



Hope Lutheran Church

Ladysmith, Wisconsin

A Week of Hope

Today **8:30am Early Risers** – All are welcome to join us prior to Worship, for coffee, donuts & conversation Building friendship & community!
9:00am Sunday Worship with Pastor Sokolowski
10:00am Fellowship
10:30am Bible Study: *Seventy Times Seven*

Monday  **Labor Day** 

Church Office Closed
 NO Feed My People Delivery
 Food Pantry Closed

Wednesday 6:00pm-7:30pm Griefshare

Thursday 11:30 Meal of the Month at East Bay in Holcombe

Friday 9:30am-12:30pm Food Pantry

REMINDER **Bulletin content is due before 9:00am Wednesday's**



Fifteenth Sunday of Pentecost
 September 6th, 2026 – 9am Service

Prelude: *"Amazing Grace/ My Chains are Gone"*

Vicki Monnier

Welcome and Announcements

❖ Please Rise

Confession and 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

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

(silence for reflection and self-examination)

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 Hymn: *"The Lord Is Present"*

Blue Book, page 6

Greeting

P: 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.

Holy Communion: We are celebrating the sacrament of Holy Communion during our service today. As a congregation of the North American Lutheran Church (NALC), all are welcome to receive the Lords's Body and Blood who are baptized and believe that Jesus Christ, crucified and risen, is truly present in with, and under the forms of bread and wine in this sacrament for the forgiveness of sins, life, and salvation.

Prayer Concerns: Health Concerns – Laurie Lemke, Jim Stewart, Nancy Burmeister, Ken Parejko, John Hoover, Amy Heath, Becky Kileteny, Myles, Colby Overhagen, Lois Hoople; Homebound members and nursing home residents. Call Committee and their search for a pastor.

A Special Thank You to all who give of themselves and dedicate their talents as Worship Assistants. You are very appreciated, **Thank You!**

Worship Assistants: Ushers—Aileen Tauchen and Jeff Johnson; Lector—Irene Titera; Communion Asst— Irene Titera; AV Technical Assistant—Julie Kammerud; Music- Karen Tappon; Special Music—Vicki Monnier, Karen & Wayne Tappon,

Upcoming HLC Confirmation Schedule, the following Wednesdays from 6:00pm – 7:30pm, please mark your calendar: September 23rd, October 14th & 28th, November 11th & 25th—no class, December 9th & 30th—no class.

The Walk for Life fundraiser is Saturday, September 19th. Our church team will be asking for donations and walkers in the days ahead. Please pray how you can help Choices' help and minister to the young women of our community. Team members are Virginia Jacobs & Rosemary Johnson. Thank you.

Fresh produce would be welcomed for the Food Pantry. Please give as you are able. The Food Pantry is open on Monday's 12:00pm – 3:00pm and Friday's 9:30am – 12:30pm Thank You!



HLC Prayer Chain is being reestablished. Want to be a HLC Prayer Partner? Sign up with an email request to the Church Office at hlladysmith@gmail.com Notifications for prayer will be sent via email.

Distribution of Holy Communion:
"Jesus, Lamb of God" page 44

Hymn: "Sons of God" Vicki, Karen, Wayne
"Jesus, Loves Me" page 23

❖ Please rise for the Blessing

Post-Communion Blessing

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C: Amen.

Post-Communion Prayer

P: Let us pray. We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life. In your mercy, strength us through this gift, in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen

Special Music: "As You Go On Your Way" Vicki, Karen, Wayne

Benediction

Sending Hymn: "To Be Alive" page 35

Dismissal

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord

C: Thanks be to God

Postlude

Karen Tappon

Hymn of Praise: "This is the Day" page 7

Prayer of the Day

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you

P: Let us pray.

C: O Lord, always lead and follow us with your grace, that we may be still more intent on doing good. Grant this, we pray, through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

❖ Please be seated

Hymn: "Thy Word" page 40

First Reading: Ezekiel 33:7-9

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God

Responsive Reading: Psalm 32:1-8

L: Happy are they whose transgressions are forgiven,

C: and whose sin is put away!

L: Happy are they to whom the Lord imputes no guilt,

C: and in whose spirit there is no guile!

L: While I held my tongue, my bones withered away,

C: because of my groaning all day long.

L: For your hand was heavy upon me day and night;

C: my moisture was dried up as in the heat of summer.

L: Then I acknowledged my sin to you,

C: and did not conceal my guilt.

L: I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the Lord."

C: Then you forgave me the guilt of my sin.

L: Therefore all the faithful will make their prayers to you in time of trouble;

C: when the great waters overflow, they shall not reach them.

L: You are my hiding-place; you preserve me from trouble;

C: you surround me with shouts of deliverance.

Second Reading: Romans 13:1-10

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

❖ Please rise for the reading of the Gospel

Gospel Acclamation: *"Alleluia! To Whom Shall We Go"* page 16

**Alleluia! To whom shall we go? Alleluia! To whom shall we go?
Alleluia! To whom shall we go? For you have the words that we
need to know. Alleluia! Alleluia!**

Gospel: Matthew 18:1-20

Sermon Pastor Glenn Sokoloski

❖ Please rise for the hymn

Hymn of the Day: *"Pass It On"* page 21

Confession of Faith: Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was
conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin
Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and
was buried. He descended into Hell. On the third day he rose
again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand
of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and 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 life everlasting. Amen.**

The Prayers: ...Lord, in your mercy, **C: Hear our prayer.**

Sharing of the Peace

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: And also with you.

❖ Please be seated

Offering *"I'll Fly Away"*

Presentation of the Offering: *"Doxology"*

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Offertory Prayer

P: Merciful Father,

**C: We offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given
us—ourselves, 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.**

The Great Thanksgiving

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P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Preface: It is right and salutary, etc

Sanctus: (spoken)

Holy, holy, holy Lord. God of power and might.

Heav'n and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.

Words of Institution

The Lord's Prayer

**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.**