

Zion Lutheran Church
Season of Pentecost
July 21, 2024 9:00 AM



Pre-service Music
ANNOUNCEMENTS
INVOCATION

GATHERING SONG “Gather Us In” #532

GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. (*2 Corinthians 13:13*)

And also with you.

You are the treasured people of the LORD,
a people holy to the LORD our God.

Keep the words of the LORD in your heart; teach them to your children.

Talk about them when you are at home and when you are away, when you lie down and when you rise.

One does not live by bread alone,

but by every word that comes from the mouth of the LORD.

(*Deuteronomy 26, 11, 8*)

PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

O God, powerful and compassionate, you shepherd your people, faithfully feeding and protecting us. Heal each of us, and make us a whole people, that we may embody the justice and peace of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

SCRIPTURE SONG

“Word of God, Come Down on Earth” ELW #510 v1&3

Word of God, come down on earth, living rain from heav'n descending;
touch our hearts and bring to birth faith and hope and love unending.
Word almighty, we revere you; Word made flesh, we long to hear you.

Word that speaks God's tender love, one with God beyond all telling,
Word that sends us from above God the Spirit, with us dwelling,
Word of truth, to all truth lead us; Word of life, with one bread feed us.

FIRST READING: Jeremiah 23:1-6

Jeremiah prophesied before the exile in 587 BCE. In this passage, he uses the metaphor of a shepherd to describe the bad kings who have scattered the “flock” of Israel. God promises to gather the flock and to raise up a new king from David’s line to save Israel and Judah.

¹Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! says the LORD.

²Therefore thus says the LORD, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who shepherd my people: It is you who have scattered my flock, and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. So I will attend to you for your evil doings, says the LORD. ³Then I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the lands where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. ⁴I will raise up shepherds over them who will shepherd them, and they shall not fear any longer, or be dismayed, nor shall any be missing, says the LORD.

⁵The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. ⁶In his days Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety. And this is the name by which he will be called: “The LORD is our righteousness.”

Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM: Psalm 23

¹The LORD ¹ is my shepherd;
I shall not ¹ be in want.

²**The LORD makes me lie down ¹ in green pastures
and leads me be- ¹ side still waters.**

³You restore my ¹ soul, O LORD,
and guide me along right pathways ¹ for your name’s sake.

⁴**Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall ¹ fear no evil;
for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they ¹ comfort me.**

⁵You prepare a table before me in the presence ¹ of my enemies;
you anoint my head with oil, and my cup is ¹ running over.

⁶**Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days ¹ of my life,
and I will dwell in the house of the ¹ LORD forever.**

SECOND READING: Ephesians 2:11-22

The author of this letter reminds his audience that originally they were not part of God’s chosen people. Through Jesus’ death, however, they are included in God’s household of faith, whose cornerstone is Jesus Christ.

¹¹Remember that at one time you Gentiles by birth, called “the uncircumcision” by those who are called “the circumcision”—a physical circumcision made in the flesh by human hands—

¹²remember that you were at that time without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. ¹³But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. ¹⁴For he is our peace; in his flesh he has made both groups into one and has

broken down the dividing wall, that is, the hostility between us. ¹⁵He has abolished the law with its commandments and ordinances, that he might create in himself one new humanity in place of the two, thus making peace, ¹⁶and might reconcile both groups to God in one body through the cross, thus putting to death that hostility through it. ¹⁷So he came and proclaimed peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near; ¹⁸for through him both of us have access in one Spirit to the Father. ¹⁹So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God, ²⁰built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone. ²¹In him the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord; ²²in whom you also are built together spiritually into a dwelling place for God.

Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Word of God, Come Down on Earth **ELW #510, v2**

**Word eternal, throned on high, Word that brought to life creation,
Word that came from heav'n to die, crucified for our salvation,
saving Word, the world restoring, speak to us, your love outpouring.**

GOSPEL: Mark 6:30-34, 53-56

When Jesus sends his disciples out to teach and heal, they minister among large numbers of people. Their work is motivated by Christ's desire to be among those in need.

The Holy Gospel according to Mark. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

³⁰The apostles gathered around Jesus, and told him all that they had done and taught. ³¹He said to them, "Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while." For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat. ³²And they went away in the boat to a deserted place by themselves. ³³Now many saw them going and recognized them, and they hurried there on foot from all the towns and arrived ahead of them. ³⁴As he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things.

