

New Hope Lutheran Church  
The Fourth Sunday in Lent  
Laetare  
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**NEW HOPE IS A CONGREGATION GATHERED AROUND CHRIST  
WE RECEIVE HIS FORGIVENESS IN WORD AND SACRAMENT;  
WE PROCLAIM CHRIST CRUCIFIED AND RISEN;  
WE SHARE OUR BLESSINGS WITH OTHERS**

# Welcome!

*We're glad you've joined us as we gather to receive God's gifts of forgiveness, life, and salvation. To prepare for the Divine Service, you are encouraged to pray the prayers inside the front cover of your hymnal. As you prepare for communion, please read the statement on page 8.*

## Confession and Absolution

*Stand*

### Hymn of Invocation: 562 All Mankind Fell in Adam's Fall

*The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.*

**P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

**P** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

**C** **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

*Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.*

**P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

**C** **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**

**P** Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

## Service of the Word

**Introit** (*Congregation sings text in bold.*)

*Psalm 122:1–2, 6, 8; antiphon: Isaiah 66:10a, 11a*



**Rejoice with Jerusalem, and be | glad for her,\***  
**all you who | love her;**

that you may nurse and be | satisfied\*  
from her con- | soling breast.

**I was glad when they | said to me,\***

**“Let us go to the house | of the LORD!”**

Our feet have been | standing\*

within your gates, O Je- | rusalem!

**Pray for the peace of Je- | rusalem!\***

**May they be secure who | love you!**

For my brothers and com- | panions’ sake\*

I will say, “Peace be with- | in you!”

**Glory be to the Father and | to the Son\***

**and to the Holy | Spirit;**

**as it was in the be- | ginning,\***

**is now, and will be forever. | Amen.**

Rejoice with Jerusalem, and be | glad for her,\*

all you who | love her;

that you may nurse and be | satisfied\*

from her con- | soling breast.

## Kyrie

*LSB 152*

**A** In peace let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.

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



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.

**A** 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.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.

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



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.

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



**C** A - men.

### Salutation and Collect of the Day

**P** The Lord be with you.



**C** And al - so with you.

**P** Let us pray.

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, Your mercies are new every morning; and though we deserve only punishment, You receive us as Your children and provide for all our needs of body and soul. Grant that we may heartily acknowledge Your merciful goodness, give thanks for all Your benefits, and serve You in willing obedience; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



**C** A - men.

*Sit*

### Old Testament Reading

*Exodus 16:2–21*

<sup>2</sup>And the whole congregation of the people of Israel grumbled against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness, <sup>3</sup>and the people of Israel said to them, “Would that we had died by the hand of the LORD in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the meat pots and ate bread to the full, for you have brought us out into this wilderness to kill this whole assembly with hunger.”

<sup>4</sup>Then the LORD said to Moses, “Behold, I am about to rain bread from heaven for you, and the people shall go out and gather a day’s portion every day, that I may test them, whether they will walk in my law or not. <sup>5</sup>On the sixth day, when they prepare what they bring in, it will be

twice as much as they gather daily.”<sup>6</sup> So Moses and Aaron said to all the people of Israel, “At evening you shall know that it was the LORD who brought you out of the land of Egypt,<sup>7</sup> and in the morning you shall see the glory of the LORD, because he has heard your grumbling against the LORD. For what are we, that you grumble against us?”<sup>8</sup> And Moses said, “When the LORD gives you in the evening meat to eat and in the morning bread to the full, because the LORD has heard your grumbling that you grumble against him—what are we? Your grumbling is not against us but against the LORD.”

<sup>9</sup>Then Moses said to Aaron, “Say to the whole congregation of the people of Israel, ‘Come near before the LORD, for he has heard your grumbling.’”<sup>10</sup> And as soon as Aaron spoke to the whole congregation of the people of Israel, they looked toward the wilderness, and behold, the glory of the LORD appeared in the cloud.<sup>11</sup> And the LORD said to Moses,<sup>12</sup> “I have heard the grumbling of the people of Israel. Say to them, ‘At twilight you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall be filled with bread. Then you shall know that I am the LORD your God.’”

