

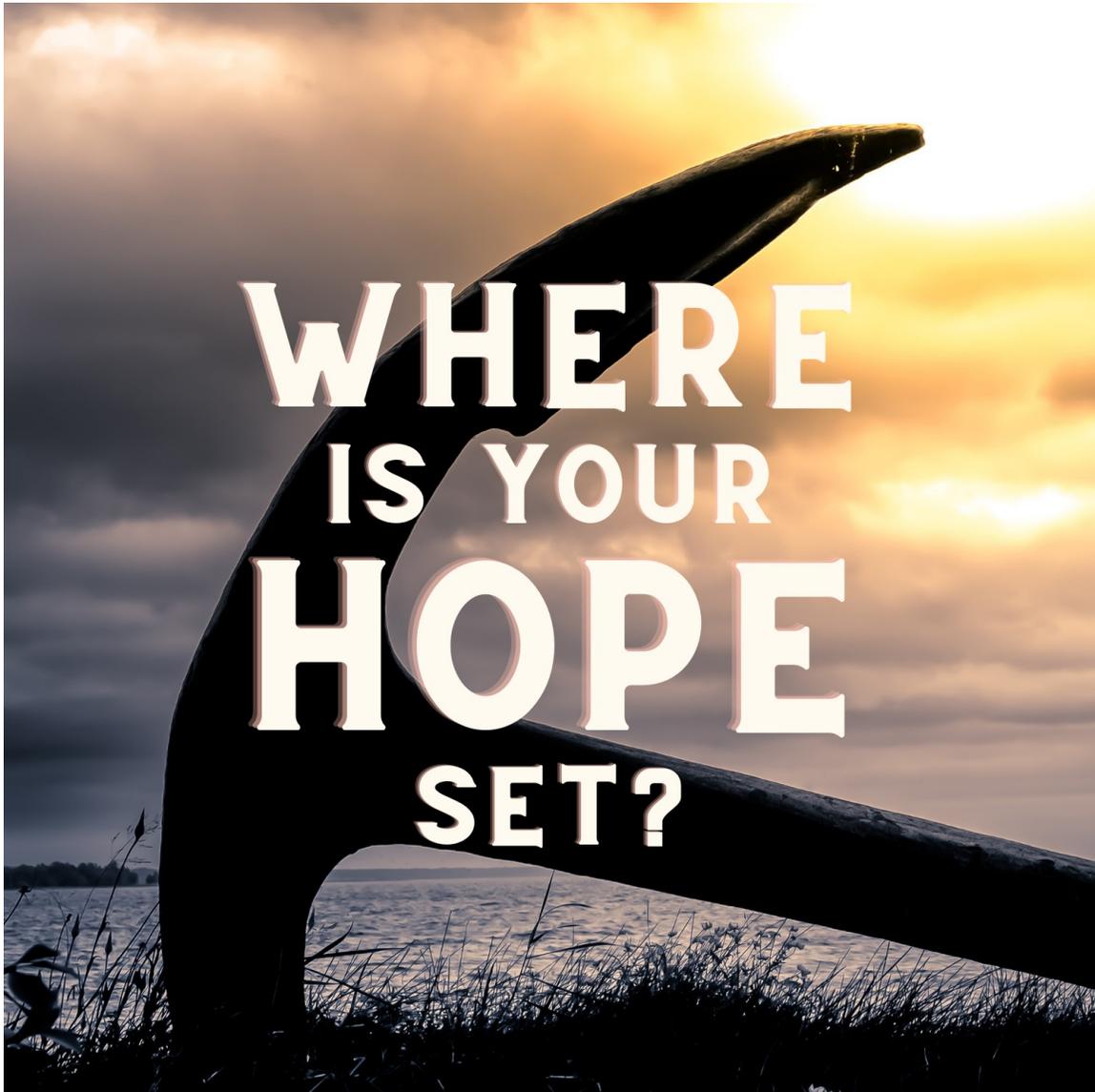
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Bethlehem

LUTHERAN CHURCH & PRESCHOOL

Sixteenth Sunday After Pentecost



Morning Song

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Morning Song Worship

-Order of Service-

Welcome & Invitation to Worship

House of the Lord

We worship the God who was.
We worship the God who is.
We worship the God who evermore will be.
He opened the prison doors.
He parted the raging sea.
My God, He holds the victory.

Chorus There's joy in the house of the Lord.
 There's joy in the house of the Lord today.
 And we won't be quiet.
 We shout out Your praise.
 There's joy in the house of the Lord
 Our God is surely in this place.
 And we won't be quiet.
 We shout out Your praise.

