



June 16, 2019
1st Sunday after Pentecost

Hope United Methodist Church

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Office Hours:

Monday, Thursday, Friday 9:00am - 2:00pm

Tuesday - 9:00am - 1:00pm & Wednesday - 12:00pm - 5:00pm

With God's grace, we care for the soul for a lifetime and beyond

HYMN SING

HYMN

“Immortal, Invisible”

#103 (Red)

CALL TO WORSHIP - Psalm 8

My God, my God, how wonderful you are! There is nothing like you in whole earth.

I look up to the skies, and I see you there: babies and infants open their mouths and I hear them cry your name.

Compared to you, our weapons, our bombs, our power to destroy dwindle to insignificance.

On a starry night, with your glory splashed across the skies, I gaze into your infinite universe and I wonder: who am I? Why do you care about mere mortals?

We humans are less than specks of dust in your vast universe. We have existed less than a second in the great clock of creation. Yet, you choose us as partners.

You share the secrets of your universe with us; you give us a special place in your household. You trust us to look after the earth on your behalf—

Not just the sheep and oxen but also the wolves, the birds, the plants and even creatures we have never seen in the depths of the sea.

My God, my God! How amazing you are!

Our relationships with our fathers, as with all our human relationships, are complicated.

For some of us, our father's love is like God's love -- too deep, too long, too wide, too strong to measure.

Some of our dads are here; some were never here.

For some of us, God's love fills in the empty spaces our fathers left behind.

All of us are shaped by the relationship or lack of relationship with our fathers.

On this day when we remember what it means to have a father or be a father, we recognize the importance of fathers in our communities. We

desire as a congregation to love and nurture all the people among us so that each of us will manifest the love of God in everything we do.

So, we pray:

Litany for Father's Day

For fathers everywhere, who have given us life and love; that we may show them respect and love.

For fathers who have lost a child through death; that their faith may give them hope, and their family and friends support and console them.

For men who may or may not have children of their own; but act like a father to someone in need of advice, support, nurturing, and love.

You, O God, you know our prayers

For step-fathers who have assumed that role with love and joy, who have loved the children of another as their own, and created a new family.

For adoptive fathers, who have heard the call of God to lovingly step forward for those that need their care.

For fathers who have been unable to be a source of strength, who have not responded to the needs of their children, and have not sustained their families.

You, O God, you know our prayers.

For fathers who struggle with temptation, violence, or addiction. For those who do harm, and for those whom they have harmed.

For new fathers, full of hope. For long-time fathers, full of wisdom. For the fathers yet to be, and fathers soon to be. For grandpas!

For the people in our lives who have shaped our lives without claim of family or kinship. For those who have taught us, guided us, shaped us and molded us into servants of Jesus.

You, O God, know our prayers and even so, we offer our prayers to you, because some words need to be said; some moments need to be acknowledged. And we can turn to you, in our inward hearts, or on the fishing boat or in our offices and during the commute and claim that you are God. You are not just our ruler, but our parent; not just our creator, but our nurturer. In your wisdom and love you made all things. Help us and guide us. Shape us within the sphere of your healing and holy heart to be

more and more like Jesus, confident and honest, compassionate and a voice of justice and truth. Remake our lives in the image of your Christ, we pray.

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 (debts/trespases/sins) as we forgive those who (debt/tresspass/sin) 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.

HYMN

"Children of the Heavenly Father"

#141 (Red)

PASSING OF THE PEACE

SPECIAL MUSIC

Dale & Margaret Rogers

KIDS' TIME!

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 2:41-52, page 55

MESSAGE

OFFERING

OFFERTORY

DOXOLOGY

Verse 1 of "Great is Thy Faithfulness"

#140 (Red)

BLESSING

God of Great gifts, we give you these gifts today knowing that you are the Father of gifts. You mother us constantly providing for us, caring for us.

As we have been abundantly provided for, so we give abundantly to the work that you give us to do, the work of the church, the care of the poor.

