**Preparation for Worship:** "And what is so rare as a day in June?" (J.R. Lowell). Thank you, God, for this beautiful first day of the first month of summer.

\*Please stand as you are able Bold Items read in unison

#### GATHERING We come together to worship God

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship: [The Lord says:] "My servant David will be king over them, and they will all have one shepherd...My dwelling place will be with them; I will be their God, and they will be my people." (Ezekiel 37:24,27)

**Opening Prayer** 

\* Opening Hymn – *Come to Calvary's Holy Mountain* ..... Red <u>#419</u> Communion Exhortation

Confession of Sin: Almighty God, our Maker and Redeemer, we poor sinners confess to You that we are by nature sinful and unclean, and that we have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed. Therefore, we flee for refuge to Your infinite mercy and ask You for Christ's sake, grant us forgiveness of all our sins, and by Your Holy Spirit increase in us true knowledge of You and of Your will and true obedience to Your Word, to the end that by Your grace we may come to eternal life, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Response:(sung,#205, v. 4) He sent His Son with pow'r to save, From guilt and dark-ness, and the grave: Won-ders of grace to God be-long; Re-peat His mer-cies in your song.

Declaration of Grace

Prayers of the Church (P: Lord in Your mercy C: Hear our prayer.)

\* Apostles' Creed: 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 Spirit; 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 is seated on the right hand of God the Father Almighty, from where He shall come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit; the Holy Christian Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

\* Gloria Patri: (sung, p. 4 for melody) Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen.

Hymn of the Day – My Life Flows On in Endless Song ..... Blue #781

WORD - We seek guidance from God's Word

Acts 1:12-26New TestamentPsalm 133Responsive Reading\* John 17:20-26\* Gospel

\*Offertory (sung, p. 33 for melody) Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from your presence: and take not Your Holy Spirit from me. Restore unto me the joy of Your salvation: and uphold me with Your free Spirit.

Children's Sermon

Revelation 22:1-7 Epistle

Sermon – The Water and Tree of Life ..... Pastor Barry Nelson

\* Closing Hymn – O Bread of Life from Heaven ..... Red <u>#259</u>

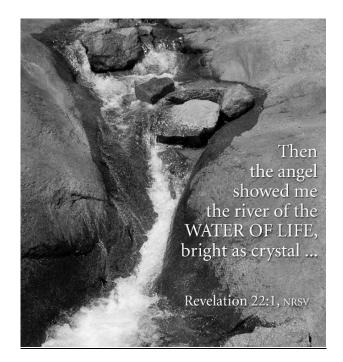
### MEAL The Table of Our Lord

\* Lord's Prayer: Our Father, who art in heaven; hallowed be Thy name; Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil; for Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

Holy Communion

<u>SENDING We go out to live in & share God's Word</u>
\* Benediction & Doxology: (sung, p. 24 for melody) Praise God, from whom all bless-ings flow; Praise Him, all crea-tures here be-low; Praise Him a-bove, ye heaven-ly host: Praise Fa-ther, Son, and Ho-ly Ghost. Amen.

\* Dismissal L: Go in Peace, and Serve the Lord. C: Thanks be to God.



#### This Week in the Parish - June 1 - 8

TUESDAY	7:30 pm	Hope Council
WEDNESDAY	7:30 pm	Hope WMF
SUNDAY	Pentecost – wear red!	
	9:00 am	Hope Worship with Holy Communion
	10:45 am	First American Worship with Holy Communion
	3:30 pm	Lutherans for Life meeting at St. John's in Yankton
	4-6 pm	Lutherans for Life picnic at St. John's in Yankton
	7:30 pm	First American Council

**Rejoicing in your presence & gifts – May 25, 2025** *First American:* General—\$2316. Benevolence—\$80. Noisy Offering for the Lutheran Ambassador—\$70. Budget per Sunday—\$2023.19.

**Welcome**! Before his death Jesus prayed that all his followers "may be one" (John 17). We gather as the one body of Christ to worship and grow. Welcome. Guests, please sign the book in the narthex.



*My Life Flows On in Endless Song* was selected by Jodi Fuerst. "Music has always been something I enjoy and sometimes it's music that says it best. Singing is just one way to praise God, but it always gives me a little extra joy & gratitude in my heart when it's done through song."

Prayer in our corporate worship service is very important. To maintain a current prayer list, requests for non-members will be printed in the bulletin for three weeks. For additional time, please send an update to Pastor Barry. New additions will be underlined, and those scheduled to come off will be in italics.

Health Needs of our Members: Kristie Bueber. Peggy Friederich. Delaine Geuther. Allan Hale. Dawsyn Johnston. Sue Neumeister. Kaylene Prusia. Health Needs: <u>Jerry Conner</u> (father of Tammy Bietz). <u>Marc Reiner</u> (son-in-law of Glen & Cindy Batterman).

Birthdays: 2 Cady Bitterman. 4 Cindy Batterman. 7 Katy Brock.

**Anniversaries:** 3 Brice & Hannah Caery, John & Sherry Friman, Trevor & Emily Shipp. 5 Jon & Kristie Bueber.

**AFLC Churches:** Grong Free Lutheran, Rollag, MN; Living Stone Chinese Fellowship, St. Paul, MN; AFLC - Canada.

Mission: Jonathan & Tamba Abel, AFLC missionaries in Brazil

#### **Operation Christmas Child Fundraiser**

Hope's Sunday School will host their first freewill offering fundraiser for Operation Christmas Child shoebox items and shipping on Sunday, June 15. They will be serving donuts & refreshments following worship services.