⁵³When they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret and moored the boat. ⁵⁴When they got out of the boat, people at once recognized him, ⁵⁵and rushed about that whole region and began to bring the sick on mats to wherever they heard he was. ⁵⁶And wherever he went, into villages or cities or farms, they laid the sick in the marketplaces, and begged him that they might touch even the fringe of his cloak; and all who touched it were healed.

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON Pastor Kristin Ostercamp

HYMN OF THE DAY "Built On a Rock" #652

RESPONSE TO THE WORD: CREED AND CONFESSION

In Christ, you have heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation.

We believe in him and are marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit.

(Ephesians 1:13-14)

Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith.

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

**He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the virgin Mary.**

**He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.**

He descended into hell.*

On the third day he rose again.

**He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen**

Build yourselves up on your most holy faith;

pray in the Holy Spirit. *(Jude 20)*

Keep yourselves in the love of God;

look forward to the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ. *(Jude 21)*

If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation:

Everything old has passed away; behold, everything has become new!

(2 Corinthians 5:17)

God has given us the ministry of reconciliation.

Therefore, let us be reconciled to God and to one another.

Gracious God,

**have mercy on us. In your compassion forgive us our sins,
known and unknown, things done and left undone.**

**Uphold us by your Spirit so that we may live and serve you in newness of life,
to the honor and glory of your holy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

Almighty God has mercy on you,

Your sins are forgiven through our Lord Jesus Christ,

Be strengthened in all goodness,

and the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen**

PEACE

Sisters and brothers, rejoice. Mend your ways, encourage one another, agree with one another, live in peace. *(2 Corinthians 13:11)*

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

And also with you.

Peace be with you.

OFFERING/ OFFERTORY **“Create in Me a Clean Heart” ELW #186**

Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.

Cast me not away from your presence, and take not your Holy Spirit from me.

Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and uphold me with your free Spirit.

God, our Creator,

you open wide your hand and satisfy the desire of every living creature. With these gifts we bless you for your tender nurture and care. Help us to delight in your will and walk in your ways, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

THE PRAYERS

In your mercy, *Response: hear our payer.*

Words of Institution

LORD’S PRAYER

Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray:

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

Holy Communion

BLESSING

May the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ fill you with every spiritual blessing.

Amen

May the God of faithfulness and encouragement grant you to live in harmony with one another, in accordance with Christ Jesus.

Amen

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

Amen (*Romans 15*)

SENDING SONG **“Praise to the Lord, the Almighty” #858**

DISMISSAL

Go into the world knowing Christ and making him known. **Thanks be to God.**

Post-service Music

WELCOME! ZION'S LAY MINISTRY/EVANGELISM BOARD EXTENDS A SPECIAL WELCOME TO YOU THIS MORNING. MAY YOU BE FED SPIRITUALLY DURING THIS TIME OF WORSHIP.

OUR THANKS TO TODAY'S WORSHIP LEADERS/ASSISTANTS

Pastor: Kristin Ostercamp Pianists: Laura Rude, Jenna Von Holtum Organist: Marie Longo

Greeters: Ushers:

Reader: Kami Spears Communion assistants: David & Diane Lee

OUR PRAYERS TO ALL GOD'S CHILDREN STANDING IN THE NEED OF PRAYER.

Those under a doctor's care, those who grieve, all who are moving through a challenging season, especially Cassie Wilson, Dan Bartsch, Diane Sundby, and Patty Dicken. We hold the family of Brian Gillespe and all who mourn in prayer.

HOLY COMMUNION is offered at worship today. Those believing that Jesus Christ is truly present in the bread and wine are welcome to participate. Please tell the communion assistant if you prefer grape juice. If you desire to commune where you are seated, please notify an usher who will direct communion ministers to come and serve you. Communion registration cards are available in the narthex.

ZION WORSHIP SERVICE ONLINE Sunday mornings you can listen to the 9:00AM service online. Go to: www.ziontrf.org. in the black banner click Listen Online, Click on the RED link to KTRF.

BROADCASTS today are sponsored by Dick & Jan Haugen in memory of Loved ones & family. Also in honor of Jan's birthday today, July 21st.

WEBSITE sponsor for July is Dick & Jan Haugen in memory of Loved Ones and Friends.

LISTENING DEVICES & LARGE PRINT worship folders & bulletins are available from an usher.

