

# Announcements

## 144 Envelopes Fundraiser

We've launched our 144 Envelopes Fundraiser to support our HSM service/adventure trip to Montana. Choose an envelope numbered 1-144 and donate that amount. Every gift helps our youth serve and grow through this meaningful trip. Thank you for supporting Hope's youth.

## Worship Opportunities

All Year:

Sundays at 9:00am and online.

4th Tuesday at Oak Terrace at 10am.

During the program year through April 29:

Wednesdays at 6:45pm;

free dinner is available at 6:00pm.

Golden Fellowship: Wednesdays, 11:00am - 1:00pm.

Lunch is included.

## Today's Worship

**Acolyte:** Ari Reetz

**Greeter:** Jane and Jim Preisen

**Ushers:** Kempf family, Bennett Haller, Bradley Lloyd

**Reader:** Sarah Wicklund

**Communion Prep:** Kempf family

**Communion Server:** Stephen Isles

**Treats:** Sarah Wicklund

**Fellowship Hall Clean Up:** Sarah Wicklund

## Online Giving

In addition to your ability to set up automatic giving to the church via Hope's website, you can use the VANCO QR code to make donating to the church quick and convenient. Your gifts make ministry possible in our church and community. Thank you for your support!



## Vacation Bible School

Vacation Bible School will be August 3<sup>rd</sup> through the 6<sup>th</sup> from 9:00am - noon for kids age 4 (potty trained) through kids entering 4<sup>th</sup> grade in the 26-27 school year.

Join the wild adventure and discover how you can always trust Jesus. Kids will sing, create, play, and grow in faith.



## Hearing Support Available

There are listening devices available in the back of the Sanctuary. Please turn to channel 7. Please remember to turn it off after service and hang it back up.

## Altar Flowers

The altar flowers are from Cecil and Glenda Laffen in honor of their anniversary.



# Welcome

## Third Sunday of Easter

April 19, 2026

**GATHER IN FAITH.  
GROW IN GRACE.  
GO FORTH IN SERVICE.**

Office hours: Monday through Thursday, 9am - 4pm  
Sundays, 8am - 11am

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# Order of Service

**Welcome and Announcements:** Pastor Matt Cordes

**Opening Prayer:** Pastor Matt Cordes

**Opening Song:** ELW #376

*“Thine is the Glory”*

with special guest Edward Brewster

**Confession and Forgiveness**

**Sharing the Peace**

**Kyrie:** ELW page 184

**Hymn of Praise:** ELW page 187

**Prayer of the Day**

**ALL:** O God, your Son makes himself known to all his disciples in the breaking of bread. Open the eyes of our faith, that we may see him in his redeeming work, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

**Children’s Message:** Pastor Diane Goulson

**Noisy Offering**

The Noisy Offering in March and April will support the Jordan Area Food Shelf. Your gifts stay local, helping our neighbors in need. In January alone, 11,433 pounds of food were distributed to 122 households — a 30% increase over last January — along with 19 home deliveries.

**First Reading:** Acts 2:14, 36-41

**Gospel Acclamation:** ELW Page 188

**Gospel:** Luke 24:13-35



**Sermon:** Pastor Matt Cordes

**Choir Anthem:** *“We Have Seen the Risen Lord”*

**Prayers of the Church:**

Response is *“Receive our Prayer”*

**Offering:** ELW #374

*“Day of Arising”*

**Holy Communion:** ALL are Welcome at God’s table.

*Bread is gluten, nut, and dairy free.*

*Alcohol free wine is white.*

Distribution Songs:

ELW #674 vs 1, 2: *“Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ”*

ELW #379: *“Now the Green Blade Rises”*

ELW #384: *“That Easter Day with Joy Was Bright”*

**Communion Blessing and Benediction**

**Pastor:** People of Hope, our Mission is to:

ALL: Gather in Faith, Grow in Grace, and Go forth in Service. Thanks be to God.

**Closing Song:** ELW #721

*“Goodness is Stronger than Evil”*

**First Reading:** Acts 2:14, 36-41

**Peter Addresses the Crowd**

<sup>14</sup> Then Peter stood up with the Eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd: “Fellow Jews and all of you who live in Jerusalem, let me explain this to you; listen carefully to what I say.

<sup>36</sup> “Therefore let all Israel be assured of this: God has made this Jesus, whom you crucified, both Lord and Messiah.”

<sup>37</sup> When the people heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and the other apostles, “Brothers, what shall we do?”

<sup>38</sup> Peter replied, “Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins. And you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. <sup>39</sup> The promise is for you and your children and for all who are far off—for all whom the Lord our God will call.”

<sup>40</sup> With many other words he warned them; and he pleaded with them, “Save yourselves from this corrupt generation.” <sup>41</sup> Those who accepted his message were baptized, and about three thousand were added to their number that day.