

Gospel Reading: Mark 10:17-31

Sermon: “The Eye of a Needle?”

Rev. Dr. Brian Jones

Sermon Hymn: “Goodness Is Stronger than Evil” (Sing the Faith #2219/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: “Ah, Holy Jesus”

Handbells

***Doxology**

(Blue #592/Screen)

***Prayer of Dedication**

***Closing Hymn: “Take My Life”**

(Blue #391/Screen)

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

Rev. Dr. Brian Jones/Cong. Echo

Postlude

Maggie

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Sunday, October 13, 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: Sue Block

***Call to Worship**

One: God, you are holy, enthroned on the praises of Israel.

ALL: In you our ancestors trusted; they trusted you, and you delivered them.

One: To you they cried, and they were saved; in you they trusted and were not put to shame.

ALL: God, you are holy. All praise to you, now and forever!

***Morning Prayer**

One: Listening God, hear your church today as we bring our joys and our concerns, our thanksgivings and our demands. Fill us with the assurance that you truly hear our words and thoughts, our songs and our tears. In the name of the one who always shows us the way, Jesus Christ our Lord.

ALL: Amen.

***Hymn of Praise:** "Come, Christians, Join to Sing" (Blue #150/Screen)

***Prayer of Confession**

ALL: We know the commandments: You shall not murder; you shall not commit adultery; you shall not steal; you shall not bear false witness; you shall not defraud; honor your father and your mother. We are sure we follow them, but instead, we cannot let go of the things we think we need or what we think is important. We do not follow you, or love you, O God, with all our hearts, our minds, our strength. We refrain from giving our whole selves to you. Forgive our disobedience, our lack of commitment, and our desire to focus on material things instead of on your will for us. In the name of our Teacher, Jesus Christ, who gave his whole life for the sake of the gospel. 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: "Siyahumba"

Handbells

Alan Mangen, Eli Twernbold, Melissa Mangen, Brooklyn Johnson, Evelyn Titus

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: Your word, O God, is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing and able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart. May your Word be for us today life and action, beacon and gavel. In the name of the Living Word we pray.

All: Amen.

Responsive Reading: Psalm 147:1-11

¹ Praise the LORD! How good it is to sing praises to our God;
for he is gracious, and a song of praise is fitting.

² **The LORD builds up Jerusalem; he gathers the outcasts of Israel.**

³ He heals the broken-hearted, and binds up their wounds.

⁴ **He determines the number of the stars; he gives to all of them their names.**

⁵ Great is our Lord, and abundant in power; his understanding is beyond measure.

⁶ **The LORD lifts up the downtrodden; he casts the wicked to the ground.**

⁷ Sing to the LORD with thanksgiving; make melody to our God on the lyre.

⁸ **He covers the heavens with clouds, prepares rain for the earth,
makes grass grow on the hills.**

⁹ He gives to the animals their food, and to the young ravens when they cry.

¹⁰ **His delight is not in the strength of the horse,
nor his pleasure in the speed of a runner;**

¹¹ but the LORD takes pleasure in those who fear him,
in those who hope in his steadfast love.

HOSPITALITY SERVANTS

Coffee Servers

October 13: Allie & Joe Johnson

October 20: Brenda & Pete Bratberg

Ushers

October 13: Jill & Grace Gau, Jerry & Karen Bents

October 20: **Open**

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

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Lay Readers

October 13: Sue Block

October 20: Kathy Taatjes

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

HOPE HAPPENINGS!

CARE Pantry Challenge:

October is... "Cleaning items" Toilet Bowl Cleaner, Glass Cleaner, Multi-purpose Cleaners. Please leave your donations on the table by the mailboxes. Thanks!

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.

Susan Johnson's Memorial Service

A Memorial Service for Susan Johnson will be held here at Hope tomorrow afternoon at 1:00 p.m. Refreshments to follow.

No Christian Education Classes on Wednesday

Due to MEA at school, there will be no Christian Education classes this Wednesday evening. Choir will meet at 6:30 p.m.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Lunch & Learn

Feeling left out or unable to hear in social environments? Do you have to turn the TV up louder to hear better? Chad Ulferts with Hearing Life will speak at a Lunch & Learn at the Atwater Community Center on Wednesday, October 23rd at 11:00 a.m. Please RSVP by Friday, October 18th by calling 320-974-8737.

Devotional Journaling Workshop

Learn a simple method to meditate on the Word of God, make observations and apply it to your life-and have some fun in the process! Please join the Devotional Journaling Workshop by Nici Ahrenholz on Sunday, October 20th 2-5 p.m. at the Hawick Community Church. Cost is \$10 per person. RSVP to Beth Schultz by calling her at 320-492-0487.

Lutefisk Opener

Join Faith Lutheran Church in Spicer to celebrate the Great Lutefisk Opener on Saturday, October 26th, 4-7 pm. Buy tickets online at faithspicer.org or at Faith Church. Adult (13+) \$20 or \$22 at the door, Youth (7-12) \$15, Kids (6 & under) Free.

THIS WEEK AT HOPE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

October 13 (Sunday)	9:15 a.m. Coffee 10:00 a.m. Worship (Also Facebook Live and Radio) 7:00 p.m. Light of the World service at Ebenezer Lutheran, Kandiyohi
October 14 (Monday)	10:00 a.m. Coffee & Conversation 1:00 p.m. Susan Johnson Memorial Service
October 15 (Tuesday)	12:00 p.m. CARE Pantry Devotion, Lunch & Distribution 6:00 p.m. Tuesday's Table at Faith Lutheran Church 6:30 p.m. Christian Education & Families Committee
October 16 (Wednesday)	10:00 a.m. Coffee & Conversation 6:15 p.m. No WOW or TAG Classes due to MEA <u>6:30 p.m.</u> Choir Practice
October 17 (Thursday)	
October 18 (Friday)	Office Closed
October 19 (Saturday)	7:00 p.m. AA
October 20 (Sunday)	8:50 a.m. Handbells Practice 9:15 a.m. Coffee 10:00 a.m. Worship (Also Facebook Live and Radio) 2:00 p.m. GlenOaks Worship

PRAYER REQUESTS

*Denotes New

Members with Health Concerns:

Judy Heath, Greg Mulder, Isaac Taatjes, Charlotte DeLong, Sandy Wersal

Family and Friends with Health Concerns:

Jerry Wall (Virginia McKean's son)

Pastor Randy Knuth

Jack Tatge

Paul Raynio (Jesse Appleby's Dad)

Dick Bratsch (Larry's brother)

Grieving:

Family of Dale Flickinger, Family of Bev Eckblad (Jim Brown's sister), 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:

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.

October Deacons of the Month: Kathy Terpstra & Greg Swenson