# New Hope Lutheran Church The Eleventh Sunday after Trinity August 20, 2023



I tell you, this man went down to his house justified rather than the other.

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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 to New Hope Lutheran Church

We're glad you've joined us as we gather to receive God's gifts of forgiveness, life, and salvation! As you prepare for the Divine Service, you are invited to pray the prayers inside the front cover of your hymnal and read the communion statement on page 7.

A Note on the Hymns and Liturgy: All hymns are sung by the congregation (unless otherwise indicated). The music and text for the hymns can be found in your pew hymnal. Our service follows Divine Service Setting Three, which begins on page 184 of your pew hymnal. Large print bulletins and hymnals are available in the narthex outside the double doors of the sanctuary.

#### Confession and Absolution

Stand

Hymn of Invocation: 607 From Depths of Woe I Cry to Thee

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 Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.
- **P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- **C** who made heaven and earth.
- P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
- and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

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

- P O almighty God, merciful Father,
- I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.
- P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

### Service of the Word

**Introit** (Congregation sings text in **bold**.) Psalm 68:1, 3, 7a, 10b, 19; antiphon: vv. 5b, 6a, 35b



God is in his holy habi- | tation;\*

[he] settles the solitary | in a home.

The God of Israel—he | is the one\*

who gives power and strength to his | people.

God shall arise, his enemies shall be | scattered;\* and those who hate him shall flee be- | fore him!

But the righteous shall be glad; they shall exult be- | fore God;\*

they shall be jubilant | with joy!

O God, when you went out before your | people,\* in your goodness, O God, you provided for the | needy.

Blessèd be the Lord, who daily | bears us up;\*

God is our sal- | vation.

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.

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**Kyrie** (Music for the text below can be found on page 186 of your hymnal)

LSB 186

C Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Gloria in Excelsis (Music for the text below can be found on page 187 of your hymnal) LSB 187

- P Glory be to God on high:
- **C** and on earth peace, goodwill toward men.

We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we worship Thee,

we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.

- O Lord God, heav'nly King, God the Father Almighty.
- O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ;
- O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,

that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.

Thou that takest away the sin of the world, receive our prayer.

Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us.

For Thou only art holy; Thou only art the Lord.

Thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost,

art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

#### **Salutation and Collect of the Day**



Let us pray. Almighty and everlasting God, always more ready to hear than we to pray and to give more than we either desire or deserve, pour down upon us the abundance of Your mercy, forgiving those things of which our conscience is afraid and giving us those good things that we are not worthy to ask, except through the merits and mediation of Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Sit

## **Old Testament Reading**

Genesis 4:1–15

<sup>1</sup>Now Adam knew Eve his wife, and she conceived and bore Cain, saying, "I have gotten a man with the help of the LORD." <sup>2</sup>And again, she bore his brother Abel. Now Abel was a keeper of sheep, and Cain a worker of the ground. <sup>3</sup>In the course of time Cain brought to the LORD an offering of the fruit of the ground, <sup>4</sup>and Abel also brought of the firstborn of his flock and of their fat portions. And the LORD had regard for Abel and his offering, <sup>5</sup>but for Cain and his offering he had no regard. So Cain was very angry, and his face fell. <sup>6</sup>The LORD said to Cain, "Why are you angry, and why has your face fallen? <sup>7</sup>If you do well, will you not be accepted? And if you do not do well, sin is crouching at the door. Its desire is for you, but you must rule over it."

<sup>8</sup>Cain spoke to Abel his brother. And when they were in the field, Cain rose up against his brother Abel and killed him. <sup>9</sup>Then the LORD said to Cain, "Where is Abel your brother?" He said, "I do not know; am I my brother's keeper?" <sup>10</sup>And the LORD said, "What have you done? The voice of your brother's blood is crying to me from the ground. <sup>11</sup>And now you are cursed from the ground, which has opened its mouth to receive your brother's blood from your hand. <sup>12</sup>When you work the ground, it shall no longer yield to you its strength. You shall be a fugitive and a wanderer on the earth." <sup>13</sup>Cain said to the LORD, "My punishment is greater than I can bear. <sup>14</sup>Behold, you have driven me today away from the ground, and from your face I shall be hidden. I shall be a fugitive and a wanderer on the earth, and whoever finds me will kill me."

<sup>15</sup>Then the LORD said to him, "Not so! If anyone kills Cain, vengeance shall be taken on him sevenfold." And the LORD put a mark on Cain, lest any who found him should attack him.

- A This is the Word of the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

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

Psalm 28:7b, 1a, 2a



In [God] my heart trusts, and | I am helped;\* my heart exults, and with my song I give | thanks to him.

To you, O LORD, I call; my rock, be not | deaf to me,\* hear the voice of my pleas for mercy, when I cry to | you for help.

