



Sunday, September 13, 2026
16th Sunday after Pentecost

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.

THEMES OF WORSHIP TODAY

In today's second reading Paul questions why we judge one another, since we all stand before the judgment of God. Yet we do sin against one another, and Jesus' challenge that we forgive seventy-seven times reveals God's boundless mercy. When we hear the words of forgiveness in worship and sign ourselves with the cross, we are renewed in baptism to be signs of reconciliation in the world.



Today we will hold in our prayers:

*Debbie K.; Charlotte L.; Brian S.; Caron C.; Joanne H.;
Christian W.; Ute L, Hal S.*

SERVING TODAY

Presiding:	Ben Lukenchuk
Accompanist:	Anne Harding
Reader:	Brenda Waller
Ushers:	Janet Gattinger

Thanks to all who helped serve today! Flowers today are given by Warren & Kim Harding in honour of their 13th wedding anniversary

TODAY'S SERVICE

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GATHERING

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

Prelude: 10,000 Reasons (Bless the Lord, O My Soul)

Welcome

Gathering Song: **Here I Am to Worship**

Time of Reflection: Heart of Forgiveness

Confession & Forgiveness

Prayer of the Day

WORD

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

First Reading: **Genesis 50:15-21**

Psalms: **Psalms 103:[1-7] 8-13**

Second Reading: **Romans 14:1-12**

Children's Message

Gospel Acclamation: **Chorus from 10,000 Reasons**

Gospel: **Matthew 18:21-35**

Sermon: Ben Lukenchuk

Hymn of the Day: **You Are Mine ELW 581**

Creed

Prayers of Intercession (Hear us, O God. Your mercy is great.)

Peace

Offering

Offering Song: **As the Deer**

Offering Prayer

Lord's Prayer

SENDING

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

Announcements

Blessing

Sending Song: **Freely, Freely**

Dismissal

WEEK AT A GLANCE

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

MONDAY:	
TUESDAY:	10:00 am Stitching for Hope 7:00 pm Council Meeting
WEDNESDAY:	10:00 am Work of Art 10:00 am Bible study resumes
THURSDAY:	
FRIDAY:	9am-4pm - Salsa Making (Kitchen)
SATURDAY:	
SUNDAY:	11:30am Dim Sum Lunch

COMING UP AT HOPE

HOPE FAMILIES Softball game cancelled due to low registration.

Highwood Lutheran Church special 70th Anniversary celebration Worship Service - TODAY Sunday, 13 September 2026, at 10:30 AM. Join as they look back on seven decades of history with a display of photos and memorabilia, followed by a reception after the Service. Spread the word & bring a friend!

SALSA PARTY - Friday, Sept 18. We will be making salsa for our Christmas market. There are two time slots: 9:00-11:30am and 1:00-3:30pm. Please sign up on the Nurturing Connections board to assist with one or both! Hot plates needed. *Donations of half-litre jars would be appreciated!*

MID-AUTUMN SING & BELONG TOGETHER – Saturday, Sept. 26, 7:00-8:30pm at Hope Lutheran Church. Through music, stories, and fellowship, we will learn about the experiences and challenges faced by Hongkongers in Canada and explore how we can offer understanding, encouragement, and support. Featuring the Calgary Chinese Oratorio Society. All are welcome! Please register; see the weekly email Bulletin or September Anchor for link.

Youth Group Laser Tag Event: Saturday, Sept. 26th, 7-9pm, at Laser City 125-572 Aero Drive NE) Signup by Sept. 23rd Please register; see the weekly email Bulletin or September Anchor for link.

Camp Sunday: September 27th at Hope Lutheran Church, 9:30am -1:00pm. **Theme:** Mid-Autumn Festival fun! We will be learning from our Chinese members about traditional stories, food, crafts! Lunch will be provided.

Signup: www.adventlutheran.ca/camp-sunday

MEN'S BREAKFAST – 8:30am on the first Saturday of each month, Cora's in Brentwood. Join for breakfast and conversation. Next event is October 3.

HOPE & HOLLY CHRISTMAS MARKET - Saturday, Nov. 28, 10am-2pm at Hope Lutheran Church. Handmade locally sourced crafts, baking, preserves, seasonal goods, & more! Become a vendor! Member price: \$25/table, non-member price: \$40/table. Register today! Contact: Deborah Leung at 403-282-6033 or manager@hopelutheran

Hope joyfully **welcomes Cheuk Long “Markus” Lee as our new Part-time Children & Youth Coordinator.** Please see the September Anchor for the full announcement. Please join us in welcoming Markus to our ministry team!

CONFIRMATION – If you have a child in grades 6-9 who has not yet been Confirmed and would like to join Confirmation this year, please share their name and your family's contact information with the church office.

Meals on Wheels – we are looking for one or two more volunteers to join our Wednesday Hope delivery team. Contact Zena.

Dim Sum on Sundays! Join our Chinese members for Dim Sum lunch after worship. at 11:30am at Edgemont Palace. Contact Deborah for details.

We respectfully acknowledge that we worship on the traditional territories of the Blackfoot Confederacy (Siksika, Kainai, Piikani, the Tsuut'inna, the Iyaxe Nakoda Nations and Metis Nation (Region 3).

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