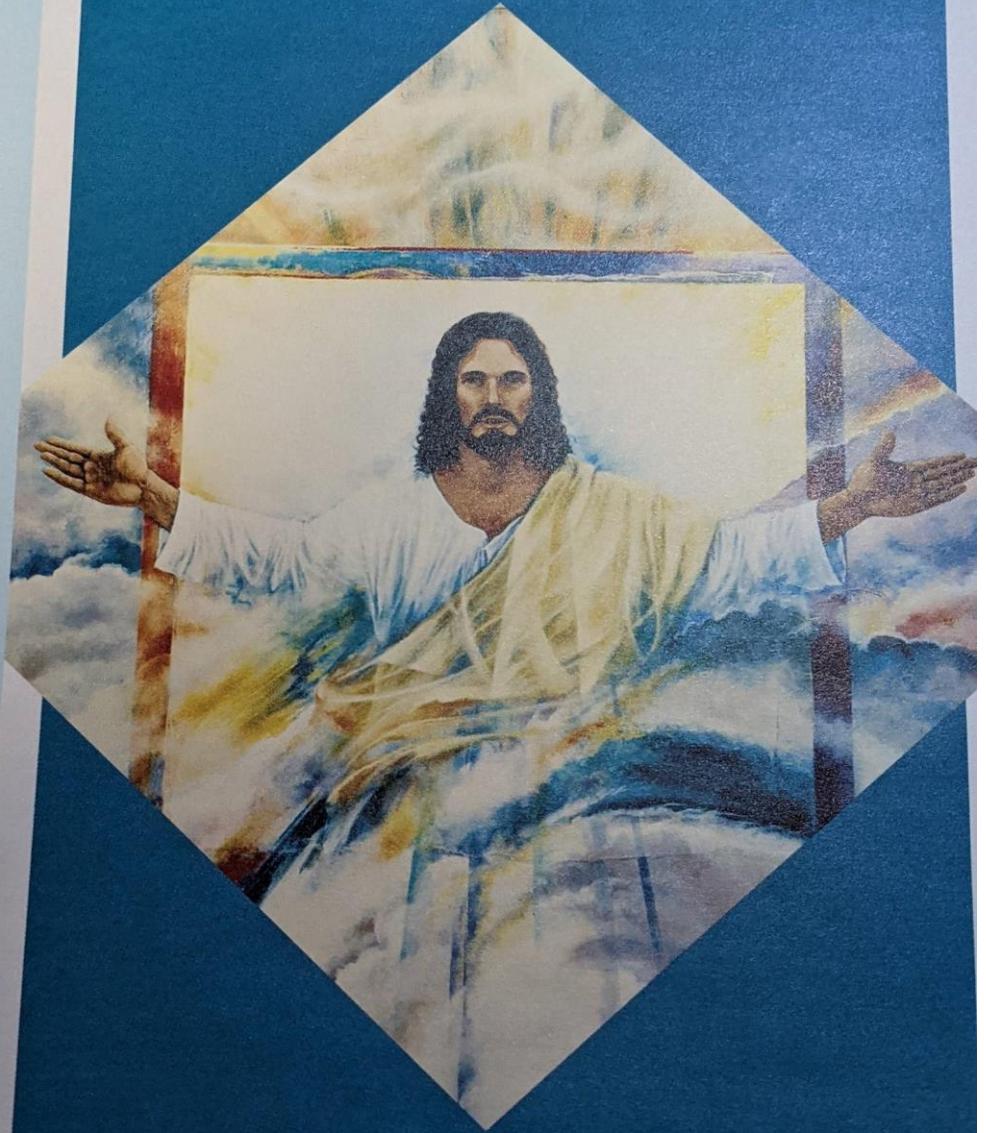
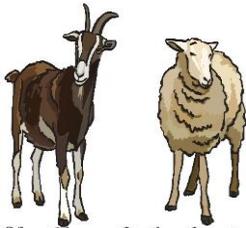


WHEN THE SON OF MAN



COMES IN HIS GLORY



The Sheep & the Goats

THE LAST SUNDAY OF THE CHURCH YEAR

NOVEMBER 22, 2020

Hope Lutheran Church

The Rev. David M. Oddi, Pastor

Lay Minister Joyce Cronin, LCC Director

Welcome. The psalmist urges us: “Praise the Lord! Sing to the Lord a new song, his praise in the assembly of the godly!” (Psalm 149:1, ESV) *And so we shall!*

Welcome to Hope Lutheran Church. Before the service begins, we ask everyone to please sign his or her name on the "Record of Fellowship" (red book at the end of the pew). Please circle any change of address or phone numbers. These will be collected during the sermon hymn.

