

All Members, a reminder to fill out "Time & Talent" forms and return to the church office mailbox. Thank you.

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 Glenn Sokolowski** **10:00am Fellowship** **10:30am Book Club** with Shari Grillo
Monday	12:00pm-3:00pm Food Pantry
Tuesday	9:00am Quilters 6:30pm Church Council Meeting
Wednesday	3:30pm-4:30pm WOW/Wednesday School 6:00pm-7:30pm GriefShare
Thursday	9:30am HLCW meeting
Friday	9:30am-12:30pm Food Pantry
*REMINDER	*** Sign-Up for the Community Thanksgiving Dinner workers, monetary donations & pie are needed***
**REMINDER	**Bulletin content is due before 9:00am Wednesday's**

Hope Lutheran Church

Ladysmith, Wisconsin



Twenty-Fifth Sunday of Pentecost
November 15th, 2026 – 9am Service

Prelude: "*My Heart is Filled With Thankfulness*" on screen Lisa Borman

Welcome and Announcements

Temple Talk: "Operation Christmas Child" George Lawrence

- ❖ 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: "*Gather Us In*" # 532

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** – Chris Kamke, Wanda Kramer, Jim Stewart, 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.

Worship Assistants: Ushers—Pat & Gerald McEathron; Lector—Irene Titera; Communion Assistant—Gerald McEathron; AV Technical Assistant— Dave Borman; Music— Lisa Borman; Acolyte—Jazmyn Summerfield

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

Upcoming HLC Confirmation is scheduled on the following Wednesdays from 6:00pm – 7:30pm, please mark your calendar: November 25th–no class, December 9th, and December 30th-no class.

There is a new Bible Study to be led by Pastor Mark Homp on each of the first and second Sundays of the month. Come and learn about the Book of James. You are all welcome to join.

The WOW (Worship on Wednesday) Kids are collecting nonperishable food items, during the month of November, to support Hope's food pantry. There will be collection boxes in the narthex for your donations. Thank you for your generosity. – WOW kids

Wednesday School has been renamed WOW (Worship on Wednesdays). WOW Registration forms are located in the hallway on Youth Education bulletin board, on the HLC website, or by contacting the church office. Children can ride the bus #9 from LES. All are welcome.

GriefShare has 2 sessions remaining. Support Group will meet at Hope Lutheran Church from 6:00 to 7:30 on Wednesday, November 18th and the final meeting on December 9th 2026

Distribution of Holy Communion:
"*O Lamb of God*" *(ELW) setting10* page 208

Hymn: "*Let Us Break Bread Together*" # 471
"*Chief of Sinners Though I Be*" # 609

❖ 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, strengthen 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

Benediction

Sending Hymn: "*How Great Thou Art*" # 856

Dismissal
P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord
C: Thanks be to God

Postlude Lisa Borman

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Hymn of Praise: "Now Thank *We All Our God"* # 840

Prayer of the Day

P: The Lord be with you. **C: And also with you**
P: Let us pray.
C: Lord God, rule and govern our hearts and minds by your Holy Spirit, that while keeping the end of all things in mind, we may be stirred up to holiness in this life and come to be with you forever in that life to come. 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

First Reading: Zephaniah 1:7-16

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

Responsive Reading: Psalm 90:1-12

L: Lord, you have been our refuge
C: from one generation to another.
L: Before the mountains were brought forth,
C: or the land and the earth were born, from age to age you are God.
L: You turn us back to the dust and say,
C: "Go back, O child of earth."
L: For a thousand years in your sight are like yesterday when it is past
C: and like a watch in the night.
L: You sweep us away like a dream;
C: we fade away suddenly like the grass.
L: In the morning it is green and flourishes;
C: in the evening it is dried up and withered.
L: For we consume away in your displeasure;
C: we are afraid because of your wrathful indignation.
L: Our iniquities you have set before you,
C: and our secret sins in the light of your countenance.
L: When you are angry all our days are gone;
C: we bring our years to an end like a sigh.
L: The span of our life is seventy years, perhaps in strength even eighty;

C: yet the sum of them is but labor and sorrow, for they pass away quickly and we are gone.
L: Who regards the power of your wrath?
C: Who rightly fears your indignation?
L: So teach us to number our days,
C: that we may apply our hearts to wisdom.

Second Reading: 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11

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

❖ Please rise for the reading of the Gospel

Gospel Acclamation: *(ELW) setting10* page 205

Alleluia, Lord and Savior; open now your saving word. Let it burn like fire within us; speak until our hearts are stirred. Alleluia, Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

Gospel: Matthew 25:14-30

Sermon Pastor Glenn Sokolowski

❖ Please rise for the hymn

Hymn of the Day: *"My Heart Is Filled With Thankfulness"* on screen

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

Presentation of Offering: "*We Give Thee but Thine Own*" # 686

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
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…

Sanctus:
"*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.