



The Sixteenth Sunday of Pentecost

Outdoor Worship Service

Hope Lutheran Church Worship Service

September 8, 2024

10:00 a.m.

Worship Service

Live streaming on Facebook at [HopeLutheranChurchCbus](https://www.facebook.com/HopeLutheranChurchCbus)

Zoom info:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85155547308?pwd=NFV4WWsvOUpZd1RyT3FINy9sY3FUZz09>

Call-In Number: 1-929-205-6099 Meeting ID: 851 5554 7308. Passcode: 729980

WELCOME

James tells us to stop showing favoritism in the assembly, treating the rich visitor with more honor than the poor one. Jesus himself seems to show partiality in his first response to the Syrophoenician woman in today's gospel. Was he testing her faith in saying Gentiles don't deserve the goods meant for God's children? Or was he speaking out of his human worldview, but transcended those limits when she took him by surprise with her reply? Either way, the story tells us that God shows no partiality. Everyone who brings a need to Jesus is received with equal honor as a child and heir.

OPENING HYMN**Come and Go With Me***(TFF 141)*


1 Come and go with me to my Fa-ther's house, to my Fa-ther's house,
 2 It's not ve - ry far to my Fa-ther's house, to my Fa-ther's house,
 3 Je - sus is the way to my Fa-ther's house, to my Fa-ther's house,
 4 Je - sus is the light in my Fa-ther's house, in my Fa-ther's house.



to my Fa - ther's house. Come and go with me
 to my Fa - ther's house. It's not ve - ry far
 to my Fa - ther's house. Je - sus is the way
 in my Fa - ther's house. Je - sus is the light



to my Fa - ther's house, where there's joy, joy, joy!
 to my Fa - ther's house, where there's joy, joy, joy!
 to my Fa - ther's house, where there's joy, joy, joy!
 in my Fa - ther's house, where there's joy, joy, joy!

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: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

A: Gracious God,

C: Throughout the ages you transform sickness into health and death into life. Open us to the power of your presence, and make us a people ready to proclaim your promises to the whole world, through Jesus Christ, our healer and Lord. Amen.

FIRST READING

Isaiah 35:4-7a

Say to those who are of a fearful heart, "Be strong, do not fear! Here is your God. He will come with vengeance, with terrible recompense. He will come and save you." Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf unstopped; then the lame shall leap like a deer, and the tongue of the speechless sing for joy. For waters shall break forth in the wilderness, and streams in the desert; the burning sand shall become a pool, and the thirsty ground springs of water.

R: Word of God, Word of Life.

C: Thanks be to God

PSALM 146

Read responsively

Hallelujah!

Praise the LORD, O my soul!

I will praise the LORD as long as I live;

I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.

Put not your trust in rulers,

in mortals in whom there is no help.

When they breathe their last, they return to earth,

and in that day | their thoughts perish.

Happy are they who have the God of Jacob for their help,

whose hope is in the LORD their God;

who made heaven and earth, the seas, and all that is in them;

who keeps promises forever;

who gives justice to those who are oppressed, and food to those who hunger.

The LORD sets the captive free.

The LORD opens the eyes of the blind; the LORD lifts up those who are bowed down;

the LORD loves the righteous.

The LORD cares for the stranger;

the LORD sustains the orphan and widow, but frustrates the way of the wicked.

The LORD shall reign forever,

your God, O Zion, throughout all generations. Hallelujah!

SECOND READING

James 2:1-10 [11-13]14-17

My brothers and sisters, do you with your acts of favoritism really believe in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ? For if a person with gold rings and in fine clothes comes into your assembly, and if a poor person in dirty clothes also comes in, and if you take notice of the one wearing the fine clothes and say, "Have a seat here, please," while to the one who is

