



Do not seek  
**REVENGE**  
or bear a  
**GRUDGE**  
against anyone... but  
**LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR**  
as yourself.  
**I AM THE LORD.**

## **TRINITY THREE**

Living Hope Lutheran . . . . . June 21, 2026

# LIVING HOPE LUTHERAN

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**The Good Samaritan**



**Divine Worship. . . 11am**

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### PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP:

**PSALM: 125**

**PRAYERS: Before Communing (Inside Cover, LSB);**

**Thanksgiving after receiving the Sacrament (Insider Cover, LSB).**

**HYMNS: LSB 869 LSB 571 LSB 524**

### PRAYER

**OPENING HYMN: LSB 869 - *“With the Lord Begin Your Task”***

**A SERVICE OF WORD AND SACRAMENT** (Setting 2, WS Pg. 12)

**Pastor: In the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.**

**Congregation: Amen.**

**Pastor: We have come into the presence of God, who created us to love and serve Him as His dear children. But we have disobeyed Him and deserve only His wrath and punishment. Therefore, let us confess our sins to Him and plead for His mercy.**

**Congregation: Merciful Father in heaven, I am altogether sinful from birth. In countless ways I have sinned against You and do not deserve to be called Your child. But trusting in Jesus, my Savior, I pray: Have mercy on me according to Your unfailing love. Cleanse me from my sin, and take away my guilt.**

**P:** God, our heavenly Father, has forgiven all your sins. By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ, He has removed your guilt forever. You are His own dear child. May God give you strength to live according to His will.

**C: Amen.**

- C: ♪ Lord, have mercy on us.  
Christ, have mercy on us.  
Lord, have mercy on us.
- C: ♪ Glory to God, we give You thanks and praise;  
Of heav'nly joy and peace on earth we sing.  
We worship You, to You our hearts we raise,  
Lord God, almighty Father, heav'nly King.
- ♪ Lord Jesus Christ, the Father's only Son,  
You bore for us the load of this world's sin.  
O Lamb of God, Your glorious vict'ry won,  
Receive our prayer, grant us Your peace within.
- ♪ Alone, O Christ, You only are the Lord,  
At God's right hand in majesty most high:  
Who, with the Spirit worshiped and adored,  
With all the heav'n-ly host we glorify.

**Pastor:** Let us pray...through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever." **C: Amen.**

### **OT LESSON:**

### **ISAIAH 12:1-6**

*You will say in that day:*

*"I will give thanks to you, O Lord, for though you were angry with me, your anger turned away, that you might comfort me. <sup>2</sup> "Behold, God is my salvation; I will trust, and will not be afraid; for the Lord God is my strength and my song, and he has become my salvation." <sup>3</sup> With joy you will draw water from the wells of salvation. <sup>4</sup> And you will say in that day: "Give thanks to the Lord, call upon his name, make known his deeds among the peoples, proclaim that his name is exalted. <sup>5</sup> "Sing praises to the Lord, for he has done gloriously; let this be made known in all the earth. <sup>6</sup> Shout, and sing for joy, O inhabitant of Zion, for great in your midst is the Holy One of Israel." \**

### **EPISTLE:**

### **ACTS 3:1-16**

Now Peter and John were going up to the temple at the hour of prayer, the ninth hour. <sup>2</sup>And a man lame from birth was being carried, whom they laid daily at the gate of the temple that is called the Beautiful Gate to ask alms of those entering the temple. <sup>3</sup>Seeing Peter and John about to go into the temple, he asked to receive alms. <sup>4</sup>And Peter directed his gaze at him, as did John, and said, "Look at us."

