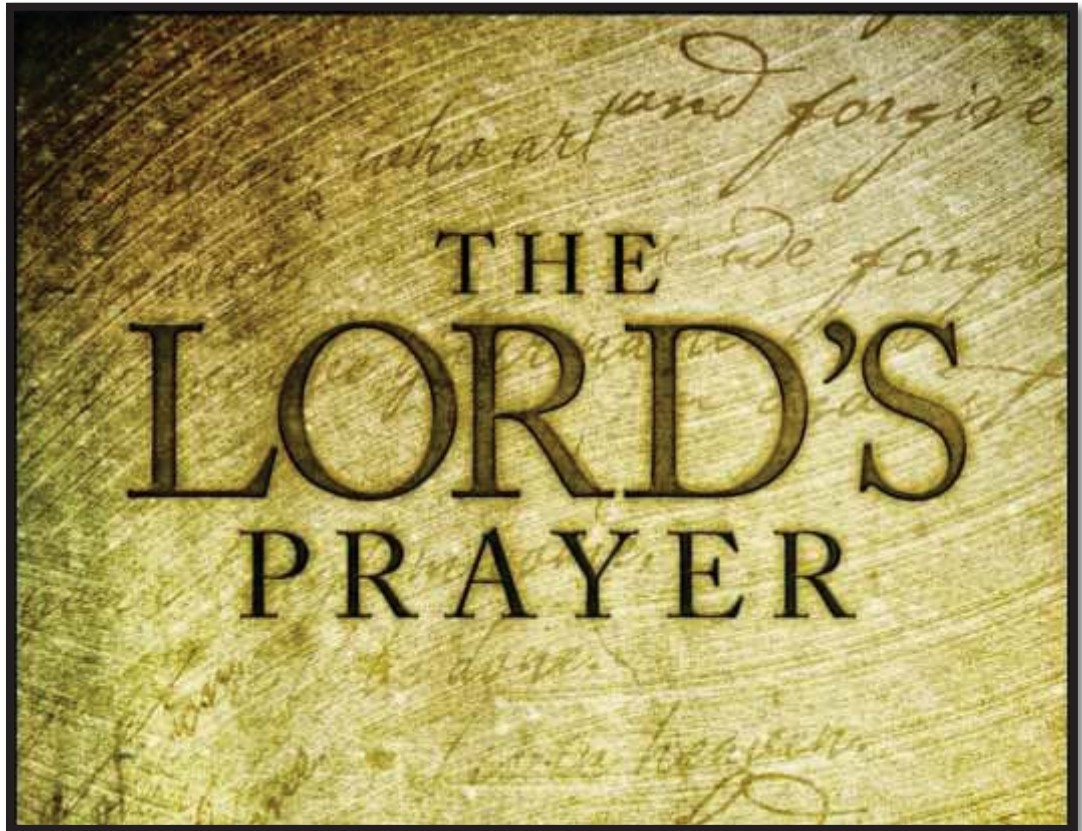


Zion Lutheran Church



9th Sunday After Pentecost
July 26th, 2015



ANNOUNCEMENTS

ALTAR FLOWERS are given by the LaJeunesse Family in Honor of Kristen's Birthday.

ETERNAL LIGHT is given by Ron & Judy Meier in Honor of friends.

MISSION TRIP: Mark your calendar for this Summer's mission trip. August 2nd-August 7th @ Camp Pioneer. This trip is open to all age groups. The cost is \$150 per person or \$300 for a family. This includes program, lodging and meals. See Andrea Vogel with any questions.

CHURCH NURSERY: Thanks to everyone who volunteered to help staff a nursery for kids age 0-2 during the 10:30 Service! The Nursery ("Little Lions") is open during the late service in the lower level of the building. (If you need help locating the nursery, please ask an Usher or Greeter for assistance.)

CHILDREN'S CHURCH: is TODAY at the late service. Children 2-6 are invited to go with Alissa and Jesse for an "alternative worship experience" during the sermon hymn. They will bring your children back during the collection of the offering. If you would like to help out with Children's Church, please contact the church office or Alissa McLellan.

