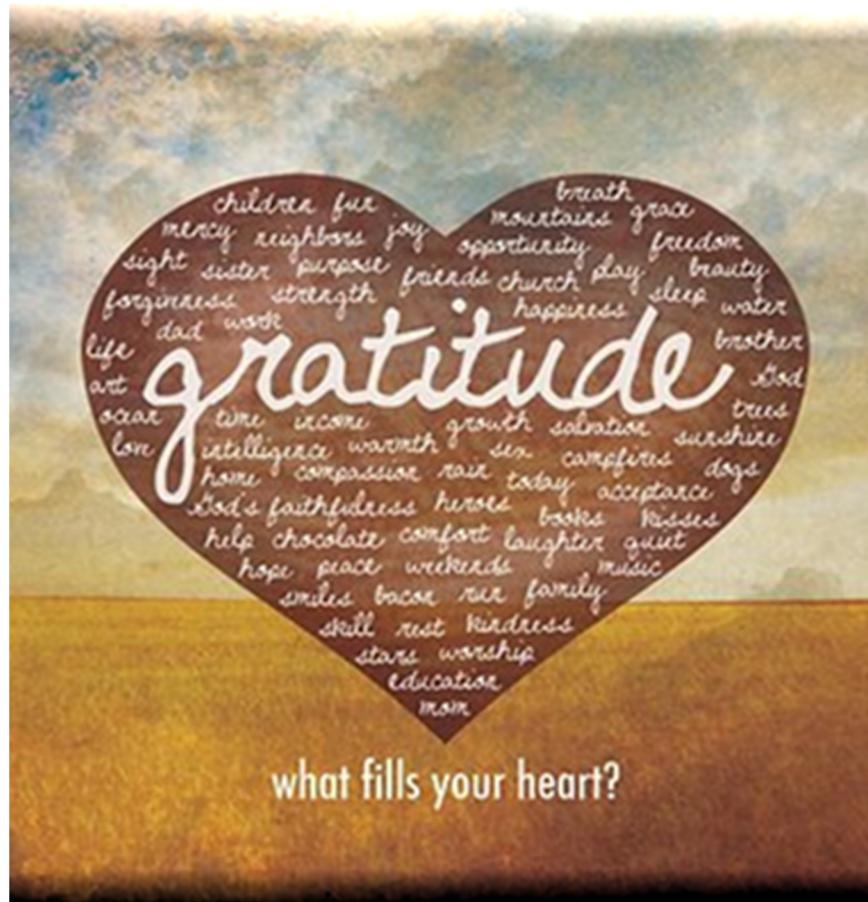


Hope Lutheran Church
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Welcome

Pastor Kristin

Confession and Forgiveness

Pastor: Gracious Creator,

People: you have given us so much, but too often we take those gifts for granted, or as something to which we are entitled.

People: You call us to live in caring community, but too often we place our wants and needs first, with those of others a distant second.

People: You call us to share Your gifts with the world around us, but we are worried that there may not be enough, and our worrying gets in the way of our sharing.

People: For all the times when we mistreat and misuse Your gifts, for all the times we assume that we get what we have by ourselves, forgive us and lead us back to the path of wisdom.

...time of silent prayer...

Pastor: God is a gracious giver. God is gracious in forgiveness. God calls us to new patterns and new life.

People: We are a forgiven people! Thanks be to God! Amen

“And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.”

Gathering Song

This Little Light of Mine/Joy To The World!

This little light of mine
I'm gonna let it shine
This little light of mine
I'm gonna let it shine
This little light of mine
I'm gonna let it shine
Let it shine let it shine let it shine

Chorus: Joy to the world, all the boys and girls
Joy to the fishes in the deep blue sea
Joy to you and me

Hide it under a bushel no
I'm gonna let it shine
Hide it under a bushel no
I'm gonna let it shine
Hide it under a bushel no
I'm gonna let it shine
Let it shine let it shine let it shine (to chorus)

Don't let Satan blow it out
I'm gonna let it shine
Don't let Satan blow it out
I'm gonna let it shine
Don't let Satan blow it out
I'm gonna let it shine
Let it shine let it shine let it shine (to chorus)

Prayer of the Day

Pastor: God of the living, with all Your creatures great and small we sing Your bounty and Your goodness, for in the harvest of land and ocean, in the cycles of the seasons, and the wonders of each creature, You reveal Your generosity. Teach us the gratitude that dispels envy, that we may honor each gift as You cherish Your creation, and praise You in all times and places. That this day may be holy, good and joyful:

People: We pray in gratitude to You, O Lord.

Pastor: That we may offer to You our worship and praise along with the work of our hands, minds and hearts:

People: We pray in gratitude to You, O Lord.

Pastor: That we may strive for the well-being of all creation:

People: We pray in gratitude to You, O Lord.

Pastor: That in the pleasures and pains of life, we may know the love of Christ and be thankful:

People: We pray in gratitude to You, O Lord.

Pastor: That we may be bound together by Your Holy Spirit, in communion with all Your holy ones, entrusting one another and all our life to Christ:

People: We pray in gratitude to You, O Lord.

