



8th Sunday after Pentecost
July 14, 2024 – 10:00 am

New Hope Lutheran Church

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A congregation of the Montana Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

Our mission: Sharing our faith in Christ by serving all with respectful compassion.

GATHERING

Gathering: *By the Sea at Dawn*

Donald Lee Moore

Words of Welcome

Prelude: *Andante Tranquillo*

F. Mendelssohn/ arr. D. H. Hegarty

L: Blessed be the holy Trinity, +one God, the creator of wind and rain, field and ocean, the bread of life coming down from above, the power at work within us and this world. **C: Amen.**

L: Before God and in the company of our sisters and brothers, let us confess our sin. *(a brief silence is kept for reflection)*

L: God and Father of all,

C: we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed. We have thought better of ourselves than others. We have told lies, said hurtful things, acted in ways we wish we could take back, and looked the other way when action was needed. In your mercy, O God, forgive us, cleanse us, and heal us, for the sake of Jesus, our Savior. Amen.

L: If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; everything has become new! In Christ, + you are a new creation: your sins are taken away and you are made new. Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ has forgiven you. **C: Amen.**

1. Come, thou Fount of ev'ry blessing, tune my heart to sing thy grace;
Streams of mercy, never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise.
While the hope of endless glory fills my heart with joy and love,
Teach me ever to adore thee; may I still thy goodness prove.
2. Here I raise my Ebenezer: "Hither by thy help I've come";
And I hope by thy good pleasure, safely to arrive at home.
Jesus sought me when a stranger, wand'ring from the fold of God;
He, to rescue me from danger, interposed his precious blood.
3. Oh, to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be;
Let that grace now like a fetter bind my wand'ring heart to thee.
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it; prone to leave the God I love.
Here's my heart, oh, take and seal it; seal it for thy courts above.

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

Kyrie

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Glory to You, God

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1. Glory to you, God, for yours is the earth; yours is the promise, the blessing the birth.
Ours the rejoicing for Word given frame; ours the thanksgiving to your holy name.
Ours be the telling of deeds greatly done; yours be the glory, O God, yours alone.
2. Glory to you, God, for yours is the earth; yours the hosannas, the dying, rebirth.
Ours the rejoicing for nature reclaimed; ours the thanksgiving to your holy name.
Ours be the telling of deeds greatly done; yours be the glory, O God, yours alone.
3. Glory to you, God, for yours is the earth; yours the anointing, the radiant worth.
Ours the rejoicing for spirits aflame; ours the thanksgiving to your holy name.
Ours be the telling of deeds greatly done; yours be the glory, O God, yours alone.

L: We pray together the Prayer of the Day...

**C: O God, from you come all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works.
Give to us, your servants, that peace which the world cannot give, that our**

hearts may be set to obey your commandments; and also that we, being defended from the fear of our enemies, may live in peace and quietness, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

WORD

1st Reading: Amos 7:7-15

L: Word of God, word of life.

C: Thanks be to God.

Responsive Reading from Psalm 85

L: I will listen to what the Lord God is saying; for you speak peace to your faithful people and to those who turn their hearts to you.

C: Truly, your salvation is very near to those who fear you, that your glory may swell in our land.

L: Steadfast love and faithfulness have met together; righteousness and peace have kissed each other.

C: Faithfulness shall spring up from the earth, and righteousness shall look down from heaven.

L: The Lord will indeed grant prosperity, and our land will yield its increase.

C: Righteousness shall go before the Lord and shall prepare for God a pathway.

2nd Reading: Ephesians 1:3-14

L: Word of God, word of life.

C: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

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Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?

You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel Reading: Mark 6:14-29

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

L: The Gospel of our Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Children's Time

Rev. Tammy Bull

Sermon

1. Let justice flow like streams of sparkling water, pure,
Enabling growth, refreshing life, abundant, cleansing, sure.
2. Let righteousness roll on as others' cares we heed,
An ever-flowing stream of faith translated into deed.
3. So may God's plumb line, straight, define our measure true,
And justice, right, and peace pervade this world our whole life through.

L: Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, we confess our faith using the words of the Apostles' Creed ACS p. 17

C: I believe in God, the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; he descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.

