Hope Lutheran Church

Worship Service April 2, 2025



Our Vision: To be known as a Spirit-led welcoming community of diversity and service.

Our Mission:
We care, share, and prepare so that all experience the love of Jesus Christ.

Guiding Principles:
Jesus is Lord.
God loves everyone.
All are welcome.
Everyone has a purpose.
Pray before acting.
Step out in faith, believing all is possible.
We are saved by grace.

"Whoever you are who worship here, in whatever household of faith you were born, whatever creed you now profess, whatever your race, nationality, sexual orientation, or condition, if you come to this sanctuary to seek the God in whom you may believe, or rededicate yourself to the God in whom you do believe, you are welcome; for this sanctuary is a house of prayer for all people."

PRELUDE

WELCOME

Please stand, if able

CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor: God is our light and our salvation, **People:** our refuge and our stronghold.

Pastor: From the rising of the sun to its setting,

People: we praise your name, O God.

Pastor: For with you is the fountain of life,
and in your light we see light.

HYMN

"What a Friend We Have in Jesus"



GREETING

Pastor: The love of God poured into our hearts, the saving grace of Jesus

Je - sus knows our ev - 'ry weak - ness—take it to the Lord in prayer. In his arms he'll take and shield you; you will find a so - lace there.

Christ, and the abundant life of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

People: And also with you.

OPENING PRAYER

Pastor: Healing God,

People: give us strength of mind and body. Lift us up when we fall.

Hold us up each day of our lives. Amen

Please be seated

READING

A reading from Luke, chapter 13.

Now he was teaching in one of the synagogues on the Sabbath. ¹¹ And just then there appeared a woman with a spirit that had crippled her for eighteen years. She was bent over and was quite unable to stand up straight. ¹² When Jesus saw her, he called her over and said, "Woman, you are set free from your ailment." ¹³ When he laid his hands on her, immediately she stood up straight and began praising God. ¹⁴ But the leader of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had cured on the Sabbath, kept saying to the crowd, "There are six days on which work ought to be done; come on those days and be cured and not on the Sabbath day." ¹⁵ But the Lord answered him and said, "You hypocrites! Does not each of you on the Sabbath untie his ox or his donkey from the manger and lead it to water? ¹⁶ And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham whom Satan bound for eighteen long years, be set free from this bondage on the Sabbath day?" ¹⁷ When he said this, all his opponents were put to shame, and the entire crowd was rejoicing at all the wonderful things being done by him.

Pastor: The Word of the Lord. **People:** Thanks be to God.

MONOLOGUE - Woman healed on the Sabbath

Beth Fauser

LAYING ON OF HANDS

Pastor:

Sisters and Brothers, I invite you to come to the rail and stand or kneel as you wish. I invite you to receive a sign of healing and wholeness in the name of the triune God.

(Pastor Amy will place her hands on your head or shoulder and offer a prayer of healing for you. We will sing during this time. When you are finished, leave the rail and return to your seat.)

HYMN

"O Christ, the Healer We Have Come"

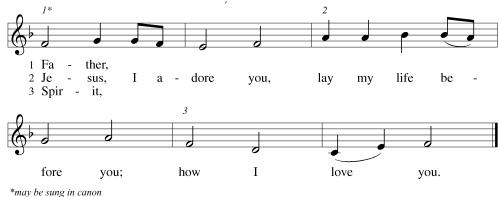


- 1 O Christ, the heal er, we have come to pray for health, to plead for friends.
- 2 From ev 'ry ail-ment flesh en dures our bod ies clam or to be freed;
- 3 In con-flicts that de-stroy our health we rec-og-nize the world's dis-ease;
- 4 Grant that we all, made one in faith, in your com-mu ni ty may find



How can we fail to be re-stored when reached by love that nev - er ends? yet in our hearts we would con-fess that whole-ness is our deep - est need. our com - mon life de-clares our ills. Is there no cure, O Christ, for these? the whole-ness that, en - rich - ing us, shall reach the whole of hu - man-kind.

"Father, I Adore You"



Please stand, if able

CONCLUDING PRAYER

Pastor: Let us pray, Living God, through the laying on of hands, grant

comfort in suffering to all who are in need of healing. When we are afraid, give us courage. When afflicted, give us patience. When depressed, give us hope, and when alone, assure us of the support

of your holy people. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

People: Amen

PRAYERS

Pastor: Lord in your mercy **People:** hear our prayer.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Pastor: Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught

us.

People: 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.

BLESSING

Pastor: Let us bless the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

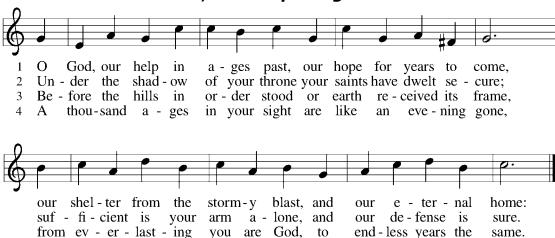
Pastor: Almighty God, bless us, defend us from all evil, and bring us to

everlasting life.

People: Amen.

HYMN

"O God, Our Help in Ages Past"



ends the night be - fore the ris - ing

sun.

POSTLUDE

short as the watch that

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