<sup>13</sup>In the evening quail came up and covered the camp, and in the morning dew lay around the camp.<sup>14</sup> And when the dew had gone up, there was on the face of the wilderness a fine, flake-like thing, fine as frost on the ground.<sup>15</sup> When the people of Israel saw it, they said to one another, “What is it?” For they did not know what it was. And Moses said to them, “It is the bread that the LORD has given you to eat.<sup>16</sup> This is what the LORD has commanded: ‘Gather of it, each one of you, as much as he can eat. You shall each take an omer, according to the number of the persons that each of you has in his tent.’”<sup>17</sup> And the people of Israel did so. They gathered, some more, some less.<sup>18</sup> But when they measured it with an omer, whoever gathered much had nothing left over, and whoever gathered little had no lack. Each of them gathered as much as he could eat.<sup>19</sup> And Moses said to them, “Let no one leave any of it over till the morning.”<sup>20</sup> But they did not listen to Moses. Some left part of it till the morning, and it bred worms and stank. And Moses was angry with them.<sup>21</sup> Morning by morning they gathered it, each as much as he could eat; but when the sun grew hot, it melted.

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

**Gradual** (*Congregation sings text in bold.*)

*Psalm 122:1, 7*



I was glad when they | said to me,\*  
“Let us go to the house | of the LORD!”  
**Peace be with- | in your walls\***  
**and security within your | towers!**

**Second Reading**

*Acts 2:41–47*

<sup>41</sup>So those who received his word were baptized, and there were added that day about three thousand souls.

<sup>42</sup>And they devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. <sup>43</sup>And awe came upon every soul, and many wonders and signs were being done through the apostles. <sup>44</sup>And all who believed were together and had all things in common. <sup>45</sup>And they were selling their possessions and belongings and distributing the proceeds to all, as any had need. <sup>46</sup>And day by day, attending the temple together and breaking bread in their homes, they received their food with glad and generous hearts, <sup>47</sup>praising God and having favor with all the people. And the Lord added to their number day by day those who were being saved.

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

*Stand*

**Alleluia and Verse (Lent)**

*LSB 157*

**C** Re - turn to the Lord, your God, for He is gra - cious and  
mer - ci - ful, slow to an - ger, and a - bound - ing in  
stead - fast love, and a - bound - ing in stead - fast love.

**Holy Gospel**

*John 6:1-15*

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the sixth chapter.

**C** Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

<sup>1</sup>After this Jesus went away to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, which is the Sea of Tiberias. <sup>2</sup>And a large crowd was following him, because they saw the signs that he was doing on the sick. <sup>3</sup>Jesus went up on the mountain, and there he sat down with his disciples. <sup>4</sup>Now the Passover, the feast of the Jews, was at hand. <sup>5</sup>Lifting up his eyes, then, and seeing that a large crowd was coming toward him, Jesus said to Philip, "Where are we to buy bread, so that these people may eat?" <sup>6</sup>He said this to test him, for he himself knew what he would do. <sup>7</sup>Philip answered him, "Two hundred denarii would not buy enough bread for each of them to get a little." <sup>8</sup>One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said to him, <sup>9</sup>"There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish, but what are they for so many?" <sup>10</sup>Jesus said, "Have

the people sit down.” Now there was much grass in the place. So the men sat down, about five thousand in number. <sup>11</sup>Jesus then took the loaves, and when he had given thanks, he distributed them to those who were seated. So also the fish, as much as they wanted. <sup>12</sup>And when they had eaten their fill, he told his disciples, “Gather up the leftover fragments, that nothing may be lost.” <sup>13</sup>So they gathered them up and filled twelve baskets with fragments from the five barley loaves, left by those who had eaten. <sup>14</sup>When the people saw the sign that he had done, they said, “This is indeed the Prophet who is to come into the world!”

<sup>15</sup>Perceiving then that they were about to come and take him by force to make him king, Jesus withdrew again to the mountain by himself.

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.



