
HOPE LUTHERAN CHURCH

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THE LUTHERAN CHURCH – MISSOURI SYNOD

PRAISE 1030

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September 6, 2026

Welcome! We're so glad you are here!

Please take a moment before or during the service to sign the Friendship Register in the pew in front of you. May God bless you during your time in His presence today.

Welcome and Announcements

Opening Song: How Great Is Our God

We Confess Our Sins and Receive God's Forgiveness

Song: Holy Forever

Time of Prayer

Lord's Prayer

Holy Communion

Songs during Distribution: Great Are You, Lord; Praise the Saviour;

How Deep the Father's Love

Offering

God's Word Is Read

Old Testament: Isaiah 65:17–25

Epistle: Revelation 21:1–7

Holy Gospel: John 14:1–11

We Confess Our Faith

Children's Message

Song: Homesick for Heaven

Sermon

Closing Song: Your Grace Is Enough

The Sermon - Home at Last

Do not let your hearts be troubled. Trust in God; trust also in Me. John 14:1,2

A troubled heart looks inward and asks:

- Am I strong _____?
- Can I handle _____?
- What if everything goes _____?
- What if I _____ fix this?
- What if I lose _____ I love?
- What if _____ comes?

The strength of _____ is not found in how firmly we hold on to _____.

The strength of faith is found in the _____ who _____ on to us.

And Jesus holds on to us: in His _____, in our _____, in _____.

Thomas said to him, "Lord, we don't know where you are going, so how can we know the way?" John 14:5

The World says:

_____ is the way.

_____ is the way.

_____ effort is the way.

My _____ is the way.

Every religion is simply a _____ road leading to the same destination.

Jesus says, "I am the _____."

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"No one comes to the Father except through Me." John 14:6

Philip said, "Lord, show us the Father and that will be enough for us." John 14:8

Show me something _____.

Answer my _____.

Change _____.

"Believe me when I say that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; or at least believe on the evidence of the works themselves." John 14:11

When your _____ trouble you, look to Jesus, who carried them to the _____.

When your _____ accuses you, listen to His _____ of forgiveness.

When you _____ alone, remember that you have been _____ into Christ and bear the name of the Triune God.

When _____ frightens you, look to the risen Lord, who has _____ a place for you.

When you do not know the way _____, remember that Jesus does not merely show the way. He is the _____.

When _____ surrounds you, remember that Jesus is the _____.

When _____ appears to win, remember that Jesus is the _____.

"Do not let your hearts be troubled." John 14:1

Living the Faith this Week:

- 1) Jesus does not dismiss our troubles; He gives us Himself.
- 2) The strength of faith is found in its object.
- 3) The cross and the resurrection confirm Jesus' promises.

Thoughts to consider this week:

1. What is the difference between denying our troubles and trusting Christ in the midst of them?
2. When your heart is troubled, are you more likely to look inward, at your circumstances, or toward Christ? Why?
3. Why is the statement "No one comes to the Father except through me" both exclusive and gracious?

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For the Sick and Hospitalized – Prayer requests are always welcome and encouraged.

"The prayers of the righteous are powerful and effective" (James 5:16). Names will remain on the list for one month. Please get in touch with Pastor or fill out a yellow prayer request if you would like your name or the name of a loved one added.

Prayers for those who are sick and/or hospitalized Vivian Gorden, Mary Dahl, Mark Fields, Tony, Debra Leigl, Janet Schmit, John Gleason, Lee Dikeman, Genevieve Pausma.



For Your Family and Friends Birthdays:

6-Miah Graham	6-Jerry Jost	6-Bonnie Federman	6-Jerry Wickwire
6-Theodore Dorner	7-Harry Braatz	7-Barb Olig	7-Glenn Lutze
7-Mark Fields	7-John Rosenau	7-Karl Mittelsteadt	8-Dexton Boeck
8-Sawyer Provot	8-Noah Hernandez	8-Everett Werth	8-Roman Williams
9-Brycen Hopf	9-Lila Nelson	10-John Manthey	10-Mark Barber

Wedding Anniversaries:

6-Jeff and Kristina Noren (23)	7-Kenneth and Kelli Retzleff (41)
7-Brian and Tami Lemke (24)	8-Don and Dianne Theusch (53)
9-Tim and Dawn Bunkelman (31)	12-Ryan and Holly Dobbs (6)
12-Rev. Dr Phillip and Katherine Enderle (33)	



Events & Information

Attendance – Saturday August 29, 5:30pm -78; Sunday August 30, 8:00am -106; 10:30 am -76.

