

Whoever
welcomes
one such
child in
my name
welcomes
me

MARK 9:37



**Hope Lutheran Church
September 22, 2024**

**Pastor
Organist**

**Jim Helgren
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Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Prelude, Welcome, Announcements

Opening Hymn "Seek Ye First the Kingdom of God" WOV # 783

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Hymn of Praise "Precious Lord" vr. 1 WOV # 731

Prayer of the Day

O God, our teacher and guide, you draw us to yourself and welcome us as beloved children. Help us to lay aside all envy and selfish ambition, that we may walk in your ways of wisdom and understanding as servants of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Lord. Amen.

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Gospel Mark 9:30-37

Sermon

Hymn of the Day "Children of the Heavenly Father" LBW # 474

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The Apostles' Creed

Prayers of the Church

Offering /Offertory "We give thee but thine own. What e're the gift may be; All that we have is thine alone. A trust, O Lord from thee."

The Lord's Prayer - Sing

Benediction and Dismissal

Closing Hymn "This Is My Father's World" LBW # 554

In our prayers we remember Myrna Schmid, and Carol Speth.

Welcome to Hope Lutheran Church! We are so happy to have you worship with us today. If you are visiting, please sign our guestbook in the entry.

Wednesday, Sept. 25th: 600 p.m. Confirmation

Sunday, Sept. 29th: 10:00 a.m. Worship

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SEPTEMBER IS CULTIVATING NEW _____

FIRST READING: Jeremiah 11:18-20

It was the LORD who made it known to me, and I knew;
then you showed me their evil deeds.

¹⁹But I was like a gentle lamb led to the slaughter.
And I did not know it was against me that they devised schemes, saying, "Let us destroy the tree with its fruit, let us cut him off from the land of the living, so that his name will no longer be remembered!"

²⁰But you, O LORD of hosts, who judge righteously,
who try the heart and the mind, let me see your retribution upon them, for to you I have committed my cause.

or Wisdom 1:16—2:1, 12-22

[not printed]

Psalm 54

SECOND READING: James 3:13—4:3, 7-8a

Who is wise and understanding among you? Show by your good life that your works are done with gentleness born of wisdom. ¹⁴But if you have bitter envy and selfish ambition in your hearts, do not be boastful and false to the truth. ¹⁵Such wisdom does not come down from above, but is earthly, unspiritual, devilish. ¹⁶For where there is envy and selfish ambition, there will also be disorder and wickedness of every kind. ¹⁷But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, willing to yield, full of mercy and good fruits, without a trace of partiality or hypocrisy. ¹⁸And a harvest of righteousness is sown in peace for those who make peace.

¹¹Those conflicts and disputes among you, where do they come from? Do they not come from your cravings that are at war within you? ²You want something and do not have it; so you commit murder. And you covet something and cannot obtain it; so you engage in disputes and conflicts. You do not have, because you do not ask. ³You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, in order to spend what you get on your pleasures. ⁷Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. ⁸Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you.

GOSPEL: Mark 9:30-37

[Jesus and the disciples went on] and passed through Galilee. He did not want anyone to know it; ³¹for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, "The Son of Man is to be betrayed into human hands, and they will kill him, and three days after being killed, he will rise again." ³²But they did not understand what he was saying and were afraid to ask him.

³³Then they came to Capernaum; and when he was in the house he asked them, "What were you arguing about on the way?" ³⁴But they were silent, for on the way they had argued with one another who was the greatest. ³⁵He sat down, called the twelve, and said to them, "Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all." ³⁶Then he took a little child and put it among them; and taking it in his arms, he said to them, ³⁷"Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me."