<sup>5</sup>And he fixed his attention on them, expecting to receive something from them. <sup>6</sup>But Peter said, "I have no silver and gold, but what I do have I give to you. In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, rise up and walk!" <sup>7</sup>And he took him by the right hand and raised him up, and immediately his feet and ankles were made strong. <sup>8</sup>And leaping up, he stood and began to walk, and entered the temple with them, walking and leaping and praising God. <sup>9</sup>And all the people saw him walking and praising God, <sup>10</sup>and recognized him as the one who sat at the Beautiful Gate of the temple, asking for alms. And they were filled with wonder and amazement at what had happened to him. <sup>11</sup>While he clung to Peter and John, all the people, utterly astounded, ran together to them in the portico called Solomon's. <sup>12</sup>And when Peter saw it he addressed the people: "Men of Israel, why do you wonder at this, or why do you stare at us, as though by our own power or piety we have made him walk? <sup>13</sup>The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our fathers, glorified his servant Jesus, whom you delivered over and denied in the presence of Pilate, when he had decided to release him. <sup>14</sup>But you denied the Holy and Righteous One, and asked for a murderer to be granted to you, <sup>15</sup>and you killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses. <sup>16</sup>And his name—by faith in his name—has made this man strong whom you see and know, and the faith that is through Jesus has given the man this perfect health in the presence of you all. \*

### **GOSPEL:**

### **LUKE 14:15-24**

<sup>15</sup>When one of those who reclined at table with him heard these things, he said to him, "Blessed is everyone who will eat bread in the kingdom of God!" <sup>16</sup>But he said to him, "A man once gave a great banquet and invited many. <sup>17</sup>And at the time for the banquet he sent his servant to say to those who had been invited, 'Come, for everything is now ready.' <sup>18</sup>But they all alike began to make excuses. The first said to him, 'I have bought a field, and I must go out and see it. Please have me excused.' <sup>19</sup>And another said, 'I have bought five yoke of oxen, and I go to examine them. Please have me excused.' <sup>20</sup>And another said, 'I have married a wife, and therefore I cannot come.'

<sup>21</sup> So the servant came and reported these things to his master. Then the master of the house became angry and said to his servant, 'Go out quickly to the streets and lanes of the city, and bring in the poor and crippled and blind and lame.' <sup>22</sup> And the servant said, 'Sir, what you commanded has been done, and still there is room.' <sup>23</sup> And the master said to the servant, 'Go out to the highways and hedges and compel people to come in, that my house may be filled. <sup>24</sup> For I tell you, none of those men who were invited shall taste my banquet.' " \*

### **THE ALLELUIA:**

**Pastor:** Blessed are they who hear the Word of God and keep it.

### **Congregation:**

♪ Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! These words are written that we may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

### **CONFESSION OF FAITH:**

### **APOSTLES CREED**

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord; Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, Born of the Virgin Mary; Suffered under Pontius Pilate, Was crucified, died and was buried; He descended into hell, the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven And is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; From there He will come to judge the living and the dead;

I believe in the Holy Spirit; The holy Christian Church, the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; The resurrection of the body, And the life everlasting. Amen.

**HYMN: LSB 571** - *"God Loved the World So That He Gave"*

### **THE SERMON:**

### **LUKE 10:23-37**

<sup>23</sup> Then He turned to His disciples and said privately, "Blessed are the eyes which see the things you see; <sup>24</sup> for I tell you that many prophets and kings have desired to see what you see, and have not seen it, and to hear what you hear, and have not heard it." <sup>25</sup> And behold, a certain lawyer stood up and tested Him, saying, "Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?" <sup>26</sup> He said to him, "What is written in the law? What is your reading of it?"

<sup>27</sup> So he answered and said, “You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your strength, and with all your mind,’ and ‘your neighbor as yourself.” <sup>28</sup> And He said to him, “You have answered rightly; do this and you will live.” <sup>29</sup> But he, wanting to justify himself, said to Jesus, “And who is my neighbor?” <sup>30</sup> Then Jesus answered and said: “A certain man went down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell among thieves, who stripped him of his clothing, wounded him, and departed, leaving him half dead. <sup>31</sup> Now by chance a certain priest came down that road. And when he saw him, he passed by on the other side. <sup>32</sup> Likewise a Levite, when he arrived at the place, came and looked, and passed by on the other side.

