

# ***“Hope Wins!”***

## **THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

**JUNE 9, 2024**  
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**HOPE**  
*in Jesus*  
**WINS!**

For it is all for your sake, so that as  
grace extends to more and more people  
it may increase thanksgiving,  
to the glory of God.



**WE CELEBRATE THE LORD'S SUPPER TODAY.** Holy Communion is a very special time in our worship service. When we approach the altar, we publicly declare our unity in faith. God's Word tells us that Jesus' Body and Blood are REALLY PRESENT in the bread and wine. The bread and wine do not merely "stand for" Jesus' Body and Blood, for Jesus said, "This is my body and this is my blood," and we accept this mystery (Matthew 26:26-30; 1 Corinthians 11:17-33). In the LORD's Supper, God gives, as a gift to us, His love and forgiveness and strengthens our faith.

Jesus calls us to prepare for the LORD's Supper by believing what the Bible says with regard to sin, by repenting of our sins, and believing Christ's real presence in the bread and wine (1 Corinthians 11:28-29). We ask both members and guests to examine the questions below before taking Communion:

1. Do I believe that God's Word is entirely "inspired" and without error?
2. Do I believe that I am a sinful human being without hope except for God's mercy in Christ?
3. Do I believe that Jesus is God's Son and my personal Savior?
4. Do I believe that He is personally present in the Sacrament of Holy Communion with His body and blood?
5. Do I believe that my sins are forgiven and that my faith is strengthened in Holy Communion?
6. Is it my intent, by the power of the Holy Spirit working in this Sacrament, to live a Godly life?

If you have any doubts or do not understand our beliefs about Communion, please refrain from participating at this time. Call our pastor. He would be happy to help you understand the meaning and blessings of this special "Means of Grace."

Our church is a member of The Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod, an international church, bold to share the love of Christ with all nationalities.  
Our Common bond is loyalty to the Bible as the inspired Word of God and the only guide in matters of faith and life.

**THE FAITH AND CARE FAMILY for June is Elijah. July is Abraham.** The sign-up sheets are on the back table. If you are in this family, please sign-up to help in some way.

**TODAY'S**    **ELDERS:** Neil Schamber & Brent O'Bryan  
                  **GREETER:** Marsh Kapp  
                  **READER:** Stephen Heidenreich  
                  **ACOLYTE:** Eli Wold

**RECORD OF FELLOWSHIP:** We are so glad you are here to worship with us. Please fill out the record of fellowship in the Red Book in each pew. We ask that each person fill out their information on one line of the sheet and pass it on to the next person in the pew. For families, place each member on a new line. It is our hope that we will be able to better care for you with this information.

## OPENING HYMN

1 Father, I adore You,  
Lay my life before You.  
How I love You;

2 Jesus, I adore You,  
Lay my life before You.

## FATHER, I ADORE YOU

How I love You;

3 Spirit, I adore You,  
Lay my life before You.  
How I love You;

## INVOCATION

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.  
People: **Amen.**

## OPENING SENTENCES *Psalm 124:8; 130:3–5*

Pastor: Our help is in the name of the LORD,  
People: **who made heaven and earth.**

Pastor: If You, O LORD, should mark iniquities,  
People: **O Lord, who could stand?**

Pastor: But with You there is forgiveness,  
People: **that You may be feared.**

Pastor: I wait for the LORD, my soul waits,  
People: **and in His word I hope.**

## CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Pastor: From God's own Word we understand it is our sin that causes our troubles, doubt, fears, and death. For this reason, God's own Son became our Savior, taking the sin of the world upon Himself and paying our debt with His own death on the cross. All who have been baptized in His name have died with Him and live in the forgiveness of our sin. Let us therefore implore Him again and again for His forgiveness and life.

People: **O God, I confess to You that I have sinned against You in my thoughts, words, and deeds by my own fault. For the sake of Jesus Christ, Your Son, forgive me my sins and restore to me the hope of Your eternal salvation.**

Pastor: God be merciful to you and strengthen your faith. I, by virtue of my office as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God to you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ, Jesus forgives you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: **Amen.**

## SALUTATION

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: Let us pray.  
Almighty and eternal God, Your Son Jesus triumphed over the prince of demons and freed us from bondage to sin. Help us to stand firm against every assault of Satan, and enable us always to do Your will; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: **Amen.**

*Sit*

## OLD TESTAMENT READING

<sup>8</sup>And they heard the sound of the Lord God walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the Lord God among the trees of the garden. <sup>9</sup>But the Lord God called to the man and said to him, "Where are you?" <sup>10</sup>And he said, "I heard the sound of you in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked, and I hid myself." <sup>11</sup>He said, "Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten of the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?" <sup>12</sup>The man said, "The woman whom you gave to be with me, she gave me fruit

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.  
People: Thanks be to God.