**G** Praise to You, O Christ.

## Nicene Creed

**C** I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life  $\dagger$  of the world to come. Amen.

*Sit*

**Hymn of the Day:** 743 Jesus, Priceless Treasure

## Sermon

**Prayer of the Church** (*After every “...let us pray to the Lord,” the Congregation responds, “Lord, have mercy.”*)

**Offering** (*After the service, please place your offering in the plate near the sanctuary doors.*)

## Offertory

LSB 159



What shall I ren-der to the Lord for all His ben-e-fits to  
me? I will of - fer the sac-ri-fice of thanks-giv - ing and will  
call on the name of the Lord. I will take the cup of sal-  
va - tion and will call on the name of the Lord. I will pay my  
vows to the Lord now in the pres-ence of all His peo-ple, in the  
courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Je - ru - sa - lem.

## Service of the Sacrament

*God's Word states that in the Lord's Supper Jesus offers His true body and blood for the forgiveness of sins (Matt. 26:28), that partaking of this Supper together is a confession of our unity in faith (1 Cor. 10:16–17) and that the body and blood of Jesus can be received to one's harm (1 Cor. 11:27–32). Out of love for those who commune, New Hope Lutheran Church communes only those who*

- 1. Have been taught and examined in the Christian faith,*
- 2. Confess their sins and trust in Christ for forgiveness,*
- 3. Have made a public confession of their agreement with us in this one Scriptural faith through membership in this congregation or another congregation of the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod.*
- 4. Have spoken with the pastor prior to the service.*

*If you are not a communicant member of New Hope or another LCMS congregation, you are invited to come up for a blessing; please cross your arms during the distribution.*

## Preface

LSB 160

**P** The Lord be with you.



**G** And al - so with you.

**P** Lift up your hearts.



**G** We lift them to the Lord.

**P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



**G** It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

**P** It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who overcame the assaults of the devil and gave His life as a ransom for many that with cleansed hearts we might be prepared joyfully to celebrate the paschal feast in sincerity and truth. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

## Sanctus

LSB 161



**G** Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:



Heav-en and earth are full of Your glo-ry. Ho - san-na. Ho -



san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He who



comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

**Prayer of Thanksgiving**

*LSB 161*

**Lord's Prayer**

*LSB 162*

**The Words of Our Lord**

**Pax Domini**

*LSB 163*

**P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.



**A** - men.

**Agnus Dei**

*LSB 163*



**L**amb 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.

*Sit*

**Distribution Hymns: 625 Lord Jesus Christ, Life-Giving Bread**

**556 Dear Christians, One and All, Rejoice**

**642 O Living Bread from Heaven**

**737 Rejoice, My Heart, Be Glad and Sing**

*Stand*

## Nunc Dimittis

LSB 165



**C** Lord, now You let Your ser-vant go in peace; Your word has been ful -



filled. My own eyes have seen the sal - va-tion which You have pre -



pared in the sight of ev - 'ry peo - ple: A light to re -



veal You to the na-tions and the glo-ry of Your peo-ple Is - ra - el.



Glo-ry be to the Fa-ther and to the Son and to the Ho-ly Spir-it;



as it was in the be-gin-ning, is now, and will be for-ev-er. A - men.

## Post-Communion Collect

**A** Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



**C** A - men.

## Benediction

LSB 166

- P** The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.  
The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.



## Hymn to Depart: 756 Why Should Cross and Trial Grieve Me



## New Hope News and Notes



### March 16 and 20, 2022 Stewardship

Giving: General Fund: \$2,209 (Amount needed weekly: \$2,966)  
Mortgage: \$20 (Remaining Debt: \$63,269)

### Upcoming Events

Sunday, March 27	Usher Training, 11:45 am in the Sanctuary
Wednesday, March 30	Lenten Supper, 5:30 pm <b>Lenten Evening Prayer</b> , 6:30 pm Choir Practice, 7:30 pm
Sunday, April 3	8:45 am Bible Study/Sunday School <b>10:00 am Divine Service</b> 11:30 am Confirmation

## IN OUR PRAYERS:

**Birthdays:** Ethan Todd – April 1; Dara Phillips – April 2.

**Military personnel:** Tristan Graft, Denver Burkley (grandson of Joey Septer), Ethan Bearman (friend of Randy & Diana Buuck).

**Members and catechumens of our congregation:** Marilyn Kimmel, Leona Meyer, Nancy Small, Thelma Yager, Keith Fuller, Tammy Saalfrank, Russell Sponseller, Marjorie Johnson, Don Milholland, Janet Fuller, John Hartup, Lee Ann Siples, Carol Schumacher, Chris Alfeld, Bryce Bowman, Diane Garrett.

