



4<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost  
June 16, 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: *Wren Chapel Suite*

John S. Dixon

Words of Welcome

Prelude: *Pièce triumpphant*

Craig A. Penfield

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.**

Gathering Hymn: Making Their Way

ACS #979

1. Making their way down through the ages,  
sinners and saints have heard God's call:  
Wealthy and poor, powerful, lowly, Jesus' disciples, one and all.  
Gathered for worship, offering thanks, the greatest with the least  
have come to share this feast.
2. Making their way all the world over, Christians assemble on this day,  
Hearing the Word, sharing the Banquet, learning to walk in Jesus' way.  
Members of Christ, united in love, they seek our God to know,  
and so together grow.
3. Making our way season by season, pilgrims, we journey till life's end,  
Traveling light, sharing the riches, caring for stranger as for friend,  
Till in the joy of longing fulfilled, together we will come  
to our eternal home.

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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Kyrie eleison. Lord, have mercy. Christe eleison. Christ, have mercy.  
Kyrie eleison. Lord, have mercy.

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, you are the tree of life, offering shelter to all the world. Graft us into yourself and nurture our growth, that we may bear your truth and love to those in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

## WORD

1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Ezekiel 17:22-24

L: Word of God, word of life.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

Responsive Reading from Psalm 92

L: It is a good thing to give thanks to the Lord, to sing praise to your name, O Most High;

**C: to herald your love in the morning and your faithfulness at night;**

L: on the psaltery, and on the lyre, and to the melody of the harp.

**C: For you have made me glad by your acts, O Lord; and I shout for joy because of the works of your hands.**

L: The righteous shall flourish like a palm tree, and shall spread abroad like a cedar of Lebanon.

**C: Those who are planted in the house of the Lord shall flourish in the courts of our God;**

L: they shall still bear fruit in old age; they shall be green and succulent;

**C: that they may show how upright the Lord is, my rock, in whom there is no injustice.**

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: 2 Corinthians 5:5-10, 14-17

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 4:26-34

**C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

L: The Gospel of our Lord.

**C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

Children's Time

Rev. Tammy Bull

Hymn of the Day: Build Us Up, Lord

ELW #670

1. Build us up, Lord, build us up; set in us a strong foundation.  
Lead us to do your holy will; form and shape your new creation.  
Build us up, Lord, build us up; as we guide and teach each other,  
help us to share your love with the world: ev'ry sister, ev'ry brother.

REFRAIN:

Growing in Christ, we plant seeds for the kingdom; we follow in faith what's begun!  
Lord, set in our hearts the pow'r of your word to spread the news of your Son!

2. Build us up, Lord, build us up; let our lives reflect your glory.  
Cast away all our doubts and fears; help us tell the world your story.  
Build us up, Lord, build us up; help us bear good fruit for you,  
Lord, give us vision and keep us sure. Grant us faith that's steadfast and true.

(Refrain)

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 with the words: "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. Our congregation has the ability to change lives locally and globally through offerings we pay forward in support of the Montana Synod of the ELCA. 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: "Creation"

F. J. Haydn/ arr. David Lasky

Offering Response: Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow ELW #885

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below;  
Praise God above, ye heav'nly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

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: Womb of Life and Source of Being

ACS #948

1. Womb of life and source of being, home of ev'ry restless heart,  
In your arms the worlds awakened: you have loved us from the start.  
We, your children, gather round you, at the table you prepare.  
Sharing stories, tears, and laughter, we are nurtured by your care.
2. Word in flesh, our brother Jesus, born to bring us second birth,  
You have come to stand beside us, knowing weakness, knowing earth.  
Priest who shares our human struggles, Life of life and Death of death,  
Risen Christ, come stand among us, send the Spirit by your breath.
3. Brooding Spirit, move among us; be our partner, be our friend.  
When our mem'ry fails, remind us whose we are, what we intend.  
Labor with us; aid the birthing of the new world yet to be,  
Free of servant, lord, and master, free for love and unity.
4. Mother, Brother, holy Partner; Father, Spirit, Only Son:  
We would praise your name forever, One-in-Three and Three-in-One.  
We would share your life, your passion, share your word of world made new,  
Ever singing, ever praising, one with all, and one with you.

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: For the Fruit of All Creation

ELW #679

1. For the fruit of all creation, thanks be to God.  
For these gifts to ev'ry nation, thanks be to God.  
For the plowing, sowing, reaping, silent growth while we are sleeping,  
Future needs in earth's safekeeping, thanks be to God.
2. In the just reward of labor, God's will is done.  
In the help we give our neighbor, God's will is done.  
In our world-wide task of caring for the hungry and despairing,  
In the harvests we are sharing, God's will is done.
3. For the harvests of the Spirit, thanks be to God.  
For the good we all inherit, thanks be to God.  
For the wonders that astound us, for the truths that still confound us,  
Most of all, that love has found us, thanks be to God.

L: Go in peace. Live in love, as Christ loved us.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

Postlude: *Psalm of Glory*

Lani Smith

**Accompanist:** James Rickley      **Cantor:** Victoria Bull      **Reader:** Rob Wilbur

**Communion Assistant:** Rob Wilbur      **Fellowship:** Glenn & Leanna Coulter

**THANK YOU...** to Jodie Tooley for her report on the Synod Assembly!



### **Announcements for Week of June 16:**

- Executive team - TODAY following the worship service.
- Installation of Rev. Mandy Gosik at Central Christian Church – 1 pm today
- Church Council meets Tuesday (6/18) at 7 pm in the Fireside Room.
- Juneteenth national holiday is (6/19 – Wed.)
- R.O.M.E.O. men’s lunch group meets on Thurs. (6/20) at 11:30 am – Fireside Room
- Juneteenth Family Celebration Sat. (6/22) from 1-3 pm at Gibson Park Bandshell
- Community worship and re-dedication of AIDS Memorial Rock at 7 pm next Sunday (6/23) at Central Christian Church

**Keeping in Prayer...** Elaine Rice; Myrna DeBolt & family; 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.

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