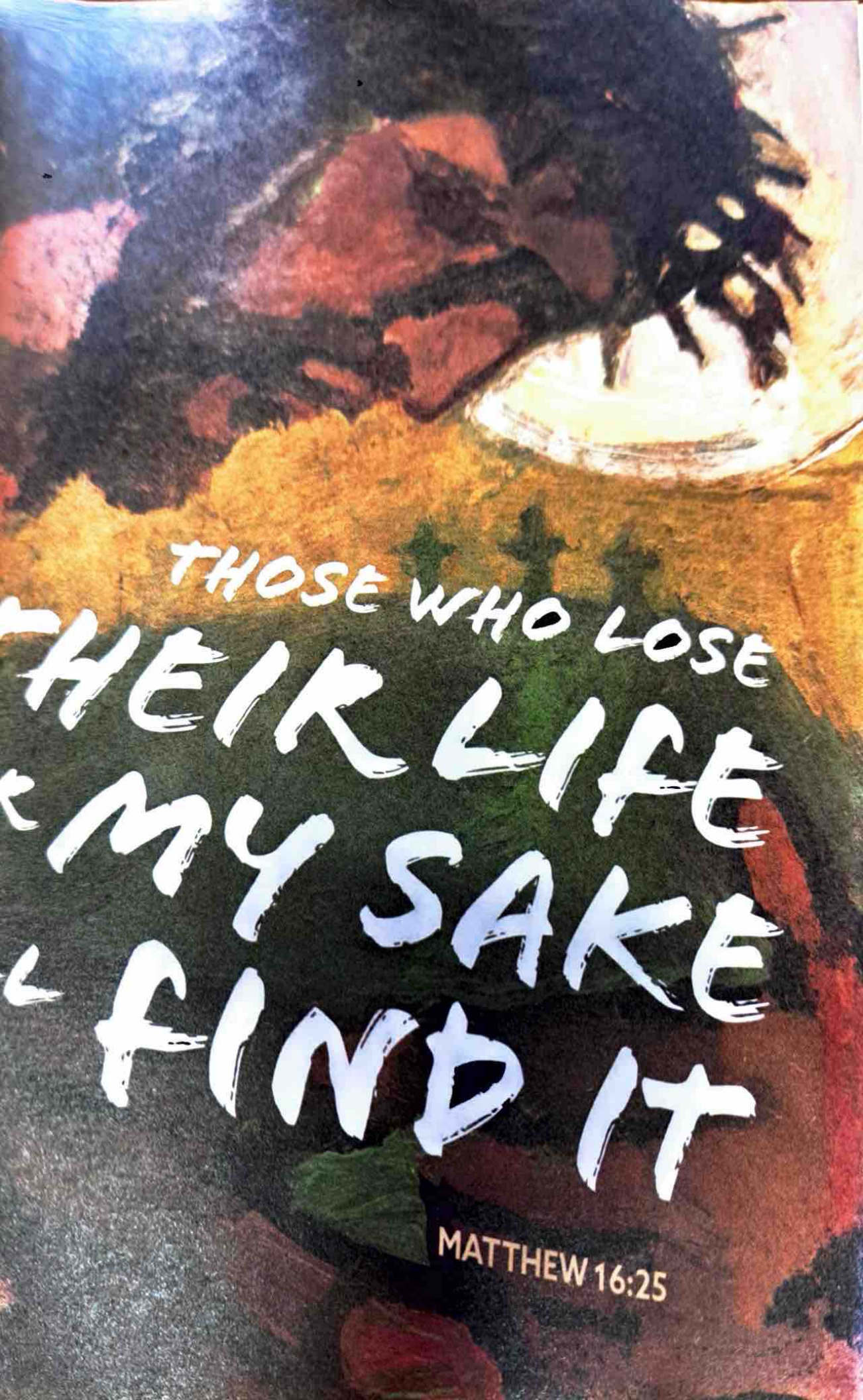




THOSE WHO LOSE  
THEIR LIFE  
FOR MY SAKE  
WILL FIND IT

MATTHEW 16:25

Hope Lutheran Church  
August 30, 2026

Lay Leader

Erin Ebeler

Organist

Ruth Neeman

14th Sunday after Pentecost

Prelude, Welcome, Announcements

Confession and Forgiveness (*stand in body or spirit*) pg. 94

Opening Hymn "Lift High the Cross" ELW # 660

Greeting and Kyrie pg. 138

Hymn of Praise "Give to Our God Immortal Praise" ELW # 848

Prayer of the Day: O God, we thank you for your Son, who chose the path of suffering for the sake of the world. Humble us by his example, point us to the path of obedience, and give us strength to follow your commands, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Response after readings: Word of God, Word of Life

Congregation: Thanks be to God

The Lessons Jeremiah 15:15-21

Psalm 26:1-8

Romans 12:9-21

Gospel Acclamation-Alleluia (*stand in body or spirit*) pg. 142

P: Holy Gospel according to... C: Glory to you O Lord.

