



**HOPE LUTHERAN CHURCH AND STUDENT CENTER**

Worship every Sunday at 10:30 am

Childcare is available



Evangelical  
Lutheran Church  
in America

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*Hope Lutheran Church and Student Center is a congregation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America and a community of growing disciples of Jesus Christ who love our neighbors, both near and far. We affirm that everyone is created in the image of God and is deserving of God's love and grace. We recognize that for many people, "church" has not always felt like a welcoming place. We celebrate our human family's diversity of sexual orientation, gender identity and expression, race, ethnicity, culture, and age. We embrace differences in relationship status, physical and mental ability, education, income, worldview, and political affiliation. We are committed to the full inclusion of all people in our community and invite you to journey with us toward a deeper faith, mutual respect, greater love and understanding, and reconciliation through Jesus Christ.*

*If you need to leave the sanctuary for any reason, you may view the service from a phone or another device. You are welcome to return to worship for communion, fellowship, or any portion of special interest to you.*

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# Welcome

## ↑ Opening Song TFF 263:

### I'm a-Goin'-a Eat at the Welcome Table

1 I'm a-goin'-a eat at the wel - come ta - ble,  
2 I'm a-goin'-a feast on milk and hon - ey,  
3 I'm a-goin'-a wade'cross Jor - dan's riv - er,

I'm a-goin'-a eat at the wel-come ta - ble, some of these days.  
I'm a-goin'-a feast on milk and hon - ey, some of these days.  
I'm a-goin'-a wade'cross Jor - dan's riv - er, some of these days.

I'm a-goin'-a eat at the wel - come ta - ble,  
I'm a-goin'-a feast on milk and hon - ey,  
I'm a-goin'-a wade 'cross Jor - dan's riv - er,

I'm goin' - a eat at the wel - come ta - ble, some of these days.  
I'm goin' - a feast on milk and hon - ey, some of these days.  
I'm goin' - a wade 'cross Jor - dan's riv - er, some of these days.

*Leader:* The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**All: And also with you.**

### **Opening Prayer**

*Learn one family's table grace.*

### **Passing the Peace**

*Leader:* The Peace of Christ be with you all.

**All: And also with you.**

*You may stay in your seat or walk around to greet others, often saying "peace be with you".*

### **Scripture Preparation Song: Step by Step (by Rich Mullins)**

Oh God you are my God, and I will ever praise you.

Oh God you are my God, and I will ever praise you.

I will seek you in the morning, and I will learn to walk in your ways.

And step by step you'll lead me, and I will follow you all of my days.

### **↓ Introduction to God's Story**

### **Telling God's Story**

*A group acts and tells the scripture story of two unlikely people meeting - Peter and Cornelius.*

*Closing Line for each story, Repeat After Me*

**That's the story of God and God's people**

**God, thanks for your story**

### **Dismissal**

*Children are welcome to stay or are invited downstairs to continue reflecting on this story.*

## Departing Song 595: Jesus Loves Me! (verse 1)



1 Je - sus loves me! this I know, for the Bi - ble tells me so;



lit - tle ones to him be - long, they are weak, but he is strong.

*Refrain*



Yes, Je - sus loves me, yes, Je - sus loves me,



yes, Je - sus loves me, the Bi - ble tells me so.

## Sermon

## ↑ Hymn of the Day ACS 1062: Build a Longer Table



1 Build a long - er ta - ble, not a high - er wall,  
2 Build a saf - er ref - uge, not a larg - er jail;  
3 Build a broad - er door - way, not a long - er fence.  
4 When we lived as ex - iles, ref - u - gees a - broad,



feed - ing those who hun - ger, mak - ing room for all.  
where the weak find shel - ter, mer - cy will not fail.  
Love pro - tects all peo - ple, spar - ing no ex - pense.  
Christ be - came our door - way to the reign of God.



Feast - ing to - geth - er, strang - er turns to friend,  
For an - y place where jus - tice is de - nied,  
When we em - brace com - pas - sion more than fear,  
So must our ta - bles wel - come those who roam.



Christ breaks walls to piec - es; false di - vi - sions end.  
Christ will breach the jail wall, free - ing all in - side.  
Christ tears down our fenc - es: all are wel - come here.  
None can be ex - clud - ed; all must find a home.