**Friends and family of the members of our congregation:** Rev. Paul Doehrmann; Charlene Ferrell; Susan Gaines; Alice Jacobs; Makenzie Webb (granddaughter of Carol Schumacher); Johnny Johnson (husband of Candace Johnson); Jody Ford (friend of the Saalfrank family);

Hadley Schumacher (great-niece of Lee Ann Siples); Ben Aeschliman (cousin of Lori Bauermeister); Robin Graham (friend of Randy and Diana Buuck); Don Hockemeyer and John Hunter (friends of Dara Phillips), Tom Schlemmer and Will Schlemmer (uncles of Erik Schlemmer), George Peck (brother of John Peck); Lynne Kuzeff (sister-in-law of Jeani Klaus); Eric Milholland (son of Don Milholland); Charles Brown (brother of Sue Hansen).

**LIFE QUOTE** “I cannot ponder every day the full life of Christ in the Gospels. But I can during the year on various days celebrate and ponder His Annunciation, Nativity, Presentation, Baptism, Temptation, Transfiguration, Triumphal Entry, Last Supper, Agony in the Garden, Arrest, Trial, Passion, Carrying of the Cross, Crucifixion, Death, Burial, Resurrection, Great Commission, or Ascension.” *James M. Kushiner, executive director, Fellowship of St. James – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org* “Hurting from abortion? Word of Hope can help. [word-of-hope.org](http://word-of-hope.org); 888-217-8679.”

**SOLID, SERIOUS, SUBSTANTIVE...** Issues, Etc. is a radio talk show and podcast produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL and hosted by LCMS Pastor Todd Wilken. This week's teachings include: Human Tyranny vs. Christian Freedom; The Movie “Nightmare Alley;” The Gradual; Peter & Cornelius and more. You can listen at your convenience at [issuesetc.org](http://issuesetc.org), the LPR mobile app and your favorite podcast provider.

**PREMIER CONFERENCE FOR LUTHERAN LAITY...** You're invited to attend the 2022 Issues, Etc. "Making the Case" Conference Friday, June 24 and Saturday, June 25 at Concordia University Chicago. Speakers include: Bryan Wolfmueller, Will Weedon, Dr. Paivi Rasanen, Dr. Albert Mohler, Dr. Joel Biermann, Bill Barr and Chris Rosebrough. Early-bird registration is \$135 and includes three meals. Reduced room rates, including on-campus dorms, are available. For more information, visit [issuesetc.org](http://issuesetc.org) or call (618) 223-8385.

**RETREAT** - Join other men in Christian fellowship on April 21-24 at Lakeview Villages in Seymour, IN as we explore the topic of “Tyranny and Resistance” with Rev. Dr. Adam Koontz. How does the Bible describe tyranny? We’ll look at biblical and historical examples of tyranny and resistance to better understand our world and God’s calling on our lives. Get away and enjoy God’s great creation, eat like a king at our hog roast, join in good-natured brotherly competition and much more. Visit [www.mensgathering.us](http://www.mensgathering.us) for info and registration.

**HELP NEEDED** – New Hope’s Board of Education will need a new chairperson beginning in May. If you are interested in serving in this capacity, please speak to Congregational President Erik Schlemmer or the current Board of Education chairperson, Janice Braun.

**MORE HELP NEEDED** - Do you enjoy working with numbers? Consider managing our church Scrip program! Please speak with Janice Braun for more information.

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL** – This summer, we hope to hold a four day morning VBS program June 6-9 (with an evening program for families on the 10<sup>th</sup>). If you are interested in assisting with the program, please speak with Pastor Burfiend, Rosie Burfiend, or Janice Braun.

**USHERS** – The Board of Elders has decided to return to the practice of passing offering plates. We will need additional ushers to assist with this and other duties on Sunday morning. Any men interested serving as ushers please attend usher training on **TODAY at 11:45 in the Sanctuary.**

**YOUTH TRIP TO THE ARK/CREATION MUSEUM JUNE 13-15** – all youth ages 11 to 19 are invited to participate in a two night, three day trip to the Ark Encounter and Creation Museum. Learn more about the scientific evidence supporting the Biblical, six day creation and flood and enjoy fellowship with other Lutheran youth. Adult chaperones are welcome to attend. At least one other local Lutheran church will join us. Transportation and meals will be provided.