<sup>33</sup> But a certain Samaritan, as he journeyed, came where he was. And when he saw him, he had compassion. <sup>34</sup> So he went to him and bandaged his wounds, pouring on oil and wine; and he set him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him. <sup>35</sup> On the next day, when he departed, he took out two denarii, gave them to the innkeeper, and said to him, ‘Take care of him; and whatever more you spend, when I come again, I will repay you.’ <sup>36</sup> So which of these three do you think was neighbor to him who fell among the thieves?” <sup>37</sup> And he said, “He who showed mercy on him.” Then Jesus said to him, “Go and do likewise.” \*\*

## **WHAT DO I HAFTA DO?**

### **THE OFFERTORY**

♪ Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from your presence. Take not Your Holy Spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of Your salvation. Uphold with Your Spirit free.

### **THE OFFERINGS OF THANKFUL HEARTS**

We express our thanksgiving for what the Savior Jesus has done for us by supporting His Work with our time, talents and gifts. Should you wish to leave a gift, the offering plates are passed at this time.

## THE OFFERING HYMN

(TLH 244:1-3)

♪ Glory be to God the Father, Glory be to God the Son, Glory be to God the Spirit: Great Jehovah, Three in One! Glory, glory, While eternal ages run!

♪ Glory be to Him who loved us, Washed us from each spot and stain; Glory be to Him who bought us, Made us kings with Him to reign! Glory, glory, To the Lamb that once was slain!

♪ Glory to the King of angels, Glory to the Church's King, Glory to the King of nations; Heaven and earth, your praises bring! Glory, glory, To the King of Glory sing!

## PRAYER(S) /THE LORD'S PRAYER

THE BENEDICTION: (Pastor) CONGREGATION: "Amen."

CLOSING HYMN: LSB 746 - "Through Jesus' Blood and Merit"

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

June 21, 2026

### THIS WEEK

Tuesday: LM Mission Committee 6pm

Thursday-Sunday: 37<sup>th</sup> CLC Convention, EC, WI

Sunday: Worship 11am

### HOLY COMMUNION

*Living Hope's Council determined that Holy Communion would be offered on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of each month during the vacancy. If any member should desire private communion, they need only speak with Pastor Schaller who would be happy to provide it.*

### DAILY REST/SPOKESMAN RENEWALS

*If you wish to renew your Daily Rest or Spokesman Subscription, please indicate so on the signup sheets on the counter by the visitor register or contact Mr. Jacob Dumke.*

### VBS RESCHEDULE

*The Living Hope Vacation Bible School has been rescheduled to July 20-24, 2026.*

## CLC Financial Report - May 2026

Operating Funds	Balance 7/1/2025	YTD Revenue	YTD Disbursed	Budget 11 Months	Balance 5/31/2026
General Fund	0	1,047,804	1,122,053	1,159,675	(74,249)
ILC Operations (incl. CLC subsidy)	0	1,738,510	1,550,693	1,627,120	187,817
<b>Auxiliary Funds</b>					
ILC Improvement Fund (IF)	99,143	34,680	91,982		41,841
ILC Building Projects	2,066,713	499,213	340		2,565,586
Mission Development Fund (MDF)	148,402	307,726	242,057		214,071
Kinship	169,472	214,538	206,250		177,760
Church Extension Fund (CEF)	2,503,796	991,676	1,048,231		2,447,241
Student Aid Fund (SAF)	101,689	158,626	226,991		33,324
EduK8 Fund	70,311	68,330	30,000		108,641
Reserve Fund	103,629	3,474	0		107,103
<b>Auxiliary Funds Totals</b>	<b>\$5,263,155</b>	<b>\$2,278,263</b>	<b>\$1,845,851</b>		<b>\$5,695,567</b>

**General Fund** – Our deficit in the General Fund increased since last month, and now sits at almost \$75,000. We have not met our budget for the past several years and while we have been blessed to have a reserve fund that has covered our shortfall, eventually that fund will run out if this trend continues. With only the remainder of June in our fiscal year, it will be beneficial for each of us to prayerfully consider what we can do to support the General Fund now and in the future. May our Gracious Lord bless our humble efforts.