*The assisting minister leads a series of prayer petitions. We join in praying together; we end each petition with the close-and-response: "Merciful God," with the response: "receive our prayer."*

## **Prayers of the People**

Leader: God of creation, you make all things. We thank you for the food that you make, for the nourishment it provides, and for the wonder of it all. We thank you for taste and color and texture, and especially for our favorite foods. We praise you for these foods we name now:

*People are invited to call out specific or general foods, cooking processes, or other great things about eating. When it seems like people are done, the petition closes,*

Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

Leader: God, you long for all to be filled, we pray for people who are hungry. Bring an end to drought and famine; end food deserts and scarcity; end greed and corruption, so that all your people may eat and be filled. We pray especially for these people and places where we know there is need:

*People are invited to call out names or regions where there is need, especially need for food. When it seems like people are done, the petition closes,*

Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

Leader: God of all people, you care for all people, near and far. You pour out your spirit of love on the young, the old and everyone in between. You long for all people to be whole, to be well. We pray your special care on those people who have requested prayer from our church:

*(With the assisting minister, please pray out loud the first name of each person for whom we pray. If you would like to add a name to the prayer list, please secure the person's consent, then reach out to Lauren in the office.)*

We pray for those who have requested ongoing prayer:

**John Henry,**

Dolores,  
Seamus (*nephew of Rick*),  
Daphne and Ron,  
Bob,  
Terry and Ned (*friends of Chuck & Liz*),  
Liz,  
Jytte (*pronounced YOU-ta*) (*Karin's grandmother*),  
Betsy (*Katie's mother*).

[pause]

And for those who have requested prayers of support or thanksgiving:

Baby Erik, Ida, Mary Jeanne and Sebastian as they grow into a family of 4 and manage new baby's health challenges,  
Marianne and Steve as they work with medical specialists to identify and understand significant health concerns for Marianne,  
Lauren,  
Jimmy, Hope's pen pal who is incarcerated,  
Mary as she recovers from a serious fall,  
Gus, upon recovering from surgery,  
Sarah, Humble Walk student, recovering from a head injury,  
Don, Pr. Ray's Uncle, recovering in the hospital,  
Deanna (*friend of Debbie*),  
Shannon (*family of Debbie awaiting a kidney transplant*),  
Pastor Beth as she gains strength for an upcoming surgery,  
Amy,  
Lynnda as she undergoes cancer treatment,

[pause]

And all the other people we name now:

*People are invited to call out specific names of people. When it seems like people are done, the petition closes,*

Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

Dear Jesus, gather up all these prayers in your abundant love. You are our great hope. Hear us. Heal us. Be with us.

**Amen.**



## ↓ Announcements

### Offering Music

During this time of musical offering:

*Those worshiping online may make offerings on Hope's website: ([www.hopecp.org](http://www.hopecp.org)) - look on the red top bar for the word "Donate." You may also give by text at 844-904-1808.*

*For those worshiping with us in person, we pass the offering basket. You may also continue giving online or by text.*

*At this time, children in childcare are invited upstairs for communion.*

### Kids' Message

#### ↑ Opening Communion Song: Ya-rabba ssalami

*We sing this song of peace from Palestine, in both Arabic and English, praying for peace around the world. We know that many Lutheran Churches in Palestine sing this song each week in worship, including the church in Jerusalem where Hope has connections. Children, families, and anyone interested are invited forward to stand or kneel at the railing as we bless communion.*



Ya - ra - bba ssa - la - mi am - ter a - lay - na ssa - lam,  
God of peace, in your wis - dom give us the will to seek peace;



ya - ra - bba ssa - la - mi im la' qu - lu - ba - na sa - lam.  
God of peace and of heal - ing, fill with your peace ev - ery heart!

## **Great Thanksgiving**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,  
that we should at all times and in all places  
give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God,  
for the glorious resurrection of our Savior Jesus Christ,  
the true Paschal Lamb who gave himself to take away our sin;  
who in dying has destroyed death,  
and in rising has brought us to eternal life.

