



Traditional Service  
 September 16, 2018  
 11:00 am

“Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds every-  
 thing together in perfect harmony.”

Hope Lutheran Church  
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**WELCOME**

Pastor Kevin

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

*Passacaglia*

Andre Raison

**CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

Pastor: Blessed be the + holy Trinity, the one who fashions us, the one who heals us, the one who reforms us again and again.

People: **Amen.**

Pastor: Let us confess our sin, calling for God's transforming power.

*Silence for confession*

Pastor: Source of all life,

People: **we confess that we have not allowed your grace to set us free. We fear that we are not good enough. We hear your word of love freely given to us, yet we expect others to earn it. We turn the church inward, rather than moving it outward. Forgive us. Stir us. Reform us to be a church powered by love, willing to speak for what is right, act for what is just, and seek the healing of your whole creation. Amen.**

Pastor: God hears our cry and sends the Spirit to change us and to empower our lives in the world. Our sins are forgiven, + God's love is unconditional, and we are raised up as God's people who will always be made new, in the name of Jesus Christ.

People: **Amen.**

**GATHERING HYMN**

*Almighty God, Thy Word is Cast*


**# 516**

**GREETING**


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

People: **And also with you.**


## KYRIE



Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son: **Lord, have mer - cy.**  
*Lord, . . . . have mer - cy:*



Chri - ste e - le - i - son: **Christ, have mer - cy.**  
*Christ, . . . . have mer - cy:*



Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son: **Lord, have mer - cy.**  
*Lord, . . . . have mer - cy:*

## HYMN OF PRAISE

### *Glory to God*




Glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God in the high - est;



glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.



<sup>3</sup>  
1 Lord God, heav-en-ly King, al - might-y God and Fa - ther, we



wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo-ry.



*Refrain*  
Glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God in the high - est;



glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Pastor: Holy One, you see us for just who we are, and yet you love us with a parent's love. In your enduring love for us, we see both our guilt and our acquittal. Gracious God, continue to guide us and teach us to walk in your ways. In the name of Jesus we pray.

People: **Amen.**

## PRESENTATION OF BIBLES



## NEW TESTAMENT READING

### Colossians 8-15a

<sup>8</sup>But now you must get rid of all such things — anger, wrath, malice, slander, and abusive language from your mouth. <sup>9</sup>Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have stripped off the old self with its practices <sup>10</sup>and have clothed yourselves with the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge according to the image of its creator. <sup>11</sup>In that renewal there is no longer Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave and free; but Christ is all and in all! <sup>12</sup>As God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience. <sup>13</sup>Bear with one another and, if anyone has a complaint against another, forgive each other; just as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. <sup>14</sup>Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. <sup>15</sup>And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in the one body. (NRSV)

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

## CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Pastor Kristin

**GOSPEL VERSE**

*Alleluia*

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? Al - le -  
 lu - ia. You have the words of e - ter - nal life.  
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Pastor: The holy Gospel according to Matthew  
 People: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

**THE GOSPEL**

**Matthew 5:21-24**

<sup>21</sup>"You have heard that it was said to those of ancient times, 'You shall not murder'; and 'whoever murders shall be liable to judgment.' <sup>22</sup>But I say to you that if you are angry with a brother or sister, you will be liable to judgment; and if you insult a brother or sister, you will be liable to the council; and if you say, 'You fool,' you will be liable to the hell of fire. <sup>23</sup>So when you are offering your gift at the altar, if you remember that your brother or sister has something against you, <sup>24</sup>leave your gift there before the altar and go; first be reconciled to your brother or sister, and then come and offer your gift. (NRSV)

Pastor The Gospel of the Lord.  
 People **Praise to you, O Christ.**

**MESSAGE**

Family Words: Hurtful or Life Giving

**Pastor Kristin**

**HYMN**

**In Christ There is No East or West**

**# 650**

**THE APOSTLE'S CREED**

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He 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, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I 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. Amen.

**PRAYERS OF OUR COMMUNITY**

Each petition ends with *Lord in your mercy*, and people respond **hear our prayer.**

**SHARING THE PEACE**

Pastor: The Peace of the Lord be with you always

People: **And also with you.**

**OFFERING**

*Resting in Your Arms*

**OFFERTORY RESPONSE**

*Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful*

**# 182**

Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of  
 bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be  
 fed with the bread of life. Gath - er the hopes and the dreams of all; u -  
 nite them with the prayers we of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with your  
 pres - ence, and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

**OFFERTORY PRAYER**

Leader God of life, you give us these gifts of the earth, these resources of our life and our labor. Take them, offered in great thanksgiving, and use them to set a table that will heal the whole creation; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Light.

People Amen.

**EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER**

**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; 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.**

**INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

Pastor: Speak to us, O Lord, in the breaking of the bread, and make us one with you.

**DISTRIBUTION HYMN**

*Lamb of God*

**# 195**

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

**COMMUNION HYMN**

*Great is Thy Faithfulness*

**# 733**

**POST COMMUNION BLESSING**

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

People: Amen.



**POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

Leader: Holy and compassionate God, in bread and wine you give us gifts that form us to be humble and courageous. May your words come to life in our serving and in our witness, that we might speak a living voice of healing and justice to all the world, through Jesus Christ, our rock and our redeemer.

People: Amen.

**BENEDICTION**

Pastor: God, creator of all things, speaking reformation into being; Jesus Christ, savior of the world, raising the dead; Holy Spirit, living voice, calling and enlightening the church: Almighty God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

People: Amen.

**SENDING HYMN**

*How Great Thou Art*

**# 856**

**SENDING**

Pastor: As you go into the world, remember our mission!

Piano Side: Live out Servant Love

*Pulpit Side: Show Hospitality*

Piano Side: Extend Generosity

*Pulpit Side: Worship the Risen Lord*

Pastor: Go in peace, a living example of the love of Jesus Christ

**All: Thanks be to God**

**POSTLUDE**

*Toccata in G Major*

Buxtehude



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