**ILC Operations** – The balance is ahead of last year at this time by about \$77,000.

**Church Extension Fund** – Revenue in the Church Extension Fund was over \$300,000 this month, largely due to one congregation paying off their loan balance of almost \$240,000.

**Other Auxiliary Funds** – The activity in the other funds in the table above is similar to the activity in the same period a year ago.

*Stephen R. Lentz, CLC Treasurer*  
*Thomas J. Lentz, Chairman, CLC Board of Trustees*

## **CLC CALL NEWS**

*Messiah Lutheran in Eau Claire, Wisconsin has called Pastor Michael Roehl who serves St. Paul Lutheran Church in Bismarck, ND. • Pastor Paul Agenten has returned the call of Holy Cross Lutheran in Phoenix AZ. • Pastor Ben Libby has returned the call of Mount Zion Lutheran Church in Madison Heights (Detroit) MI. • Pastor Johnathan Schnose of Bethel Ev. Lutheran Church in Morris, MN, has been called by St. Luke's Lutheran Church in Lemmon, SD. • Gift of God Lutheran in Mapleton (Fargo) ND and St. Paul's Lutheran of Ponsford, MN have also called Pastor Johnathan Schnose. • Living Hope Lutheran in Appleton, WI, has called Mr. Steve Sydow, who currently serves ILHS/ILC as Counselor • St. John's Lutheran Church in Okabena, MN, has extended two part-time, one-year teaching calls to Lori Ruthenbeck and Lydia Buck.*

### **Missions/Cooperative Budget Plan Pledge 2025-26**

*The Cooperative Budget Plan (CBP) is a pledge established by the Voters of Living Hope to participate in the work of the Church of the Lutheran Confession. This fiscal year runs from July 1, 2025 – June 30, 2026.*

<b>Amount Pledged 2025</b>	<b>Received as of 5/31/26</b>	<b>Amount Remaining</b>	<b>Approximate per Sunday (3)</b>
\$5,500.00	\$5,529.25	\$0	\$0

### **Living Hope General Budget 2026**

*The Voters of Luther Memorial established the General Fund Budget at the Annual Meeting on January 18, 2026. All Budgetary offerings are applied to this budget. This fiscal year runs from January 1, 2026 – December 31, 2026.*

<b>General Budget</b>	<b>Received as of 5/31/26</b>	<b>Amount Remaining</b>	<b>Remaining Amount (30 Sundays)</b>
\$101,679.00	\$27,478.75	\$74,200.25	\$2,473.34

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## HOME DEVOTIONS FOR JUNE 22-27, 2026

**Monday – Luke 15:1-10** Those who consider themselves above “sinners” complain that Jesus is spending too much time with such people. With two pictures, Jesus points to the joy in heaven over what He is doing.

**Tuesday - 1 Peter 5:6-11** While it is the Devil’s goal to devour (v8), it is God’s to lift up (v6), restore, establish, strengthen, support (v10). So much better to be with Him, even in times of anxiety (v6) and suffering (v10)!

**Wednesday – Micah 7:18-20** In a glorious hymn of praise, the prophet praises the God who forgives sinners, shows mercy, and overcomes our guilty deeds. What an invitation this is to come to Him in repentant trust!

**Thursday – Psalm 25:1-11** We pray with David for help in the face of earthly enemies and our own sin (v1-7,11). We pray with confidence because God is good and upright, and teaches the way of mercy and truth (v8-10).

**Friday – Psalm 25:12-22** The one who respects the LORD will follow His guidance and look to Him (v12-15). In the face of every enemy, may He protect us who wait for Him. “Redeem Israel, O God, from all its distress!”

**Saturday - Psalm 119:17-24** As servants of the LORD (v17), and as pilgrims in this world (v19), we seek the help and guidance of the LORD’s testimonies. “Yes, your testimonies are my delights. They are my advisors” (v24).



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