poor you say, “Stand there,” or, “Sit at my feet,” have you not made distinctions among yourselves, and become judges with evil thoughts? Listen, my beloved brothers and sisters. Has not God chosen the poor in the world to be rich in faith and to be heirs of the kingdom that he has promised to those who love him? But you have dishonored the poor. Is it not the rich who oppress you? Is it not they who drag you into court? Is it not they who blaspheme the excellent name that was invoked over you? You do well if you really fulfill the royal law according to the scripture, “You shall love your neighbor as yourself.” But if you show partiality, you commit sin and are convicted by the law as transgressors. For whoever keeps the whole law but fails in one point has become accountable for all of it. [For the one who said, “You shall not commit adultery,” also said, “You shall not murder.” Now if you do not commit adultery but if you murder, you have become a transgressor of the law. So speak and so act as those who are to be judged by the law of liberty. For judgment will be without mercy to anyone who has shown no mercy; mercy triumphs over judgment.] What good is it, my brothers and sisters, if you say you have faith but do not have works? Can faith save you? If a brother or sister is naked and lacks daily food, and one of you says to them, “Go in peace; keep warm and eat your fill,” and yet you do not supply their bodily needs, what is the good of that? So faith by itself, if it has no works, is dead.

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 Mark, the 7th chapter.

C: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

P: [Jesus] set out and went away to the region of Tyre. He entered a house and did not want anyone to know he was there. Yet he could not escape notice, but a woman whose little daughter had an unclean spirit immediately heard about him, and she came and bowed down at his feet. Now the woman was a Gentile, of Syrophoenician origin. She begged him to cast the demon out of her daughter. He said to her, “Let the children be fed first, for it is not fair to take the children’s food and throw it to the dogs.” But she answered him, “Sir, even the dogs under the table eat the children’s crumbs.” Then he said to her, “For saying that, you may go—the demon has left your daughter.” So she went home, found the child lying on the bed, and the demon gone. Then he returned from the region of Tyre, and went by way of Sidon towards the Sea of Galilee, in the region of the Decapolis. They brought to him a deaf man who had an impediment in his speech; and they begged him to lay his hand on him. He took him aside in private, away from the crowd, and put his fingers into his ears, and he spat and touched his tongue. Then looking up to heaven, he sighed and said to him, “Ephphatha,” that is, “Be opened.” And immediately his ears were opened, his tongue was released, and he spoke plainly. Then Jesus ordered them to tell no one; but the more he ordered them, the more zealously they proclaimed it. They were

astounded beyond measure, saying, "He has done everything well; he even makes the deaf to hear and the mute to speak."

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

YOUNG PEOPLE SERMON

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY

Baptized and Set Free

(ELW 453)



1 We are peo - ple cre - at - ed, cho - sen by God.
 2 We are fed and we're nour - ished, filled and re - freshed.
 3 We are nour - ished by wa - ter, all liv - ing things,
 4 Now with praise and thanks - giv - ing, we join the song.

Then we're washed, ev - er gent - ly, in mer - cy and love.
 Then our hun - ger re - turns and a - gain we are blessed.
 and by life that the Spir - it a - bun - dant - ly brings.
 All are wel - come! We gath - er to sing loud and strong.

Sin has pow - er no more. Je - sus o - pened the door
 For what - ev - er the need, God is great - er in - deed:
 As we jour - ney toward home, may your pres - ence be known:
 Not en - slaved, but set free! From now on, all will be

to a foun - tain bring - ing heal - ing, and whole - ness and more.
 end - less o - cean, al - ways deep - er than all of our need.
 pre - cious riv - er, ev - er - flow - ing, now car - ry us home.
 one in Je - sus, one in wa - ter, bap - tized and set free!

AFFIRMATION OF BAPTISM

(ELW pg. 235, 237)

PRESENTATION AND PRAYER

PROFESSION OF FAITH

this is on pg. 237 in the front of the ELW

P: I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the church.

P: Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God?

C: **I renounce them.**

P: Do you renounce the powers of this world that rebel against God?

C: I renounce them.

P: Do you renounce the ways of sin that draw you from God?

C: I renounce them.

P: Do you believe in God the Father?

C: We believe in God, the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

P: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the son of God?

C: We believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; He descended into hell. On the third day, He rose again; He ascended into heaven, He is seated at the right hand of the Father and will come to judge the living and the dead.

P: Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

C: We believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.

AFFIRMATION BY THE ASSEMBLY

P: You have made public profession of your faith. Do you intend to continue in the covenant God made with you in holy baptism: ...and to strive for justice and peace in all the earth?

C: I do, and I ask God to help and guide me.

