

**New Hope Lutheran Church**  
**February 16, 2025**  
**People of Grace, Lives of Grace, Words of Grace**

+WORSHIP AT NEW HOPE+

WE RISE AND GREET ONE ANOTHER

HYMN OF INVOCATION:

JERUSALEM THE GOLDEN

LSB#672



1 Je - ru - sa - lem the gold - en, With milk and hon - ey blest—  
2 With-in those walls of Zi - on Sounds forth the joy - ful song,  
3 A - round the throne of Da - vid, The saints, from care re - leased,  
△ 4 O sweet and bless - ed coun - try, The home of God's e - lect!



The prom - ise of sal - va - tion, The place of peace and rest—  
As saints join with the an - gels And all the mar - tyr throng.  
Raise loud their songs of tri - umph To cel - e - brate the feast.  
O sweet and bless - ed coun - try That faith - ful hearts ex - pect!



We know not, oh, we know not What joys a - wait us there:  
The Prince is ev - er with them; The day - light is se - rene;  
They sing to Christ their lead - er, Who con - quered in the fight,  
In mer - cy, Je - sus, bring us To that e - ter - nal rest



The ra - dian - cy of glo - ry, The bliss be - yond com - pare!  
The cit - y of the bless - ed Shines bright with glo - rious sheen.  
Who won for them for - ev - er Their gleam - ing robes of white.  
With You and God the Fa - ther And Spir - it, ev - er blest.

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## INVOCATION

**P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

## EXHORTATION

**P** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

**C** But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

## SILENCE FOR REFLECTION

## CONFESSION OF SINS

**P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

**C** Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

## ABSOLUTION

**P** Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

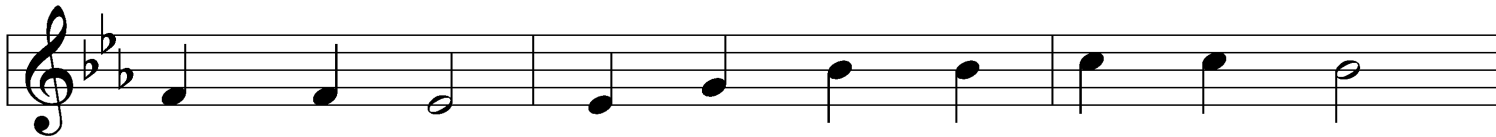
## HYMN:

## CHIEF OF SINNERS THOUGH I BE

LSB# 611



1 Chief of sin - ners though I be, Je - sus shed His  
2 Oh, the height of Je - sus' love, High - er than the  
3 On - ly Je - sus can im - part Balm to heal the  
4 Chief of sin - ners though I be, Christ is all in  
5 O my Sav - ior, help af - ford By Your Spir - it



blood for me, Died that I might live on high,  
heav'ns a - bove, Deep - er than the depths of sea,  
wound - ed heart, Peace that flows from sin for - giv'n,  
all to me; All my wants to Him are known,  
and Your Word! When my way - ward heart would stray,



Lives that I might nev - er die. As the branch is  
 Last - ing as e - ter - ni - ty! Love that found me—  
 Joy that lifts the soul to heav'n, Faith and hope to  
 All my sor - rows are His own. He sus - tains the  
 Keep me in the nar - row way; Grace in time of



to the vine, I am His, and He is mine.  
 won - drous thought! Found me when I sought Him not.  
 walk with God In the way that E - noch trod.  
 hid - den life Safe with Him from earth - ly strife.  
 need sup - ply While I live and when I die.

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## CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

### OLD TESTAMENT READING

**Ruth 2:1–7**

<sup>1</sup>Now Naomi had a relative of her husband's, a worthy man of the clan of Elimelech, whose name was Boaz. <sup>2</sup>And Ruth the Moabite said to Naomi, "Let me go to the field and glean among the ears of grain after him in whose sight I shall find favor." And she said to her, "Go, my daughter." <sup>3</sup>So she set out and went and gleaned in the field after the reapers, and she happened to come to the part of the field belonging to Boaz, who was of the clan of Elimelech. <sup>4</sup>And behold, Boaz came from Bethlehem. And he said to the reapers, "The LORD be with you!" And they answered, "The LORD bless you." <sup>5</sup>Then Boaz said to his young man who was in charge of the reapers, "Whose young woman is this?" <sup>6</sup>And the servant who was in charge of the reapers answered, "She is the young Moabite woman, who came back with Naomi from the country of Moab. <sup>7</sup>She said, 'Please let me glean and gather among the sheaves after the reapers.' So she came, and she has continued from early morning until now, except for a short rest."