**LENTEN EVENING PRAYER** – Please join us on Wednesday evenings at 6:30 pm to meditate on God’s Word, pray together, and become more familiar with what God says about confession and forgiveness. On March 9, 16, 23, 30 and April 6, we will hold a light meal an hour prior to the service.

**KINDERGARTEN ROUND-UP** at Bethlehem Lutheran School in Ossian this Wednesday, March 30, 4-6 pm.

**TODAY - THE SEMINARY KANTOREI** will lead a service of Lenten Evening Prayer in Kramer Chapel on the seminary campus today, **March 27, at 4:00 p.m.** The seminary is located at 6600 N. Clinton St., Ft. Wayne.

**JOIN THE CHOIR!** – Choir practices take place after the Lenten midweek service. Please join us as we prepare for Holy Week and Easter. Amy Schueler is serving as the director.

**LUTHERAN BIBLE INSTITUTE** – Thank you to all who participated in LBI this year. 9 New Hope members attended, making our congregation one of the top five congregations in terms of the number of members who attended. Thanks be to God for Lutheran Bible Institute and its board as they work to encourage the study of God’s Word in our area.

**VISITING OUR HOMEBOUND MEMBERS** – Our homebound members appreciate being contacted and visited. Please consider visiting them and/or writing to them. Thanks to Bonnie Brandewie and Jeanie Klaus, you can see pictures of our homebound members, learn more about them, and write cards that will be delivered to them. Please see the bulletin board in the narthex for more information.

**MAKE YOUR PURCHASES GO FURTHER** – By purchasing Scrip gift cards for gas, groceries, clothing, restaurants, home renovation costs, etc. you can also help pay off the church mortgage. See Janice Braun at the table outside the church office for more details.

**EASTER LILY DONATIONS** – If you are interested in donating funds for Easter lilies and/or donating lilies in honor/memory of a loved one, please see Tina Bauermeister or review the form on the table across from the church office.

**HOLY WEEK INVITATIONS** – Do you like to write cards? Please consider assisting us in sending invitations to our Holy Week/Easter services to past visitors and preschool families. Please let Pastor Burfiend know if you are interested in volunteering.

**SERVING THE BODY OF CHRIST:**

**March 27**

Pastor: Rev. Daniel Burfiend  
Fieldworkers: Patrick Cox  
    Martin Torsvik, Cody Schrepferman  
Organist: Amy Schueler  
Elder: Tony Bauermeister  
Coffee Hour:  
Altar Guild: Kami and Katie Brandewie  
Sound: Randy Buuck

**April 3 - *Lord willing***

Pastor: Rev. Daniel Burfiend  
Fieldworkers: Patrick Cox,  
    Martin Torsvik, Cody Schrepferman  
Organist: Amy Schueler  
Elder: Terry Bauermeister  
Coffee Hour:  
Altar Guild: Melissa Schlemmer  
Sound: Erik Schlemmer

## From Martin Luther's Sermon for Lent 4 – Laetare

That he now takes the five loaves and gives thanks etc., teaches that nothing is too small and insignificant for him to do for his followers, and he can indeed so bless their pittance that they have an abundance, whereas even the rich have not enough with all their riches; as Ps 34, 11 says: “They that seek Jehovah shall not want any good thing; but the rich must suffer hunger.” And Mary in her song of praise says: “The hungry he hath filled with good things; and the rich he hath sent empty away.” Lk I, 53.

Again, that he tells them so faithfully to gather up the fragments, teaches us to be frugal and to preserve and use his gifts, in order that we may not tempt God. For just as it is God's will that we should believe when we have nothing and be assured that he will provide; so he does not desire to be tempted, nor to allow the blessings he has bestowed to be despised, or lie unused and spoil, while we expect other blessings from heaven by means of miracles. Whatever he gives, we should receive and use, and what he does not give, we should believe and expect he will bestow.

*Sermons of Martin Luther - The Church Postils*  
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pages 168-169, paragraphs 3-4

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