O Lord.

HOLY GOSPEL Luke 21:5 – 36 ESV

And while some were speaking of the temple, how it was adorned with noble stones and offerings, he said, "As for these things that you see, the days will come when there will not be left here one stone upon another that will not be thrown down." And they asked him, "Teacher, when will these things be, and what will be

the sign when these things are about to take place?" And he said, "See that you are not led astray. For many will come in my name, saying, 'I am he!' and, 'The time is at hand!' Do not go after them. And when you hear of wars and tumults, do not be terrified, for these things must first take place, but the end will not be at once." Then he said to them, "Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. There will be great earthquakes, and in various places famines and pestilences. And there will be terrors and great signs from heaven. But before all this they will lay their hands on you and persecute you, delivering you up to the synagogues and prisons, and you will be brought before kings and governors for my name's sake. This will be your opportunity to bear witness. Settle it therefore in your minds not to meditate beforehand how to answer, for I will give you a mouth and wisdom, which none of your adversaries will be able to withstand or contradict. You will be delivered up even by parents and brothers and relatives and friends, and some of you they will put to death. You will be hated by all for my name's sake. But not a hair of your head will perish. By your endurance you will gain your lives. "But when you see Jerusalem surrounded by armies, then know that its desolation has come near. Then let those who are in Judea flee to the mountains, and let those who are inside the city depart, and let not those who are out in the country enter it, for these are days of vengeance, to fulfill all that is written. Alas for women who are pregnant and for those who are nursing infants in those days! For there will be great distress upon the earth and wrath against this people. They will fall by the edge

of the sword and be led captive among all nations, and Jerusalem will be trampled underfoot by the Gentiles, until the times of the Gentiles are fulfilled. "And there will be signs in sun and moon and stars, and on the earth distress of nations in perplexity because of the roaring of the sea and the waves, people fainting with fear and with foreboding of what is coming on the world. For the powers of the heavens will be shaken. And then they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. Now when these things begin to take place, straighten up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near." And he told them a parable: "Look at the fig tree, and all the trees. As soon as they come out in leaf, you see for yourselves and know that the summer is already near. So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near. Truly, I say to you, this generation will not pass away until all has taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away. "But watch yourselves lest your hearts be weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and cares of this life, and that day come upon you suddenly like a trap. For it will come upon all who dwell on the face of the whole earth. But stay awake at all times, praying that you may have strength to escape all these things that are going to take place, and to stand before the Son of Man."

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord. **People:** (sing) **Praise to You, O Christ.**

HYMN OF THE DAY

"Jesus Loves Me" LSB 588

Jesus loves me this I know

For the Bible tells me so

Little ones to Him belong

They are weak but He is strong

Yes, Jesus loves me Yes, Jesus loves me Yes, Jesus loves me The Bible tells me so

Jesus loves me He who died Heaven's gate to open wide He has washed away my sin Let His little child come in

> Yes, Jesus loves me Yes, Jesus loves me Yes, Jesus loves me The Bible tells me so

++ SERMON ++

Haggai

Text: Haggai 1:7-9

Sermon Outline

- 1. Haggai encourages Judah to rebuild the temple
- 2. because this was the place the true temple, Jesus, would come
- 3. to sit on the throne of the kingdom of God forever.

Haggai's Temple Is a Prophecy of the True Temple, who Is Our King.

(Please stand as we prepare to confess our faith)

CREEDAL HYMN

"We All Believe in One True God" LSB 953

We all believe in one true God

Father, Son and Holy Ghost

Ever present help in need

Praised by all the heav'nly host
All He made His love enfolds
All creation He upholds

We all believe in Jesus Christ
Son of God and Mary's son
Who descended from His throne
And for us salvation won
By whose cross and death are we
Rescued from all misery

We all confess the Holy Ghost
Who from both in truth proceeds
Who sustains and comforts us
In all trials, fears, and needs
Blest and holy Trinity
Praise forever be to Thee

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.

