



HOPE LUTHERAN CHURCH

Anchored in His Word

2nd Sunday after Pentecost

Order of Worship

June 7, 2026

Words of Welcome

Prelude

Order of Confession and Forgiveness

In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen**

Baptized into Christ, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Merciful God, **we confess that we have sinned. We have hurt our community. We have squandered your blessings. We have hoarded your bounty. In the name of Jesus, forgive us and grant us your mercy. Amen**

You belong to Christ Jesus and you are God's children through faith. In the cross of Christ, and through the power of the Holy Spirit, your sins are forgiven. Clothed with Christ, you are a new creation. **Amen**

Opening Hymn

Morning Has Broken

ELW 556

Greeting

From God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ, grace and peace be with you all. **And also with you.**

Kyrie

In peace let us pray to the Lord. **Lord have mercy.**

For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord have mercy.**

For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord have mercy.**

For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord have mercy.**

Help, save, comfort and defend us, gracious Lord. **Amen**

Glory to God

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father: we worship you and we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God: you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

You are seated at the right hand of the Father; receive our prayer.

**For you alone are the Holy One; you alone are the Lord;
you alone are the Most High Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen**

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray together. **O God, you are the source of life and the ground of our being. By the power of your Spirit bring healing to this wounded world, and raise us to the new life of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen**

[Sit]

Youth Message

"Putting Life Together"

Choral Anthem

The Garden Hymn

arr. Charles Elkins

The Luther Singers

First Reading

Hosea 5:15—6:6

I will return again to my place
until they acknowledge their guilt and seek my face.
In their distress they will beg my favor:
^{6:1}"Come, let us return to the LORD;
for it is he who has torn, and he will heal us;
he has struck down, and he will bind us up.
²After two days he will revive us;
on the third day he will raise us up,
that we may live before him.
³Let us know, let us press on to know the LORD;
his appearing is as sure as the dawn;
he will come to us like the showers,
like the spring rains that water the earth."
⁴What shall I do with you, O Ephraim?
What shall I do with you, O Judah?
Your love is like a morning cloud,
like the dew that goes away early.
⁵Therefore I have hewn them by the prophets,
I have killed them by the words of my mouth,
and my judgment goes forth as the light.
⁶For I desire steadfast love and not sacrifice,
the knowledge of God rather than burnt offerings.

Word of God, Word of Life. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm

Psalm 50:7-15

(Congregation speaks together.)

**"Listen, my people, and I will speak: Israel, I will bear witness against you;
for I am God, your God.**

**⁸I do not accuse you because of your sacrifices;
your burnt offerings are always before me.**

⁹I will not accept a calf from your stalls,
nor goats from your pens;
¹⁰for all the wild animals of the forest are mine,
the cattle on a thousand hills.
¹¹I know every bird of the mountains,
and the creatures of the fields are mine.
¹²If I were hungry, I would not tell you,
for the whole world is mine and all that is in it.
¹³Do you think I eat the flesh of bulls,
or drink the blood of goats?
¹⁴Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving
and make good your vows to the Most High.
¹⁵Call upon me in the day of trouble;
I will deliver you, and you shall honor me."

Second Reading

Romans 4:13-25

For the promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. ¹⁴If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. ¹⁵For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation.

¹⁶For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, ¹⁷as it is written, "I have made you the father of many nations")—in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist.

¹⁸Hoping against hope, he believed that he would become "the father of many nations," according to what was said, "So numerous shall your descendants be." ¹⁹He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was already as good as dead (for he was about a hundred years old), or when he considered the barrenness of Sarah's womb. ²⁰No distrust made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, ²¹being fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised. ²²Therefore his faith "was reckoned to him as righteousness." ²³Now the words, "it was reckoned to him," were written not for his sake alone, ²⁴but for ours also. It will be reckoned to us who believe in him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead, ²⁵who was handed over to death for our trespasses and was raised for our justification.

Word of God, Word of Life. **Thanks be to God.**

Alleluia Verse

[Stand]

**Alleluia. Lord to whom shall we go?
You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia, alleluia!**

Holy Gospel

The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the eighth chapter. **Glory to you, O Lord**



Matthew 9:9-13, 18-26

As Jesus was walking along, he saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax booth; and he said to him, "Follow me." And he got up and followed him.

¹⁰And as he sat at dinner in the house, many tax collectors and sinners came and were sitting with him and his disciples. ¹¹When the Pharisees saw this, they said to his disciples, "Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?"

¹²But when he heard this, he said, "Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. ¹³Go and learn what this means, 'I desire mercy, not sacrifice.' For I have come to call not the righteous but sinners."

¹⁸While he was saying these things to them, suddenly a leader of the synagogue came in and knelt before him, saying, "My daughter has just died; but come and lay your hand on her, and she will live." ¹⁹And Jesus got up and followed him, with his disciples. ²⁰Then suddenly a woman who had been suffering from hemorrhages for twelve years came up behind him and touched the fringe of his cloak, ²¹for she said to herself, "If I only touch his cloak, I will be made well." ²²Jesus turned, and seeing her he said, "Take heart, daughter; your faith has made you well." And instantly the woman was made well.

²³When Jesus came to the leader's house and saw the flute players and the crowd making a commotion, ²⁴he said, "Go away; for the girl is not dead but sleeping." And they laughed at him. ²⁵But when the crowd had been put outside, he went in and took her by the hand, and the girl got up. ²⁶And the report of this spread throughout that district.