And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the  
resurrection, with earth and sea and all their creatures,  
and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim,  
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

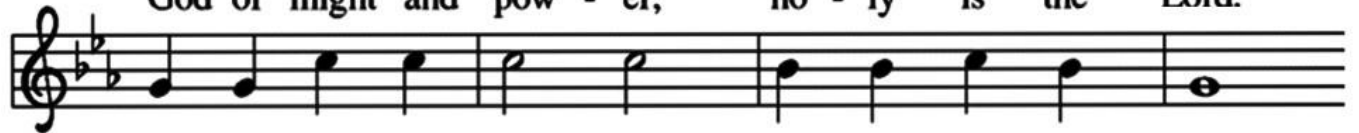
# Holy, Holy, Holy



San - to, san - to, san - to, es el Se - ñor,  
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord . . . . God,



Dios del u - ni - ver - so; san - to, es el Se - ñor.  
God of might and pow - er; ho - ly is the Lord.



San - to, san - to, san - to, san - to, es el Se - ñor,  
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord . . . . God,



Dios del u - ni - ver - so; san - to, es el Se - ñor.  
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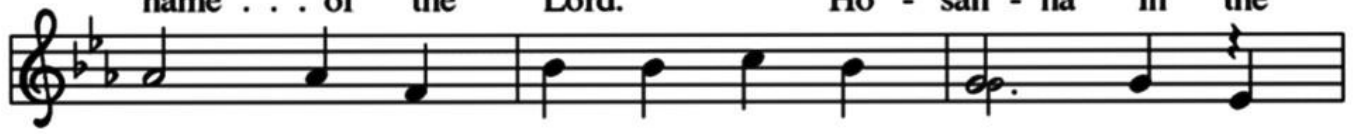
Ho - san - na en el cie - lo, ho - san - na en la  
Ho - san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na here on



tie - rra. Ben - di - to el que vie - ne en el  
earth. . . . . Blest is he who comes in the



nom - bre del Se - ñor. Ho - san - na en el  
name . . . . of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the



cie - lo, ho - san - na en la tie - rra. Ben -  
high - est, ho - san - na here on earth. . . . .



di - to el que vie - ne en el nom - bre del Se - ñor.  
Blest is he who comes in the name . . . . of the Lord.

In the night in which he was betrayed,  
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;  
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:  
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,  
and gave it for all to drink, saying:  
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,  
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.

### **The Lord's Prayer**

*Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.*

**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.**

### **↓ Our Communion Practices**

*Everyone is welcome to participate in communion. Today Hope offers bread, white grape juice for dipping, pre-filled juice cups with wafers, and pre-filled juice cups with a gluten-free wafer. You may choose to receive bread only and/or one of the cup options. Any version of communion carries the full power of communion. If you prefer not to receive elements, you may cross your arms over your chest for a no-contact, verbal blessing. You are invited forward to stand or kneel at the railing; after those who wish to come forward receive, servers will bring communion to those who prefer to stay in your seats.*

## Communion Song 439: Soon and Very Soon



1 Soon and ver - y soon  
2 No more cry - in' there, we are goin' to see the King,  
3 No more dy - in' there,  
4 Soon and ver - y soon



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no more cry - in' there, we are goin' to see the King,  
no more dy - in' there,  
soon and ver - y soon

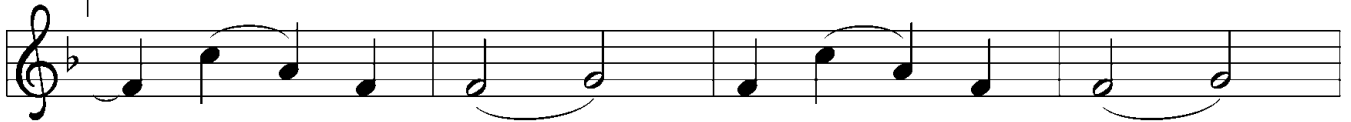


soon and ver - y soon  
no more cry - in' there, we are goin' to see the King.  
no more dy - in' there,  
soon and ver - y soon



Hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu - jah, we're goin' to see the King!

*Coda after stanza 4*



Hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu -



jah, hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu - jah.

