Week One

Monday, September 16, Day 1 – 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, September 17, Day 2 – Dear Heavenly Father, You are our light and our salvation. We pray You will enrich our Fulfilling the Mission of Hope campaign so that our debt is paid and our resources used to further Your Kingdom in other ways. As the familiar hymn expresses:

Take my life and let it be consecrated, Lord to Thee; take my moments and my days, let them flow in ceaseless praise. Take my silver and my gold, not a mite would I withhold. Take my intellect and use, every power as Thou shalt choose.

(LSB 783, vv. 1,4)

Thank you, Dear Lord, for all You do for us. In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.

Wednesday, September 18, Day 3 - Dear Heavenly Father, in Baptism You gave us Your name to mark us redeemed by Christ the crucified. As we continue to live in our baptism, create new hearts within us to grow in grace and truth and in the knowledge of You. Bless our growth even now during our Fulfilling the Mission of Hope campaign as we hallow Your name in our love and service to each other through the Gospel. In Your name we pray. Amen.

Thursday, September 19, Day 4 – Lord of Glory, You have bought us with Your life-blood as the price, never grudging for the lost one that tremendous sacrifice. Give us faith to trust You boldly, hope, to stay our souls on You; but, oh, best of all Your graces,

with Your love our love renew Amen

(LW 402, v.5)

Friday, September 20, Day 5 – Dear Heavenly Father, we thank You for our church family at Hope Lutheran Church and School. While we live north, south, east and west, and spend our lives in great busyness, encourage us to be mindful of our fellow members in prayer and encouragement. May Your love for us spur us on to sharing love with our brothers and sisters in Christ, as well as our neighbors. We pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

Saturday, September 21, Day 6 - Heavenly Father, please forgive me my sins and guide me in continuing the journey "to tell the next generation" through our Fulfilling the Mission of Hope campaign. Thy will be done in Jesus' Name. Amen.

Sunday, September 22, Day 7 – O gracious God, when I have food, help me to remember the hungry; when I have work, help me to remember the jobless; when I have a home, help me to remember those who have no home at all; when I am without pain, help me to remember those who suffer, and in my remembering, destroy my complacency; stir up my compassion and concern enough so that I may help by word and deed those who cry out for what I take for granted. Amen.