Amen.

Prayers of the People (petitions end: "Lord, in your mercy... **hear our prayer.**")

Sharing the Peace of Christ

L: The peace of Christ be with you always. **C: And also with you.**

MEAL

The Offering (At this time, we bring our gifts and offerings to God in gratitude and joy! In response to God's love, we care for others in the name of Jesus. We do this, in part, through local advocacy work with other Christian partners, and through the ELCA's advocacy network. We appreciate your gifts of time, energy, money, and prayers to this work! If you are our guest today – either on person or online – we invite you to join us in caring for God's people and God's world!)

Offertory: *Let Justice Roll*

Aaron Williams/ arr. Healey Willan

Offering Response: God of the Fertile Fields (v. 2 only)

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2. We would be stewards true, holding in trust from you all that you give;
Help us in love to share, teach us like you to care for people everywhere,
that all may live.

Offertory Prayer: **C: God of mercy and grace, the eyes of all wait upon you, and you open your hand in blessing. Fill us with good things at your table, that we may come to the help of all in need, through Jesus Christ, our redeemer and Lord. Amen.**

The Great Thanksgiving

L: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

L: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

L: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Words of Institution and Lord's Prayer

L: Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray:

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Jesus said, "Whoever comes to me will never be hungry,
and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty."

Be Known to Us, Lord Jesus

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Be known to us, Lord Jesus, in the breaking of the bread. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

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Alleluia.

Hymn during Communion: One Bread, One Body

ELW #496

Refrain: One bread, one body, one Lord of all; one cup of blessing which we bless,
And we, though many throughout the earth, we are one body in this one Lord.

1. Gentile or Jew... servant or free... woman or man... no more. (refrain)
2. Many the gifts... many the works... one in the Lord... of all. (refrain)
3. Grain for the fields... scattered and grown... gathered to one for all. (refrain)

L: The body and blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ strengthen us, unite us,
and keep us in his grace. **C: Amen.**

L: Let us all pray... **C: Wise and generous God, we thank you that at this holy table you have fed us again with the food of everlasting life. Send us with your blessing to seek the good of our neighbor and call others to your feast; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

SENDING

L: Almighty and merciful God, Father, +Son, and Holy Spirit, bless, preserve, and
keep you this day and forevermore. **C: Amen.**

Sending Hymn: Give Thanks for Saints

ELW #428

1. Give thanks for those whose faith is firm when all around seems bleak:
On God's good promise they rely, so while they live and when they die
how forcefully they speak – the strong, who once were weak!
2. Give thanks for those whose hope is clear, beyond mere mortal sight:
Who seek the city God has planned, the true, eternal promised land,
and steer on toward that light, a beacon ever bright.
3. Give thanks for those whose love is pure, a sparkling precious stone:
They show by what they say and do an inward beauty, warm and true,
for God's concerns they own – God's love through them is known.

L: Go in peace. Live in love, as Christ loved us. **C: Thanks be to God.**

Postlude: *Alleluia*

George Blake



Announcements for Week of July 14:

- There will be no church council meeting in July.
- R.O.M.E.O. men's lunch group meets Thurs. (7/18) at 11:30 am – Fireside Room.
- Ice Cream Social is Thursday, July 18 from 6:30 – 7:30 pm at the church.
- Pastor Tammy will be out of the office July 15-29 for vacation and continuing education. If you have a pastoral care emergency during this time, please contact Gaynell Tempel.

Keeping in Prayer... Crystal Dewell; Cheryl; Carl & Harley; Elaine Rice; Sara; Barbara; Holly; Rick & Karen; Ann; Wayne; Alice; Aaron; Rachelle; Ron; Ace; Tim; Ike & MaryAnn; Arvin; Elizabeth & John; Hy & Becky; Beth; Dawn; Brian; Arnie; Peggy & Larry; Rachel; Don & Donna; Rose; Sandy; Noah; Dorothy; Jerry; Toni; Steven; Scott; Haley; Esther; Reta.

Accompanist: James Rickley

Cantor: **Reader:** Donna Winters

Communion Assistant:

Fellowship: Carol & Marv Strom

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