↑ **Blessing**

## Sending Blessing and Amen Song (Songs of Zion #147)

As you go from this place:

May God bless you and keep you. (sung AMEN)

May God's face shine on you with grace and mercy. (sung AMEN)

May God look upon you with favor and ☩ give you peace. (sung AMEN AMEN AMEN)

The musical score is written in 2/4 time with a key signature of one sharp (F#). It consists of three systems of two staves each (treble and bass clef). The lyrics are: "A - men, A - men, A - men, Have mer - cy! A - men, A - men, A - men. Sing it o - ver now, men." The first system has lyrics "A - men, A - men," on the top staff and "A - men, A - men, Have mer - cy!" on the bottom staff. The second system has lyrics "A - men, A - men, A - men." on the top staff and "A - men, A - men, A - men. Sing it o - ver now, men." on the bottom staff. The second system includes first and second endings, marked "1." and "2." respectively.

*Children are invited to join Pastor Julie in taking the remaining communion elements outside to serve communion to the all creation, including the grass, the birds and the squirrels.*

# Sending Song 677: This Little Light of Mine

1 This lit - tle light of mine, I'm goin'-a let it shine;  
 2 Ev - 'ry - where I go, I'm goin'-a let it shine;  
 3 Je - sus gave it to me, I'm goin'-a let it shine;

oh, oh,

this lit - tle light of mine, I'm goin'-a let it shine;  
 ev - 'ry - where I go, I'm goin'-a let it shine;  
 Je - sus gave it to me, I'm goin'-a let it shine;

oh,

this lit - tle light of mine, I'm goin'-a let it shine,  
 ev - 'ry - where I go, I'm goin'-a let it shine,  
 Je - sus gave it to me, I'm goin'-a let it shine,

oh,

let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.  
 let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.  
 let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

## **Dismissal**

*Leader:* Go in peace. Share the good news.

***All:* Thanks be to God.**

## **↓ Postlude**

*Lucia plays Whirling Leaves on piano*



## **Today's Worship Leaders**

† **Presiding Minister:** Pastor Julie

† **Assisting Minister:** Paul

† **Usher:** Lois

† **Offering Counter:** Joan and onsite volunteer

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## **Announcements**

**Sunday Childcare During Service:** Childcare is available for children during worship. Two cleared background checked students will care for the children and lead activities during worship services.

**Pastor Beth Listening Garden:** The garden was dedicated on Thursday, **April 18**. Pastor Beth returned to Maryland briefly to dedicate a new Listening Garden, just outside The Memorial Chapel at the University of Maryland. One sign reads:

The Listening Garden

Come, let us LISTEN

With open hearts and minds to

One another.

So our community may live not divided,

But in rich diversity.

We continue to pray for Pastor Beth's healing and recovery, as she is hopefully getting strong enough for future surgery.

**Hope Property Process Moving Ahead:** We are ready for Hope's property process to enter the next phase of sharing, education, and a congregational vote. Hope expects the final Purchase and Sales Agreement (PSA) from the developer, and leadership will be sharing it with the congregation for education, discussion and a congregational vote. This is not the final sale, but if approved, does authorize the developer to take steps towards the final sale (likely 12-18 months later). Thanks to Hope's council and the many volunteers who have worked with Hope's lawyer and architect to negotiate the details of this PSA. Watch for printed and electronic materials, then join the information sessions:

- Today, **May 5**, 11:45am-12:30pm, after worship, in person at Hope
- Wednesday, **May 8**, 7:30-8:30pm, by zoom (info below)
- Tuesday, **May 14**, noon-1pm, by zoom (info below)

Then plan for a hybrid congregational meeting and property vote on Sunday, **June 23**, following worship.

Zoom info for the information sessions on May 8 & May 14 and the congregational meeting on June 23:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84055997546?pwd=SHdHTVFjalZpbjFmc0FaTzNKNVZjdz09> or call in: 301 715 8592

Meeting ID: 840 5599 7546      Password: 112233

**Music Invitation from Zeynep:** On Tuesday, **May 7** at 8pm at The Kennedy Center support Zeynep. Zeynep is a regular part of Hope's choir and music team. Another music group of which she is a member has been invited to perform at the Kennedy Center for a special "sing-in" event that is a part of the celebrations of the upcoming worldwide gala of a new ending for Puccini's "Turandot," commissioned by the Washington National Opera of the contemporary composer Christopher Tin.

