Pentecost Sunday Graduate Recognition May 19, 2024 – 9:00am



Hope Lutheran Church Ladysmith, Wisconsin Pastor: Rev Christopher Martin

Prelude

The Gathering

Welcome & Announcements

Confession & Forgiveness

- P: In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
- C: Amen.
- P: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.
- C: Amen.

silence for reflection & self-examination

- P: Most merciful God,
- C: we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways to the glory of your holy name. Amen.
- P: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
- C: Amen.

Gathering Song: "O Day Full of Grace"	#627
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Hymn of Praise: "Glory Be to God in Heaven"	p. 204

Prayer of the Day

P: Almighty God, we believe that your Son, Jesus Christ, has ascended into the heavens to sit at your right hand. Grant that

our hearts and minds may be directed there, as well, to dwell in him each day, through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

The Word

First Reading: Ezkiel 37:1-14

- L: The Word of the Lord.
- C: Thanks be to God.

Responsive Reading: Psalm 139:1-12

- L: LORD, you have searched me out and known me; you know my sitting down and my rising up; you discern my thoughts from afar.
- C: You trace my journeys and my resting places and are acquainted with all my ways.
- L: Indeed, there is not a word on my lips, but you, O LORD, know it altogether.
- C: You press upon me behind and before and lay your hand upon me.
- L: Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; it is so high that I cannot attain to it.
- C: Where can I go then from your Spirit? Where can I flee from your presence?
- L: If I climb up to heaven, you are there; if I make the grave my bed, you are there also.
- C: If I take the wings of the morning and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea,
- L: Even there your hand will lead me and your right hand hold me fast.
- C: If I say, "Surely the darkness will cover me, and the light around me turn to night,"
- L: Darkness is not dark to you; the night is as bright as the day; darkness and light to you are both alike.
- C: For you yourself created my inmost parts; you knit me together in my mother's womb.

Second Reading: Acts 2:1-21

- L: The Word of the Lord.
- C: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation: "Alleluia"

Holy Gospel: John 15:26-27; 16:4b-15

- P: The Holy Gospel according to St. John.
- C: Glory to you, O Lord.
- P: The gospel of our Lord.
- C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Children's Sermon

Sermon

Offertory

Pastor Christopher Martin

Hymn of the Day: "Spirit of Gentleness"

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Recognition of Graduates

Confession of Faith: Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father, through whom all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven; by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the virgin Mary and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. Who with the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

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Let the vineyards be fruitful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of blessing. Gather a harvest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life. Gather the hopes and the dreams of all; unite them with the prayers we offer now. Grace our table with your presence, and give us a foretaste of the feast to come.

Offertory Prayer

- P: Let us pray. Merciful Father,
- C: we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us—our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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Post-Communion Prayer

The Sending

Blessing

Sending Song: "Lord, Speak to Us, That We May Speak" #676

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Worship Assistants: Ushers – Don & Judy Soyring, Camryn Closs, Breann Hillman; Lector- Bonnie Billings; Communion Asst – Dukerschein; Acolyte: Nolan Kammerud.

Book Discussion: The book group will meet TODAY at 10:30am in the Fireside Room. The book for May is <u>The Birthright</u> by Janette Oke and T. Davis Bunn.

Feed My People Delivery: Volunteers are needed on Monday, May 20 at 9:15am to help unload the Feed My People delivery and stock food pantry shelves.

Council Meeting: The Church Council will meet on Tuesday, May 21 at 6:30pm.

Vacation Bible School: VBS will be held Monday, July 22 through Wednesday, July 24 from 5:00-7:30pm. A light supper will be served each evening. The Parish Education Committee is seeking volunteers to help with this event. If you have questions or would like to help, please contact Laura Johnson (715-579-9363).

Livestream Sponsorship: Our worship service is livestreamed to the church's YouTube channel each Sunday. If you would like to sponsor a broadcast, please sign up on the bulletin board in the narthex. The suggested donation if \$50. Proceeds go towards keeping the technology needed for this ministry up-to-date.

Prayer Requests: If you would like to have someone placed on the prayer chain and/or the prayer list in the Sunday bulletin, please contact the church office (<u>hlcladysmith@gmail.com</u> or 715-532-7739). If you have asked to have someone listed in the prayers, please give periodic updates so that we can keep the list up-to-date.

Adult VBS: Bethany and Bethel Lutheran Church (Catawba & Hawkins) invite you to participate in their 1st Annual Adult Vacation Bible School. This event will take place August 19-22 from 12:00-2:00pm at Bethany Lutheran Church in Catawba. The theme is "From the Mountain Top to the Doorstep: Faith and Footsteps". The days will include a Bible lesson, songs, crafts, and refreshments. There is no charge to attend, but pre-registration is requested by June 2. To register, please contact Pastor Hailey at 715-567-0561 or by emailing the church office at bethany_bethel@yahoo.com.

A Week of Hope

Today	9:00am Worship
	10:00am Fellowship
	10:30am Book Discussion
	6:30pm Marriage Enrichment Group
Monday	9:15am Feed My People Delivery
Tuesday	6:30pm Council Meeting
Sunday	9:00am Worship
-	10:00am Fellowship



Congratulations to our Graduates!

Kaden Becker Son of Craig & Carrie Becker

Future Plans

CVTC for HVACR

Favorite "Hope" Memory

VBS Camping Trips

Camryn Closs Daughter of Mike & Carla Closs

Future Plans

Winona State University for Nursing

Favorite "Hope" Memory

Mission Trip to North Carolina and Donuts & Devotions

Breann Hillman Daughter of Jon & Brooke Hillman

Future Plans

University of Minnesota - Mankato

<u>Favorite "Hope" Memory</u> Youth Conference at Three Bears Lodge