O Jesus Christ, do not delay,

People: (spoken) but hasten our salvation.

Pastor: Lord, we have filled our lives with so much busyness and chaos. Help us to remove from our lives those things that are not beneficial and to lead quiet, peaceful lives that honor You. O Jesus Christ, do not delay,

People: (spoken) but hasten our salvation.

Pastor: Lord, we are frequently tempted toward laziness and slothfulness. Strengthen us to not be idle or lazy, but to work diligently for the good of our neighbors. O Jesus Christ, do not delay,

People: (spoken) but hasten our salvation.

Pastor: Lord, You have borne our griefs and shared in our sorrows. Comfort all those who are suffering in grief,.. Point them to the hope of the resurrection to eternal life with Jesus. O Jesus Christ, do not delay,

People: (spoken) but hasten our salvation.

Pastor: Lord, we pray for all of those who are single, whether by choice or circumstance. Be with them, Lord, and surround them with friends and community so that they might know the joys of fellowship and be kept from the agony of loneliness. O Jesus Christ, do not delay,

People: (spoken) but hasten our salvation.

Pastor: Lord, we pray that Your Word might speed ahead so that all people hear the Good News of Your salvation. Embolden us to share that Good News with others. O Jesus Christ, do not delay,

People: (spoken) but hasten our salvation.

Pastor: Lord, look with favor upon all who are sick, injured, and recovering, Have mercy upon them and restore them to health according to Your wisdom. O Jesus Christ, do not delay,

People: (spoken) but hasten our salvation.

Pastor: Lord Jesus, we commend all these people and situations into Your hands, for You have promised to hear our prayers and intercede for us, and You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: (spoken) Amen.

(Please be seated as the offering is being received and Hymn 783 is sung)

OFFERING

HYMN

"Take My Life and Let It Be" LSB 783 vs 1 - 4

Take my life and let it be

Consecrated Lord to Thee

Take my moments and my days

Let them flow in ceaseless praise

Take my hands and let them move
At the impulse of Thy Love
Take my feet and let them be
Swift and beautiful for Thee

Take my voice and let me sing
Always only for my King
Take my lips and let them be
Filled with messages from Thee

Take my silver and my gold Not a mite would I withhold Take my intellect and use Ev'ry pow'r as Thou shalt choose

(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, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who by His resurrection from the grave guards us from the evil one, winning for us eternal life, and who continues to direct our hearts to the love of God and to His steadfastness. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

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
Blessed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord
Hosanna,
Hosanna
Hosanna in the highest

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Pastor: Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive our idleness and give us confidence to joyfully serve You in Your kingdom. Grant us faithfully to eat Christ's body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship,

with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: (spoken) Amen.

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

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."

PROCLAMATION OF CHRIST

1 Corinthians 11:26; Revelation 22:20

Pastor: As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

People: (spoken) Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

Pastor: O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

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.

PAX DOMINI

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

People: (spoken) Amen.

AGNUS DEI (We Sing) 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.

DISTRIBUTION HYMN

"Jesus Lives! The Victory's Won" LSB 490 vs 1 & 5

Jesus lives

The vict'ry's won

Death no longer can appall me

Jesus lives Death's reign is done

From the grave will Christ recall me

Brighter scenes will then commence

This shall by my confidence

Jesus lives
And now is death
But the gate of life immortal
This shall calm my trembling breath
When I pass its gloomy portal
Faith shall cry as fails each sense
Jesus in my confidence

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

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.

POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE

THE NUNC DIMITTIS (we sing) 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.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this Meal. Keep our eyes fixed on You and the steadfastness of Your Son, whose body and blood has forgiven our sins; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: (spoken) Amen.

BENEDICTION *Numbers* 6:24–26

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you.

People: (spoken) Amen.

