

GATHERING SONG "Everlasting God" #3201

WELCOME

***OPENING SONGS** "Blessed be the Name of the Lord" #2034
"My Life is in You" #2032

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Left: A new day has begun.

Right: Hope wins!

Left: A fresh start is granted.

Right: Faith wins!

Left: Today you have the opportunity to do something new.

Right: Hope wins!

Left: Christ is entering your life in a new way.

Right: Faith wins!

Left: Come, let us worship God, who is inviting us into life in a new way,
a way that transcends death, a way of hope and faith.

**Right: Love wins! Let us worship Christ, who overcame death to give us
new life!**

GREETINGS

OPENING PRAYER

Architect of the Universe, You have called us to be Your home, with Your covenant on our hearts. You live in us. You have built us up to support one another, to lean on one another in our difficult times and to hold one another close to be strong together. Help us to strengthen one another, support one another and lean into each other when we are feeling weak and vulnerable. This is who You created us to be, and this is Your intention for us, to bear one another's burdens and share in one another's joys and sorrows. May we live into our created intention more deeply because of Your love for us. In Jesus' name. Amen.

NEW TESTAMENT READING Acts 1:6-14 p. 110 *Donna Manns*

***SONG** "Just A Little Talk" #3107

CHILDREN'S TIME *sing "Jesus Loves Me" as the children come up* #191
KIDS' QUEST TEACHER APPRECIATION
AWARDING 3RD GRADE BIBLE

Katelyn Amundson

Congregation to children:

We rejoice in this step in your journey with God. We pray God will guide you, your family, and us as you use this Holy Bible in your home, in your church school classes, and in our worship. We will learn together and grow in our love for God's Word.

TIME OF SHARING - JOYS AND CONCERNS

(We ask you to pass the registration pads at this time.)

SILENT PRAYERS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE 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. Amen.

CELEBRATING GRADUATES Michelle Kuntz

SPECIAL MUSIC "Word of God Speak" *Hope Singers*

OLD TESTAMENT READING Ecclesiastes 3:1-14 p. 581 *Donna Manns*

MESSAGE "A New Day, Every Day"

THE OFFERING OF OUR GIFTS AND OURSELVES

OFFERTORY

***OFFERING RESPONSE** "Jesus, Name Above All Names" #2071

*** PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ARE YOU READY? IT'S MISSION TRIP TIME!

We are only 4 weeks away from our mission trip to Isanti, Minnesota and it's time to get signed up! The trip is to Spirit River Community UMC Church to help them with projects including their Matthew 25 food distribution program that will take place on Saturday. This mission opportunity is open to ALL AGES, not just youth! So, whether you are an infant or 100, you are invited to be part of this weekend experience of working side by side with others, worshipping at Spirit River, and fellowship time with Hope members and friends of all ages.

The mission trip is Friday, June 23rd through Sunday, June 25th. We will be heading to Isanti around noon on Friday, but if that doesn't work it's fine to come after work and meet up with us there. The cost is \$25 per person which includes most meals and sleeping at Spirit River. However, there is a motel not far away if you'd prefer to stay there. Rates depend upon how many will be sharing a room. That information will be available to all.

Flyers and registration for the mission trip are available in the narthex. Won't you share this mission experience? It will be filled with fun, work, laughter, maybe a few tears and plenty of the Holy Spirit. Let's go together!

HOPE WILL BE HAVING OUR VERY OWN VBS THIS SUMMER!

We will have one stand-alone day each month with the same theme, so participants can attend one, two, or all three days. These dates will include: June 14th, July 12th, and August 9th (the second Wednesday of each month) 9 -3 pm. \$5 per child each day. Our theme is going to be "Great Savior's Roundup" and will boast a wide range of country-western crafts, activities, lessons and music. Children going into Kindergarten and up through finishing 5th grade are able to participate, and any older youth are asked to please volunteer as "wranglers." We are also looking for other volunteers to lead or support different activities. If you are available for one or all three days, please consider signing up for a volunteer role on the sheet in the narthex. Job descriptions will be attached to the sheet as well. If you have any questions, please contact Katrina. We are so very excited for these summer activities, and there will be more information to come! Thank you!

HOPE PLANT SALE SET

Don't forget about the Hope Plant Sale! The sale is set for Saturday, June 3rd from 9:00a to noon and we need lots of donated plants to make the sale a success. Also, if you have garden related items in good shape that you would like to donate we will include them in the sale. The proceeds from this plant sale go to continuing upkeep of the Garden of Hope and the church landscaping. If you have questions, please talk to Sue Beeman or call the office. Happy digging!

Finance & Attendance Update:

Amount needed each Sunday to meet budget (2017):	2,669.25
Amount received last Sunday:	2,209.00
Total received to date this year:	46,148.10
Remaining amount needed to meet our budget:	92,651.90
Amount received last Sunday for Capital Growth Fund:	325.00
Total received to date this year for Capital Growth Fund:	7,540.00
Attendance last Sunday:	70

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday, May 21

- 10:00 a.m. Worship – *Celebration Sunday*
- 11:00 a.m. Picnic, Cake Walk, Games
- 2:00 p.m. Pines III Worship
- 3:00 p.m. Grace Korean UMC Worship

Monday, May 22 – *Newsletter Deadline!*

Tuesday, May 23

- 10:00 a.m. Hope Garden work begins
- 12:00 p.m. Staff Meeting
- 1:00 p.m. Staff training - dementia awareness
- 2:00 p.m. Last Gentle Yoga until fall

Wednesday, May 24

- 8:00 a.m. Men's Breakfast @ Mt. Royal
- 3:00 p.m. CSA pick-up
- 5:00 p.m. Prayer Group
- 7:00 p.m. Alanon

Thursday, May 25

- 9:00 a.m. Painters Group
- 9:30 a.m. Hope Quilters
- 4:00 p.m. Youth Coffee @ Mt. Royal
- 6:30 p.m. Qigong
- 6:30 p.m. CHUM Assembly @ Concordia

Sunday, May 28

- 10:00 a.m. Worship
- 3:00 p.m. Grace Korean UMC Worship
- 6:00 p.m. Youth Group Pizza Party!

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- *The newsletter deadline is Monday, May 22.** Please send all articles to the office.
- *Plant Sale!** Help make this project a great success by spreading the word, donating perennials/ house plants/vegetable starts/gently used tools and yard art, and purchasing something new for your garden or home. Proceeds benefit Garden of Hope and church landscaping expenses.
- *Our Hope Garden season begins Tuesday!** Help with clean up and getting started. Volunteers also needed for regular weeding and watering this summer. See Karen Stocke today.
- *CHUM Dinner is Tuesday, May 30th!** We are looking for clean-up help and people to bring food over to CHUM. Contact Bev Merritt for more info.
- *We can use books for our Little Library!** Small adult paperbacks and all children's books. Bring them to the office so we can keep the library full. Thank you!

STAFF

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