



Seventh Sunday of Easter

Hope Lutheran Church Worship Service

May 17th, 2026

10:00 a.m.

Live streaming on Facebook at [HopeLutheranChurchCbus](#)

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WELCOME

In these days between Ascension and Pentecost, we gather with the disciples in the upper room, waiting for the Spirit to transform the church around the world. In today's gospel Jesus prays for his followers and for their mission in his name. Amid religious, social, and economic divisions, we seek the unity that Jesus had with his Father. Made one in baptism, we go forth to live our faith in the world, eager for the unity that God intends for the whole human family.

OPENING HYMN**Be Not Dismayed Whate'er Betide***(TFF 200)*

1 Be not dis - mayed what - e'er be - tide, God will take care of you;
 2 Through days of toil when heart doth fail, God will take care of you;
 3 All you may need he will pro - vide, God will take care of you;
 4 No mat - ter what may be the test, God will take care of you;



be - neath his wings of love a - bid, God will take care of you.
 when dan - gers fierce your path as - sail, God will take care of you.
 noth - ing you ask will be de - nied, God will take care of you.
 lean, wea - ry one, up - on his breast, God will take care of you.



Refrain
 God will take care of you, through ev - 'ry day, o'er all the way;



God will take care of you, God will take care of you.

GREETING

P: The grace of our Lord, Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

HYMN OF PRAISE**This is the Feast***(TFF pg. 48)*

This is the Feast, of victory for our God. Alleluia, Alleluia.

¹ Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain.

Whose blood set us free, to be people of God.

Power, riches, wisdom and strength, and honor and blessing and glory are his.

This is the Feast, of victory for our God. Alleluia, Alleluia.

² Sing with all the people of God.

And join in the hymn of all creation.

Blessing and honor, glory and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen.

This is the Feast, of victory for our God. Alleluia, Alleluia.

³ For the Lamb, who was slain has begun his reign. Alleluia

This is the Feast, of victory for our God. Alleluia, Alleluia.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

A: O God of glory,

C: Your Son Jesus Christ suffered for us and ascended to your right hand. Unite us with Christ and each other in suffering and in joy, that all the world may be drawn into your bountiful presence, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

FIRST READING

Acts 1:6-14

⁶ When [the apostles] had come together, they asked [Jesus], “Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?” ⁷ He replied, “It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. ⁸ But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.” ⁹ When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. ¹⁰ While he was going and they were gazing up toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. ¹¹ They said, “Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up toward heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven.” ¹² Then they returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a Sabbath day’s journey away. ¹³ When they had entered the city, they went to the room upstairs where they were staying: Peter, and John, and James, and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James son of Alphaeus, and Simon the Zealot, and Judas son of James. ¹⁴ All these were constantly devoting themselves to prayer, together with certain women, including Mary the mother of Jesus, as well as his brothers.

R: Word of God, Word of life.

C: Thanks be to God.

PSALM 68

Let God arise, and let God’s enemies be scattered;
let those who hate God flee.

As smoke is driven away, so you should drive them away; as the wax melts before the fire, so let the wicked perish at the presence of God.

But let the righteous be glad and rejoice before God;
let them also be merry and joyful.

Sing to God, sing praises to God’s name; exalt the one who rides the clouds; I Am is that name, rejoice before God!

In your holy habitation, O God,

you are a father to orphans, defender of widows;
**you give the solitary a home and bring forth prisoners into freedom;
 but the rebels shall live in desert places.**

O God, when you went forth before your people,
 when you marched through the wilderness,

the earth quaked, and the skies poured down rain, at the presence of God, the God of Sinai, at the presence of God, the God of Israel.

You sent a bountiful rain, O God;
 you restored your inheritance when it languished.

**Your people found their home in it;
 in your goodness, O God, you have made provision for the poor.**

Sing to God, O kingdoms of the earth;
 sing praises to the Lord.

**You ride in the heavens, O God, in the ancient heavens;
 you send forth your voice, your mighty voice.**

Ascribe power to God,
 whose majesty is over Israel; whose strength is in the skies.