## EPISTLE READING

<sup>13</sup>Since we have the same spirit of faith according to what has been written, "I believed, and so I spoke," we also believe, and so we also speak, <sup>14</sup>knowing that he who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus and bring us with you into his presence. <sup>15</sup>For it is all for your sake, so that as grace extends to more and more people it may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God.

<sup>16</sup>So we do not lose heart. Though our outer self is wasting away, our inner self is being

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.  
People: Thanks be to God.

## VBS Children Sing

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the third chapter.  
People: Glory to You, O Lord.

## HOLY GOSPEL

<sup>20</sup>Then he went home, and the crowd gathered again, so that they could not even eat. <sup>21</sup>And when his family heard it, they went out to seize him, for they were saying, "He is out of his mind."

<sup>22</sup>And the scribes who came down from Jerusalem were saying, "He is possessed by Beelzebul," and "by the prince of demons he casts out the demons." <sup>23</sup>And he called them to him and said to them in parables, "How can Satan cast out Satan? <sup>24</sup>If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. <sup>25</sup>And if a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.  
People: Praise to You, O Christ

## CHILDRENS SERMON

## SERMON HYMN

## GENESIS 3:8-15

of the tree, and I ate."<sup>13</sup>Then the Lord God said to the woman, "What is this that you have done?" The woman said, "The serpent deceived me, and I ate."

<sup>14</sup>The Lord God said to the serpent, "Because you have done this, cursed are you above all livestock and above all beasts of the field; on your belly you shall go, and dust you shall eat all the days of your life. <sup>15</sup>I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and her offspring; he shall bruise your head, and you shall bruise his heel."

## 2 CORINTHIANS 4:13—5:1

renewed day by day. <sup>17</sup>For this light momentary affliction is preparing for us an eternal weight of glory beyond all comparison, <sup>18</sup>as we look not to the things that are seen but to the things that are unseen. For the things that are seen are transient, but the things that are unseen are eternal.

<sup>1</sup>For we know that if the tent that is our earthly home is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

*Stand*

## MARK 3:20-35

to stand. <sup>26</sup>And if Satan has risen up against himself and is divided, he cannot stand, but is coming to an end. <sup>27</sup>But no one can enter a strong man's house and plunder his goods, unless he first binds the strong man. Then indeed he may plunder his house.

<sup>28</sup>"Truly, I say to you, all sins will be forgiven the children of man, and whatever blasphemies they utter, <sup>29</sup>but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit never has forgiveness, but is guilty of an eternal sin"— <sup>30</sup>for they were saying, "He has an unclean spirit."

*Sit*

## WE ARE THE CHURCH

Refrain:  
I am the church! You are the church!  
We are the church together!  
All who follow Jesus, all around the world,  
yes, we're the church together!

1 The Church is not a building, the Church is not  
a steeple.  
The Church is not a resting-place,  
The Church is a people!  
[Refrain]

2 We're many kinds of people,  
with many kinds of faces:  
all colors and all ages, too,

from all times and places.  
[Refrain]

3 And when the people gather  
there's singing and there's praying,  
there's laughing and there's crying sometimes,  
all of it saying:  
[Refrain]

4 At Pentecost some people  
received the Holy Spirit  
and told the good news  
through the world to all who would hear it  
[Refrain]

## SERMON

“Hope Wins!”

