

Gospel Reading: Mark 9:38-50

Sermon: “Friends and Enemies”

Rev. Dr. Brian Jones

Sermon Hymn: “His Eye Is on the Sparrow”

(Sing the Faith #2146/Screen)

***Affirmation of Faith/The Apostles’ Creed**

ALL: I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Sharing of Joys & Concerns

Prayers for the People/The Lord’s Prayer

Offering/Offertory: “You Are My Hiding Place”

Adult Choir

***Doxology**

(Blue #592/Screen)

***Prayer of Dedication**

***Closing Hymn: “Lift Every Voice and Sing”**

(Blue #563/Screen)

***Charge/Benediction: “Aaron’s Blessing”**

Rev. Dr. Brian Jones/Cong. Echo

Postlude

Maggie

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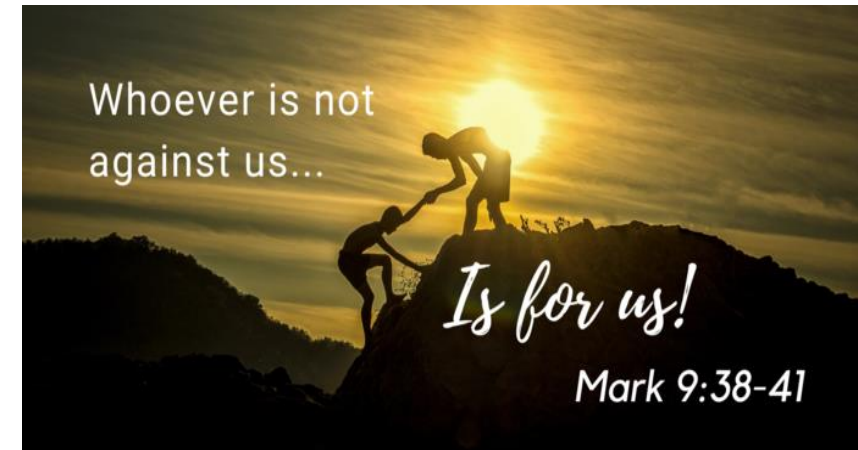
Website: hopechurchspicer.org

Sunday, September 29, 2024

9:15 a.m. Coffee & Fellowship

10:00 a.m. Worship in Sanctuary

(On Facebook Live & KGLH Radio 96.9)



As a community of Christ, Hope Presbyterian Church demonstrates the good news of God’s love, grace and hope.

- *We build relationships with one another in order that we might strengthen our ability to love God and love others.*
- *Visitors, youth and children are welcome to participate in worship, Bible Study, spiritual development opportunities, prayer, and service.*

God is here and welcomes you! If you are a visitor and are looking for a church home, be assured you are welcome and needed at Hope Presbyterian Church. We are a people who seek to respond to God's love in Christ and we invite you to join us.

Please be advised that our sanctuary worship service is on Facebook Live and taped for television broadcast, aired on Channel 18 (Windstream Cable) and Channel 181 (Charter Cable) on Sundays (2:30 pm), Tuesdays (11:30 am and 8:30 pm), and Thursdays (8:00 am and 5:00 pm).

***(Please stand as you are able)**

Prelude

Maggie Harp

Welcome

Lay Reader: Nancy Birkeland

***Call to Worship**

One: If it had not been for God, who was on our side, we would have fallen prey to those who want to harm us; we would have been swept away by sadness and fear.

ALL: Blessed be the Lord, our protector!

One: God has broken the snare that took away our freedom. Our help is in the name of the Lord, who made heaven and earth.

ALL: Blessed be God's holy name.

***Morning Prayer**

One: God of courage, help us to believe that you are still present and active in this world and that your grace remains as an everlasting force in our lives. In Jesus Christ we pray.

ALL: Amen.

***Hymn of Praise:** "Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty"

(Blue #482/Screen)

***Prayer of Confession**

ALL: God of unity, we live in a world where our lives move between inclusivity and exclusivity. We often move toward the latter, trying to oust from our circles those who do not think like us, act like us, or look like us. Forgive our need to reject and to always be on the lookout for those things that make us different. Give us the eyes of our Teacher, who knows unconditional love and compassion and sees us all as one, for it is in his name that we pray. Amen.

