

An abstract painting featuring a woman in the lower right foreground, her face in profile with eyes closed in prayer. She has dark hair and is wearing a red garment. The background is a complex composition of bold, expressive brushstrokes in various colors including red, blue, green, and yellow. In the upper left, there are stylized, window-like shapes with yellow and green outlines. The overall style is expressive and emotional, with a focus on color and form over realistic detail.

*Lord,
teach us to pray*

LUKE 11:1

Hope Lutheran Church
July 27, 2025

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7th Sunday after Pentecost

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Almighty and ever-living God, you are always more ready to hear than we are to pray, and you gladly give more than we either desire or deserve. Pour upon us your abundant mercy. Forgive us those things that weigh on our conscience, and give us those good things that come only through your Son, Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord. Amen.

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Thee.

The Lord's Prayer - sing

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In our prayers we remember Carol Speth.

We welcome you to Hope Lutheran Church. If you are a visitor
please sign the guest book in the entry. We are so happy to have
you worship with us today.

Sunday, July 3rd: Holy Communion Worship, Nancy is
communion assistant

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Today's Readings

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First Reading

Genesis 18:20-32

The LORD said, "How great is the outcry against Sodom and Gomorrah and how very grave their sin! ²¹I must go down and see whether they have done altogether according to the outcry that has come to me; and if not, I will know."

²²So the men turned from there, and went toward Sodom, while Abraham remained standing before the LORD. ²³Then Abraham came near and said, "Will you indeed sweep away the righteous with the wicked? ²⁴Suppose there are fifty righteous within the city; will you then sweep away the place and not forgive it for the fifty righteous who are in it? ²⁵Far be it from you to do such a thing, to slay the righteous with the wicked, so that the righteous fare as the wicked! Far be that from you! Shall not the Judge of all the earth do what is just?" ²⁶And the LORD said, "If I find at Sodom fifty righteous in the

city, I will forgive the whole place for their sake." ²⁷Abraham answered, "Let me take it upon myself to speak to the Lord, I who am but dust and ashes. ²⁸Suppose five of the fifty righteous are lacking? Will you destroy the whole city for lack of five?" And he said, "I will not destroy it if I find forty-five there." ²⁹Again he spoke to him, "Suppose forty are found there." He answered, "For the sake of forty I will not do it." ³⁰Then he said, "Oh do not let the Lord be angry if I speak. Suppose thirty are found there." He answered, "I will not do it, if I find thirty there." ³¹He said, "Let me take it upon myself to speak to the Lord. Suppose twenty are found there." He answered, "For the sake of twenty I will not destroy it." ³²Then he said, "Oh do not let the Lord be angry if I speak just once more. Suppose ten are found there." He answered, "For the sake of ten I will not destroy it."

Psalm

Psalm 138; tone 6



I will give thanks to you,
O LORD, with ¹ my whole heart;
before the gods
I will ¹ sing your praise.

²I will bow down
toward your holy temple
and praise your name,
because of your steadfast ¹ love
and faithfulness;
for you have glorified your name
and your word a- ¹ bove all things.

³When I called, you ¹ answered me;
you increased my ¹ strength
within me.

⁴All the rulers of the earth
will praise ¹ you, O LORD,
when they have heard
the words ¹ of your mouth.

⁵They will sing of the ways ¹ of the LORD,
that great is the glory ¹ of the LORD.

⁶The LORD is high,
yet cares ¹ for the lowly,
perceiving the haughty ¹ from afar.

⁷Though I walk in the midst of trouble,
you ¹ keep me safe;
you stretch forth your hand
against the fury of my enemies;
your right ¹ hand shall save me.

continued

**"You will make good
your pur-¹ pose for me;**

**O LORD, your steadfast love
endures forever; do not abandon
the works¹ of your hands.**

Second Reading

Colossians 2:6-15 [16-19]

As you therefore have received Christ Jesus the Lord, continue to live your lives in him, rooted and built up in him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving.

⁸See to it that no one takes you captive through philosophy and empty deceit, according to human tradition, according to the elemental spirits of the universe, and not according to Christ. ⁹For in him the whole fullness of deity dwells bodily, ¹⁰and you have come to fullness in him, who is the head of every ruler and authority. ¹¹In him also you were circumcised with a spiritual circumcision, by putting off the body of the flesh in the circumcision of Christ; ¹²when you were buried with him in baptism, you were also raised with him through faith in the power of God, who raised him from the dead. ¹³And when you were dead in trespasses and the

uncircumcision of your flesh, God made you alive together with him, when he forgave us all our trespasses, ¹⁴erasing the record that stood against us with its legal demands. He set this aside, nailing it to the cross. ¹⁵He disarmed the rulers and authorities and made a public example of them, triumphing over them in it.

[¹⁶Therefore do not let anyone condemn you in matters of food and drink or of observing festivals, new moons, or sabbaths. ¹⁷These are only a shadow of what is to come, but the substance belongs to Christ. ¹⁸Do not let anyone disqualify you, insisting on self-abasement and worship of angels, dwelling on visions, puffed up without cause by a human way of thinking, ¹⁹and not holding fast to the head, from whom the whole body, nourished and held together by its ligaments and sinews, grows with a growth that is from God.]

Gospel

Luke 11:1-13

[Jesus] was praying in a certain place, and after he had finished, one of his disciples said to him, "Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples." ²He said to them, "When you pray, say:

Father, hallowed be your name.

Your kingdom come.

³Give us each day our daily bread.

⁴And forgive us our sins,
for we ourselves forgive everyone
indebted to us.

And do not bring us to the time of trial."

⁵And he said to them, "Suppose one of you has a friend, and you go to him at midnight and say to him, 'Friend, lend me three loaves of bread; ⁶for a friend of mine has arrived, and I have nothing to set before him.' ⁷And he answers from within, 'Do not bother me; the door has already been

locked, and my children are with me in bed; I cannot get up and give you anything.' ⁸I tell you, even though he will not get up and give him anything because he is his friend, at least because of his persistence he will get up and give him whatever he needs.

⁹"So I say to you, Ask, and it will be given you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you. ¹⁰For everyone who asks receives, and everyone who searches finds, and for everyone who knocks, the door will be opened. ¹¹Is there anyone among you who, if your child asks for a fish, will give a snake instead of a fish? ¹²Or if the child asks for an egg, will give a scorpion? ¹³If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!"

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