# Sermon Notes



Sunday, November 27, 2022

Hope's Mission: Love God, Love People, Make Disciples of Christ



# FINANCIAL UPDATE Actuals Month

October 2022

12,816.13

Receipts \$49,449.25 Expenses (\$36,633.12)

Gain/(Shortfall)

Offering for 11-13-22 \$8,607.00 Offering for 11-20-22 \$6,271.00 Use phone to scan and check out our website



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#### **WELCOME TO HOPE CHURCH!**

Hope Church is a member of the Association of Free Lutheran Congregations. If you are here for the first time today, we have a special gift for you at the welcome desk in the lobby. Please fill out our yellow form as we especially want to pray for any special concerns you may have. There is also prayer available after today's services.

# Behold: Hope Isaiah 7:7-14 Pastor Ben Sollie

## **Scripture Readings:**

• Call to Worship: Psalm 115:1 | page 510

Sermon Text: Isaiah 7:7-14 | page 571-572

## 8:30am

- 1 | Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates (all verses)
- 4 | Rejoice, All Ye Believers (vs 1, 2, & 4)
- 13 | Prepare the Way, O Zion (vs 3 & 4)
- 12 | Hark, the Glad Sound! (all verses)

#### 10:30am

- · Joy to the World
- · O Come All Ye Faithful
- O Praise the Name
- Firm Foundation

Yes & Amen

The Nursery is open during the 10:30am service!

One fresh flower arrangement is given by Patty and Sonja in remembrance of our beloved mom and dad!

The second fresh flower arrangement is given by the Sandbergs!

Communion at Hope Church is open to anyone who is trusting in Jesus Christ as their Savior.

The light colored liquid is a non-alcoholic option.

Gluten Free communion wafers are available by request.

#### THIS WEEK AT HOPE

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Monday, Nov 28	6:00am	Young Adult Volleyball
Tuesday, Nov 29	6:00am	Men's Prayer Breakfast
	6:30pm	Trustees Meeting
	7:30pm	Hope Staff Meeting
Wednesday, Nov 30	9:00am	MWBSF
	6:00pm	Family Meal
	6:30pm	Hope Kids/Youth
	7:00pm	Prayer Gathering
Thursday, Dec 1	1:00pm	Staff Meeting
	6:45pm	Worship Practice
Sunday, Dec 4	8:30am	Traditional Service
	9:15am	Sunday School/Youth/ Confirmation
	9:30am	Adult Study
	10:30am	Worship Service

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**AGES 62 AND UP** Please join us on Tuesday, December 13 for a Christmas Potluck followed by Bingo—Ages 62 and up! Please bring something to share!

Please join us on Christmas Eve at one of our two services—either 10:30am or 4:30pm. Note there will not be Sunday services on December 25.





## **Advent Reading - Hope**

Today we light the Hope Candle.

Hope looks to God and waits on Him with a firm expectation that He will fulfill His promises. Allied with hope are the ideas of faith and patience, endurance and trust, of joy and a settled peace that God will do what He says He will do.

God promised that Hope would come. Isaiah 7:14 says, "Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign: The virgin will conceive and give birth to a son, and will call Him Immanuel."

Israel had been beaten down by a succession of world powers – Babylon, Persia, the Greeks, and now Rome. In their distress, they call out, "Come, O come, Emmanuel, and ransom captive Israel." Yet in the cry there is hope, a strong expectation that God will keep His promises to send a Messiah, a Deliverer.

### Isaiah 40:31 says,

"Those who hope in the LORD will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint."

The hope is fulfilled on the first Christmas Day when Jesus is born in Bethlehem, God's Savior sent to planet earth to save us from our sins and deliver us from whatever oppresses us.

People live in hope of One who can help them. Jesus is that Person, present today by the Holy Spirit to deliver us from any need. He is the One we hope for.

