

Week Eight

Monday, November 4, Day 50 - Heavenly Father, we thank You for the many blessings You have given to Hope Lutheran Church and School. Our history is filled with pastors who preached the pure Gospel and steadfast members who sought to carry on the traditions of the Lutheran Church throughout the past and into this present day. We come to You now to ask for Your blessing upon our Fulfilling the Mission of Hope campaign. Open our hearts to the spiritual growth that comes only from Your Word and Sacraments. Move us to take on the debt that burdens us. Help us all to find the joy in giving back to You, knowing that we have the one thing needful – Your Son Who paid our debt in full. Amen.



Tuesday, November 5, Day 51 -
Our Father, who from heaven above
Has told us here to live in love
And with our fellow Christians share
Our mutual burdens and our prayer.
Teach us no thoughtless word to say
But from our inmost heart to pray.
Amen, that is, it shall be so.
Make our faith strong that we may know
We need not doubt but shall receive
All that we ask, as we believe.
On your great promise we lay claim.
Our faith says amen in your name.

(LW 431, v. 1,3)

We ask, dear Lord, for Your blessings on the successful completion of our Fulfilling the Mission of Hope campaign and for the spiritual growth of our congregation. In Your Name we pray. Amen.

Wednesday, November 6, Day 52 - Dear God, we thank You for all that You have given us as members of Hope Lutheran Church and School. We are blessed to have such a wonderful church in which to worship, study, and play. We are blessed to have such a beautiful facility to share with not only our church family, but with

the people in this neighborhood. Thank You, also, for giving us amazing people to lead us!

We ask Your blessing on this congregation as it carries out a financial campaign to reduce our debt. We know that there are many ways we could be an asset to the people in Levittown and surrounding communities as well as people in other parts of the world. Bless our charitable giving in this campaign so that we may use our finances toward other endeavors. And always keep us mindful of the many blessings we already have as Your baptized children, especially salvation through Your Son. In Jesus' Name we pray. Amen.

Thursday, November 7, Day 53 - Our heavenly Father, grant that in Christ we may be faithful in all we do and that our efforts for our unbelieving brothers and sisters and strangers yield fruit unto salvation. In Jesus' Name we pray. Amen.

Friday, November 8, Day 54 - Heavenly Father, Paul tells us, "I can do all things through him who strengthens me." (*Philippians 4:13*) Likewise strengthen us to have confidence in Your promise through Paul who also tells us, "And my God will supply every need of yours according to His riches in glory in Christ Jesus" (*Philippians 4:19*) as we undertake this campaign to raise enough funds to completely repay the debt on our building. Give us the confidence richly to support this financial effort, and to dedicate this support to Your glory. Bless this campaign, Lord, and give it success. Enable Your church in this place to more freely bring the Good News of our salvation in Jesus Christ, Your Son, to those who have not heard it. In all things Lord, we ask that Your will be done. We pray this in Jesus' name. Amen.

Saturday, November 9, Day 55 - Heavenly Father, as we think about supporting this financial campaign to reduce our debt, remind us of Your words, "No one can serve two masters, for either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and money." (*Matthew 6:24 ESV*) Help us to be more devoted to You, and to remember, "the love of money is a root of all kinds of evils"

(1 Timothy 6:10) Relieve our anxiety about providing generous financial support to the campaign by reminding us, “Therefore I tell you, do not be anxious about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, nor about your body, what you will put on. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing? *(Matthew 6:24-25 ESV)* Lord, bless and strengthen our efforts to be generous with Your treasure that You have placed in our care. Help us to use Your treasure to reduce this debt so we, less unencumbered by it, may better be about spreading the Good News of our Salvation in Your Son, our Lord, Jesus Christ, to the world. We pray that in this, as in all things, Lord, Your will be done. Amen.



Sunday, November 10 – Commitment Card Celebration Meal (place to be determined), Day 56 - In the Name of the Triune God, we pray for grace to help reduce the church debt. Guide and direct us in using the gifts You have given to reduce the debt so that our congregation may free up money for other needed missions. We thank and praise You for Your mercy and goodness to us. In Jesus’ Name we pray. Amen.