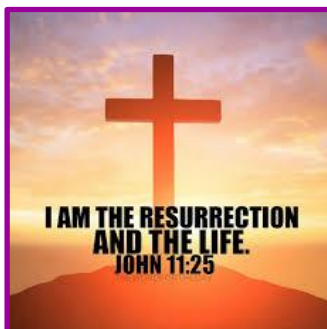


Fifth Sunday in Lent

March 26, 2023



HOPE EV. LUTHERAN CHURCH

Land O' Lakes, Wisconsin

The Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod

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Divine Service: Sunday 9:30 AM

Midweek Lenten Service: Wednesday 1:00 PM

Sunday Morning Bible Study: 8:15 AM

*"I love the LORD, because He has heard my voice
and my plea for mercy."*

PRAYER UPON ENTERING

O Jesus Christ, Lamb of God, who suffered anguish and death on a cross to win forgiveness for our sins and eternal life, we humbly thank You for giving Yourself for us. Ever make the eternal redemption You won for us the treasure of our hearts and the desire of our souls. You have redeemed us to God by Your own blood. Hear our prayers, bless our worship, forgive our sins, and save us from an eternal death. O precious Savior, we praise Your holy name. Amen.

WELCOME to all who worship with us this morning! We pray that you will be strengthened through the proclamation of the great good news of salvation in Jesus Christ. If you are without a church home, we invite you to prayerfully consider Hope. If there is some way that we may be of help to you, please speak with our Pastor. Worship with us again soon!

AS WE GATHER -The Old Testament reading for this Fifth Sunday in Lent pictures God's people as dry, lifeless bones because of their sin and rebellion against God. For this reason they were in captivity in Babylon. But God promised to send His Spirit to work faith in their hearts and to give them new life. St. Paul reminds us that faith in Christ given by the Holy Spirit makes us heirs with Christ. The Gospel is the account of the raising of Lazarus which occurs about six weeks before the suffering, death, and glorious resurrection of Jesus Christ.

WORSHIP NOTES

ORDER OF SERVICE - Divine Service Setting Three, p. 184ff.

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SERMON *"The Power of Resurrection Hope"* John 11:1ff.

Serving in God's House Today

Our Pastor:	Rev. Gary Albert
Acolyte:	Will Johnson
Elder on Duty:	Karl Hoessel
Greeter:	Gary Chapman
Altar Guild:	Joan Hojan
Reader:	Ellen Minchk
Organist:	Jolene Albert

Rite of Fellowship Cards – We ask our members and guests to please complete a Fellowship Card and then pass them toward the center aisle. The cards will be collected right after the **Welcome** at the beginning of the service. Thank you!

Our Final Midweek Lenten Service will be this coming Wednesday afternoon at 1 PM. Our Lenten theme has focused on *The Seven Last Words of Christ*. This Wednesday we will consider Jesus' words, "It is finished!" Thank you to those who attended and participated in our Lenten services this year!

Choir Rehearsal This Morning immediately following Fellowship.

Weekday School and Confirmation Instruction Classes will **NOT MEET** on **Wednesday, March 29** and **April 5**. Classes resume on Wednesday, April 12.

April Holy Communion Schedule - Holy Communion will be celebrated on Good Friday, Resurrection Sunday, and Sunday, April 23 and 30.

Help Wanted – Volunteers are needed to manage the kitchen every Sunday. Please see Cheryl Chapman if you can help. Thank you.

April Newsletters are in the mailboxes this morning.

Bible Collection - We will continue collecting Bibles for *Bible Runners Ministry* which makes them available to people who do not have a copy of the Scripture. There is a box in the entryway for placing your donations. Thank you for your support of this special project!

Easter Flower Order Forms are available on the shelf in the Narthex.

Spring Cleaning/Garage Sale - If you are doing some spring cleaning and have items you would like to donate, please keep Hope's garage sale in mind. Hope will be participating in the Land O'Lakes city-wide garage sale on Saturday August 5th. Household items, seasonal decorations, tools, toys, games, outdoor activities, craft items, office supplies and many other items are appreciated (but no electronics, furniture or clothing). A date for drop off of your items will be published as the event gets closer. Please do not bring things to church yet. If you have any questions, please contact Jim or Vicky Holbrook at 906 544-2099. Thank you and happy cleaning!

No birthdays/anniversaries this week.

Prayer List – Please keep the following in your prayers: For those dealing with health issues: Jan Bathke, Julie Baxter, Sallee Gehrt, Bethany Goers, Kristine Hoessel, Laurie Johnson, Jean Trispel, Tom Behling, Mike Bruning, Willie Crawford, Gary Gehrt, David Gunderson, Duane Heikkinen, Rick Lapp, Paul Schultz, & Dave Steffen. Our homebound members: Florence Ninko, Jill James, & Augusta Santy Specht. For our mission partners: the Bakers in Mongolia, the Cortrights. the Olivers in Taiwan, the Lehmanns in Puerto Rico, the Cundiffs & Bombaros in Latvia. For our seminarian Daniel Bueckman. For all who govern at the federal, state and local level. For our persecuted brothers and sisters in Christ. For peace in our world and nation.

A Measure of Our Love

Attendance at March 26th Worship Service: 54
Offering Envelopes: \$1,830.00 Loose Plate: \$14.00
Organ Fund: \$300.00

In case of emergency or hospitalization, please contact Pastor Albert at home in Marshfield at 715-384-2855, or on his cell phone at 715-323-8874. You may also e-mail him at gmalbert@charter.net. Please inform us if you are going to be homebound for a period of time.

LUNCH PRAYER: Come Lord Jesus, be our Guest, our morning joy, our evening rest. And with our daily bread impart, Thy love and peace to every heart. Amen.