Make this your prayer as you come to worship: *Christ Jesus, reestablish your reign in my heart every day, so that I live as an emissary of your love. Amen*

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OPENING HYMN

“In God, My Faithful God”

LSB page 745

Please Stand

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION *(speak responsively)*

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Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: **Amen.**

Pastor: Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

Pastor: Our help is in the name of the Lord,

People: **who made heaven and earth.**

Pastor: I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

People: **and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

Pastor: Almighty God, our maker and redeemer, we poor sinners confess unto You that we are by

nature sinful and unclean and that we have sinned against You by thought, word, and deed. Wherefore we flee for refuge to Your infinite mercy, seeking and imploring Your grace for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.

People: O most merciful God, who has given Your only-begotten Son to die for us, have mercy upon us and for His sake grant us remission of all our sins; and by Your Holy Spirit increase in us true knowledge of You and of Your will and true obedience to Your Word, to the end that by Your grace we may come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Pastor: Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy upon us and has given His only Son to die for us and for His sake forgives us all our sins. To those who believe on His name He gives power to become the children of God and has promised them His Holy Spirit. He that believes and is baptized shall be saved.
Grant this, Lord, unto us all.

People: Amen.

INTROIT (*chant responsively – congregation in bold*) Ps. 39:4-5, 7-8, 12a; antiphon: 2 Peter 3:13 NIV

In keeping with his promise we are looking forward to a new heaven and a | new earth,*
the home of | righteousness.

O Lord, make me know my end and what is the measure | of my days;*
let me know how fleeting | I am!

Behold, you have made my days a few | handbreadths,*
and my lifetime is as nothing be- | fore you.

And now, O Lord, for what | do I wait?*

My hope | is in you.
Deliver me from all my trans- | gressions.*

Do not make me the scorn | of the fool!
Hear my prayer, O Lord, and give ear to my cry; hold not your peace | at my tears!*

For I am a sojourner with you, a guest, like all my | fathers.

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*

and to the Holy | Spirit;
as it was in the be- | ginning,*

is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

In keeping with his promise we are looking forward to a new heaven and a | new earth,*
the home of | righteousness.

KYRIE (*congregation sings*)

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**People: Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.**

Pastor: Glory be to God on High,

People: **and on earth peace, goodwill toward men.**

We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we worship Thee.

we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.

O Lord God, heav'nly King, God the Father Almighty.

O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ;

O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,

that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.

Thou that takest away the sin of the world, receive our prayer.

Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us.

For Thou only art holy; Thou only art the Lord.

Thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost,

art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY (*chant responsively*)

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: **And with thy spirit.**

Pastor: Let us pray.

Eternal God, merciful Father, You have appointed Your Son as judge of the living and the dead. Enable us to wait for the day of His return with our eyes fixed on the kingdom prepared for You own from the foundation of the world; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: **Amen.**

Please Sit

Old Testament Reading (*printed on the back of the bulletin*)

Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

GRADUAL (*chant responsively – congregation in bold*)

Rev. 7:14b; Ps. 84:5

These are the ones coming out of the great tribu- | lation.*

They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood | of the Lamb.

Blessèd are those whose strength is | in you,*

in whose heart are the highways to | Zion.

EPISTLE (*printed on the back of the bulletin*)

1 Corinthians 15:20-28

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Please Stand

ALLELUIA AND VERSE (*spoken*)

Rev. 22:13

People: Alleluia.

**I am the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the beginning
and the end.**

Alleluia

HOLY GOSPEL (*printed on the back of the bulletin*) (*response sung*)

Matthew 25:31-46

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 25th chapter.

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People: Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

APOSTLES' CREED

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**People: 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.**

Please Sit

HYMN OF THE DAY

“Just as I Am, without One Plea”

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SERMON

“Sheep and Goats”

Matthew 25: 31-46

Please Stand

OFFERTORY (*congregation sings/ offering is brought forward*)

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**People: Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.
Cast me not away from Thy presence, and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me.
Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation, and uphold me with Thy free spirit.
Amen.**

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Pastor: Let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

LORD'S PRAYER

**People: 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.**

SALUTATION AND BENEDICAMUS (*chant responsively*)

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Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And with thy spirit.