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# Today's Readings

#### June 1, 2025

#### New Testament

# Seventh Sunday of Easter

Acts 1:12-26

<sup>12</sup> Then the apostles returned to Jerusalem from the hill called the Mount of Olives, a Sabbath day's walk from the city. <sup>13</sup>When they arrived, they went upstairs to the room where they were staying. Those present were Peter, John, James and Andrew; Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew: James son of Alphaeus and Simon the Zealot, and Judas son of James. <sup>14</sup> They all joined together constantly in prayer, along with the women and Mary the mother of Jesus, and with his brothers. <sup>15</sup> In those days Peter stood up among the believers (a group numbering about a hundred and twenty) <sup>16</sup> and said, "Brothers and sisters, the Scripture had to be fulfilled in which the Holy Spirit spoke long ago through David concerning Judas, who served as guide for those who arrested Jesus. <sup>17</sup> He was one of our number and shared in our ministry." <sup>18</sup> (With the payment he received for his wickedness, Judas bought a field; there he fell headlong, his body burst open and all his intestines spilled out. <sup>19</sup> Everyone in Jerusalem heard about this, so they called that field in their language Akeldama, that is, Field of Blood.) <sup>20</sup> "For," said Peter, "it is written in the Book of Psalms: "May his place be deserted; let there be no one to dwell in it,' and, "'May another take his place of leadership.' <sup>21</sup> Therefore it is necessary to choose one of the men who have been with us the whole time the Lord Jesus was living among us, <sup>22</sup> beginning from John's baptism to the time when Jesus was taken up from us. For one of these must become a witness with us of his resurrection." <sup>23</sup>So they nominated two men: Joseph called Barsabbas (also known as Justus) and Matthias. <sup>24</sup> Then they praved. "Lord, you know everyone's heart, Show us which of these two you have chosen <sup>25</sup> to take over this apostolic ministry, which Judas left to go where he belongs." <sup>26</sup> Then they cast lots, and the lot fell to Matthias; so he was added to the eleven apostles.

### <u>Psalm 133</u>

<sup>1</sup> How good and pleasant it is when God's people live together in unity! <sup>2</sup> It is like precious oil poured on the head,

# running down on the beard, running down on Aaron's beard, down on the collar of his robe.

<sup>3</sup> It is as if the dew of Hermon were falling on Mount Zion. For there the LORD bestows his blessing, even life forevermore.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord. C: Thanks be to God.

#### **Gospel**

<sup>20</sup> "My prayer is not for them alone. I pray also for those who will believe in me through their message, <sup>21</sup> that all of them may be one, Father, just as you are in me and I am in you. May they also be in us so that the world may believe that you have sent me. <sup>22</sup> I have given them the glory that you gave me, that they may be one as we are one— <sup>23</sup> I in them and you in me—so that they may be brought to complete unity. Then the world will know that you sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me. <sup>24</sup> "Father, I want those you have given me to be with me where I am, and to see my glory, the glory you have given me because you loved me before the creation of the world. <sup>25</sup> "Righteous Father, though the world does not know you, I know you, and they know that you have sent me. <sup>26</sup> I have made you known to them, and will continue to make you known in order that the love you have for me may be in them and that I myself may be in them."

\* Response (sung): Al-le-lu-ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e-ter-nal life. Al-le-lu-ia. Al-le-lu-ia.

#### Sermon Text: Epistle

### Revelation 22:1-7

Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, as clear as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb <sup>2</sup> down the middle of the great street of the city. On each side of the river stood the tree of life, bearing twelve crops of fruit, yielding its fruit every month. And the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations. <sup>3</sup> No longer will there be any curse. The throne of God and of the Lamb will be in the city, and his servants will serve him. <sup>4</sup> They will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads. <sup>5</sup> There will be no more night. They will not need the light of a lamp or the light of the sun, for the Lord God will give them light. And they will reign for ever and ever. <sup>6</sup> The angel said to me, "These words are trustworthy and true. The Lord, the God who inspires the prophets, sent his angel to show his servants the things that must soon take place." <sup>7</sup> "Look, I am coming soon! Blessed is the one who keeps the words of the prophecy written in this scroll."

Lessons – June 8, 2025 Old Testament – Genesis 11:1-9 Psalm 143 Epistle – Acts 2:1–8,13-24 Gospel – John 14:23-31



## Vacation Bible School

June 16 - 20, 2025 Monday 8:15am-12:00pm Tuesday – Friday 8:30am -12:00pm

A Community VBS held at Friedens Reformed Church – Tripp Sponsored by: Friedens Reformed Church, Hope Lutheran Church, & First American Lutheran Church Jesus said..., "I am the way, and the truth, and the life." John 14:6

## **Closing Program**

Friedens Reformed Church in Tripp Friday, June 20 at 7:30 pm (root beer floats and fellowship following program)

# Sign up online today!

Use QR code or go to: www.FAHope.org/vbs

Printed registration forms can also be found in the narthex at FA and Hope.

### HELP WANTED:

**HOPE:** Hope is looking for someone to clean the church. If you are interested or if you have a suggestion, please contact Pastor Barry or a council member.

**FIRST AMERICAN: Stained Glass Committee** – We need help choosing potential designs for new stained glass windows for the side aisle sanctuary doors. If you have general ideas or are interested in joining a group to help, call/text Pastor Barry at 612-868-0789.

AFLC Annual Conference will be held June  $11^{th}-14^{th}$  at the Association Retreat Center (A.R.C.) near Osceola, Wisconsin.

# Revelation 22:1-7

"The Water and Tree of Life"

June 1, 2025

#### 1. Water of Life

#### 2. Tree of Life

### 3. Book of Life