Altar Flowers – This week is sponsored Miah Graham in celebration of her birthday.

Café Corner – Café coffee time on Sunday will continue throughout the summer. There is a signup sheet on Café counter for volunteers to donate treats.

Monday Evening Small Group Bible Study – will not meet September 7 for Labor Day.

Volunteer Appreciation – Hope is such a special congregation because of the many, many, MANY people that serve in a HUGE variety of ways throughout the year! We thank you, we appreciate you, and we want to honor you in a small but heartfelt way. Please join us in the Café Corner on Sept 20th between services for a special cake to honor our MANY volunteers!

Save the Date: Ladies, mark your calendars for the fall retreat at Hope on Saturday, September 19, 9am-1pm. We'll continue our Journey Together, finding strength and comfort both in God's Word for us and in each other. Watch for details and registration to come!

SCRIP – will be available weekly for 15 min after the 5:30 PM and 8 AM Service. Also, for 15 min before the 10:30 AM service at the Welcome Center. Help support our Music Ministry!

Women On Their Own - will meet at 4:30 (note time change) at Gino's Italian Restaurant on Thursday, Sept. 17. Reservations with Sylvia at 920-979-8465 (call or text).

Men's Ministry – Men of Hope are invited to fellowship every 4th Saturday of the month following Saturday evening worship service. Come for a meal & fellowship followed by a Bible Study. Join us September 26th at 6:30 pm under the shelter. **Men's Retreat** is scheduled for **Saturday, September 19th**. Registration forms are available in the nave as you enter.

Sunday Morning Bible Study Series – join us this Sunday at 9:30 am in the fellowship hall as Pastor Andrew walks through the book of Exodus.

A self-guided Bible study on healing hurt and wounds in relationships, as well as navigating forgiveness, boundaries, and when restoration may not be wise, is now available. Counseling many individuals in this trying area prompted me to put this Bible study together. Copies are available at the Welcome Center. *Pastor Enderle.*

Funding for Church Positions – Hope has two wonderful and talented people on staff who are not funded through the annual church budget but through special gifts. Joan Farrell, our Parish Nurse, and Samantha Imrie, our Director of Children's Ministry. If you would like to contribute for these positions, simply designate "Parish Nurse" or "Director of Children's Ministry" on any offering envelope, or, if you prefer, go to Hope's webpage and make a gift online! What an exciting time at Hope as cogs in the gears of ministry happen.

Church Picnic – It's almost here! Sunday, September 13th, is our annual church picnic and fall schedule kickoff! One service that weekend at 10 am on Sunday, with the meal beginning at 11:30. Yes, the weather will be wonderful!

Special Church Picnic Choir – Calling everyone who loves to sing! Join us for a special, one-time choir as we sing the hymn "How Great Thou Art" at the church picnic. You have the option to sing melody or parts, depending on your preference. All ages and abilities are welcome! We'll have one rehearsal on Wednesday, Sept. 9th, 6:30pm in the Sanctuary.

Music Ministry Important Dates – for new and returning Music Ministry participants. New members are always welcome! Talk to Jessica Finley to learn how to get involved in any of our musical groups: jfinley@lifeathope.org.

Mon, Sept 14, 6:00-7:00pm – Handbell Rehearsals Resume

Wed, Sept 16, 6:30-8:00pm – Choir Rehearsals Resume

This Week at Hope

Monday, September 7

Church Office Closed – Labor Day

Tuesday, September 8

Circuit Pastors Meeting

6:00 PM Board of Finance

7:00 PM Church Council

Wednesday, September 9

6:30 PM Church Picnic Choir Rehearsal
(in the Sanctuary)

Thursday, September 10

10:00 AM Community Chime Choir

2:15 PM Board of Outreach

6:00 PM Journey to Recovery

Friday, September 11

Saturday, September 12

No Saturday Worship

Sunday, September 13

10:00 AM Welcome Home Sunday Service

11:30 AM Church Picnic

Serving today:

Preacher: Pastor Phillip M. Enderle

Liturgist: Pastor Phillip M. Enderle

Worship Team Leader: Jessica Finley

10:30 AM

Captain: Kurt Petik

Elder: Josh Harmsen

Ushers: Don Theusch

Altar Assistants: John & Carol Graham, Kay Kohlman, Jayne Kaufman