2 CORINTHIANS 4: 13—5:1

## OFFERING

### PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Pastor: Let us pray.  
Lord God our heavenly Father, we give You thanks and praise for Your good creation  
and for Your re-creation of a people of eternal hope and life, Your holy church throughout  
the world. Keep, we pray, all pastors and believers in the joyful hope of the resurrection  
and the life of the world to come. Lord, in Your mercy,

**People: hear our prayer.**

Pastor: Help all people of the world and especially of our own nation to not lose heart in the face  
of earthly troubles but to endure with faith in Your gracious promises of the forgiveness of  
sins and the hope and peace of Your new creation. Lord, in Your mercy,

**People: hear our prayer.**

Pastor: In the midst of trouble, anxiety, sickness, or fear of death, comfort, heal, and raise up all  
who call upon You in their need, [*especially . . .*]. Bless all who minister healing and  
deliverance to those in need. Lord, in Your mercy,

**People: hear our prayer.**

Pastor: For the many brave and faithful believers who have gone before us, we give You thanks.  
Help us to remember all who have fought the good fight, finished the race, and kept the  
faith, that we may likewise live all our days with our heavenly goal in mind. Lord, in Your  
mercy,

**People: hear our prayer.**

Pastor: Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy;  
through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**People: Amen.**

### LORD'S PRAYER

**C: 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 and ever. Amen**

### THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

*Matthew 26:26–28; Mark 14:22–24; Luke 22:19–20;  
1 Corinthians 11:23–25*

Pastor: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He  
had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: “Take, eat; this is My  
✠ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me.”

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ✕ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

**PROCLAMATION OF CHRIST**      *1 Corinthians 11:26; Revelation 22:20*

**Pastor:**      As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

**People:**      **Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

**Pastor:**      O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

**COMMUNION HYMNS**

1 The Lamb, the Lamb,  
O Father, where's the sacrifice?  
Faith sees, believes  
God will provide the Lamb of price!  
*Refrain*

2 The Lamb, the Lamb,  
One perfect final offering.  
The Lamb, the Lamb,  
Let earth join heav'n His praise to sing.  
*Refrain*

3 The Lamb, the Lamb,  
As wayward sheep their shepherd kill  
So still, His will

**THE LAMB**

On our behalf the Law to fill.  
*Refrain*

4 He sighs, He dies,  
He takes my sin and wretchedness.  
He lives, forgives,  
He gives me His own righteousness.  
*Refrain*

5 He rose, He rose,  
My heart with thanks now overflows.  
His song prolong  
Till ev'ry heart to Him belong.  
*Refrain*

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*Refrain*

Worthy is the Lamb  
whose death makes me His own!  
The Lamb is reigning on His throne!

**LAMB OF GOD**

1 Your only Son, no sin to hide,  
But You have sent Him from Your side  
To walk upon this guilty sod,  
And to become the Lamb of God.  
*Refrain*

O Lamb of God, sweet Lamb of God,  
I love the holy Lamb of God!  
O wash me in His precious blood,  
My Jesus Christ, the Lamb of God.

2 Your Gift of love, they crucified,  
They laughed and scorned Him as He died:  
The humble King they named a fraud,  
And sacrificed the Lamb of God. *Refrain*

3 I was so lost, I should have died,  
But You have brought me to Your side  
To be led by Your staff and rod,  
And to be called a lamb of God. *Refrain*

**LSB 550**

**POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING**

**Pastor:**      Let us pray.  
Gracious God, our heavenly Father, You have given us a foretaste of the feast to come in the Holy Supper of Your Son's body and blood. Keep us firm in the true faith throughout our days of pilgrimage that, on the day of His coming, we may, together with all Your saints, celebrate the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom which has no end; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**People: Amen.**

**BENEDICTION**      *Numbers 6:24–26*

Pastor:      The Lord bless you and keep you.  
                 The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.  
                 The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

**People: Amen.**

**CLOSING HYMN**

1 It only takes a spark to get a fire going.  
And soon all those around can warm up in its  
glowing.

That's how it is with God's love,  
Once you've experienced it,  
You spread His love to everyone,  
You want to pass it on.

2 What a wondrous time is spring, when all the  
trees are budding.

The birds begin to sing, the flowers start their  
blooming.

That's how it is with God's love,

**PASS IT ON**

Once you've experienced it,  
You want to sing, "It's fresh like spring",  
You want to pass it on.

3 I wish for you my friend, this happiness that  
I've found.

You can depend on Him, it matters not where  
you're bound.

I'll shout it from the mountain top.

I want the world to know,

The Lord of love has come to me,

I want to pass it on.