***Assurance of Forgiveness**

***Gloria Patri**

Glory be-to the Father, Glory be-to the Son, Glo...ry be-to the Holy Ghost. (Repeat)
As it was in the beginning is now and ever shall be, World without end, World without end. A...men. A...men.

***Passing of the Peace** (Let us share Christ's peace by greeting each other)

Announcements

Special Music: "We Are One, Lord"

Adult Choir

Children's Sermon

Response: "Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying" (Sing the Faith #2193/Screen)
Lord, listen to your children praying, Lord, send your Spirit in this place; Lord, listen to your children praying, send us love, send us power, send us grace. (Repeat)

Prayer for Illumination

One: Truthful God, your Word is our salt; without it, we lose our being, our joy, and our ability to endure. Open our hearts and our minds to listen, to really listen, to your Word today.

All: Amen.

Responsive Reading: Psalm 19:7-14

⁷ The law of the LORD is perfect, reviving the soul;

the decrees of the LORD are sure, making wise the simple;

⁸ **the precepts of the LORD are right, rejoicing the heart;**

the commandment of the LORD is clear, enlightening the eyes;

⁹ the fear of the LORD is pure, enduring for ever;

the ordinances of the LORD are true and righteous altogether.

¹⁰ **More to be desired are they than gold, even much fine gold;**

sweeter also than honey, and drippings of the honeycomb.

¹¹ Moreover by them is your servant warned;

in keeping them there is great reward.

¹² **But who can detect their errors? Clear me from hidden faults.**

¹³ Keep back your servant also from the insolent;

do not let them have dominion over me.

Then I shall be blameless, and innocent of great transgression.

¹⁴ **Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart**

be acceptable to you,

O LORD, my rock and my redeemer.

HOSPITALITY SERVANTS

Coffee Servers

September 29: Jackie Wahl & Gaylord Lind

October 6: Liz & Jason Windingstad

Ushers

September 29: Gwen Anfinson, Dan Quale, Bill & Dee Schurman

October 6: Tim & Sue Block, **Need 2 more**

*****Please sign up on the sheets in the Fellowship Hall (by the library) to usher or lay read. Thank You!**

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Lay Readers

September 29: Nancy Birkeland

October 6: **Open**

Sound Operators: Pete Bratberg, Duane Taatjes, Daryl Taatjes, Wally Titus

Video Operators: Carter Taatjes, Pete Bratberg, Wally Titus, Daryl Taatjes, Jerry Leason & Barry Sampson

Screen Operators: Stephanie Bents, Sherry Bratsch, Jerry Bents

Radio Operators: Harold Foreman, Daryl Taatjes, Duane Taatjes

Volunteers needed at New to You Thrift Store

New to You Thrift Store is looking for volunteers to join their team! Whether you have a little time to give or a lot, no matter your skill set, there are many ways to get involved. We can find the right fit for you! Participation can vary from a couple hours a month up to one to two times a week, mornings or afternoons. New to You would not be where it is today without the help of volunteers over the years. Would you consider helping us continue in our ministry? Stop in to pick up a Volunteer Questionnaire or call 320-231-1850 for more information. Thank you!

Hospice Volunteer Training

CentraCare Hospice currently has a high need for volunteers and we invite anyone to consider learning more about this opportunity. Training will be held at Rice Memorial Hospital on Tuesday, October 8 and Thursday, October 10. Please register by October 6th by calling Deb at 320-231-4450 or online at www.centracare.com/hospice. The form is also available on the bulletin board by the office.

HOPE HAPPENINGS!

CARE Pantry Challenge:

September is...Baby Wash, Baby Lotion, Baby Wipes, Diapers and Pull-ups
Please leave your donations on the table by the mailboxes. Thanks!

October is..."Cleaning items" Toilet Bowl Cleaner, Glass Cleaner, Multi-purpose Cleaners

Fall Harvest Festival/Home Décor

Our Fall Harvest Festival/Home Decor Sale will be held on Saturday, October 12th 8 am-1 pm. We will have morning coffee & rolls and a noon soup & sandwich lunch. Areas to donate items for includes: Accessory Sisters (jewelry), Garden Produce & Plants, Books/Puzzles/CD's, Crafts, Décor, Quilting Fabric and Sewing books and the bake sale. A sign-up sheet is up to set-up on Friday, work on Saturday or donate bars, pies or dessert.

