

**Welcome and Announcements**

**FAVORITE HYMNS SUNDAY**

**Confession and Forgiveness**

**ELW page 211**

**Hymn of Praise**

*“Praise to the Lord, the Almighty”*

**ELW # 858**

**Prayer of the Day**

**Gracious God, our blessed Son came down from heaven to be the true bread that gives life to the world. Give us this bread always, that he may live in us and we in him, and that, strengthened by this food, we may live as his body in the world, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.**

**Song**

*“Amazing Grace”*

**ELW # 779**

**Second Reading**

Ephesians 4:25—5:2

**Song**

*“Beautiful Savior”*

**ELW # 838**

**Gospel**

John 6:35, 41–51

**Sermon**

**Pastor Amy Luukkonen**

**Song**

*“On Eagle’s Wings”*

**ELW # 787**

**Prayers of the Church**

**Offering**

*“My Faith Looks Up to Thee”*

**ELW # 759**

**Offertory Prayer**

P: Gracious God, as grains of wheat are gathered for bread, and grapes together are poured out as wine, so may we be united in your presence through this sacrament of grace. Amen

**Holy Communion**

*“Children of the Heavenly Father”*

**ELW # 781**

*“This is my Father’s World”*

**ELW # 824**

**Post-Communion Prayer**

P: O God, we thank you for the living bread that rains down from heaven. From this feast of love may we carry your eternal life as daily food for the well-being of the world; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**C: Amen**

**Blessing**

P: Be strengthened with the power of God, + the love of Christ, and the help of the Holy Spirit, now and forever. Go in peace. Feed the hungry.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

**Closing Hymn**

*“I Was There to Hear Your Borne Cry”*

**ELW # 732**

**Worship Notes**

**Welcome Visitors!** Please sign the guest book, located at the church entrance. Please feel free to take a visitor packet home with you.

**All are welcome to the Lord’s Table** We believe that Christ is present in the Sacrament, renewing God’s promise of forgiveness and eternal life.

*\*Please place the hymnals in the racks in back of the pews, following worship.  
No food or beverages allowed in the sanctuary. Thank you.*

<b>The Week Ahead . . .</b>		
<b>Monday</b>	7:00pm	Hobbyist Support Group
<b>Tuesday</b>	5:00pm 7:00pm	CoDA AA
<b>Wednesday</b>	6:30pm	Betty Carlson-Activity Room
<b>Thursday</b>	7:00am 8:00pm	PIT Stop AA
<b>Friday</b>		
<b>Saturday</b>		
<b>Sunday</b>	8:30am 9:00am	Coffee Fellowship Outdoor Worship & Blessing of the Pets

## Second Reading

**Ephesians 4:25—5:2**

What this adds up to, then, is this: no more lies, no more pretense. Tell your neighbor the truth. In Christ's body we're all connected to each other, after all. When you lie to others, you end up lying to yourself. Go ahead and be angry. You do well to be angry—but don't use your anger as fuel for revenge. And don't stay angry. Don't go to bed angry. Don't give the Devil that kind of foothold in your life. Did you use to make ends meet by stealing? Well, no more! Get an honest job so that you can help others who can't work. Watch the way you talk. Let nothing foul or dirty come out of your mouth. Say only what helps, each word a gift. Don't grieve God. Don't break his heart. His Holy Spirit, moving and breathing in you, is the most intimate part of your life, making you fit for himself. Don't take such a gift for granted. Make a clean break with all cutting, backbiting, profane talk. Be gentle with one another, sensitive. Forgive one another as quickly and thoroughly as God in Christ forgave you.

Wake Up from Your Sleep. Watch what God does, and then you do it, like children who learn proper behavior from their parents. Mostly what God does is love you. Keep company with him and learn a life of love. Observe how Christ loved us. His love was not cautious but extravagant. He didn't love in order to get something from us but to give everything of himself to us. Love like that.

## Gospel

**John 6:35, 41–51**

Jesus said, "I am the Bread of Life. The person who aligns with me hungers no more and thirsts no more, ever. I have told you this explicitly because even though you have seen me in action, you don't really believe me. Every person the Father gives me eventually comes running to me. And once that person is with me, I hold on and don't let go. I came down from heaven not to follow my own whim but to accomplish the will of the One who sent me.

At this, because he said, "I am the Bread that came down from heaven," the Jews started arguing over him: "Isn't this the son of Joseph? Don't we know his father? Don't we know his mother? How can he now say, 'I came down out of heaven' and expect anyone to believe him?"

Jesus said, "Don't bicker among yourselves over me. You're not in charge here. The Father who sent me is in charge. He draws people to me—that's the only way you'll ever come. Only then do I do my work, putting people together, setting them on their feet, ready for the End. This is what the prophets meant when they wrote, 'And then they will all be personally taught by God.' Anyone who has spent any time at all listening to the Father, really listening and therefore learning, comes to me to be taught personally—to see it with his own eyes, hear it with his own ears, from me, since I have it firsthand from the Father. No one has seen the Father except the One who has his Being alongside the Father—and you can see me.

"I'm telling you the most solemn and sober truth now: Whoever believes in me has real life, eternal life. I am the Bread of Life. Your ancestors ate the manna bread in the desert and died. But now here is Bread that truly comes down out of heaven. Anyone eating this Bread will not die, ever. I am the Bread—living Bread!—who came down out of heaven. Anyone who eats this Bread will live—and forever! The Bread that I present to the world so that it can eat and live is myself, this flesh-and-blood self."

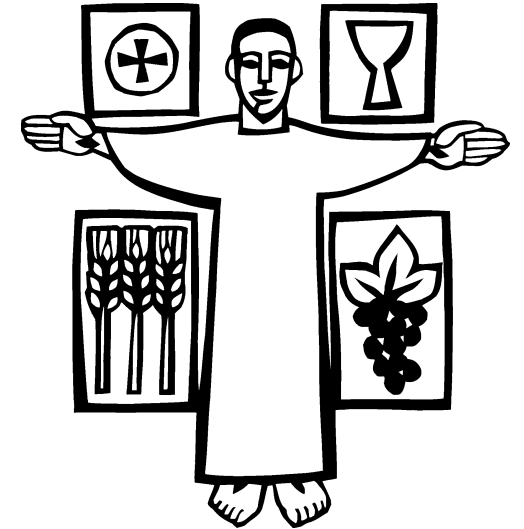
# Hope Lutheran Church

August 9, 2015

Eleventh Sunday of Pentecost

Favorite Hymns

Jesus says that the bread he gives for the life of the world is his flesh, and whoever eats this bread has eternal life now and will be raised on the last day. In Ephesians Paul tells us what this life Jesus gives us looks like, this life we live as those marked with the seal of the Holy Spirit in baptism. We live in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us. The whole purpose of life is giving yourself for the other.



9:00 Worship

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**Sent** to be the presence of Christ in the world