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to You, O Christ**

[Sit]

Sermon

"In Spite of Evidence to the Contrary"

[Stand]

Hymn of the Day

Will You Come and Follow Me

ELW 798

Apostles' 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 to the dead.
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

With the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, let us pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation.

A brief silence.

[After each petition, the congregation responds with: **Hear our prayer.**]

Receive our prayers and answer us, O God, in the name of Jesus Christ. **Amen**

The Peace

The peace of the Lord be with you always. **And also with you.**

(The congregation is asked to greet one another with the words of Christ: "Peace be with you.")

Offering

[Sit]

Offertory

[Stand]

**Let the vineyards be fruitful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of blessing.
Gather a harvest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be filled with the bread of life.
Gather the hopes and the dreams of all, unite them with the prayers we offer now.
Grace our table with your presence, and give us a foretaste of the feast to come.**

Offertory Prayer

Let us pray together. God of field and forest, **sea and sky, you are the giver of all good things.
Sustain us with these gifts of your creation, and multiply your graciousness in us, that the
world may be fed with your love, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen**

Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

It is indeed right and salutary . . . *(Here the minister continues with the preface appropriate to the day or season, concluding:)* we praise your name and join their unending hymn.

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might.
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest.**

Words of Institution

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.

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

Lamb of God

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, grant us peace.

[Sit]

Communion

All are welcome at the Lord's table.

We're nourished together by the body and blood of our Lord.

Communion Hymns

I Come with Joy

ELW 482

Just as I Am, without One Plea

ELW 592

Go, My Children, with My Blessing

ELW 543

Post-Communion Canticle

[Stand]

Thank the Lord and sing his praise; tell ev'ry one what he has done.

Let ev'ry one who seeks the Lord rejoice and proudly bear his name.

He recalls his promises and leads his people forth in joy

With shouts of thanksgiving. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Post-Communion Prayer

Let us pray together. **We thank you, generous God, for the refreshment we have received at your banquet table. Send us now to spread your generosity into all the world, through the one who is our dearest treasure, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen**

Hymn

On Our Way Rejoicing

ELW 537

Benediction

The love of God abound in you; the grace of our Savior Jesus Christ fill your hearts; and the life of the Spirit + bless you and give you peace. **Amen**

"The Peace of God"

Whatsoever things are honest,

whatsoever things are true,

Whatsoever things are pure and lovely,

think on these things.

Whatsoever things are wholesome,

whatsoever things are good,

If there be any virtue, be any praise,

think on these things.

And the peace of God

that passes all understanding

Shall keep your hearts,

shall keep your minds

on Jesus Christ.

Dismissal

Go in peace. Live by the Spirit. **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

“Our worship is ended; our service and our witness continue!”

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Today's Heavenly Helpers

* Assisting Minister	8:15 service	Carol Townsend
	10:45 service	John Hanson
* Director of Music		Sandy Hunter
* Lector	8:15 service	John Kilpatrick
	10:45 service	Sylvia Negri
* Greeters	10:45 service	Pam Guenther & Luis Santiago
* Ushers	10:45 service	Jeannine Sieck & Janice Weber
* Communion Assistant	10:45 service	Sylvia Negri
* Counters		Mary Leyden & Mike Hoover

Last week's attendance, in person and streaming: 105

Calendar of Events for This Week

Monday	- Knitting & Crochet ministry, 2 PM
Tuesday	- Men's Bible Study/Elijah, 9 AM, Mike's Restaurant - Ladies Bible Study, 12:15
Wednesday	- Food Pantry, 8 AM-1 PM - Choir rehearsal, 6 PM
Thursday	- Quilters, 10 AM - Co-ed Bible Study, 2 PM

Next Week's Scripture Readings Are...

First Reading – Exodus 19:2-8a1
Psalm – Psalm 100
Second Reading – Romans 5:1-8
Gospel – Matthew 9:35-10:[9-23]

Mid-Week Altar Guild – Ann Buehler 6/14

Next Week's Worship Assistants Are...

8:15 Lector - Sue Marler
10:45 Lector - Mike Hoover
Greeters - Maureen & Ted Grener
Ushers - Steven & Amy Freese
Communion Asst - Mike Hoover
Counters - Karie Rench & Barbara Mefford

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Directory Update

If you haven't updated your information in the Hope Member Directory, you can still call the church and either talk with Amanda or Pastor Dave by Tuesday of this coming week. The new directory will be available at week's end.

Father's Day Chili Cook-off

Father's Day is Sunday, June 21st, this year and we will have a Chili Cook-off at the church downstairs in Founders Hall following the late service. The church will provide cornbread and beverages. Church members are asked to bring salads and desserts. We're looking for at least eight fearless souls to bring their "special" homemade chili to enter into competition. We'll have prizes and "professional judges" to help pick our winners! If you plan to bring chili - call Pastor Dave at 404-226-6833.

So far, seven folks have volunteered to bring chili and be in the contest.

Time & Talent Offering

At the end of each service on Sunday, June 21st, a Time & Talent offering will be taken up. You'll be asked to take a moment at the end of the service to fill out an up-dated Time & Talent folder and bring it to the basket on the altar as your benediction before you leave.

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