HYMN

"This is My Father's World"

#144 (Red)

BENEDICTION

Go forth, as God's beloved children.

God's love surrounds us like a father's love.

Go in the knowledge of God's comfort and protection.

God's strength empowers us to be the best we can be.

Go in God's grace,

We go to share the love of God with all we meet!



A customary day for the celebration of fatherhood in Catholic Europe is known to date back to at least the Middle Ages, and it is observed on March 19, as the feast day of Saint Joseph, who is referred to as the fatherly *Nutritor Domini* ("Nourisher of the Lord") in Catholicism and "the putative father of Jesus" in southern European tradition. This celebration was brought to the Americas by the Spanish and Portuguese, and in Latin America, Father's Day is still celebrated on March 19. The Catholic Church actively supported the custom of a celebration of fatherhood on St. Joseph's Day from either the last years of the 14th century or from the early 15th century, apparently on the initiative of the Franciscans. In the Coptic Church, the celebration of fatherhood is also observed on St Joseph's Day, but the Copts observe this celebration on July 20. This Coptic celebration may date back to the fifth century. ~ from wikipedia, Father's Day

**You are invited to stand as you are able*

LARGE PRINT hymnals, bulletins, and Bibles, as well as hearing devices are available from the usher.

*~Flowers today are given by Catharine Larsen
in honor of her 84th birthday~*

Finance & Attendance Update:

Amount needed each Sunday to meet budget (2019):	TBD
Amount received last Sunday:	2,372.00
Total received to date this year	\$69,907.95
Amount received last week for Capital Fund:	195.00
Amount received year to date for Capital Fund:	8,450.00

Amount received last week for Hope for the Future:	50.00
Amount received year to date for Hope for the Future:	\$4,733.25
Attendance last Sunday	74

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday, June 16

10:00 a.m. Worship

Monday, June 17

8:00 a.m. Jazzercise

Tuesday, June 18

6:30 p.m. Evening Book club

Wednesday, June 19

8:00 a.m. Men’s Breakfast @ Mt. Royal

8:00 a.m. Jazzercise

9:30 a.m. Hope Gardeners

10:00 a.m. Parents & Pals Playtime

3:30 p.m. CSA

Wednesday, June 19 continued...

6:00 p.m. Page Flippers

7:00 p.m. Al-Anon

Thursday, June 20

9:00 a.m. Painters Group

10:30 a.m. Yoga for Parkinsons

12:00 p.m. Gentle Yoga

1:30 p.m. Exercise

Friday, June 21

8:00 a.m. Jazzercise

10:00 a.m. NCQ

Saturday, June 22

8:00 a.m. Jazzercise

Sunday, June 23 *Pastor Sarah - vacation*

10:00 a.m. Worship –

Rev. Larry Goebel preaching

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rummage Sale enthusiasts! Now is the time to hit those sales for pristine - like new - infant and toddler clothes and supplies! We have an empty dresser all ready for them. Missions will sort them and route to Harbor House, Safe Haven or Bethany Crisis Nursery. Besides cute outfits, there is always a need for Warm Winter clothes. Let's Go!

**Please pull today’s attendance sheet from the register binder after everyone in your pew has signed it, and leave at the center-aisle end of the pew for collection. Thank you!*

Volunteers needed to help care for the gardens this summer. To sign up for a section, an updated chart is in the Narthex. This allows you to work on your own schedule or Wednesdays at 9:30 am have been designated as a group work day (unless it is raining).

Scripture Readers are needed for our Sunday worship services. Please sign up on the sheet in the narthex. Thank you!

Summertime Special Music Opportunities: Music Director Liz Raihala is lining up vocal and instrumental special music for the summer; please contact her to share your gifts!

STAFF

Office Administrator: Beth Kaiser

Nursery Attendants: Riley Anderson, Ella Karki

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Music Director: Liz Raihala

Custodian: Matt Johnson

Kids’ Quest Director: Anita Rixe