HYMN

"Go, My Children, with My Blessing" LSB 922
Go My children with My blessing
Never alone
Waking sleeping I am with you
You are My own
In My love's baptismal river
I have made you
Mine forever
Go My children with My blessing
You are My own

Go My children sins forgiven
At peace and pure
Here you learned how much I love you
What I can cure
Here you heard My dear Son's story
Here you touched Him saw His glory
Go My children sins forgiven
At peace and pure

Go My children fed and nourished
Closer to Me
Grow in love and love by serving
Joyful and free
Here My Spirit's power filled you
Here His tender comfort stilled you
Go My children fed and nourished
Joyful and free

I the Lord will bless and keep you
And give you peace
I the Lord will smile upon you
And give you peace
I the Lord will be your Father
Savior Comforter and Brother
Go My children I will keep you
And give you peace

(Please be seated)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

DISMISSAL

Pastor: Go in peace as you serve the Lord.

People: (spoken) Thanks be to God!

THOSE SERVING IN GOD'S HOUSE

Rev. Paul Pollatz, Pastor
Marie Brown, Organist
Ken Kosmalski, Elder & Reader
Bill Switter, Dave Brown & Kathy King, Ushers

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

<u>VOTER'S MEETING AFTER SERVICE</u>

Toys for Tots

Starts now until December 14th
Please bring unwrapped toys and place in box in narthex.

Poinsettia's For Christmas:

\$15.00 per plant.

Sign up in Narthex until November 20th.
Place money in envelope with name.

Christmas Party

To celebrate the beginning of advent.

Sunday December 4th after worship.

Meat & drinks provided.

Please sign up for a dish or dessert to pass.

Music & Prizes. Bring a Friend!

Mt. Hope Preschool will be joining us for a performance!

BINGO!

November 16th & November 30th

Quilting

November 17th & December 1st

Attendance

Sunday November 6th

9:30 am 42

Prayer List

If sudden illness or the need for immediate prayers occurs, please feel free to contact our Prayer Chain leader, Joan Hafkesbrink, at 313.565.6871. Prayer requests will remain on the list for two weeks.

Anniversary

Birthdays

For the Shut-Ins

Dorothy MacTavish, at home
Camell Faulk, at home
Phyllis Witte, at home
Melvin Kimbrough, at home
Lynn Mayfield, at home
Albert Glueck, at home
Shirley Ripke, at home

For Those Who Are Sick or Healing

Phyliss Moore, Friend of Hamilton, ill with cancer **The Jim Doyle Family,** wife Pat was called to glory after a long illness; pray for comfort and help to look to our Heavenly Father in their time of sorrow.

Shirley Ripke, for patience while dealing with health issues

Diane Brown, Sandy Cairns' sister

Cherie Hannan, coworker of Glenn Cairns, recovering from surgery.

Nena Mullins, Friend of Pam Benford, home and preparing for chemo treatments

Joan Hafkesbrink, for healing & patience

Jim Smith, for continued healing after surgery
Pat Bates, pray for continued strength and stamina

Linda Mesea, Pat Bates sister, seriously ill

Susan McPherson, friend of the Utcai's, now in rehab, thank the Lord for the progress.

TO HELP YOU PREPARATION FOR NEXT SUNDAY

Text: The great day of the Lord is near, near and hastening fast; the sound of the day of the Lord is bitter; the mighty man cries aloud there. A day of wrath is that day, a day of distress and anguish, a day of ruin and devastation, a day of darkness and gloom. (Zeph 1:14–15)

Outline

- 1. Zephaniah decries the grievances that will bring judgment at the Day of the Lord.
- 2. But he also offers hope of salvation in the Day of the Lord for everyone for whom God has taken away his punishment.

With Zephaniah, We'll Actually Delight in the Day of the Lord.

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES AT MOUNT HOPE

Sunday November 13	9:30 am - Worship w/ HC Voter's Meeting after service
Wednesday November 16	10:30 am Wednesday Bible Study 6pm to 8pm BINGO
Thursday November 17	10am to 2pm Quilting
Friday November 18	Office Closed
Sunday November 20	9:30 am - Worship w/ HC Bible Study after Service