Epistle Ephesians 2:1–10

¹And you were dead in the trespasses and sins ²in which you once walked, following the course of this world, following the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work in the sons of disobedience— ³among whom we all once lived in the passions of our flesh, carrying out the desires of the body and the mind, and were by nature children of wrath, like the rest of mankind. ⁴But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, ⁵even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved— ⁵and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, ¹so that in the coming ages he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. ⁵For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, ⁴not a result of works, so that no one may boast. ¹oFor we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.

- **A** This is the Word of the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

Stand

Alleluia LSB 190



Verse of the Day

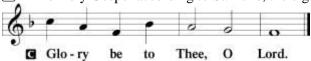
Psalm 90:1

P Lord, you have been our dwelling place in all generations.



Holy Gospel Luke 18:9–14

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the eighteenth chapter.



<sup>9</sup>[Jesus] also told this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous, and treated others with contempt: <sup>10</sup>"Two men went up into the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. <sup>11</sup>The Pharisee, standing by himself, prayed thus: 'God, I thank you that I am not like other men, extortioners, unjust, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. <sup>12</sup>I fast twice a week; I give tithes of all that I get.' <sup>13</sup>But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even lift up his eyes to heaven, but beat his breast, saying, 'God, be merciful to me, a sinner!' <sup>14</sup>I tell you, this man went down to his house justified, rather than the other. For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, but the one who humbles himself will be exalted."

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



#### **Nicene Creed**

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 + of the world to come. Amen.

Sit

Hymn of the Day: 559 Oh, How Great Is Your Compassion

Sermon

Stand

**Offertory** (Music for the text below can be found on page 192 of your hymnal)

LSB 192

Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.

Cast me not away from Thy presence, and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me.

Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation, and uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.

**Offering** (Offerings placed in the plates at the sanctuary doors will be carried forward at this time. Plates will still be available near the sanctuary doors for those who wish to offer their gifts to the Lord following the service.)

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

#### 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 regarding communion.

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 194



P Lift up your hearts.



P Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.



It is truly meet, 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, out of love for His fallen creation, humbled Himself by taking on the form of a servant, becoming obedient unto death, even death upon a cross. Risen from the dead, He has freed us from eternal death and given us life everlasting. 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** (Music for the text below can be found on page 195 of your hymnal)

LSB 195

Holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth;
heav'n and earth are full of Thy glory.
Hosanna, hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is He, blessed is He, blessed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

LSB 196

Pax Domini LSB 197

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

The Words of Our Lord

**Agnus Dei** (Music for the text below can be found on page 198 of your hymnal)

LSB 198

LSB 197

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.

men.

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. Amen.

Sit

Distribution Hymns: 611 Chief of Sinners Though I Be

**581 These Are the Holy Ten Commands** 

## 419 Savior, When in Dust to Thee 815 All Praise to Thee, for Thou, O King Divine

Stand

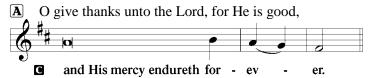
**Nunc Dimittis** (Music for the text below can be found on page 199 of your hymnal)

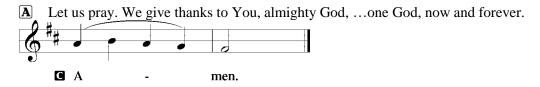
LSB 199

Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace according to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation, which Thou hast prepared before the face of all people,

a light to lighten the Gentiles and the glory of Thy people Israel. Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Thanksgiving LSB 200







Benedicamus LSB 202



Benediction LSB 202

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.

The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and + give you peace.



Sit

Hymn to Depart: 745 In God, My Faithful God



### New Hope News and Notes

#### August 13, 2023 Stewardship

Giving: General Fund: \$1,762 (Amount needed weekly: \$2,966)

Mortgage: \$20 (Remaining Debt: \$19,659)

Sunday Attendance: 57 (Divine Service); 15 (Bible Study).

#### **Upcoming Events**

Sunday, August 20 Bible Study, 10:45 am

Wednesday, August 23 Bible Study, 7:30 am (Wells Co. Courthouse)

Bible Study, 7 pm

Thursday, August 24 Council, 6:30 pm Sunday, August 27 **Divine Service, 9 am** 

Voters' Meeting, 10:45 am

Service at Ossian Health Care, 1 pm

#### IN OUR PRAYERS:

**Birthdays**: Randy Milholland and Michael Sponseller – Aug. 21; Erik Schlemmer – Aug. 22; Luke Wallis – Aug. 24;

**Military**: Denver Burkley (grandson of Joey Septer), Ethan Bearman (cousin of Randy Buuck), Grayson Smith (brother of Grahm Smith).