Pastor: Bless we the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.
The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and † give you peace.

People: Amen, amen, amen.

Please sit

CLOSING HYMN

“My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less”

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Matthew 25:44 – “Then they also will answer, saying, ‘Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not minister to you?’ ”

With this parable Jesus once again emphasizes that our good works come from who we are, not the other way around. Sheep do sheep works, and goats do goat works. So, first things first. If we want to live more faithfully, let us come to Jesus, receive His gifts, and ask him to increase our faith.

“Reading the Psalms with Luther”

The 120th Psalm is a psalm of prayer. It laments and cries out against the false teachers who commit murderous crimes, whose false teachings penetrate like a sharp arrow powerfully shot. They spread themselves out like fire in a juniper bush, which burns easily and well, for it is fat and thick and susceptible to fire. In the same way, the people are much, much more susceptible to false teachings (which harmonize well with reason) than to the true teachings, as St. Paul (2 Timothy 4:3) also says about the itching ears.

Prayer: O most merciful Father, guard us by Your power that we do not fall into the snares of slanders and into the toils of those practicing deceit. Preserve us from soul-destroying errors. Give us teachers whose hearts are upright with Your Word, and kindle and increase in us the knowledge of Your saving truth, through Jesus Christ. Amen.

About the Cover: Two thousand years ago, Jesus came in humility, born of a virgin in a stable, and took up a cross, suffering and dying. But there will come a day when He comes again in glory, and every knee shall bow and tongue confess that He is Lord. We look forward to that day because His cross has brought forgiveness, and His glorious return will complete the restoration of all things.

Readings for November 29th – 1st Sunday in Advent

Old Testament: Isaiah 64:1-9

Epistle: 1 Corinthians 1:3-9

Holy Gospel: Mark 11:1-10

Psalm 121

745 In God, My Faithful God



1 In God, my faith - ful God, I trust when dark my road;
2 My sins fill me with care, Yet I will not de - spair.
3 If death my por - tion be, It brings great gain to me;
4 O Je - sus Christ, my Lord, So meek in deed and word,



Great woes may o - ver - take me, Yet He will not for - sake me.
I build on Christ, who loves me; From this rock noth - ing moves me.
It speeds my life's en - deav - or To live with Christ for - ev - er.
You suf - fered death to save us Be - cause Your love would have us



My trou - bles He can al - ter; His hand lets noth - ing fal - ter.
To Him I will sur - ren - der, To Him, my soul's de - fend - er.
He gives me joy in sor - row, Come death now or to - mor - row.
Be heirs of heav'n - ly glad - ness When ends this life of sad - ness.

5 "So be it," then, I say
With all my heart each day.
Dear Lord, we all adore You,
We sing for joy before You.
Guide us while here we wander
Until we praise You yonder.

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570 Just as I Am, without One Plea



1 Just as I am, with - out one plea But that Thy
 2 Just as I am and wait - ing not To rid my
 3 Just as I am, though tossed a - bout With man - y a
 4 Just as I am, poor, wretch - ed, blind; Sight, rich - es,



blood was shed for me And that Thou bidd'st me come to
 soul of one dark blot, To Thee, whose blood can cleanse each
 con - flict, man - y a doubt, Fight - ings and fears with - in, with -
 heal - ing of the mind, Yea, all I need, in Thee to



Thee, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.
 spot, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.
 out, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.
 find, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

5 Just as I am, Thou wilt receive,
 Wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve;
 Because Thy promise I believe,
 O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

6 Just as I am; Thy love unknown
 Has broken ev'ry barrier down;
 Now to be Thine, yea, Thine alone,
 O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

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575 My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less



1 My hope is built on noth - ing less Than Je - sus'
 2 When dark - ness veils His love - ly face, I rest on
 3 His oath, His cov - e - nant and blood Sup - port me
 4 When He shall come with trum - pet sound, Oh, may I



blood and righ - teous - ness; No mer - it of my
 His un - chang - ing grace; In ev - 'ry high and
 in the rag - ing flood; When ev - 'ry earth - ly
 then in Him be found, Clothed in His righ - teous -



own I claim But whol - ly lean on Je - sus' name.
storm - y gale My an - chor holds with - in the veil.
prop gives way, He then is all my hope and stay.
ness a - lone, Re - deemed to stand be - fore His throne!

Refrain



On Christ, the sol-id rock, I stand; All oth-er ground is sink-ing sand.

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