We sing to the God who heals.
We sing to the God who saves.
We sing to the God who always makes a way.
'Cause He hung up on that cross
Then He rose up from that grave.
My God's still rolling stones away. **(chorus)**

We were the beggars.
Now we're royalty.
We were the prisoners.
Now we're running free.
We are forgiven, accepted,
Redeemed by His grace,
Let the house of the Lord sing praise. **(repeat) (chorus)**

We shout out Your praise

Cornerstone

My hope is built on nothing less,
Than Jesus' blood and righteousness.
I dare not trust the sweetest frame,
But wholly trust in Jesus' name. **(repeat)**

Chorus: Christ alone, Cornerstone,
 Weak made strong, in the Savior's love.
 Through the storm, He is Lord, Lord of all.

When darkness seems to hide His face,
I rest on His unchanging grace.
In ev'ry high and stormy gale
My anchor holds within the veil.
My anchor holds within the veil. **(chorus 2 times)**

Prayer of Confession

Gracious God, You tell us in Your Word that You will provide all that we need. We experience this truth as we stop to look back and see You at work in our lives. And yet, Father, we admit that we still doubt this promise. We take our lives out of Your hands and stop trusting in Your goodness and wisdom. Forgive us, Lord. Fill us with Your Holy Spirit and help us to step forward in faith, placing our hope solely in You. We come before You in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Words of Grace

Song of Response

Living Hope

How great the chasm that lay between us.
How high the mountain I could not climb.
In desperation I turned to heaven
And spoke Your name into the night.
Then through the darkness Your loving-kindness
Tore through the shadows of my soul.
The work is finished, the end is written.
Jesus Christ, my living hope.

Who could imagine so great a mercy?
What heart could fathom such boundless grace?
The God of ages stepped down from glory
To wear my sin and bear my shame.
The cross has spoken; I am forgiven.
The King of kings calls me His own.
Beautiful Savior, I'm Yours forever.
Jesus Christ, my living hope.

Chorus: Hallelujah, praise the One who set me free!
Hallelujah, death has lost its grip on me!
You have broken every chain.
There's salvation in Your name.
Jesus Christ, my living hope.

Then came the morning that sealed the promise,
Your buried body began to breathe.
Out of the silence, the Roaring Lion
Declared the grave has no claim on me. **(repeat)**
Jesus, Yours is the victory! **(chorus 2 times)**

Jesus Christ, my living hope.
Oh God, You are my living hope.

Scripture Readings

Amos 6:1-7

- ¹“Woe to those who are at ease in Zion,
and to those who feel secure on the mountain of Samaria,
the notable men of the first of the nations,
to whom the house of Israel comes!
²Pass over to Calneh, and see,
and from there go to Hamath the great;
then go down to Gath of the Philistines.
Are you better than these kingdoms?
Or is their territory greater than your territory,
³O you who put far away the day of disaster
and bring near the seat of violence?
⁴“Woe to those who lie on beds of ivory
and stretch themselves out on their couches,
and eat lambs from the flock
and calves from the midst of the stall,
⁵who sing idle songs to the sound of the harp
and like David invent for themselves instruments of music,
⁶who drink wine in bowls
and anoint themselves with the finest oils,

but are not grieved over the ruin of Joseph!
7 Therefore they shall now be the first of those who go into exile,
and the revelry of those who stretch themselves out shall pass away.”

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God!**

1 Timothy 6:6-16

6 But godliness with contentment is great gain, 7 for we brought nothing into the world, and we cannot take anything out of the world. 8 But if we have food and clothing, with these we will be content. 9 But those who desire to be rich fall into temptation, into a snare, into many senseless and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. 10 For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evils. It is through this craving that some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pangs.

11 But as for you, O man of God, flee these things. Pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, steadfastness, gentleness. 12 Fight the good fight of the faith. Take hold of the eternal life to which you were called and about which you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses. 13 I charge you in the presence of God, who gives life to all things, and of Christ Jesus, who in his testimony before Pontius Pilate made the good confession, 14 to keep the commandment unstained and free from reproach until the appearing of our Lord Jesus Christ, 15 which he will display at the proper time—he who is the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords, 16 who alone has immortality, who dwells in unapproachable light, whom no one has ever seen or can see. To him be honor and eternal dominion. Amen.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God!**

Luke 16:19-31

19 “There was a rich man who was clothed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. 20 And at his gate was laid a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, 21 who desired to be fed with what fell from the rich man’s table. Moreover, even the dogs came and licked his sores. 22 The poor man died and was carried by the angels to Abraham’s side. The rich man also died and was buried, 23 and in Hades, being in torment, he lifted up his eyes and saw Abraham far off and Lazarus at his side. 24 And he called out, ‘Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the end of his finger in water and cool my tongue, for I am in anguish in this flame.’ 25 But Abraham said, ‘Child, remember that you in your lifetime received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner bad things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in anguish. 26 And besides all this, between us and you a great chasm has been fixed, in order that those who would pass from here to you may not be able, and none may cross from there to us.’ 27 And he said, ‘Then I beg you, father, to send him to my father’s house— 28 for I have five brothers—so that he may warn them, lest they also come into this place of torment.’ 29 But Abraham said, ‘They have Moses and the Prophets; let them hear them.’ 30 And he said, ‘No, father Abraham, but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent.’ 31 He said to him, ‘If they do not hear Moses and the Prophets, neither will they be convinced if someone should rise from the dead.’”

