

Preparation for Worship:

We come with spiritual hunger, O Lord. Feed us until we are filled. Amen.

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

GATHERING We come together to worship God

Welcome and Announcements

Invocation/Call to Worship: **Praise the Lord, all you nations; extol him, all you peoples. For great is his love toward us, and the faithfulness of the Lord endures forever. Praise the Lord. (Psalm 117)**

Opening Prayer

* Opening Hymn – *O Word of God Incarnate* Red **#263**

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:(#291, v.4) **Forgive, dear Lord, each fault and stain, And cleanse our hearts from sin; Help us to walk in humble faith, And keep us pure within.**

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

WORD We seek guidance from God's Word

Isaiah 55:1-5 Old Testament
Psalm 136:1-9 Responsive Reading
Romans 9: 1-9 Epistle

* Confession of Faith (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) **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.**

* 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

Hymn – *Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me* Red **#398**

* Matthew 14:12-21 * Gospel

Sermon – *Fed by Jesus* Pastor Barry Nelson

Hymn – *O Living Bread from Heaven* Red **#259**

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.**

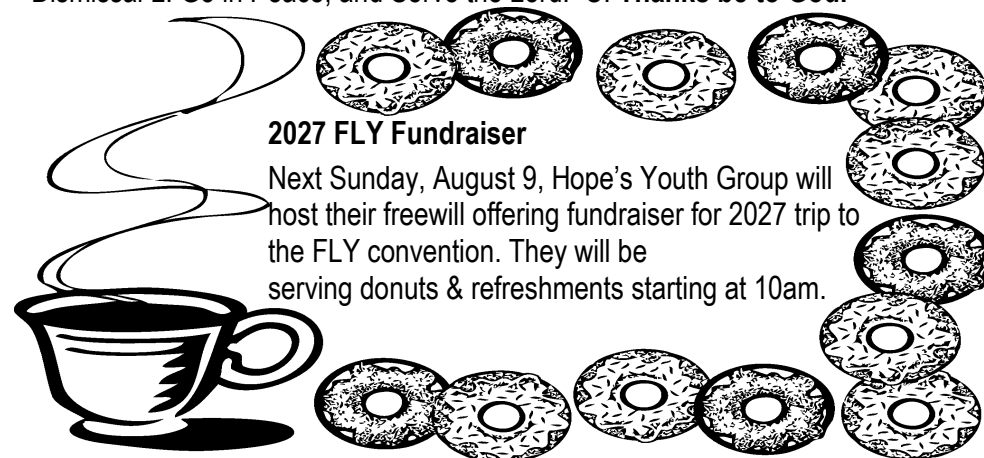
Holy Communion

SENDING We go out to live in & share God's Word

* Hymn – *O Jesus, Blessed Lord, to Thee* Red **#276**

* 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. A-men.**

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



2027 FLY Fundraiser

Next Sunday, August 9, Hope's Youth Group will host their freewill offering fundraiser for 2027 trip to the FLY convention. They will be serving donuts & refreshments starting at 10am.

Church Directory Volunteers: We need volunteers to help plan the creation of an updated church directory. Our last directory was printed in 2013, and we have had a lot of changes since then! If you are interested in serving in any way, please contact Pastor Barry.

This Week in the Parish - August 2 - 9

TUESDAY 7:30 pm Hope Council
SUNDAY 9:00 am Worship at First American
10:00 am Donuts & Coffee at Hope (youth group
fundraiser for 2027 FLY trip in CO)
10:45 am Worship at Hope

Rejoicing in your presence & gifts – July 26, 2026

First American: General—\$2415.25. Benevolence—\$10. Noisy Offering for Life
96.5 Radio—\$50. Budget per Sun—\$2068

Welcome! Many churches have designated this first Sunday in August as Friendship Day. Jesus called his followers "friends." Since we, too, are friends of Christ, we are also to be friends of one another. So welcome, friends. Let us enter into the joy of our Master. Please be sure to introduce yourself and sign our guest register as you leave.

Prayer in our corporate worship service is very important. To maintain a current prayer list, requests for non-members will be 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: Russ Dozark. Allan Hale. Dawsyn Johnston.
Robert Kurtz. Sue Neumeister. Tammy Ziegler. Glendora Zeitner.

Health Needs: *Joan Falor* (mother of Barb Dozark). Elaine Jones (mother of Melissa Schmidt). *Rachel* (mother of Trista Friman). *Nicole Rude* (niece of Tammy Ziegler). *Donna Soulek* (former Hope member). *Jeanette Tiede* (sister of Lila Fechner).

Birthdays: 5 Dee Mogck, Sullivan Ziegler.

Anniversaries: 30 Dan & Cheryl Bones 2 Barry & Kyrie Nelson

AFLC Churches: Ruthfred Lutheran, Bethel Park, PA; Faith Lutheran, Shakopee, MN; United Lutheran, Laurel, NE.

Mission: Campus Crusade for Christ



A Taste of Loving-Kindness A Sunday school teacher once asked her class, "What do you think the Bible means when it speaks of loving-kindness?"

A young boy thought for a moment and replied, "Well, if I were hungry and someone gave me a piece of bread with butter on it, that would be kindness. But if they added a spoonful of jam, that would be loving-kindness."

If you're interested in volunteering at First American as a Sunday school teacher, assistant or sub, please contact Kristie Bueber.