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

### EPISTLE

**2 Corinthians 8:1–9**

<sup>1</sup>We want you to know, brothers, about the grace of God that has been given among the churches of Macedonia, <sup>2</sup>for in a severe test of affliction, their abundance of joy and their extreme poverty have overflowed in a wealth of generosity on their part. <sup>3</sup>For they gave according to their means, as I can testify, and beyond their means, of their own free will, <sup>4</sup>begging us earnestly for the favor of taking part in the relief of the saints— <sup>5</sup>and this, not as we expected, but they gave themselves first to the Lord and then by the will of God to us. <sup>6</sup>Accordingly, we urged Titus that as he had started, so he should complete among you this act of grace. <sup>7</sup>But as you excel in everything—in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in all earnestness, and in our love for you—see that you excel in this act of grace also.

<sup>8</sup>I say this not as a command, but to prove by the earnestness of others that your love also is genuine. <sup>9</sup>For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sake he became poor, so that you by his poverty might become rich.

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## HOLY GOSPEL

*Matthew 6:25–34*

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the sixth chapter.

**C** **Glory to You, O Lord.**

<sup>25</sup>“Therefore I tell you, do not be anxious about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, nor about your body, what you will put on. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing? <sup>26</sup>Look at the birds of the air: they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? <sup>27</sup>And which of you by being anxious can add a single hour to his span of life? <sup>28</sup>And why are you anxious about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin, <sup>29</sup>yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these. <sup>30</sup>But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which today is alive and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you, O you of little faith?

<sup>31</sup>Therefore do not be anxious, saying, ‘What shall we eat?’ or ‘What shall we drink?’ or ‘What shall we wear?’ <sup>32</sup>For the Gentiles seek after all these things, and your heavenly Father knows that you need them all. <sup>33</sup>But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be added to you.

<sup>34</sup>“Therefore do not be anxious about tomorrow, for tomorrow will be anxious for itself. Sufficient for the day is its own trouble.

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C** **Praise to You, O Christ.**

## HYMN OF THE DAY HOW DEEP THE FATHERS LOVE FOR US

How deep the Father's love for us  
How vast beyond all measure  
That He should give His only Son  
To make a wretch His treasure  
How great the pain of searing loss  
The Father turns His face away  
As wounds which mar the Chosen One  
Bring many sons to glory

Behold the Man upon a cross  
My sin upon His shoulders  
Ashamed I hear my mocking voice  
Call out among the scoffers  
It was my sin that held Him there  
Until it was accomplished  
His dying breath has brought me life  
I know that it is finished

I will not boast in anything  
No gifts no pow'r no wisdom  
But I will boast in Jesus Christ  
His death and resurrection  
Why should I gain from His reward  
I cannot give an answer  
But this I know with all my heart  
His wounds have paid my ransom

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## SERMON

*Pastor Adam Kosberg*

## NICENE CREED

**C** I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible. And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end. And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life  $\dagger$  of the world to come. Amen.

## OFFERING

## PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

## PRAYER RESPONSE

**A** Lord, in Your mercy,  
**C** hear our prayer.

## THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

**P** Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My  $\dagger$  body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My  $\dagger$  blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

## PROCLAMATION OF CHRIST

**P** As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

**C** Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

## LORD'S PRAYER

**C** Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

## PAX DOMINI

**P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C** Amen.

## AGNUS DEI

**C** Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.

## DISTRIBUTION

### HYMN:

### MY SONG IS LOVE UNKNOWN

LSB#430



1 My song is love un - known, My Sav - ior's love to  
2 He came from His blest throne Sal - va - tion to be -  
3 Some-times they strew His way And His sweet prais - es  
4 Why, what hath my Lord done? What makes this rage and



me, Love to the love - less shown That they might love - ly  
stow; But men made strange, and none The longed - for Christ would  
sing; Re - sound - ing all the day Ho - san - nas to their  
spite? He made the lame to run, He gave the blind their



be. Oh, who am I That for my sake  
know. But, oh, my friend, My friend in - deed,  
King. Then "Cru - ci - fy!" Is all their breath,  
sight. Sweet in - ju - ries! Yet they at these

My Lord should take Frail flesh and die?  
 Who at my need His life did spend!  
 And for His death They thirst and cry.  
 Them - selves dis - please And 'gainst Him rise.

5 They rise and needs will have  
 My dear Lord made away;  
 A murderer they save,  
 The Prince of Life they slay.  
 Yet cheerful He  
 To suff'ring goes  
 That He His foes  
 From thence might free.

