

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

# TODAY'S MESSAGE

Jesus, Our High Priest Hebrews 4:14 - 5:10

MAY 12, 2024

Pastor Scott Roberts

## 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

Your Majesty

### Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship John 1:14, 16-17

**Opening Prayer** 

This I Believe (The Creed)

Litany Psalm 91:1-2

Psalm 62 (My Soul Finds Rest in God Alone)

Before the Throne of God Above

### Prayer

Hebrews 4:14 - 5:10 Reader, Damon Jones

Sermon Jesus, Our High Priest

Death Was Arrested

### Benediction

Marvelous Grace (Grace Greater Than All Our Sin)

*Today's Offering* is for the General Fund. There is a collection basket next to the sound booth.

# God is Moving Mountains

#### The Cost of the Gospel

Masolo, 45, had returned to his home in Nakitiku village, at 7 p.m. after preaching on the streets of nearby towns when seven masked men dressed in Islamic attire broke in and took him away. After whisking him away, three men remained behind and told his mother that, "Allah is very displeased with your son, and we're out to punish him." She called a clan leader who told her they should wait till the next morning before acting. When her son did not show up the following morning, she reported the kidnapping, and a search began. After four hours of search, Masolo was found lying in the bush with a written Arabic note which stated, "We had warned you not to convert our Muslim brothers and sisters to Christianity, but you failed to heed to our warning. This has finally cost your life." Masolo believed that his life was in the hands of God and that he was called to carry out the preaching of the gospel of Christ. His mother knew that his life was in danger, and he might not live for long due to the many threatening messages of those who were out to kill him.

#### **Prayer Requests**

- 1. Pray for Masolo's mother to find peace and joy in the arms of Christ after losing her son.
- 2. Pray the Lord will transform the hearts of the Muslims who killed Masolo and turn them into modern day Paul's.

For more information, contact Rebekah Hurty Rebekah@ChristianResponse.org

### Servants for Sunday, May 19th

Greeters: Tena, Another needed Cookies: Darlys, Ida, Jolene Scripture Reading: Don R.

E-Street Taxi: Tanya Foyer Monitor: Doug K Prayer Room: Ida

Sunday School Observer: Jolene

# Sermon Outline

Jesus, Our High Priest Hebrews 4:14 - 5:10

- I. The importance of people with positions
- II. Jesus is really important (Heb 4:14, 2:17, 3:6, 4:2, 4:11-13)
  - A. The Son of God (Lk 1:35, Jn 20:31, 1:49)
  - B. Application:
    - 1. You can't make too big a deal about Jesus
    - 2. He is the core of the gospel message (1Cor 2:2)
  - C. How can you meet with God the Father?
- III. Jesus deals with sin
  - A. Priests offer sacrifices for sin (Heb 5:1)
  - B. The name of Jesus (Mt 1:21)
  - C. Application: Don't try and downplay your sin. Rather let Jesus cleanse you of it.

- IV. Jesus recognizes us (Heb 4:15)
  - A. Like us
  - B. He sympathizes with our weaknesses
    - Weaknesses is translated by a variety of words in the NT (Mt 8:17, Lk 5:15, 8:2, Rom 6:19)
  - C. He was tempted (Mt 4)
  - D. Application
    - 1. Bring your sin to him, don't pretend to be better than you are
    - 2. He is gentle and will change you if you are gentle and willing
    - 3. Be gentle with one another.
- V. Jesus connects us to God
  - A. Without sin (Heb 4:15)
  - B. Why it matters he was sinless (HC 16-17, Heb 5:2)
  - C. He teaches us the ways of God (Jn 8:1-11, Mk 9:35)
- VI. Jesus smooths the way for us (Heb 4:16)
  - A. Let us confidently go to God
  - B. Let us hold fast to our confession

### Announcements

**ELDER/DEACON NOMINATIONS:** The following members are being presented by Council as candidates for Elder: Clair Abee, Michael Boer, Glen Hendricks, Jay Kaemingk and Ken Wick; and for Deacon: Hildred Abee, and Gina Nicolaas. During the congregational meeting today, a vote will be taken to accept or reject the slate of names presented by council. On May 19, we will draw lots and the Holy Spirit will select our next Elders and Deacons. We give thanks to Lou Kooistra and Don Recker for their service as Elders, and to Mike Button for his service as Deacon.

**HELP LOVE INC'S PHONE MINISTRY**: Love INC (In the Name of Christ) of Whatcom County is looking for volunteers to help its Jesus Taxi ministry to local neighbors in need. You can help by returning phone calls, listening to callers' stories, and offering prayer. If you have a heart for phone ministry and have the time to help build a supportive call center, e-mail kellie@whatcomloveinc.org.

**LIGHTHOUSE MISSION OPPORTUNITIES**: The Lighthouse Mission in Bellingham has volunteer opportunities for base camp front desk help (2-5 p.m. shift and 5-8:30 p.m. shift) and for shower and laundry monitors (morning and afternoon shifts). For more info, visit thelighthousemission.org/how-to-help/volunteer. To learn how your small group can serve meals, e-mail carolyn@thelighthousemission.org.

**SUMMIT THRIFT STORE IN NEED OF VOLUNTEERS**: The Summit Thrift Store at 404 Front St. in Lynden is in need of Saturday and on-call volunteers. No experience is necessary; training and support will be provided. Just stop by the store and fill out a volunteer form. Proceeds from the store are used to support Summit houses run by Envision Mission. The store is open Monday through Saturday from 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Donations are accepted during business hours each day in the alley behind the store. Be sure to ring the doorbell in the back and an attendant will assist you with your donations. For details, call (360) 312-4105.

### **Council Members and Districts**

Council President: David Richards (360-961-0459) Elder Chairperson: Lou Kooistra (360-820-2548) Deacon Chairperson: Mike Button (360-739-5435)

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### **CHURCH OFFICE HOURS**

Mon. - Thurs: 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Friday: Closed

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### **BULLETIN DEADLINE**

All bulletin items are due on Wednesday at noon.

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