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Today's Readings

August 2, 2026

Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

Old Testament

Isaiah 55:1-5

"Come, all you who are thirsty, come to the waters; and you who have no money, come, buy and eat! Come, buy wine and milk without money and without cost. ² Why spend money on what is not bread, and your labor on what does not satisfy? Listen, listen to me, and eat what is good, and you will delight in the richest of fare. ³ Give ear and come to me; listen, that you may live. I will make an everlasting covenant with you, my faithful love promised to David. ⁴ See, I have made him a witness to the peoples, a ruler and commander of the peoples. ⁵ Surely you will summon nations you know not, and nations you do not know will come running to you, because of the Lord your God, the Holy One of Israel, for he has endowed you with splendor."

Psalm 136:1-9

¹ Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good. His love endures forever.

² **Give thanks to the God of gods. His love endures forever.**

³ Give thanks to the Lord of lords: His love endures forever.

⁴ **to him who alone does great wonders, His love endures forever.**

⁵ who by his understanding made the heavens, His love endures forever.

⁶ **who spread out the earth upon the waters, His love endures forever.**

⁷ who made the great lights—His love endures forever.

⁸ **the sun to govern the day, His love endures forever.**

⁹ the moon and stars to govern the night;

His love endures forever.

Lessons – August 9, 2026 OT – Job 38:1-11; 42:1-3 Psalm 18:25-30

Epistle – Romans 10:9-17 Gospel – Matthew 14:22-33

Epistle

Romans 9:1-9

I speak the truth in Christ—I am not lying, my conscience confirms it through the Holy Spirit— ² I have great sorrow and unceasing anguish in my heart. ³ For I could wish that I myself were cursed and cut off from Christ for the sake of my people, those of my own race, ⁴ the people of Israel. Theirs is the adoption to sonship; theirs the divine glory, the covenants, the receiving of the law, the temple worship and the promises. ⁵ Theirs are the patriarchs, and from them is traced the human ancestry of the Messiah, who is God over all, forever praised! Amen. ⁶ It is not as though God's word had failed. For not all who are descended from Israel are Israel. ⁷ Nor because they are his descendants are they all Abraham's children. On the contrary, "It is through Isaac that your offspring will be reckoned." ⁸ In other words, it is not the children by physical descent who are God's children, but it is the children of the promise who are regarded as Abraham's offspring. ⁹ For this was how the promise was stated: "At the appointed time I will return, and Sarah will have a son."

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

Sermon Text: Gospel

Matthew 14:12-21

"John's disciples came and took his body and buried it. Then they went and told Jesus. ¹³ When Jesus heard what had happened, he withdrew by boat privately to a solitary place. Hearing of this, the crowds followed him on foot from the towns. ¹⁴ When Jesus landed and saw a large crowd, he had compassion on them and healed their sick. ¹⁵ As evening approached, the disciples came to him and said, "This is a remote place, and it's already getting late. Send the crowds away, so they can go to the villages and buy themselves some food." ¹⁶ Jesus replied, "They do not need to go away. You give them something to eat." ¹⁷ "We have here only five loaves of bread and two fish," they answered. ¹⁸ "Bring them here to me," he said. ¹⁹ And he directed the people to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish and looking up to heaven, he gave thanks and broke the loaves. Then he gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the people. ²⁰ They all ate and were satisfied, and the disciples picked up twelve basketfuls of broken pieces that were left over. ²¹ The number of those who ate was about five thousand men, besides women and children.

80+ Ideas for BOYS

Personal Hygiene

- 1.Bar of soap
- 2.Chapstick
- 3.Comb or brush
- 4.Deodorant
- 5.Hand wipes
- 6.Nail clippers
- 7.Small first aid kit
- 8.Tissues
- 9.Toothbrush
- 10.Washcloth

Something for School

11. Watercolor paints
- 12.Calculator
- 13.Chalk
- 14.Colored pencils
- 15.Coloring/activity book
- 16.Crayons
- 17.Dry erase board
- 18.Dry erase markers
- 19.Erasers
- 20.Highlighters
- 21.Inflatable globe
- 22.Ink
- 23.Pencil sharpener
- 24.Pencils
- 25.Pens
- 26.Chalkboard
- 27.Notebooks
- 28.Picture book
- 29.Stamps
- 30.Stickers

Something to Play With

31. Yo-yo
- 32.Action figures
- 33.Balloons
- 34.Cars
- 35.Duplos
- 36.Finger puppets
- 37.Foam gliders
- 38.Hacky sack
- 39.Jacks
- 40.Jump rope
- 41.Kazoo
- 42.Legos

- 43.Magnetic rocks
- 44.Magnetic tic tack toe board
- 45.Marbles
- 46.Matching cards
- 47.Mini Connect Four [game](#)
- 48.Origami kits
- 49.Paddleballs
- 50.Paper airplane kits
- 51.Plastic animal toys
- 52.Playdough
- 53.Puppet
- 54.Ring toss
- 55.Rubber bouncy ball
- 56.Rubik's Cube
- 57.Sculpting clay
- 58.Silly putty
- 59.Slinky
- 60.Small checkers|set
- 61.Small chess set
- 62.Small football
- 63.Small puzzle
- 64.Small stuffed animals
- 65.Spinning top
- 66.Tennis ball
- 67.Velcro wiffle ball and glove

Something to Build With

68. Screws
- 69.Bolts
- 70.Compass
- 71.Duct tape
- 72.Flashlight with extra batteries
- 73.Level
- 74.Measuring tape
- 75.Nails
- 76.Nuts
- 77.Screwdriver with changeable heads

Something to Wear

- 78.Baseball cap
- 79.Flip flops
- 80.Handkerchiefs
- 81.Pair of shorts or T-shirt
- 82.Pair of socks, underwear
- 83.Sunglasses

Something to Eat With

- 84.Collapsible cup
- 85.Plastic bowl or plate



Matthew 14:12-21

"Fed by Jesus"

August 2, 2026

1. From His Compassion

2. True Bread of Life

3. Brings Us Healing