6 In life no house, no home  
 My Lord on earth might have;  
 In death no friendly tomb  
 But what a stranger gave.  
 What may I say?  
 Heav'n was His home  
 But mine the tomb  
 Wherein He lay.

7 Here might I stay and sing,  
 No story so divine!  
 Never was love, dear King,  
 Never was grief like Thine.  
 This is my friend,  
 In whose sweet praise  
 I all my days  
 Could gladly spend!

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## PRAYER

**G** Father, you have prepared a table for us in the presence of our enemies. You have fed us not just with bread, but with the Bread of Life. Thank you for forgiving our sins and making us your children. We pray that you would use this gift in us to make us people of grace, to speak words of grace, and to live lives of grace so that more people would know how much they are loved in Jesus. Amen

## BENEDICTION

**P** The Lord bless you and keep you.  
 The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.  
 The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

**G** Amen.



# HYMN TO DEPART: I AM CONTENT! MY JESUS EVER LIVES

LSB#468



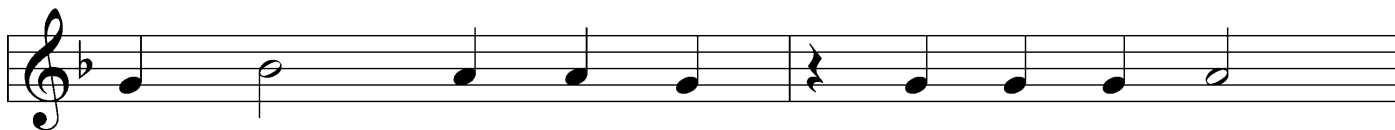
1 I am con - tent! My Je - sus ev - er lives, In whom my  
 2 I am con - tent! My Je - sus is my head; His mem - ber  
 3 I am con - tent! My Je - sus is my light, My ra - diant  
 4 I am con - tent! At length I shall be free, A - wak - ened



heart is pleased. He has ful - filled the Law of God for me,  
 I shall be. He bowed His head when on the cross He died  
 sun of grace. His cheer - ing rays beam bless - ings forth for all,  
 from the dead, A - ris - ing glo - rious ev - er - more to be



God's wrath He has ap - peased. Since He in death  
 With cries of ag - o - ny. Now death is brought  
 Sweet com - fort, hope, and peace. This Eas - ter sun  
 With You, my liv - ing head. The chains that hold



could per - ish nev - er, I al - so shall  
 in - to sub - jec - tion For me by Je -  
 has brought sal - va - tion And ev - er - last -  
 my bod - y, sev - er; Then shall my soul



not die for - ev - er. I am con - tent! I am con - tent!  
 sus' res - ur - rec - tion. I am con - tent! I am con - tent!  
 ing ex - ul - ta - tion. I am con - tent! I am con - tent!  
 re - joice for - ev - er. I am con - tent! I am con - tent!

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## **PRAYERS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

*Feb 23<sup>rd</sup> Soup and Sandwiches (after service)*

*Ash Wednesday Service March 5<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm*

*Family Gathering March 16<sup>th</sup> at 4:00pm*

***LAST WEEK'S NUMBERS: Attendance:75 Gen Fund Giving, \$3,896.51 Weekly Target: 5,000***

### ***HAPPY BIRTHDAY!***

*2/18 Dave Butler*

*2/18 Abby Retberg*

*2/18 Robert Samuelson*

### ***WILLING WORKERS!***

*Elder: Andy Rohrer*

*Altar Dawn LaVigne/ Bev Renkema*

*Greeter: Elizabeth Rohrer*

*Teller Team: Kurt H/Trevor M*

*Reader: Erica Gobrogge*

*Nursery: Sonja Kosberg*

*Fellowship: Heringhausen*

### ***ONGOING PRAYERS for CARE & HEALING***

*Asa, friend of Alex Siebrasse, undergoing chemo*

*Lillian, Anna's son-in-law's mom, is diagnosed with cancer.*

*Erin VanDyke re diagnosed with breast cancer, starting chemo and radiation soon,*

*Fred, brother-in law to the Hart's undergoing chemo/ radiation for esophageal cancer*

*Diane Breeman, healing*

*David Cangelosi, brother-in-law of Sonja and Pastor Adam for cancer treatment*

*Karen, Bybee's, niece, treatment of Crohn's disease*

*Pauline Grove and Roy Grove as he cares for Pauline.*

*Tom Hillson, a relative of Tim & Sue Hillson, dealing with multiple heath issues.*

### ***GODFREY LEE EAST LEE STUDENTS AND STAFF***



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