



**Traditional Service 11:00**

**March 1, 2026**

**2nd Sunday in Lent**

*"When was it that we saw you?"*

Hope Lutheran Church  
March 1—11:00 am  
2nd Sunday in Lent



**WELCOME**

Pastor Kevin

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

*He Is Among Us*

Gail Mowry & Ron Prebe

**CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS**

Pastor: Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

**All: Amen.**

Pastor: Let us confess our sin before God, who removes our guilt and blots out all offenses.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

Pastor: Gracious God,

**All: have mercy on us according to your steadfast love.**

Pastor: For seeking worldly delights that deceive us and dishonor you: Gracious God,

**All: have mercy on us according to your steadfast love.**

Pastor: For desiring self-reliance instead of hungering for your word: Gracious God,

**All: have mercy on us according to your steadfast love.**

Pastor: For failing to recognize your coming reign, and for hindering the work of the Spirit: Gracious God,

**All: have mercy on us according to your steadfast love.**

Pastor: For drawing from the well of self-serving ambition, and for disdain the living water Christ offers: Gracious God,

**All: have mercy on us according to your steadfast love.**

Pastor: For disregarding voices from the margin, and for distrusting signs of your healing and hope in the world: Gracious God,

**All: have mercy on us according to your steadfast love.**

Pastor: For dwelling in tombs of self-pity and discontent, and for disregarding Christ's call to come forth to life: Gracious God,

**All: have mercy on us according to your steadfast love.**

Pastor: God's steadfast love, grace, and forgiveness abound. Through faith, the free gift of God, you have been clothed in the righteousness of Christ. In the name of Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. The Spirit of the One who raised Christ from the dead dwells in you, pours God's love into your hearts, and gives you life and peace.

All: **Amen.**

**GATHERING HYMN**

*Bless Now, O God, the Journey*

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**GREETING**

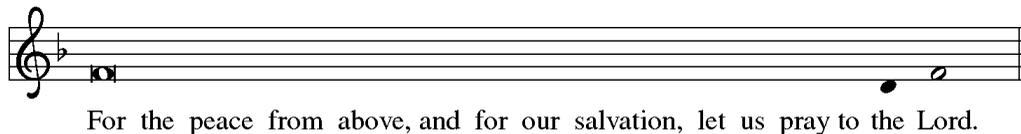
Pastor: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

All: **And also with you.**

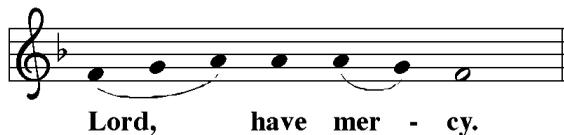
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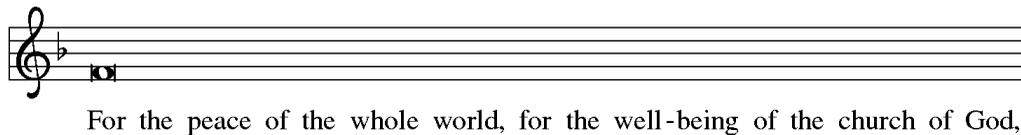
In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**



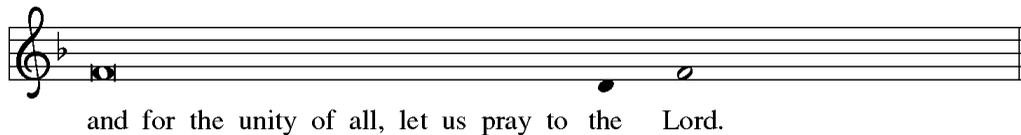
For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



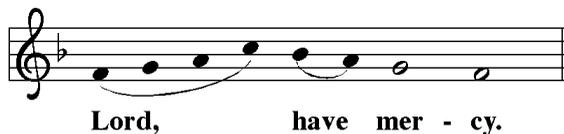
**Lord, have mer - cy.**



For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



**Lord, have mer - cy.**



## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Re - turn to the Lord, your God, for he is gra - cious and mer - ci - ful,  
slow to an - ger, and a - bound - ing in stead - fast love.

## GOSPEL READING

**Luke 7:36-50**

<sup>36</sup> One of the Pharisees asked Jesus to eat with him, and when he went into the Pharisee's house he reclined to dine. <sup>37</sup> And a woman in the city who was a sinner, having learned that he was eating in the Pharisee's house, brought an alabaster jar of ointment. <sup>38</sup> She stood behind him at his feet, weeping, and began to bathe his feet with her tears and to dry them with her hair, kissing his feet and anointing them with the ointment. <sup>39</sup> Now when the Pharisee who had invited him saw it, he said to himself, "If this man were a prophet, he would have known who and what kind of woman this is who is touching him, that she is a sinner." <sup>40</sup> Jesus spoke up and said to him, "Simon, I have something to say to you." "Teacher," he replied, "speak." <sup>41</sup> "A certain moneylender had two debtors; one owed five hundred denarii, and the other fifty. <sup>42</sup> When they could not pay, he canceled the debts for both of them. Now which of them will love him more?" <sup>43</sup> Simon answered, "I suppose the one for whom he canceled the greater debt." And Jesus said to him, "You have judged rightly." <sup>44</sup> Then turning toward the woman, he said to Simon, "Do you see this woman? I entered your house; you gave me no water for my feet, but she has bathed my feet with her tears and dried them with her hair. <sup>45</sup> You gave me no kiss, but from the time I came in she has not stopped kissing my feet. <sup>46</sup> You did not anoint my head with oil, but she has anointed my feet with ointment. <sup>47</sup> Therefore, I tell you, her many sins have been forgiven; hence she has shown great love. But the one to whom little is forgiven loves little." <sup>48</sup> Then he said to her, "Your sins are forgiven." <sup>49</sup> But those who were at the table with him began to say among themselves, "Who is this who even forgives sins?" <sup>50</sup> But he said to the woman, "Your faith has saved you; go in peace."

