



Sunday, September 20, 2026
17th 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



Matthew narrates one of Jesus' controversial parables in which Jesus says that the reign of God is like that of a landowner who pays his workers the same wage no matter what time of day they began to work. When God changes God's mind about punishing Nineveh for their evil ways, Jonah is angry. Yet God is gracious and merciful, abounding in

steadfast love. In baptism we receive the grace of God that is freely given to all. As Martin Luther wrote, in the presence of God's mercy we are all beggars.

Today we will hold in our prayers:

Debbie K.; Charlotte; Brian S.; Caron C.; Joanne H.; Ute L

SERVING TODAY

Presiding:	Ben Lukenchuk
Accompanist:	Heather Scholz
Reader:	Sig Zoller
Ushers:	Joanne Seminuk

Thanks to all who helped serve today! Flowers today are given by Marianne Astle in memory of her dad's birthday

TODAY'S SERVICE

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GATHERING

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

Confession & Forgiveness

Gathering Song: **ELW 858 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty**

Welcome

Canticle of Praise (p. 213)

Prayer of the Day

WORD

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

First Reading: **Jonah 3:10—4:11**

Psalms: **Psalms 145:1-8**

Second Reading: **Philippians 1:21-30**

Children's Message

Gospel Acclamation: **Alleluia (p. 216)**

Gospel: **Matthew 20:1-16**

Sermon: Ben Lukenchuk

Hymn of the Day: **ELW 588 There's A Wideness in God's Mercy**

Apostles' Creed

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

Peace

Offering

Offering Song: **ELW 870 We Praise You, O God**

Canticle of Thanksgiving (p. 219)

Lord's Prayer

SENDING

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

Announcements

Blessing

Sending Song: **ELW 881 Let All Things Now Living**

Dismissal

WEEK AT A GLANCE

Office Hours: Monday - Thursday 9am – 12pm

CLOSED FRIDAYS

MONDAY:	
TUESDAY:	10:00 am Stitching for Hope
WEDNESDAY:	10:00 am Work of Art 10:00 am Bible study 12:00 pm Under 100 Club event
THURSDAY:	
FRIDAY:	
SATURDAY:	7:00 pm Mid-Autumn Sing & Belong Together event 7:00 pm Youth Group Laser Tag event
SUNDAY:	9:30 am Camp Sunday at Hope 11:30am Dim Sum Lunch

COMING UP AT HOPE

Under 100 Club - Lunch at the Austrian Canadian Club - **Wednesday, Sept. 23 at 12:00pm**. Sign up on the Nurturing Connections board and please join us!

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

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

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.

Baking for Sunday fellowship – we love cookies with our coffee on Sundays and we are grateful when folks bring them! This isn't a committee and you don't have to sign up - bring any time! Please provide in a ziploc bag or a container you don't need returned (or clearly label your container).

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 Métis Nation within Alberta (Battle River Territory).

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