

Sermon Notes



Sunday, December 4, 2022

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



FINANCIAL UPDATE

Actuals Month

October 2022

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| Receipts | \$49,449.25 |
| Expenses | <u>(\$36,633.12)</u> |
| Gain/(Shortfall) | 12,816.13 |
| Offering for 11-27-22 | \$6,281.85 |

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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.

Guest Preacher Pastor Andy Coyle Home Missions Director of AFLC

8:30am

- 2 | O Come, O Come Emmanuel (vs 1,3, & 4)
- 5 | Come Thou Long Expected Jesus (vs 1 & 2)
- 44 | Go Tell It On the Mountain (vs 1-3)

10:30am

- O Come, O Come Emmanuel
- Rest On Us
- Reason I Sing
- Same God
- Go Tell It On The Mountain

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

Today's fresh flower arrangement is given by
Scott and Carla Davis

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, Dec 5 | 11:00am | Vanderpoel Funeral |
| | 6:00pm | Young Adult Volleyball |
| Tuesday, Dec 6 | 6:00am | Men's Prayer Breakfast |
| Wednesday, Dec 7 | 9:00am | MWBSF |
| | 6:00pm | Family Meal |
| | 6:30pm | Hope Kids/Youth |
| | 7:00pm | Prayer Gathering |
| Thursday, Dec 8 | 1:00pm | Staff Meeting |
| | 6:45pm | Worship Practice |
| Saturday, Dec 10 | 10:00am | Christmas Craft Day |
| | 12:30pm | Family Ministry Day |
| Sunday, Dec 11 | 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. Please note—there will not be Sunday services on December 25.



HOPE LUTHERAN CHURCH
**Christmas
Eve Services**
10:30am Service
with Hymn Sing beginning at 10am
4:30pm Service | Candlelight



**CHRISTMAS
CRAFT DAY**
FREE ADMISSION
COME MAKE CHRISTMAS CRAFTS,
HEAR THE CHRISTMAS STORY AND
HAVE A CUP OF COCOA WITH US!
December 10th
10 am - 12 pm
For families with kids and youth.
Please note this is **NOT**
a drop off event!
5200 EMERSON AVE N.
MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55430

Advent Reading- Peace

Today we light the candle of peace.

Isaiah 9:6-7 says, “For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on His shoulders. And He will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. Of the greatness of His government and peace there will be no end.”

Jesus is sent by the Father to bring peace between God and man. We are caught up in struggle, strife, and sin. Jesus doesn't just come, however, to smooth over our conflicts. Nor does He come with armed might to force us to lay down our arms. Rather, He comes to die for the sins that lie at the heart of our rebellion against Him.

The Prince of Peace takes upon Himself our sins and unrest. As Isaiah put it, “Surely He took up our pain and bore our suffering... He was pierced for our transgressions, He was crushed for our iniquities; the punishment that brought us peace was on Him, and by His wounds we are healed.”

-Isaiah 53:4-5

To receive Christ's peace this Christmas, come to Him in surrender and, through this act of faith, receive His gift of forgiveness and grace.

“Father, forgive us our selfish, rebellious hearts. We open ourselves to you, and invite you to come into us afresh and grant us your peace. In Jesus' name we pray.” Amen.

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