



Sunday March 22, 2026

**5th Sunday in Lent
New Worship Service**

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; in the MEAL as God feeds us with the presence of Christ 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.

THEMES OF WORSHIP TODAY



In today's gospel Jesus reveals his power over death by raising Lazarus from the dead. The prophet Ezekiel prophesies God breathing new life into dry bones. To those in exile or living in the shadows of death, these stories proclaim God's promise of resurrection. In baptism we die with Christ that we might also be raised with him to new life. At the Easter Vigil we will welcome the newly baptized as we remember God's unfailing promise in our baptism.

Today we will remember in our prayers:
Norma K., Brigitte W., Susan B., Lori & Toni T.

SERVING TODAY

Presiding:	Pastor Greg Smith
Accompanist:	Anne Harding
Reader:	Bernie Blieske
Usher:	Steve Medhurst

GATHERING

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

Prelude: Above All - Hope Song Book (Led by Worship Team)

Welcome and Call to Worship

Gathering Song: Here I Am To Worship - Hope Song Book

Prayer of the Day

WORD

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

First Reading: **Ezekiel 37:1-14**

Psalm: **Psalm 130**

Second Reading: **Romans 8:6-11**

Song: Above All - Hope Song Book (Led by the Worship Team)

Gospel **John 11:1-45**

Children's Message

SERMON

Post Sermon Song: He Knows My Name - Hope Song Book

Offering

Offering Song: Great is Thy Faithfulness

Offering Prayer

Prayers of Intercession

Communion

Songs During Communion:

Turn, Turn, Turn

Goodness of God

Post Communion Prayer

Announcements

SENDING

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

Blessing

Sending Song: Across the Land (HS #19)

Postlude: Instrument reprise of Across the Land

Dismissal

WEEK AT A GLANCE

*Office Hours: Monday - Thursday 9am – 12pm
CLOSED FRIDAYS*

MONDAY:	
TUESDAY:	10:00 am Stitching for Hope 11:30 am Mindful Movements
WEDNESDAY:	10:00 am Bible Study 5:30 pm The Gathering Table (last one)
THURSDAY:	10:00 am Work of Art
FRIDAY:	
SATURDAY:	
SUNDAY:	10:00 am PALM SUNDAY <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Worship and Sacrament• Kids Camp Sunday at Advent

COMING UP AT HOPE

WELCOME TO HOPE MEETING

Last week, members of Unity Mission voted strongly affirmative to dissolve their mission and become members of Hope. Read the weekly email for more details. Today after worship, Pastor Greg will meet with folks from the Chinese Unity community who would like to become members of Hope.

MINDFUL MOVEMENTS - NEW SESSION

Tuesday March 24, 11:30am – 2nd last class of the session...
bonus class added for March 31!

THE GATHERING TABLE – join us for the last Gathering Table on March 25. Simple supper at 5:30pm followed by a short service at 6:30. We were unable to arrange an accompanist so it will not be Holden Evening prayer.

CAMP KURIAKOS FUNDRAISER

April 25, 2026, at the Nexsource Centre in Sylvan Lake. May it be a meaningful time of community, renewal, and seeing what God continues to do through Kuriakos.

Family Camp at Kuriakos July 12 – 17, 2026. Some Hope families are planning to attend this family camp. We “hope” you can join us!

KIDS CAMP will be held Sunday March 29 at Advent Lutheran. Mark your calendar! Please sign up ASAP to attend. It really helps the organizers with planning if they know how many children/ youth and the age of participants they will have. Find the sign up link in our weekly email.

HOLY WEEK

Palm Sunday - March 29, 10:00am with Holy Communion

Maundy Thursday - April 2, 7:00pm

Good Friday - April 3, 10:00am at **ADVENT LUTHERAN CHURCH**

* *There will not be a Good Friday service at Hope this year.*

* Confirmands will participate in the service at Advent and then they will have class afterward - confirmands, please attend!

* Easter Sunday - April 5, 10:00am with Holy Communion

* All children age 4+ are welcome to join us for Sunday School. We will begin in church together

* Please stay after for hotcross buns AND an Easter Egg hunt!

We are looking for folks to sign up on the coffee sheet March 29th onward - your help is so appreciated!

A reminder to wear your nametag on Sundays! We will be placing a name tag order soon, so please sign up if you need one. NOTE: the cost of names tags is covered by church funds, but they are a bit pricey, so please take good care of yours and wear it for church events!

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