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**SCHEDULE THE WEEK OF**

**JUNE 9-JUNE 16, 2024**

Today

- 9:00 AM      Worship
- 10:00 AM    Fellowship

Tuesday

- 9:30 AM      Work Day
- 7:00 PM      Elders Mtg

Wednesday

- 6:30 AM      Men's Bible Study
- 5:00 PM      **Bulletin Deadline**

Thursday

- 1:30 PM      LWML Mtg.

Next Sunday

- June Faith and Care Family **Elijah**
- 9:00 AM      Worship w/communion
- Greeter: Marsha Kapp
- Reader:
- Acolyte: Levi Jondahl

Fellowship: Julie Miller, Deanna Kunkel

July Faith and Care Family **Abraham**

## BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS

**HELP:** Mt. Olive's week to deliver meals for "Meals On Wheels" is June 17-21. See Dorothy Bassingthwaite, Dawn LaMee or Candy Koepke to volunteer for the week or a day or two.

**LWML MEETING THIS THURSDAY:** The June meeting of Mt. Olive LWML will be held this Thursday at the church at 1:30 p.m. The topic will be led by Pastor Birtell and will be taken from the summer *Quarterly*. For roll call members are asked to bring items for Caring Club House. Especially needed at this time are dish soap, Kleenex and liquid hand soap. The hostess is Charlene Young-Cunningham. All ladies are welcome to attend.

**SIGN UP-DATE:** As most of you have seen, the digital sign has been installed! Penny has been doing a fantastic job providing wonderful content for the digital sign. We had enough in the sign fund to pay the balance due on the digital sign and the electrical costs for the hookup. We are also looking at updating the existing sign with an updated insert and a new image. We still need approximately \$1,000 to finish out that project. Please consider donating to the sign fund, your giving will be much appreciated. Thank you!

**THRIVENT MEETING:** The Thrivent group will meet after the service today, June 9th in the choir area to designate some of the Thrivent Choice dollars. If you see a need please bring your idea to the meeting. You need not be a Thrivent member to vote or suggest an idea. Thanks!

**FUNDRAISER FOR PASTOR BRAD & CHRISTIE:** Pastor's former parish, St. John's Lutheran Church in Columbus, NE, created a fundraiser for them and are selling prayer bracelets for \$5.00 each. All proceeds from the sale of these bracelets goes directly to Pastor and Christie to help defray that are being incurred during Pastor's cancer treatment. There are bracelets for children as well as adults in sizes small, medium and large. I will have bracelets available at Mt. Olive during fellowship hour for those who may be interested. Thanks for supporting Pastor Brad & Christie. Marsha Kapp

**MAINSTREET LIVING:** is broadcast Sundays on KDLT-NBC at 10:30 AM CST and PAX at 11 AM CDT. You may also view the program at [mainstreetliving.com](http://mainstreetliving.com). Click on the "Watch Main Street Living" tab. The program is also available on YouTube. The Message for **June 16, 10:30:** Rev. Ryan Loeslie, pastor at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Dimock, presents a message titled "The Kingdom's Growth." This sermon is based on Mark 4:26-34.

**June 16: - "Flight Plan"** - A man has to deal with the death of a young boy with a terminal illness. Will it strengthen his faith or destroy it?

**Life Quotes: June 9** "For the Christian, changing hearts and minds isn't just about meeting bodily needs; it also means connecting our neighbor to the true source of life—Christ Himself. It means providing for her needs in this world and the next by boldly intertwining our works and words of mercy with the gift of mercy Himself. It means helping him carry the crosses of this world on the way to his heavenly home." *Michelle Bauman, Director of Y4Life*

**Stewardship Sentences: Mark 3:35** – "Whoever does the will of God, he is my brother and sister and mother." Doing the will of God starts with trusting in His Son, Jesus Christ. Once we have faith in Him and have been reborn as new creatures through Holy Baptism, we strive to grow in this faith and in a life that agrees with our faith. Growing in generosity, in kindness and in love across our callings in the home, in church and in society is growing into the family of God, for all who do His will are His brothers and sisters and mothers.



Attendance: (6/2)  
Sunday Worship:149

Offerings:	(6/2)	
	General (Checking)	5057.73
	Capital Improvements (Savings)	250.00
	Missions (Savings)	275.00
	Seminary Student (Savings)	270.00
	Sign (Savings)	45.00
	VBS (Savings)	1025.00
	Total	6922.73

To meet our 2024 budget goals, we need to average \$5048 in our weekly offering collection