



Sunday, April 6, 2025
Fifth Sunday in Lent
Hope Lutheran Church, Plainwell
Evangelical Lutheran Worship Setting 10
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Hope's Mission Statement: We, Hope Lutheran Church, are CALLED by God,
REDEEMED by Jesus Christ, SPROUTING from
the seed of God's Word, and BRANCHING out to reach God's people...

*Please stand as you are comfortable
Congregational responses are in bold text
✠ invites you to make the sign of the cross.

*Please silence your phone, pager, or other electronic device for worship.
Children's worship bags & noise canceling headphones are available in
the nursery.*

GATHERING

PRELUDE

PASTORAL WELCOME

***CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS (pg. 94)**

***GATHERING HYMN** Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies ELW #553

***GREETING**

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
And also with you.

***KYRIE (p. 147)**

***PRAYER OF THE DAY**

At the conclusion of the prayer...Amen.

WORD

FIRST READING: Isaiah 43:16-21

16 Thus says the Lord,
 who makes a way in the sea,
 a path in the mighty waters,
17 who brings out chariot and horse,
 army and warrior;
they lie down, they cannot rise,
 they are extinguished, quenched like a wick:
18 Do not remember the former things,
 or consider the things of old.
19 I am about to do a new thing;
 now it springs forth, do you not perceive it?
I will make a way in the wilderness
 and rivers in the desert.
20 The wild animals will honor me,
 the jackals and the ostriches;
for I give water in the wilderness,
 rivers in the desert,
to give drink to my chosen people,
 21 the people whom I formed for myself
so that they might declare my praise.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Psalm 126

Psalms are read responsively whole verse by whole verse.

1 When the Lord restored the for- | tunes of Zion,
then were we like | those who dream.

**2 Then was our mouth filled with laughter, and our tongue with |
shouts of joy. Then they said among the nations, “The Lord has
done great | things for them.”**

3 The Lord has done great | things for us, and we are | glad indeed.

**4 Restore our for- | tunes, O Lord, like the watercourses | of the
Negeb.**

5 Those who | sowed with tears will reap with | songs of joy.

**6 Those who go out weeping, carry- | ing the seed,
will come again with joy, shoulder- | ing their sheaves.**

SECOND READING: Philippians 3:4b-14

[Paul writes:] 4b If anyone else has reason to be confident in the flesh, I have more: 5 circumcised on the eighth day, a member of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; 6 as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless.

7 Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ. 8 More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ 9 and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but one that comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God based on faith. 10 I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, 11 if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

12 Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal; but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. 13 Beloved, I do not consider that I have made it my own; but this one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, 14 I press on toward the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

***LENTEN GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (p.151)**

***GOSPEL READING: John 12:1-8**

The Holy Gospel according to John the 12th chapter.
Glory to you, O Lord.

1 Six days before the Passover Jesus came to Bethany, the home of Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead. 2 There they gave a dinner for him. Martha served, and Lazarus was one of those at the table with him. 3 Mary took a pound of costly perfume made of pure nard, anointed Jesus' feet, and wiped them with her hair. The house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume. 4 But Judas Iscariot, one of his disciples (the one who was about to betray him), said, 5 "Why was this perfume not sold for three hundred denarii and the money given to the poor?" 6 (He said this not because he cared about the poor, but because he was a thief; he kept the common purse and used to steal what was put into it.) 7 Jesus said, "Leave her alone. She bought it so that she might keep it for the day of my burial. 8 You always have the poor with you, but you do not always have me."

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

***HYMN OF THE DAY** Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus ELW #802

***APOSTLES' CREED (p.105)**

***PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

If you have a prayer request that you would like added to our weekly worship prayers please contact Pr. Nicole. If we will be praying for an individual or family please make sure you have their permission to have them listed.

*Please respond to God, in your Mercy...**Receive our prayer.***

SPECIAL MUSIC

***PEACE**

HOLY COMMUNION

Please quietly return to your seat when the offering hymn plays so we can prepare for Holy Communion.

OFFERING HYMN Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful ELW #184

Thank you for your support of Hope and our missions! Checks and cash can be placed on the offering plate located outside the sanctuary doors. You can also give instantly and securely through online giving using the QR code below.



OFFERING PRAYER

*At the conclusion of the prayer...**Amen.***

***DIALOGUE (p. 152)**

***HOLY HOLY (p.153)**

***EUCARISTIC PRAYER (p. 111)**

***LORD’S PRAYER (p.154)**

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Taste and see that the Lord is good.

We welcome all baptized to receive Communion when worshiping with us. If you are not baptized, or do not feel prepared to receive Communion, you are invited to participate by coming forward to receive a blessing. During Communion individual cups of wine & grape juice are available. The wine is red & the grape juice is white. There is also a common cup of wine. Gluten free wafers are available upon request.

LAMB OF GOD (p.154)

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

At the conclusion of the prayer...Amen.

***POST COMMUNION BLESSING**

***BENEDICTION**

***SENDING HYMN I Want Jesus to Walk with Me ELW #325**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

***DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. Care for others as God cares for you. **Thanks be to God!**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Hope will be joining together with other area churches for Holy Week! Please see the following information for service locations. If you have questions please see Pr. Nicole.

- Maundy Thursday (Thursday April 17th) - Hope Lutheran 5:00 p.m.
- Good Friday early service (Friday April 18th) 3:00 p.m. - Immanuel Lutheran Allegan.
- Good Friday evening service (Friday April 18th) 7:00 p.m. - Allegan United Methodist Church.
- Sunday, April 20th (Easter Sunday) Hope will be having a potluck Easter breakfast from 9:10 a.m. to shortly before the 10:30 a.m. worship service. Please bring a dish to share as you are able.