WEDNESDAY WORSHIP - Join us for supper at 5:30 and worship at 6:15 on Wednesdays. Thank you to Pr Mark for preaching this week.

CHOIRS - Anyone interested in joining either God's Joy Choir (K-5th) or Senior Choir, please reach out to Laura Rude at 218-684-1072. Choir practices resume in September on Wednesday evenings.

TRF Food Shelf Mortgage Reduction - Zion Mission fund will match donations up to \$2000 to help reduce the mortgage at the Thief River Falls Food Shelf. Helping the Food Shelf reduce this debt will free more funds to share vital resources for those who face food insecurity. *Donations can be made payable to Zion Lutheran Church with TRF Food Shelf in the memo line.* Thank you for supporting this important community resource. **Donations currently at \$1,300.**

THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING OUR WORK AND WITNESS!

July 1-14: \$9,066. July 8-14: \$3,430. YTD: \$169,653. Weekly Goal: \$6,523.

Offering plates are available on the table at the back of the church

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PARISH NURSE NOTES —

What have you been up to this summer? Enjoying the water? Going camping? Firing up the grill? Whatever you prefer, there are safety steps to follow.

It is encouraged for families to build confidence in the water by learning to be safe, making good choices, learning to swim and how to handle emergencies. Take classes to learn how to swim, always swim in a lifeguard area, and stay alert.

If a camping trip is in your plans, know the level of ability of the people in your group and the environment around you. Plan accordingly. Make sure to pack a first aid kit, drink water to avoid dehydration, share plans and locations with loved ones, and bring nutritious food.

Grills spark more than 10,000 home fires on average each year. To avoid this follow these grilling tips. Always supervise a grill when in use, never grill indoors, keep the grill out in the open, use the long-handled tools, and do not leave perishable food out in the sun.

Don't let mosquitos and ticks ruin your summer fun. As we spend more time outdoors for activities there is a greater chance of getting bitten by mosquitoes and ticks. Be sure to wear insect repellent, try to stay indoors at dusk and dawn, wear long shirts, pants, and socks, avoid underbrush and tall grass, and check regularly for ticks. Be safe and enjoy the nice summer days!

-God's Blessing and Peace...Parish Health

THE GROCERIES TO GO & HANDYMAN PROGRAMS are available through our church. If you need this service or would like to be a volunteer for grocery delivery, call the church office at 218-681-3296 and Darlene will get back to you.

AFTERNOON OUT - LSS Group Respite is a great place to bring your loved one to enjoy playing cards, bingo and reminiscing to their favorite music. Volunteers are also needed to socialize over coffee and interactive videos during Group Respite. Please contact Debi Retzlaff at 218.593.1333 or email at debi.retzlaff@lssmn.org for more information. Thursdays, 2:00 to 4:30 PM in the Lounge.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED for LSS Caregiver Respite & Support Program. Training provided for In-Home and Group Respite. 4 hour increments. Volunteers will Socialize, Reminice, play cards, misc. crafts, baking, reading, go for walks, music. For more information call Deb Retzlaff at 218-620-1295 or Debi.retzlaff@lssmn.org. 2 people are needed for the Respite program at Zion.

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SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK:

Today: Sunday, July 21:

9:00 Zion Holy Communion worship/
Broadcast ch. 3; KTRF
10 Coffee Fellowship
10:30 Silver Creek Holy Communion Worship
12 GV broadcast ch. 37

Monday, July 22:

9 SAIL exercise
5-8 Vacation Bible School at Redeemer

Tuesday, July 23:

9-12 Faith Community Nurse
5-8 Vacation Bible School at Redeemer

Wednesday, July 24:

5-8 Vacation Bible School at Redeemer
5:30 Supper
6:15 Worship

Thursday, July 25:

9 SAIL exercise
2:30 LSS Respite Care

Friday, July 26:

Church offices closed

Next Sunday, July 28:

9:00 Zion worship/Broadcast ch. 3; KTRF
10 Coffee Fellowship
10:30 Silver Creek Worship
12 GV broadcast ch. 37



**Wednesday Worship
Meal at 5:30, Worship at 6:15**

Next Worship - July 24th
Pastor Mark Helgeland preaching



**Join Us
this Summer**

Monday -Wednesday, July 22-24

5:30-8:00 PM

Meal at 5:00 PM

***VBS will be held at
Redeemer Lutheran 1300 Nora St. E.***