**Sunday, September 14, 2025**

**14th Sunday after Pentecost**

**Service of the Word, WOV**

**Welcome to worship at Hope!**

Our service follows a four-fold pattern of GATHERING as the Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God; WORD as God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song; THANKSGIVING as we give thanks for the Word and all God’s gifts; and SENDING as God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world. Texts you need for worship are projected; hymns and scripture readings for today are printed below.

## Icon1 Lectionary 24C (No Frame) THEMES OF WORSHIP TODAY

The grumbling of the religious leaders in today’s gospel is actually our holy hope: This Jesus welcomes sinners and eats with them. That our God seeks and saves the lost is not only a holy hope, it is our only hope. As the writer of 1 Timothy reminds us, “The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners.” Thanks be to God.

**Today we will remember in our prayers:**

*Tim H, Janette K, Robert K, Keal K,*

*Erika K, Haydn, Sophie L, Murray M.*

## SERVING TODAY

Presiding: Pastor Greg Smith

Accompanist: Joyce McKenny

Reader: Joanne Seminuk

Ushers: Gary Watson

***Thanks to all who helped serve today!***

*The flowers today are given by Ada Lo from the Calgary Unity Lutheran Church.*

## TODAY’S SERVICE – SOW

**GATHERING**

*The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.*

Welcome

Greeting

**Gathering Song:**

**Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing ELW 807**

Prayer of the Day

**WORD**

*God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.*

First Reading: **Exodus 32:7-14**

Psalm: **Psalm 51:1-10**

Second Reading: **1 Timothy 1:12-17**

Gospel Acclamation: Word of life WOV p. 48

Gospel: **Luke 15:1-10**

Sermon

**Hymn of the Day:**

**The King of Love My Shepherd Is ELW 502**

Response to the Word: Creed and Confession (WOV p. 49)

Peace

**Offering Song:**

**Create in Me a Clean Heart ELW 185**

Prayers of Intercession (God of grace, ***receive our prayer*.**)

Lord’s Prayer

**SENDING**

*God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.*

Announcements

Blessing

**Sending Song:**

**Amazing Grace ELW 779**

## WEEK AT A GLANCE

**Tuesday: 10am – Stitching for Hope**

**Wednesday: 10am - Bible Study**

**Saturday, Sept. 20: 9am – “Pudding Party” at Hope**

## COMING UP AT HOPE

**Carrot Pudding – “Pudding Party”**

Saturday, Sept. 20th at 9am. We are hoping to share the "how to" of this delicious tradition! The jars of pudding will be sold at our fall fair on Saturday, Oct. 18th. *Contact Zena if you can help with this work bee.*

**COTTAGE MEETINGS WITH PASTOR GREG** – sign up on the Nurturing Connections board for an upcoming afternoon visit with Pastor Greg. *(see insert for more information)*

**MEMORIAL SERVICE** for Kathryn Jamieson will be held Saturday, October 4th, 1:00pm at Hope Lutheran Church.

**Fall Fair at Hope - Saturday, October 18th 10am – 2pm.**

Calling all crafters and bakers! Book your own table or join one of the Hope tables. We will need help with set up and take down, café help, and more. This event is all about community outreach, fellowship and skill development! Contact the office to find out how you can get involved!

**New Members Sunday – October 26**

If you are interested in becoming a Hope Lutheran member, please contact Pastor Greg.

**Ushers are needed!**

The slate is empty all the way to Christmas! Please help out!

**Coffee sign up Sheet**

There are many empty spaces here as well! Don’t know what to do but want to help? Just ask!

*Baking for Sunday fellowship is always appreciated!*

**A CALL FOR CHRISTMAS TALES**

Whether it’s the time the cat toppled the tree, Grandma’s legendary fruitcake fiasco, or a heartwarming moment that still makes you smile, Terrie Coombs (ABT Editor, Canada Lutheran) wants to hear it all! Share your stories – funny, touching, or delightfully chaotic – for the December issue of the Canada Lutheran magazine and help spread some holiday cheer. Please email Terrie with your yuletide snippets at terrie4645@gmail.com by Sept. 17th and let’s make this season merry, bright and full of unforgettable tales!

**Taizé Service – Sunday, September 21 - 7:30 pm**

An evening of prayer, singing, and silence. All are welcome. St. Laurence Anglican Church 5940 Lakeview Dr. SW.

*Do you have program suggestions or event ideas for the fall – contact Zena coordinator@hopelutheran.ca*

**Check the church website for more information**

**www.hopelutheran.ca**

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***Office hours Monday – Thursday 9am to 3pm***

***Pastor’s Office Hours: Monday – Wednesday 9:00 am – noon***