



August 2, 2020
11:00 AM

“The fear of the LORD is the beginning of knowledge”

Hope Lutheran Church
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WELCOME

Pastor Kevin

CALL TO WORSHIP

Sinfonia 10

J.S. Bach

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Pastor: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, whose steadfast love is everlasting, whose faithfulness endures from generation to generation.

People: Amen.

Pastor: Trusting in the mercy of God, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection

Pastor: Reconciling God,

People: we confess that we do not trust your abundance, and we deny your presence in our lives. We place our hope in ourselves and rely on our own efforts. We fail to believe that you provide enough for all. We abuse your good creation for our own benefit. We fear difference and do not welcome others as you have welcomed us. We sin in thought, word, and deed. By your grace, forgive us; through your love, renew us; and in your Spirit, lead us; so that we may live and serve you in newness of life. Amen.

Pastor: Beloved of God, by the radical abundance of divine mercy we have peace with God through † Christ Jesus, through whom we have obtained grace upon grace. Our sins are forgiven. Let us live now in hope. For hope does not disappoint, because God’s love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

GATHERING HYMN

Immortal, Invisible God Only Wise

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1 Im - mor - tal, in - vis - i - ble, God on - ly wise,
2 Un - rest - ing, un - hast - ing, and si - lent as light,
3 To all, life thou giv - est, to both great and small;
4 Thou reign - est in glo - ry; thou dwell - est in light;



in light in - ac - ces - si - ble hid from our eyes,
nor want - ing, nor wast - ing, thou rul - est in might;
in all life thou liv - est, the true life of all;
thine an - gels a - dore thee, all veil - ing their sight;



most bless - ed, most glo - rious, the An - cient of Days,
thy jus - tice like moun - tains high soar - ing a - bove
we blos - som and flour - ish like leaves on the tree,
all laud we would ren - der; oh, help us to see



al - migh - ty, vic - to - rious, thy great name we praise!
thy clouds which are foun - tains of good - ness and love.
and with - er and per - ish, but naught chang - eth thee.
'tis on - ly the splen - dor of light hid - eth thee!

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**

HYMN OF PRAISE

Be Thou My Vision
(verse 2)

793



2 Be thou my wis - dom, and thou my true word;



I ev - er with thee and thou with me, Lord.



Thou my soul's shel - ter, and thou my high tow'r,



raise thou me heav'n - ward, O Pow'r of my pow'r.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Pastor: God our Wisdom and our Guide, you show us the way that makes for abundant life. Be our rock and our fortress, that no matter what befalls us, you shall be our refuge.

People: **Amen.**



OLD TESTAMENT READING

PROVERBS 1:1-19

¹The proverbs of Solomon son of David, king of Israel:

²For learning about wisdom and instruction, for understanding words of insight,
³for gaining instruction in wise dealing, righteousness, justice, and equity;

⁴to teach shrewdness to the simple, knowledge and prudence to the young —

⁵let the wise also hear and gain in learning, and the discerning acquire skill,

⁶to understand a proverb and a figure, the words of the wise and their riddles.

⁷The fear of the LORD is the beginning of knowledge;

fools despise wisdom and instruction.

⁸Hear, my child, your father's instruction, and do not reject your mother's teaching;
⁹for they are a fair garland for your head, and pendants for your neck.
¹⁰My child, if sinners entice you, do not consent.
¹¹If they say, "Come with us, let us lie in wait for blood;
let us wantonly ambush the innocent;
¹²like Sheol let us swallow them alive and whole, like those who go down to the Pit.
¹³We shall find all kinds of costly things; we shall fill our houses with booty.
¹⁴Throw in your lot among us; we will all have one purse" —
¹⁵my child, do not walk in their way, keep your foot from their paths;
¹⁶for their feet run to evil, and they hurry to shed blood.
¹⁷For in vain is the net baited while the bird is looking on;
¹⁸yet they lie in wait — to kill themselves! and set an ambush — for their own lives!
¹⁹Such is the end of all who are greedy for gain; it takes away the life of its possessors.
(NRSV)

Pastor: The word of the Lord
People: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL VERSE

Alleluia

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

Pastor: The holy gospel according to Luke
People: Glory to you, O Lord.

THE GOSPEL

LUKE 6:47-49

⁴⁷I will show you what someone is like who comes to me, hears my words, and acts on them. ⁴⁸That one is like a man building a house, who dug deeply and laid the foundation on rock; when a flood arose, the river burst against that house but could not shake it, because it had been well built. ⁴⁹But the one who hears and does not act is like a man who built a house on the ground without a foundation. When the river burst against it, immediately it fell, and great was the ruin of that house." (NRSV)

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

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Katie Garverick

MESSAGE

Wisdom: What is It?

Pastor Kristin

HYMN

This is My Father's World

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1 This is my Fa-ther's world, and to my lis-t'ning ears all
2 This is my Fa-ther's world; the birds their car - ols raise; the
3 This is my Fa-ther's world; oh, let me not for - get that,

na - ture sings, and round me rings the mu - sic of the spheres.
morn - ing light, the lil - y white, de - clare their mak - er's praise.
though the wrong seems oft so strong, God is the rul - er yet.

This is my Fa-ther's world; I rest me in the thought of
This is my Fa-ther's world; he shines in all that's fair. In the
This is my Fa-ther's world; why should my heart be sad? The

rocks and trees, of skies and seas; his hand the won - ders wrought.
rus - tling grass I hear him pass; he speaks to me ev-'ry-where.
Lord is king, let heav - en ring; God reigns, let earth be glad!



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*.

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; 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.

OFFERTORY

Freda Baum

BENEDICTION

Pastor: Neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus. God, the creator, + Jesus, the Christ, and the Holy Spirit, the comforter, bless you and keep you in eternal love

People: Amen.

SENDING HYMN

Earth and All Stars
(verses 1, 2, and 5)

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POSTLUDE

Strophes for the Ascension Hymn

Barlow



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