P: People of God, do you promise to support and pray for one another in your life in Christ?

C: We do, and we ask God to help and guide us.

P: Let us pray. We give thanks, O God, that through water and the Holy Spirit you give us new birth, cleanse us from sin, and raise us to eternal life. Stir up in your people the gift of your Holy Spirit: the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord, the spirit of joy in your presence both now and forever.

C: Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

A: Merciful God,

C: Receive our prayer.

INSTALLATION OF COUNCIL MEMBERS

WE SHARE PEACE

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

C: **And also with you.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND OFFERING

QUIET TIME

Hope Musicians

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: Blessed are you, O God,

C: Source of every gift of your creation. By these gifts and with our lives, help us to serve one another and all in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

THANKSGIVING FOR THE WORD

P: Send your Spirit of truth, O God; rekindle your gifts within us: renew our faith, increase our hope, and deepen our love, for the sake of a world in need. Faithful to your Word, O God, draw near to all who call on you; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory forever.

C: Amen

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

BENEDICTION

P: God all mighty, God most merciful ☩ bless you, keep you, and give you peace.

C: Amen.

SENDING SONG

Hallelujah We Sing Your Praises

(TFF 158)

The hymn is on the next page.

Refrain— sung twice each time

Ha - le - lu - ya! Pe - lo tsa ro - na, di tha -
Hal - le - lu - jah! We sing your prais - es, all our

bi - le ka - o - fe - la. Ha - le - lu - ya! Pe - lo tsa
hearts are filled with glad - ness. Hal - le - lu - jah! We sing your

ro - na, di tha - bi - le ka - o - fe - la. *End*
prais - es, all our hearts are filled with glad - ness.

1 Christ the Lord to us said: I am wine, I am bread,
2 Now he sends us all out, strong in faith, free of doubt,

Repeat stanza, then sing refrain

I am wine, I am bread, give to all who thirst and hun - ger.
strong in faith, free of doubt. Tell to all the joy - ful gos - pel.

DISMISSAL

A: Go in peace. Follow Jesus.

C: Thanks be to God.

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Worship Participants this Week

Presiding and Preaching: Rev. Dale Linder

Ministers: All worshippers

Pianist: Jacob Campbell **Bassist:** Dan Abell **Guitar:** Kurt Keljo **Drummer:** Seth Daily

Reader: Muriel Scruggs

Worship Assistant: Janet Hendrix

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Usher: Kim Fedrick

Worship Leaders Next Week

Reader: Kim Fedrick

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PRAYER REQUESTS Beverly Chavis, Peter Elencovf, Donald Tarber, Family of Mike Carraher, Ernest Watts, Fay Forrest, Glenda Pollard, Rosa Campbell, Tracy Snow, Margaret Belcher, Francene Travis, Monica Price

BIRTHDAYS: Kristen Keljo (8th) Justin Brent (10th) Regina Duffy (10th)

COUNCIL Because of the debate on Tuesday, church Council will meet on Monday, September 9th. The meeting will be at Hope and will begin at 6:30 p.m.

INSTALLATION AT ST. PHILIP We rejoice with our siblings in Christ at St. Philip Lutheran Church as they install their new pastor, Rev. Mark Hensley. The service will take place on Saturday, September 14 at 11:00 a.m. Pastor Smeck will attend, and hopes some of you will too.

CHURCH CLEAN-UP The fall Church Clean Up will be on September 14, beginning at 9:00 a.m. This will be an 'outside' clean-up. We are grateful for any time you can give to this project.

LWR PERSONAL CARE KITS

We are collecting the following articles for care kits:

- Light weight bath size towel
- Bath-size bars of soap
- Toothbrush in original packaging
- Sturdy comb
- Metal nail clippers

Cash may also be donated—deposit articles in the designated box in the rear of the church. Cash can be deposited in the basket.

BIBLE STUDY Bible Study will be held on Wednesday at 6:30. We meet via Zoom. The Zoom link on the front of the bulletin is all you need to join us.

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

Note: When setting up an account, select "Private: mode for transactions."



General Offerings

Received: \$83,699

Capital Improvements: \$3,978

Anticipated: \$89,681

Over / (Short): (\$5,982)