**How wonderful you are in your holy places, O God of Israel,
 giving strength and power to your people! Blessed be God!**

SECOND READING

1 Peter 4:12-14; 5:6-11

¹² Beloved, do not be surprised at the fiery ordeal that is taking place among you to test you, as though something strange were happening to you. ¹³ But rejoice insofar as you are sharing Christ's sufferings, so that you may also be glad and shout for joy when his glory is revealed. ¹⁴ If you are reviled for the name of Christ, you are blessed, because the spirit of glory, which is the Spirit of God, is resting on you. ^{5:6} Humble yourselves, therefore, under the mighty hand of God, so that he may exalt you in due time. ⁷ Cast all your anxiety on him, because he cares for you. ⁸ Discipline yourselves; keep alert. Like a roaring lion your adversary the devil prowls around, looking for someone to devour. ⁹ Resist him, steadfast in your faith, for you know that your brothers and sisters in all the world are undergoing the same kinds of suffering. ¹⁰ And after you have suffered for a little while, the God of all grace, who has called you to his eternal glory in Christ, will himself restore, support, strengthen, and establish you. ¹¹ To him be the power forever and ever. Amen.

R: Word of God, Word of life.

C: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (*TFF pg. 32*)

Alleluia, Lord to whom shall we go?

You have the words of eternal life.

Alleluia

P: The Holy Gospel according to John, the 17th chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

P: ¹ After Jesus had spoken these words [to his disciples,] he looked up to heaven and said, "Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son so that the Son may glorify you, ² since you have given him authority over all people, to give eternal life to all whom you have given

him. ³ And this is eternal life, that they may know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom you have sent. ⁴ I glorified you on earth by finishing the work that you gave me to do. ⁵ So now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had in your presence before the world existed. ⁶ "I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. ⁷ Now they know that everything you have given me is from you, ⁸ for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you, and they have believed that you sent me. ⁹ I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. ¹⁰ All mine are yours, and yours are mine, and I have been glorified in them. ¹¹ And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one."

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

BLESSING OF THE GRADUATES SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY

Take Me to the Water

(TFF 117)



1 Take me to the wa - ter, take me to the wa - ter,
 2 None . . . but the righ - teous, none . . . but the righ - teous,
 3 I . . . love . . . Je - sus, I . . . love . . . Je - sus,
 4 He's . . . my . . . Sav - ior, he's . . . my . . . Sav - ior,



take me to the wa - ter to be bap - tized.
 none . . . but the righ - teous . . . shall see God.
 I . . . love . . . Je - sus, oh, yes, I do.
 he's . . . my . . . Sav - ior, oh, yes, he is.

THE BAPTISM OF WALKER MATTHEW MCDANIEL

Turn to 227 of the ELW

P: Let us welcome the newly baptized.

C: We welcome you into the body of Christ and into the mission we share: join us in giving thanks and praise to God and bearing God's creative and redeeming word to all the world.

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

A: Merciful God,

C: Receive our prayer.

WE SHARE PEACE

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

C: And also with you.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

QUIET TIME

OFFERTORY

Let The Vineyards

(TFF pg. 36)

Let the vineyards be fruitful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of blessing.
Gather a harvest of seeds that were sown, that we may be fed the bread of life.
Gather the hopes and dreams of all, unite them with the prayers we offer.
Grace our table with your presence, and give us a foretaste of the feast to come.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

A: Merciful God,

C: Accept the fruits of our labor, gathered to give you glory. You have set a table before us, a glimpse of that great day when we will hunger and thirst no more.

Nourish us with the body and blood of Jesus, that goodness and mercy may follow us and bless the world you love. In the name of Jesus, Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

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

C: It is right to give God thanks and praise.

SANCTUS

Holy, Holy, Holy

(TFF pg. 38)

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, 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.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, now and forever. Amen.

SHARING THE MEAL

COMMUNION HYMNS

**The Blood that Jesus Shed For Me
Lord, Listen to Your Children Playing**

(TFF 201)

(TFF 247)

BLESSING

P: The body and blood of our Lord, Jesus Christ, strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C:

Amen.

