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<u>Today in Worship</u> <u>Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost</u> 17 October 2021

Welcome to worship at HOPE Lutheran. We invite you to please sign our guest registry, which you'll find on the inside aisle of each pew and pass it to your neighbors so that we might know who is worshipping with us this Lord's Day. After it reaches the end of the row, please return it to the inside aisle so that those seated there might give it to the acolytes following the service. During today's worship we celebrate sacrament of Communion. Christ personally comes to us in bread and wine for your forgiveness. In preparation for such you are asked to read pages 308,329-330 in the hymnal. In joyful obedience to God's Word we therefore practice close communion and ask our guest to speak with the pastor before partaking.

Order of Service: Divine Service 4, Page 203

Sunday Hymns: #907, #690, #620, #743, #575 Wednesday Hymns: #907, #690, #575

Sermon Text: Ecclesiastes 5:10-20 Sermon Text: Hebrews 4:1-13

Sermon Theme: "Meaningless? Meaningful!" | Sermon Theme: "Ah! Blissful Rest!"

Collect of the Day

O God, Your divine wisdom sets in order all things in heaven and on earth. Put away from us all things hurtful and give us those things that are beneficial for us; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Old Testament— Ecclesíastes 5:10-20

¹⁰He who loves money will not be satisfied with money, nor he who loves wealth with his income; this also is vanity. ¹¹When goods increase, they increase who eat them, and what advantage has their owner but to see them with his eyes? ¹²Sweet is the sleep of a laborer, whether he eats little or much, but the full stomach of the rich will not let him sleep.

¹³There is a grievous evil that I have seen under the sun: riches were kept by their owner to his hurt, ¹⁴and those riches were lost in a bad venture. And he is father of a son, but he has nothing in his hand. ¹⁵As he came from his mother's womb he shall go again, naked as he came, and shall take nothing for his toil that he may carry away in his hand. ¹⁶This also is a grievous evil: just as he came, so shall he go, and what gain is there to him who toils for the wind? ¹⁷Moreover, all his days he eats in darkness in much vexation and sickness and anger.

¹⁸Behold, what I have seen to be good and fitting is to eat and drink and find enjoyment in all the toil with which one toils under the sun the few days of his life that God has given him, for this is his lot. ¹⁹Everyone also to whom God has given wealth and possessions and power to enjoy them, and to

accept his lot and rejoice in his toil—this is the gift of God. ²⁰For he will not much remember the days of his life because God keeps him occupied with joy in his heart.

Epístle-Hebrews 4:1-13

¹Therefore, while the promise of entering his rest still stands, let us fear lest any of you should seem to have failed to reach it. ²For good news came to us just as to them, but the message they heard did not benefit them, because they were not united by faith with those who listened. ³For we who have believed enter that rest, as he has said,

"As I swore in my wrath,

'They shall not enter my rest,""

although his works were finished from the foundation of the world. ⁴For he has somewhere spoken of the seventh day in this way: "And God rested on the seventh day from all his works." ⁵And again in this passage he said,

"They shall not enter my rest."

⁶Since therefore it remains for some to enter it, and those who formerly received the good news failed to enter because of disobedience, ⁷again he appoints a certain day, "Today," saying through David so long afterward, in the words already quoted,

"Today, if you hear his voice, do not harden your hearts."

⁸For if Joshua had given them rest, God would not have spoken of another day later on. ⁹So then, there remains a Sabbath rest for the people of God, ¹⁰for whoever has entered God's rest has also rested from his works as God did from his.

¹¹Let us therefore strive to enter that rest, so that no one may fall by the same sort of disobedience. ¹²For the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing to the division of soul and of spirit, of joints and of marrow, and discerning the thoughts and intentions of the heart. ¹³And no creature is hidden from his sight, but all are naked and exposed to the eyes of him to whom we must give account.

Holy Gospel – Mark 10:23-31

²³Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, "How difficult it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!" ²⁴And the disciples were amazed at his words. But Jesus said to them again, "Children, how difficult it is to enter the kingdom of God! ²⁵It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich person to enter the kingdom of God." ²⁶And they were exceedingly astonished, and said to him, "Then who can be saved?" ²⁷Jesus looked at them and said, "With man it is impossible, but not with God. For all things are possible with God." ²⁸Peter began to say to him, "See, we have left everything and followed you." ²⁹Jesus said, "Truly, I say to you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or lands, for my sake

and for the gospel, ³⁰who will not receive a hundredfold now in this time, houses and brothers and sisters and mothers and children and lands, with persecutions, and in the age to come eternal life. ³¹But many who are first will be last, and the last first."

In Our Prayers

Our Missionaries: Jana Inglehart, Gary & Steph Schulte,

We remember those who are in care facilities:

At Azria Health: Don Larson,

Continental Springs: Teresa Santee Bickford of Sioux City: Robert Jager

Health Concerns:

Shelli Tuttle,

Kim Daum, Daryl Daum's sister-in-law

Bob Gruber,

Pastor Jeff Walsh, Suzy Awe's brother

Howie Holdenried, Daryl & Roxanne Daum's friend,

Mary Bose, Renee Nissen's cousin

Carmen Ortega,

Karen Nissen, sister-in-law of Renee Nissen,

Phyllis Todd, Susan Utech,

Sarah Hansen, Darlene Bennett's daughter,

Beth, Ervin Messerschmidt's daughter,

Ken Todd, Phyllis Todd's brother-in-law,

Doug Mallette, Roxanne Daum,

Katrina Peabody, Renee Nissen's niece

Josh LeGrande, Annette LeGrande's nephew,

Sandy Mallette,

Lori Langenderg, Annette LeGrande's friend

Dustie Blunck, Carl & LuAnn's daughter in-law

Ruth Cornell,

Karen Watterson,

Terry Koebernick,

Jan Persinger,

Joanne Walsh, Jeff Walsh wife & Suzy Awe's sister-in-law Kimberly Christiansen Bohlke, daughter of Lynette Barker,

Suzy Awe,

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OFFICIATING:

Rev. Michael Awe

.SUNDAY ORGANIST:

Kim Fales, Sharon Weber's niece, John Murry,

Don Mallette, father of Doug Mallette

Jennifer Veen.

Titus Diediker.

Diane Barge,

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