**Matthew 25:35-40**

<sup>35</sup> for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, <sup>36</sup> I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.' <sup>37</sup> Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food or thirsty and gave you something to drink? <sup>38</sup> And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you or naked and gave you clothing? <sup>39</sup> And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?' <sup>40</sup> And the king will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did it to me.'

Pastor: The Gospel of the Lord.

**All: Praise to you, O Christ.**

**TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES**

Pastor Kristin

**MESSAGE**

*The Good News Is...  
... Great Love for God and Neighbor*

Pastor Kristin

HYMN OF THE DAY

*I Come With My Devotion*



I come with my de - vo - tion to love and serve  
 I hear my Sa - vior's call - ing to serve the lost  
 God made us in God's im - age each per - son whom



my God Whose lov - ing cos - mos formed me  
 and least The hun - gry and im - pris - oned,  
 we meet Ex - tra - va - gant - ly lov - ing



be - fore I e - ver sought The glo - ry of the  
 the bro - ken ones like me For in each act of  
 all of hu - man - i - ty So I'll re - turn the



hea - vens or praise on earth be - low So ev - ery  
 kind - ness it's Christ for whom we care All wor - thy  
 love which has formed me from the start — Lov - ing



gift I have now I lay be - fore the throne  
 of our love — since it's God's face we bear  
 my cre - a - tor, my - self, and ev - ery heart

Words: Anna Strickland (2025); Music: Arthur H. Mann (1881)

## THE NICENE CREED

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

## PRAYERS OF OUR COMMUNITY

*Each petition ends with Hear us, O Lord, and people respond Your mercy is great.*

## SHARING OF THE PEACE

Pastor: The Peace of the Lord be with you always.

All: **And also with you.**

*Please be seated as the tithes & offerings to support our ministries are received.*

## CHOIR ANTHEM

*We See Christ*

Adult Choir

## OFFERTORY RESPONSE

**God, Be the Love**



1 God, be the love to search and keep me; God, be the prayer to



move my voice; God, be the strength to now up - hold me:

*Refrain*



O Christ, sur - round me; O Christ, sur - round me.

Text: Richard Bruxvoort Colligan, b. 1967

Music: GREEN TYLER, Richard Bruxvoort Colligan

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**OFFERTORY PRAYER**

Pastor: O God, maker of heaven and earth, your steadfast love embraces all creation. You send rain and sunshine to nourish the earth and bring forth its bounty. Through these gifts of bread and wine, draw us into the death and life of your Son, who calls us to bear witness to his saving work. We ask this in Jesus’ name.

All: Amen.

**EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER**

**THE LORD’S PRAYER**

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.**

**INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

Pastor: Come to the table. Feast on God’s goodness and mercy.

**COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION**

*Communion will be received up front. The pastors will place the wafer in your open hand. Wrapped, gluten-free wafers are available upon request. Wine and grape juice are available for intinction. Dip the bread into the cup and consume. Individual cups of wine are also available if you prefer. Return to your seat by using the aisles.*

**DISTRIBUTION HYMN**

**Lamb of God**

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on  
us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have  
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the  
sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.



1 God loved the world so that he gave his on - ly  
 2 Christ Je - sus is the ground of faith, who was made  
 3 If you are ill, if death draws near, this truth your  
 4 Be of good cheer, for God's own Son for - gives all  
 5 All glo - ry to the Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly



Son the lost to save, that all who would in  
 flesh and suf - fered death; all who con - fide in  
 trou - bled heart can cheer: Christ Je - sus res - cues  
 sins that you have done, and jus - ti - fied by  
 Spir - it, Three in One! To you, O bless - ed



him be - lieve should ev - er - last - ing life re - ceive.  
 Christ a - lone are built on this chief cor - ner - stone.  
 us from death; that is the firm - est ground of faith.  
 Je - sus' blood, your bap - tism grants the high - est good.  
 Trin - i - ty, be praise now and e - ter - nal - ly!

Text: *Gesangbuch*, Bollhagen, 1791; tr. August Crull, 1846–1923, alt.  
 Music: ROCKINGHAM OLD, Edward Miller, 1731–1807, adapt.

### POST COMMUNION BLESSING

Pastor: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

All: Amen.



**POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

Pastor: God of our salvation, we give you thanks for this meal that restores our souls, reconciles us to you, and strengthens us for the journey. Through the body and blood of your Son, may we become Christ's body in the world, bearing witness to your love for all creation, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**All: Amen.**

**BENEDICTION**

Pastor: Receive the blessing of the holy Trinity: God, who calls all things into existence, Jesus Christ, who redeems us, and the Holy Spirit, whose breath sustains creation, bless you now and always.

**All: Amen.**

**SENDING HYMN**

*Through The Night of Doubt and Sorrow*

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Leader: As you go into the world, remember our mission!

**All: Live out Servant Love,  
Show Hospitality,  
Extend Generosity,  
Worship the Risen Lord.**

Leader: Go in peace, a living example of the love of Jesus Christ

**All: Thanks be to God!**

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