Pastor: That we may always and everywhere give thanks to You, O God, for all of our blessings and giftedness:

People: We pray in gratitude to You, O Lord. Amen.

Song

The King of love my Shepherd is,
Whose goodness faileth never; I nothing lack if I am his
And he is mine for ever; and he is mine forever

Where streams of living water flow
My ransomed soul he leadeth,
And where the verdant pastures grow
With food celestial feedeth.

Chorus: Never failing, Ruler of my heart
Everlasting, lover of my soul
On the mountain high, or in the valley low
The King of love my Shepherd is
The King of love my Shepherd is

Lost and foolish oft I strayed,
But yet in love he sought me,
And on his shoulder gently laid,
And home, rejoicing, brought me.
In death's dark vale I fear no ill
With thee, dear Lord, beside me;
Thy rod and staff my comfort still,
Thy cross before to guide me. (to chorus)

Oh, hallelujah, hallelujah
Oh, hallelujah, hallelujah (to chorus)

So through all the length of days
Thy goodness faileth never
Good Shepherd may I sing Your praise
Within Your house forever
Within Your house forever

Presentation of Bibles

King of Love

NEW TESTAMENT READING

COLOSSIANS 3:12-17

¹²As God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience. ¹³Bear 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. ¹⁴Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. ¹⁵And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in the one body. And be thankful. ¹⁶Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly; teach and admonish one another in all wisdom; and with gratitude in your hearts sing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs to God. ¹⁷And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

GOSPEL READING

JOHN 11:32-44

³²When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died."
³³When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. ³⁴He said, "Where have you laid him?" They said to him, "Lord, come and see." ³⁵Jesus began to weep. ³⁶So the Jews said, "See how he loved him!" ³⁷But some of them said, "Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?" ³⁸Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. ³⁹Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, "Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days." ⁴⁰Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?" ⁴¹So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, "Father, I thank you for having heard me. ⁴²I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me." ⁴³When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" ⁴⁴The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, "Unbind him, and let him go." (NRSV)

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

Message

Gratitude

Pastor Kevin

Children's Message

Katie Garverick

Response to the Message

Amazing Grace! How sweet the sound
That saved a wretch like me
I once was lost, but now am found
Was blind, but now I see

Tw'as Grace that taught my heart to fear,
And grace my fears relieved;
How precious did that grace appear
The hour I first believed

The Lord has promised good to me
His word my home secures
He will my shield and portion be
As long as life endures

Amazing Grace! How sweet the sound
That saved a wretch like me
I once was lost, but now am found
Was blind, but now I see

Blessing of DIT Leaders

The Prayers of the People

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

Amazing Grace

Offertory Song

How Great Thou Art

O Lord my God when I in awesome wonder
Consider all the worlds thy hands have made
I see the stars I hear the rolling thunder
Thy pow'r thru'out the universe displayed

Chorus: Then sings my soul my Savior God to Thee
How great Thou art, how great Thou art
Then sings my soul my Savior God to Thee
How great Thou art, how great Thou art

When through the woods and forest glades I wander
And hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees
When I look down from lofty mountain grandeur
And hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze

When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation
And take me home what joy shall fill my heart
Then I shall bow in humble adoration
And there proclaim my God how great Thou art

Offertory Prayer

Lord, you are the bread of heaven, giving life to the world. You fill our emptiness with your goodness. You come to our weakness with your strength. Take and use these gifts to bring in a rich harvest of your heavenly food and life-giving refreshment. Amen.

Holy Communion

Words of Institution

Pastor: In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Pastor: Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

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: A feast of love is offered here for you and for all the saints.



Benediction

Pastor: God, the beginning and the end, who has written your name in the book of life, ✠ bless and keep you in grace and peace from this time forth and forevermore.

People: **Amen**

Sending Song

I Saw the Light/ I'll Fly Away

Chorus: I saw the light I saw the light
No more darkness no more night
Now I'm so happy no sorrow in sight
Praise the Lord I saw the light.

I wandered so aimless life filled with sin
I wouldn't let my dear savior in
Then Jesus came like a stranger in the night
Praise the Lord I saw the light. (to chorus)

Just like a blind man I wandered along
Worries and fears I claimed for my own
Then like the blind man that God gave back his sight
Praise the Lord I saw the light. (to chorus)

I was a fool to wander and a-stray
Straight is the gate and narrow the way
Now I have traded the wrong for the right
Praise the Lord I saw the light. (to chorus)

Some glad morning when this life is over
I'll fly away
To a home on God's celestial shore
I'll fly away

Chorus: I'll fly away, oh, Glory
I'll fly away
When I die, Hallelujah, by and by
I'll fly away

When the shadows of this life have grown,
I'll fly away
Like a bird from prison bars has flown,
I'll fly away (to chorus)

Just a few more weary days and then
I'll fly away
To a land where joy shall never end
I'll fly away (to chorus)

We give thanks for all who helped make this worship and picnic possible. We give thanks for those who helped set up and tear down, our musicians and AV folks, our food preparers and those who brought games for us to share. We also give thanks that you made time to participate today whether a long time member, regular attender or first time guest.

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