This event is free, but you need to pre-register and download the music here: <https://www.kennedy-center.org/wno/home/2023-2024/christopher-tin-washington-metro-gamer-symphony/>

**Music Invite: From the Diary of Virginia Woolf:** On Friday, **May 10** at 5pm, join our own Rhys, and singer Jessica in a recital of music at The Clarice Smith Performing Arts Center. This event is free, open to all, and includes a light reception after. Talk to Rhys for more information or just show up.

**movies@hope:** On Friday, **May 10** at 7:30 pm, join us in commemorating the great director Yasujiro Ozu's 1949 masterpiece *Late Spring* on the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary of its release. In post-World War II Japan, a widowed father, and his adult daughter struggle to live out their obligations to each other. This poignant tale of love and loss was voted by the British Film Institute as # 21 on its list of the greatest films of all time.

**Collecting Treats for Finals Kits:** Hope has a long tradition of collecting goodies to support students through the stressful time of finals. If you are able, bring food and drink packets to Hope and place them in a box in the entryway. Then stay after worship on Sunday, **May 12** while we pack bags with treats. The goal is to pack 40 bags this spring. Items good for finals kits: granola or other snack bars, chewing gum, tea bags, flavored drink packets, cracker packs. Contact Mary C with any questions.

**Humble Walk Graduation Gala:** On Monday, **May 20** Lutheran Campus Ministry's annual graduation gala will take place at St. Andrew's Episcopal Church from 3-5pm. You are cordially invited to Humble Walk's annual Grad Gala. We will be celebrating the accomplishments and contributions of 11 graduates from campus ministry. Join us for light refreshments to support our students as they step into a new phase of life and share what campus ministry has meant for their faith formation, college experience, and vocational discernment! RSVP at [go.umd.edu/ggrsvp24](http://go.umd.edu/ggrsvp24) or by sending an email to [lutheran@umd.edu](mailto:lutheran@umd.edu) by May 15th.

**Rhys's Graduation and music transition at Hope:** Hope's fabulous musician, Rhys, will be graduating this May from his doctoral program in collaborative piano. He has accepted a job at Juilliard in New York City, supporting the musician there with his piano skills. Rhys's last Sunday at Hope will be **May 26**. We are joyful to celebrate this next step with Rhys, and also sad to see him depart. Hope's leadership will work together in the coming weeks to find a new staff musician for the congregation.

**Our Core Values: We are...**

*Welcoming,  
Growing Disciples who Lead,  
Loving our Neighbors,  
Near and Far.*

## **What's Happening at Hope**

### **Today**

10:30am: Easter Season Lively Worship

11:45am-12:30pm, after worship: Property Information Session in person at Hope

5-7pm: Humble Walk meal and worship service for students

### **This Week**

Wednesday, May 8, 7:30-8:30pm: Property Information Session by zoom

Friday, May 10, 5pm: Rhys and Jessica music recital *at The Clarice Smith Performing Arts Center at UMD*

Friday, May 10, 7:30pm: movies@hope presents "Late Spring" in person at Hope

### **Looking Ahead**

Sunday, May 12, after worship: Pack Finals Kits for Students at Hope

Tuesday, May 14, 10am-noon: Quilters of Hope meet at Hope

Tuesday, May 14, noon-1pm: Property Information Session by zoom

Sunday, May 19: Pentecost Sunday (and graduation weekend) at Hope and in College Park

Monday, May 20, 3-5pm: Humble Walk Graduation Gala at St. Andrews Episcopal Church, College Park

Tuesday, May 21 – Sunday, June 16: Humble Walk students on year end trip to Europe

Tuesday, May 21, noon-3pm: Hope serves lunch at PG Day Center

Tuesday, May 28, 10am-noon: Quilters of Hope meet at Hope

Wednesday, May 29, 7:30pm: Hope Council Meeting

Friday, May 31 – Monday, June 10: Pastor Julie on retreat in Taize, France with Humble Walk Students

Sunday, June 23, after worship (exact time TBD) Congregational Meeting for Property Vote (hybrid meeting, at Hope and on zoom)