Gospel Matthew 16:21-28

P: The Gospel of the Lord C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Children's Sermon

Sermon

Hymn of the Day "Will You Come and Follow Me"

ELW # 798

Apostles' Creed on the sheet in your pew

## **Offering**

**Offering Hymn: Praise God from whom all blessings flow.  
Praise him all creatures here below. Praise him above the  
heavenly host. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

## **Prayers of Intercession, Carol Speth**

**Response: Lord in your mercy,  
Congregation: Hear our prayer**

**The Lord's Prayer on the sheet in your pew. (*stand in body or  
spirit*)**

**Blessing: The Lord bless...give you peace. Response: Amen**

**Dismissal: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.**

**Response: Thanks be to God**

**Sending Song "O Master, Let Me Walk with You" ELW # 818**

**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, Sept. 6th: 10:00 a.m. Holy Communion Worship.**

**Monday, Sept. 7th: Labor Day; Tuesday, 8th: 2:00 Bible Study**

**Wednesday, Sept. 9th: 7:30 p.m. Hope Council**

**Sunday, Sept. 13th: 10:00 a.m. Joint Worship at Grace with a  
potluck dinner to get to know Pastor Kate. Bring your favorite  
dish.**

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**FIRST READING: Jeremiah 15:15-21**

O LORD, you know;  
remember me and visit me,  
and bring down retribution for me on  
my persecutors.  
In your forbearance do not take me away;  
know that on your account I suffer insult.  
<sup>16</sup>Your words were found, and I ate them,  
and your words became to me a joy  
and the delight of my heart,  
for I am called by your name,  
O LORD, God of hosts.  
<sup>17</sup>I did not sit in the company of  
merrymakers,  
nor did I rejoice;  
under the weight of your hand I sat alone,  
for you had filled me with indignation.  
<sup>18</sup>Why is my pain unceasing,  
my wound incurable,  
refusing to be healed?  
Truly, you are to me like a deceitful brook,  
like waters that fail.

<sup>19</sup>Therefore thus says the LORD:  
If you turn back, I will take you back,  
and you shall stand before me.  
If you utter what is precious and not what  
is worthless,  
you shall serve as my mouth.  
It is they who will turn to you,  
not you who will turn to them.  
<sup>20</sup>And I will make you to this people  
a fortified wall of bronze;  
they will fight against you,  
but they shall not prevail over you,  
for I am with you  
to save you and deliver you,  
says the LORD.

<sup>21</sup>I will deliver you out of the hand of the  
wicked  
and redeem you from the grasp of the  
ruthless.

**Psalms 26:1-8**

**SECOND READING: Romans 12:9-21**

Let love be genuine; hate what is evil; hold  
fast to what is good; <sup>10</sup>love one another  
with mutual affection; outdo one another  
in showing honor. <sup>11</sup>Do not lag in zeal; be  
ardent in spirit; serve the Lord. <sup>12</sup>Rejoice

in hope; be patient in affliction; persevere  
in prayer. <sup>13</sup>Contribute to the needs of the  
saints; pursue hospitality to strangers.

<sup>14</sup>Bless those who persecute you; bless  
and do not curse them. <sup>15</sup>Rejoice with those  
who rejoice; weep with those who weep.  
<sup>16</sup>Live in harmony with one another; do not  
be arrogant, but associate with the lowly; do  
not claim to be wiser than you are. <sup>17</sup>Do not  
repay anyone evil for evil, but take thought  
for what is noble in the sight of all. <sup>18</sup>If it  
is possible, so far as it depends on you, live  
peaceably with all. <sup>19</sup>Beloved, never avenge  
yourselves, but leave room for the wrath of  
God, for it is written, "Vengeance is mine; I  
will repay, says the Lord." <sup>20</sup>Instead, "if your  
enemies are hungry, feed them; if they are  
thirsty, give them something to drink, for  
by doing this you will heap burning coals  
on their heads." <sup>21</sup>Do not be overcome by  
evil, but overcome evil with good.

**GOSPEL: Matthew 16:21-28**

From that time on, [after Peter confessed  
that Jesus was the Messiah,] Jesus began  
to show his disciples that he must go to  
Jerusalem and undergo great suffering at  
the hands of the elders and chief priests  
and scribes and be killed and on the third  
day be raised. <sup>22</sup>And Peter took him aside  
and began to rebuke him, saying, "God  
forbid it, Lord! This must never happen to  
you." <sup>23</sup>But he turned and said to Peter, "Get  
behind me, Satan! You are a hindrance to  
me, for you are setting your mind not on  
divine things but on human things."

<sup>24</sup>Then Jesus told his disciples, "If any wish  
to come after me, let them deny themselves  
and take up their cross and follow me. <sup>25</sup>For  
those who want to save their life will lose it,  
and those who lose their life for my sake will  
find it. <sup>26</sup>For what will it profit them if they  
gain the whole world but forfeit their life? Or  
what will they give in return for their life?

<sup>27</sup>"For the Son of Man is to come with his  
angels in the glory of his Father, and then he  
will repay everyone for what has been done.  
<sup>28</sup>Truly I tell you, there are some standing  
here who will not taste death before they see  
the Son of Man coming in his kingdom."

**Next Sunday's Readings:** Ezekiel 33:7-11; Psalm 119:33-40; Romans 13:8-14; Matthew 18:15-20.

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## Text Message for Church Time

A group text will be sent out on Saturday evenings that will have what time church will be on Sunday. If you would like to be included please sign up in the back of the church.