Members and catechumens of our congregation: Marilyn Kimmel, Leona Meyer, Nancy Small, Marjorie Johnson, Don Milholland, Janet Fuller, John Hartup, Carol Schumacher, Chris Alfeld, Bryce Bowman, David Hoopengardner, John Peck, Lori Bauermeister, Kim Steckbeck. Friends and family of the members of our congregation: Susan Gaines; Alice Jacobs; Makenzie Webb (granddaughter of Carol Schumacher); Robin Graham (friend of Randy and Diana Buuck); Don Hockemeyer (friend of Dara Phillips); Lynne Kuzeff (sister-in-law of Jeani Klaus); Charles Brown (brother of Sue Hansen); Joanna Daniel (Niece of John and Karen Peck); Linda Strait (friend of Diane Garrett); Karen Gerbers (friend of Jeani Klaus); Casey (niece of Janet Speed); Lucas Rielsh (nephew of Bonnie Brandewie); Molly Mischler (friend of Sue Hansen), Peg Buuck; Donald Hoopengardner (brother of David Hoopengardner); Cory and Abby (nephew and niece of Kim Steckbeck).

**LIFE THOUGHT Trinity XI** – Heaven and earth grieve every life ended by another (Genesis 4:10). Worse yet is believing ourselves any better than murderers (Luke 18:11-14). Lord God regards all as precious as little babies, and His Son's forgiving Word and works of faith rescue from death's mouth when tempted (Genesis 4:7) and from hell's mouth when guilty (Genesis 4:15). *Merciful Father, intervene that we may be saved and safe from death and hell. Amen. – A Life Thought from lutheransforlife.org. "Hurting from abortion? Word of Hope can help. word-of-hope.org;* 888-217-8679."

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**AUGUST 15-21 PASTOR ON VACATION** – If you are in need of pastoral care during that time, please call Head Elder Tony Bauermeister at 260-442-1356. He will arrange for pastoral care.

**LISTEN TO BIBLE STUDY BY PHONE...** Are you unable to access on-demand audio using a smart phone, personal computer or tablet? Thanks to <u>Dial-a-Podcast</u> you can now listen on your phone to Pastor Weedon's daily 15-minute Bible study, The Word of the Lord Endures Forever. Simply dial (618) 262-0078.

**PRAYER REQUEST/ANNOUNCEMENT COMMUNICATION** — We have a new way to communicate regarding updates and prayer requests. On the table outside the sanctuary double doors, you will find two trays; one tray has forms and envelope for prayer requests/updates and the other has forms and an envelope for bulletin/newsletter/website updates and announcements.

**AUG. 21 – NOODLE MAKING** at 9 am to prepare for Ossian Days.

**AUG. 27 – YOUTH GROUP KICK-OFF EVENT** – All high school youth and their families are invited to a joint New Hope/Bethlehem youth group event on Sunday, August 27th at 5:00 p.m. at Ouabache State Park in Bluffton. Attendees are responsible for the \$7 entrance fee (per carload) to get into the park. The cost of boat rental, main dish and drinks will be provided. Please bring a dish to share. RSVP to Pastor Burfiend.

**SEPT. 10 - RALLY SUNDAY** – Please invite your friends to church for this Sunday! We will have a Bible Quiz Game during the Bible study hour at 8:45 am. Please note that September 11 is the first Sunday that we return to a 10 am service time.

**SEPT. 13 – PIE BAKING DAY** at 9 am to prepare for Ossian Days.

**SEPT. 14-16 - OSSIAN DAYS** – We need your baked goods to sell at the Ossian Days booth. If you cannot bake, we are happy to receive donations of flour, sugar, butter, eggs, and other baking supplies. Contact Diana Buuck for more information.

**SEPT. 24 MERCY AND MISSION IN TANZANIA** – Join us during Bible study and for lunch after church to hear from Rev. Peter Brock on efforts to rescue albino children and preach the Gospel in Tanzania. Pastor Brock will also preach in the Divine Service that day.

#### **SERVING THE BODY OF CHRIST:**

August 20

Guest Pastor: Rev. Dr. Gifford Grobien

Organist: Nancy Koeneman Elder: Terry Bauermeister Altar Guild: Bonnie Brandewie Coffee Hour: Sharon Snow Sound: Randy Buuck

Ushers: John Peck and Tad Steckbeck Greeters: Sue Hansen and Jeani Klaus August 27 - Lord willing

Pastor: Rev. Daniel Burfiend Organist: Amy Schueler Elder: Tony Bauermeister Altar Guild: Sue Hansen Coffee Hour: Theo Burfiend Sound: Erik Schlemmer

Ushers: Larry and Theo Burfiend Greeters: Amanda B. and Carol S.

#### From Martin Luther's Sermon for the Eleventh Sunday after Trinity Luke 18:9-14

6. Hence the beginning of goodness or godliness is not in us, but in the Word of God. God must first let His Word sound in our hearts by which we learn to know and to believe Him, and afterwards do good works. So we must believe from this that the publican had learned God's Word. If not, it would certainly have been impossible for him to acknowledge himself to be a poor sinner, as this Gospel reports. Indeed, it has a different appearance here, because St. Luke seems to insist more strongly on external works and appearances than on faith, and lays the emphasis more on the outward character and conduct than on the root and on the faith of the heart within. Nevertheless we must conclude that the publican had previously heard the Gospel. Otherwise his smiting his breast and his humble confession would not have occurred, had he not previously had faith in his heart.

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