Adult Bible Study

Adult Bible Study will begin in October. If interested in teaching, please contact Tyann.

Devotional Booklets

The devotional booklets for October-November-December are on the table in the Narthex, on the table by the kitchen and in the office.

Peace & Global Witness Offering

Our gifts to the Peace & Global Witness Offering are helping our neighbors in need. Twenty-five percent stays with our congregation to support peacemaking and reconciliation in our own community, twenty-five percent goes to our mid-council to support peacemaking work in our region and fifty percent supports the work being done across the globe. Special envelopes are in the pews. Designated Sunday is October 6th.

****The Christian Education Youth and Families Committee is encouraging youth to take part in our worship services. Many youth are already involved and that is wonderful! If you would like to be an usher (can include lighting candles and greeting people) sign up on the volunteer board by the office. If you are a 7th grader or older and are interested in helping with the screen in the sound booth, contact Stephanie Bents.**

Area Bazaars

Saturday, October 5th: Cross Roads Community Church 8:30-11:30 am and Hope Lutheran in Sunburg 10:30 am-1:00 pm

THIS WEEK AT HOPE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

September 29 (Sunday)	8:50 a.m. Handbells Practice 9:15 a.m. Coffee 10:00 a.m. Worship (Also Facebook Live and Radio) 11:00 a.m. Belize Mission Trip Meeting
September 30 (Monday)	10:00 a.m. Coffee & Conversation
October 1 (Tuesday)	12:00 p.m. CARE Pantry Devotion, Lunch & Distribution 6:00 p.m. Tuesday's Table at Our Lady of the Lakes Church 6:30 p.m. HPW Meeting Guest Speaker: Ashley Hanson from The Link on "Foster Stitches" Devotions: Jody Leason
October 2 (Wednesday)	10:00 a.m. Coffee & Conversation 5:45 p.m. Family Meal 6:15 p.m. WOW 6:30 p.m. TAG 7:15 p.m. Choir Practice
October 3 (Thursday)	7:00 p.m. Circle II Leader: Sharon Jones
October 4 (Friday)	Office Closed
October 5 (Saturday)	8:00 a.m.-noon Fall Clean-Up Day 7:00 p.m. AA
October 6 (Sunday)	World Communion Sunday Peace & Global Witness Offering 8:50 a.m. Handbells Practice 9:15 a.m. Coffee 10:00 a.m. Worship (Also Facebook Live and Radio) 11:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Youth Center Reserved

PRAYER REQUESTS

*Denotes New

Members with Health Concerns:

Frank Peralta, Resa Jones, Judy Heath, Greg Mulder, Isaac Taatjes, Charlotte DeLong, Kathryn Frazee, John Williamson, Sandy Wersal

Family and Friends with Health Concerns:

Pastor Randy Knuth Paul Raynio (Jesse Appleby's Dad)
Verna Patrick Jack Tatge
Mother of Lance Baumann (from Clearwater Forest Camp)
Dick Bratsch (Larry's brother) Danny Poe (Sandy Wersal's brother)

Grieving:

*Family of Dale Flickinger, Family of Paul Halvorson, Family of Matt Hass, Family of Gail Krossman, Family and friends of Susan Johnson (Memorial Service will be held at Hope on Monday, October 14th at 1:00 pm)

Care Facilities:

Charlotte DeLong (GlenOaks Rehab), Jerry Gault (Prairie Senior Cottages, 1705 19th Ave. SW-Willmar), Shar Williams (Carris Health Care Center, 1801 Willmar Ave. SW), Kathy Jansen (Bethesda Grand, 901 Willmar Ave. SE, Room 103), David Carlson (Bethesda North Pointe), Jeanette Gault (GlenOaks), Betty Harder (Bethesda North Pointe), Arlos Jones (GlenOaks Apts.), Barb Morris (Copperleaf in Willmar), Mary Lou Swart (Bethesda North Pointe)

Other Concerns:

For those dealing with mental health issues and who struggle with addiction
For those deeply wounded by domestic violence
For those grieving the death and injury of a loved one due to violence and war
For those affected by natural disasters, COVID-19

Please Note** If you have a prayer request, please fill out the prayer request card from the ushers and return it to them, which will be given to Pastor Brian.

September Deacons of the Month: Jeff Wersal & Kathy Taatjes
October Deacons of the Month: Kathy Terpstra & Greg Swenson