CANTICLE

Thankful Hearts and Voices Raise

(TFF pg. 41)

Thankful hearts and voices raise; tell everyone what God has done.

Let all who seek the Lord rejoice and bear Christ's holy name

Send us with your promises O God;

and lead us forth in joy with shouts of thanksgiving, with shouts of thanksgiving,

With shouts of thanksgiving, Alleluia

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

A: Holy one,

C: Through this meal you have made your home among us and are making all things new. Send us now to speak peace to anxious hearts, to love our enemies, and to bring your healing to the nations. In the name of Jesus, Amen.

BENEDICTION

P: God Almighty, who is the beginning and the end, Jesus Christ, the firstborn of the dead, and the Spirit, our advocate and peace, ☩ bless you now and forever.

C: Amen.

SENDING SONG

There's a Sweet, Sweet Spirit In This Place

(TFF 102)

Please turn to 102 of your TFF hymnal.

DISMISSAL

A: Go in peace. Praise the Lord. Alleluia!

C: Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

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Worship Participants This Week

Presiding: Pastor Julianne Smeck

Preaching: Rev. Dale Linder **Ministers:** All worshippers

Bassist: Dan Abell **Guitar:** Kurt Keljo **Drummer:** Seth Daily

Pianist: Robert Wade

Reader: Darren McDaniel

Worship Assistant: Kim Fedrick

Acolyte: Pom Linder

Usher: Barbara McDaniel

Worship Leaders Next Sunday

Reader: Sarah Stone

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Acolyte: Aubrey Fentress

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WELCOME We joyfully welcome Walker Matthew into God's family! Walker is the son of Duane and Rosie, younger brother to Wesley, and part of the greater McDaniel family at Hope!

COFFEE HOUR We will have a coffee hour after the service to celebrate both our newly baptized brother in Christ and our graduates!

BLESSING THE GRADUATES The graduates are Aubrey Fentress (Urbana High School), Deven McDaniel (Whitehall - Yearling High School), Ariel McDaniel (Columbus State), Evelyn Cansler (Capital University), Denise Rector (Lutheran School of Theology in Chicago).

THE MCDANIEL FAMILY INVITES YOU Celebrate Ariel, Deven, and Aubrey's graduation on Saturday, June 6th from 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM at Hope! RSVP through text to 614-284-5770. Flyers are in the back of the sanctuary.

JUNETEENTH On June 20, from 1:00 - 3:00 we will host a celebration for the neighborhood with siblings from First English Lutheran Church. Senator Hearcel Craig has been confirmed as a speaker. We are delighted that Sheila Warner will be our vocalist.

FOCUS ON HOPE You are invited to grow in your generosity to Hope Church! This year's theme is "Focus on Hope". We will direct a portion of your extra giving to the Capital Improvements fund. By strengthening our building, we will grow in our mission of sharing Hope with All People. Our day of commitment will be May 24th.

CHURCH COUNCIL The following Council officers will be voted on in June: Vice President, Secretary, and Two Members at Large. If you are interested in serving in one of the offices, please let Pastor know.

CALENDAR

May

17. Coffee Hour for Grads

20. Bible Study 6:30

24. Day of Pentecost AND Focus on Hope Celebration following worship

June

11. Paraclete Post. 9:30

20. Juneteenth Celebration at Hope! 1:00 -3:00

BIBLE STUDY Wednesday at 6:30pm!

THE PASTOR'S SABBATH is on Thursday and Friday each week.

Offerings @ 5/10/26
Received: \$51,492
Anticipated: \$51,649
Over / (Short): (\$157)

Cap Imp: \$1,503

PROPERTY CONCERNS You can now communicate property issues via email
(hopelutheranchurchproperty@gmail.com), the committee has decided one chairperson isn't necessary. This is a strong team, and they will respond quickly.

GIVE WITH THE VENMO APP

To give offerings and tithes via Venmo:

- *Download the Venmo app
- *Set up bank account info, or debit card info
- *Touch "Pay" or "Request" at the bottom
- *Enter the church cell phone number. (614) 907-3869
- ***Church user name — @HopeLilley-820**
- ***Enter offering amount**

