

A few questions and ideas to consider throughout the following days...

- What do you anticipate when it comes to celebrating communion?
- Why is it worth giving what we experience in communion some thought?
- Who would you not celebrate communion with?
- What does the real presence of Christ mean to you?

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Please pray for our Spirit of Hope family and friends. To submit a prayer request, e-mail prayer@spiritofhopelincn.org. These requests are kept confidential.

In the Military: *Stephen Austria; Peyton Lange* (grandson of Chuck & Marcia Carlson); and *Ross Witters* (son of Nancy Witters)

Council Member Available Today:
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We hope that all feel welcome in our worship service. When we come to the celebration of Holy Communion, all are welcome. We believe that Christ is truly present in the earthly elements of bread and wine, and that in this meal, Christ has invited all people to share in his love and gift of salvation.

We welcome you if you can sing like Andrea Bocelli or like our pastor who can't carry a note in a bucket. You're welcome here if you're "just browsing," just woke up or just got out of jail. We don't care if you're more Catholic than the Pope, or haven't been in church since little Joey's baptism.

We extend a special welcome to those who are over 60 but not grown up yet, and to teenagers who are growing up too fast. We welcome soccer moms, NASCAR dads, starving artists, tree-huggers, latte-sippers, vegetarians, junk-food eaters. We welcome those who are in recovery or still addicted. We welcome you if you're having problems or you're down in the dumps or if you don't like "organized religion," we've been there too.

If you blew all your offering money at the horse track, you're welcome here. We offer a special welcome to those who think the earth is flat, work too hard, don't work, can't spell, or because grandma is in town and wanted to go to church.

We welcome those who are inked, pierced or both. We offer a special welcome to those who could use a prayer right now, had religion shoved down your throat as a kid or got lost in traffic and wound up here by mistake. We welcome tourists, seekers and doubters, bleeding hearts ... and you!

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Maundy Thursday
First Communion
April 6, 2023

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Today's Worship

Maundy Thursday *First Communion*

Welcome

Call to worship

Song: *Ah, Holy Jesus* ELW 349 (v.1-2)

Prayer of the Day

Scripture: *John 13: 21-35*

Sermon: *Worth* Pr Lance Ferguson

Song: *Go to Dark Gethsemane* ELW 347 (v.1-4)

Offering

Prayers

Lord's Prayer

Confession

Communion

Song: *Let us Break Bread Together* ELW 471 (v.1-3)

Blessing

Stripping of the Altar: *Reading of Psalm 88*

Welcome to Spirit of Hope Lutheran Church! We are a member of over 250 churches in the Nebraska Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA).

communion: Ande Zugmier, Elijah Sulzle, Emersyn Kipper, Gwendolyn Grothen, Payson Rivas, Preston Zugmier, & Samuel Sulzle.

Good Friday

What's so good about the Friday that Christ is crucified? Good Friday underscores the depth and breadth of Christ's sacrifice and points us to new hope in his Easter resurrection. This year we are doing a Tenebrae service of the events surrounding Christ's trial and crucifixion, with readings and hymns interspersed throughout the events of that fateful day. Worship service at 7:00 p.m.

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We celebrate our young people who are receiving their first

Easter Sunday

Join in the Good News on Sunday April 9 at 8:00, 9:30 & 11:00 a.m. that Christ is risen indeed! Council members will be serving donut holes, coffee, and juice after each service.

Padlet

The easiest way to get to our Padlet Prayer Request is the link in our Spirit of Hope app for your smart device! Once you launch the Spirit of Hope app you will find the link near the middle labeled: "Padlet Prayer Request".



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