

Glorifying God by Knowing, Living and Proclaiming our Hope in Christ

### **TODAY'S MESSAGE**

Sin, Sickness and Repentance

Psalm 6

## JULY 9, 2023

Senior Pastor Scott Roberts Associate Pastor Ethan Rogers

# Welcome!

Welcome to Hope in Christ Church. We are so glad you have joined us today! May God bless you as you worship with us.

# Order of Worship

Forever Reign

Call to Worship Poem by Alfred H. Ackley

Prayer

Your Grace Is Enough

**Our Great Savior** 

What A Friend We Have In Jesus

His Mercy Is More

Litany

#### Prayer

Scripture Psalm 6 Don Recker

Message Sin, Sickness and Repentance

Lord I Need You

#### Benediction

The Power Of The Cross

# Today's Offering

The suggested donation for the offering this morning is the General Fund.

## God is Moving Mountains

On 11 June some 40 'reactionary subjects' in Vietnam's Central Highlands launched a rare attack against government institutions. They attacked with guns, knives and petrol bombs leaving a trail of destruction and nine fatalities. In response, the ruling Communist Party of Vietnam has deployed massive military force into Dak Lak. The mostly Christian indigenous hills tribes are fearful the government will exploit the crisis to escalate its ethnoreligious persecution across the region. Meanwhile, Vietnam continues to mistreat its many imprisoned pastors and Christian human rights / religious liberty advocates. The health of Protestant Pastor Nguyen Trung Ton (51) continues to deteriorate as authorities continue to withhold medical care. Lutheran Pastor Dinh Diem (60) died in Nghe An Provincial Prison No. 6 on 5 January, five years into a 16-year prison sentence. Please pray the Lord will grant Vietnam's Christian pastors great wisdom and discernment as they seek to lead their flocks along a difficult path lined with hardship, oppression, persecution and injustice.

For more information, contact Rebekah Roberts at Rebekah@ChristianResponse.org

### **Prayers**

Each week we pray for members of our church family. Suggested prayers are for their spiritual growth, opportunities to see Christ in their everyday lives, and anything else that God puts on your mind for them. This week please pray for:

Yvonne	Bud & Lorraine	Marlene
Diane & Mike	Rachel, Hannah	, Lauren, Michael

## Servants for Sunday, July 16th

E-Street Taxi: Ida Prayer Room: Chuck Greeters: Jerry & Faye

### Sin, Sickness and Repentance

#### I. Sin causes:

- A. The relationship between sin and sickness (Jam 5:14-15, John 9:2-3, 5:14, Ps 32:1-5, Num 12:9-10, Dt 28, Ps 6)
- B. God's rebuke to come upon us (Ps 6:1, Is 59:2, Ps 11:5, 5:5, Prov 6:16-19)
- C. God's discipline to come to us (Ps 6:1, Rev 3:19)
- D. Physical effects in the body languishing, bones (Ps 6:2, Is 24:4)
- E. Troubling in our spirit (Ps 6:3, 6)
- F. Emotional suffering & Unhealthy whole in the person (Ps 6:7, Mt 6:22)

#### II. Repentance:

- A. In relationship with a covenantal God (Ps 6:1, Ex 20:1-17)
- B. Occurs when we admit sin (Ps 6:1)
  - 1. Repentance actually admits the sin and judgment that one is under
  - 2. Rebuke is a legal term representing God's charges against the sinner
  - Discipline has a specific connotation of instructing one in a better life (Hb 12:6)
- C. Seek grace and relief from God (Ps 6:2, Gen 33:11, 2 Sam 12:22, 2Ki 13:23, Ex 33:19, Num 6:25)

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III. Assurance of God responding

- A. Because he is hesed (Ps 6:4, Gen 37:22 Is 45:22, Dt. 27-28)
- B. Wants the praise of the living not the dead (Ps 6:5)
- C. God heard and will answer (Ps 6:8-9)
- D. A reversal awaits (Ps 6:10)

IV. The Gospel

### Announcements

**STORIES NEEDED OF GOD'S FAITHFULNESS:** Bekah Roberts is writing a book that will tell the stories from the people in Hope in Christ Church of God's faithfulness in their lives. This is an opportunity to share encouragement with each other of our unchanging God. Each story needs to be within 500-550 words long and can be mailed to Bekah at rebekah.g.roberts@protonmail.com. If you want to write your story anonymously feel free to do so. Please turn in the story by the end of August, or if you don't want to write the story yourself, reach out to me and I (or one of the team members) will interview you and write the story on your behalf.

**LOWPC PRAYER GUIDES:** Prayer guides from Light of the World Prayer Center for July and August are available in the foyer.

**DONATE TO NEW THRIFT STORE MINISTRY:** Summit Thrift Store is planning to open in August with profits going to Envision Ministries to disciple the homeless of Whatcom County. You can help Pastor Mitchell Senti and the Envision team open more Summit Discipleship Houses by donating items on Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at 404 Front St., Lynden (in the alley behind the old Lynden Bolt store). You can also volunteer by calling Diane at (360) 961-6407. For more information, visit summitthriftstore.org and envisionthesummit.org.

**VOLUNTEER WITH JESUS TAXI:** Whatcom County Love INC (In the Name of Christ) is offering mini-missions trips in the form of the Jesus Taxi. The servant ministry brings together those in need with volunteers who are "taxied" to neighborhoods to pray, offer a helping hand, and love those who need it. To get a tour of the Jesus Taxi building at 1215 Commercial St., Bellingham, or for more information about this and other Love INC programs, call (360) 671-6201, e-mail oskar@whatcomloveinc.org, or visit www.whatcomloveinc.org

**PARKINSON DISEASE SUPPORT:** You are welcome to join us on the second Monday afternoon of each month, 2-3:30 p.m. at Cornwall Church on Northwest Avenue for our monthly Parkinson's Support Group meeting. The group includes caregivers, the person with P.D., friends, and family. For more information, contact Deb Ivancovich at 360-961-5168.

### **Council Members and Districts**

**Council President:** Lou Kooistra (360-820-2548) **Deacon Chair:** Dan Obbink (360-738-4718)

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### **Team Leaders**

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### **CHURCH OFFICE HOURS**

Mon.: Closed Tues., Wed., Fri.: 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. Thursday: noon - 3 p.m.

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#### **BULLETIN DEADLINE**

All bulletin items are due on Thursdays at noon.

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