L: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God!**

Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And 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 sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence 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.

Message

Where is Your Hope Set? (1 Timothy 6:6-16)

Pastor Jeff Shearier

Offering

Bringing tithes and financial gifts to the Lord is an act of worship. These offerings help to accomplish ministry both here at Bethlehem and around the world. May God bless your response of faith. Please join our members in filling out the red Friendship Register.

God of Wonders

Lord of all creation of water, earth and sky
The heavens are Your tabernacle; Glory to the Lord on high.

God of wonders beyond our galaxy
You are holy, holy.
The universe declares Your majesty
You are holy, holy.
Lord of heaven and earth.
Lord of heaven and earth.

Early in the morning I will celebrate the light.
When I stumble in the darkness I will call Your name by night.

God of wonders beyond our galaxy
You are holy, holy.
The universe declares your majesty
You are holy, holy.
Lord of heaven and earth
Lord of heaven and earth
Hallelujah, to the Lord of heaven and earth.
Hallelujah, to the Lord of heaven and earth.
Hallelujah, to the Lord of heaven and earth. **(repeat)**

The Prayers of the Church & The Lord's Prayer

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.

Words of Institution

Distribution Songs

O Come to the Altar

Are you hurting and broken within,
Overwhelmed by the weight of your sin?
Jesus is calling.
Have you come to the end of yourself,
Do you thirst for a drink from the well?
Jesus is calling.

Chorus: O come to the altar;
The Father's arms are open wide.
Forgiveness was bought with
The precious blood of Jesus Christ.

Leave behind your regrets and mistakes.
Come today; there's no reason to wait.
Jesus is calling.

Bring your sorrows and trade them for joy;
From the ashes a new life is born.
Jesus is calling. **(chorus 2 times)**

Oh what a Savior, isn't He wonderful;
Sing alleluia, Christ is risen.
Bow down before Him,
for He is Lord of all.
Sing alleluia, Christ is risen. **(repeat) (chorus)**

Are you hurting and broken within,
Overwhelmed by the weight of your sin?
Jesus is calling.

Yet Not I But Through Christ in Me

What gift of grace is Jesus, my Redeemer.
There is no more for heaven now to give.
He is my joy, my righteousness and freedom,
My steadfast love, my deep and boundless peace.
To this I hold: my hope is only Jesus
For my life is wholly bound to His.
Oh how strange and divine, I can sing: all is mine!
Yet not I, but through Christ in me.

The night is dark, but I am not forsaken,
for by my side the Savior, He will stay.
I labor on in weakness and rejoicing,
For in my need, His power is displayed.
To this I hold: my Shepherd will defend me.
Through the deepest valley He will lead.
Oh the night has been won, and I shall overcome!
Yet not I, but through Christ in me.

No fate I dread, I know I am forgiven.
The future sure, the price, it has been paid.
For Jesus bled and suffered for my pardon
And He was raised to overthrow the grave.
To this I hold: my sin has been defeated.
Jesus now and ever is my plea.
Oh the chains are released, I can sing: I am free!
Yet not I, but through Christ in me.

With every breath I long to follow Jesus.
For He has said that He will bring me home.
And day by day I know He will renew me
Until I stand with joy before the throne.
To this I hold, my hope is only Jesus.
All the glory evermore to Him.
When the race is complete, still my lips shall repeat:
Yet not I, but through Christ in me!
When the race is complete, still my lips shall repeat:
Yet not I, but through Christ in me!
Yet not I, but through Christ in me!

Benediction

P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face to shine upon you and be gracious unto you.
The Lord look upon you with his favor and give you peace.

C: Amen.

Closing Praise

Everything I Need

When every step is so hard to take,
And all of my hope is fading away;
When life's a mountain that I cannot climb,
You carry me, Jesus, carry me.

Chorus: You are strength in my weakness,
And You are the refuge I seek.
You are everything in my time of need;
You are everything,
You are everything I need.

When every moment is more than I can take,
And all of my strength is slipping away;
When every breath gets harder to breathe,
You carry me, Jesus, carry me.

You are strength in my weakness,
You are the refuge I seek.
You are everything in my time of need;
You are everything,
You are everything. **(chorus)**

Everything, You are everything I need.

Announcements

P: Go in peace, serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

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