ALTAR GUILD VOLUNTEERS are still needed. If you would like more information on how to join alter guild please contact Janet Oelschlager or the church secretaries.

THEY'RE BACK! Midweek Service of Prayer and Preaching, Thursday Morning Bible Study, and Saturday Men's Bible Study are all back and in action this week! Hope you can make it.

EVENTS COMMITTEE. At last month's Voters' Meeting, the proposal was put forth to form an Events Committee, responsible for events that focus on outreach and fellowship. We will be voting to amend our Church Constitution to give the head of the Events Committee a seat on the Council at the next Voters' meeting. If you would like more information about the Events Committee and the proposed Amendment to the Constitution, please contact the church office.

ROMANS. We will be starting a Bible Study Series on the book of Romans in conjunction with our Wednesday Evening Service of Prayer and Preaching starting in October. We will have child care and a program for the teens. Look for more information in the August Newsletter.

NEED PRAYER? Stephen Ministers and Elders will be available to pray with or for you following the Service in the Chancel area.

TODAY'S GOSPEL READING AND SERMON will be posted to the ZLCB.org website later today. For an archive of older sermons, visit www.zlcb.org/sermons

Welcome to worship!

I have a confession to make. (And not just the one we all do at the beginning of the service.) This rarely happens, but it has come to pass at our house when, if I am focused on something and a certain someone asks me something, I might just say, “sure, sounds good,” even though I have no idea what I am being asked. It is only later when I come to find out what I have obligated myself to. “There’s no way I said something like that!” “Oh yes you did.” “Nuts.”

This morning, we are going to take a look at the first petition of the Lord’s Prayer, “Hallowed be Thy name.” What, exactly are we asking God to do here? Not a word we use in day to day conversation, “hallowed” simply means to make holy. This seems like a good thing to tell God to do, even if we don’t really know what it would look like if he did. And this is where we get into trouble. When we ask God to make his name holy, we probably assume that this is something God will do without our help or involvement. We often ask God to keep his name holy in the same way we say “yes dear,” having no idea what we have just committed ourselves to.

As you will see in the sermon this morning, asking God to make his name holy commits us to a life of faith and obedience. When we ask God to make his name holy, we are also telling him that we will study his word and learn from it, and live our lives under the controlling influence of the Holy Spirit.

God bless your time in worship this morning!

-Pastor Duncan

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The Divine Service

(Please take a moment to fill out the Attendance books. If you are visiting us this morning, please indicate so in the Attendance Book. We are glad you chose to worship at Zion this morning!)

Introduction to Worship and Announcements

Opening Hymn: Preserve Your Word, O Savior

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The Invocation

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: **Amen.**

Confession of Sins

As you prepare to confess your sins, think back over the last week. The hurtful words, the loveless deeds, and the unhealthy thought you have had and done; and leave them all at the foot of the cross.

Pastor: Beloved in the Lord, Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

Pastor: Our help is in the name of the Lord,

People: who made heaven and earth.

Pastor: I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

People: and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

Pastor: Almighty God, our maker and redeemer, we poor sinners confess unto You that we are by nature sinful and unclean and that we have sinned against You by thought, word, and deed. Wherefore we flee for refuge to Your infinite mercy, seeking and imploring Your grace for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.

People: O most merciful God, who has given Your only-begotten Son to die for us, have mercy upon us and for His sake grant us remission of all our sins; and by Your Holy Spirit increase in us true knowledge of You and Your will and true obedience to Your Word, to the end that by Your grace we may come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Absolution spoken by the Pastor

The Prayer of the Church

(Please be seated)

The Service of the Word

The Old Testament Reading: Exodus 3:1-15

Now Moses was keeping the flock of his father-in-law, Jethro, the priest of Midian, and he led his flock to the west side of the wilderness and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. And the angel of the Lord appeared to him in a flame of fire out of the midst of a bush. He looked, and behold, the bush was burning, yet it was not consumed. And Moses said, "I will turn aside to see this great sight, why the bush is not burned." When the Lord saw that he turned aside to see, God called to him out of the bush, "Moses, Moses!" And he said, "Here I am." Then he said, "Do not come near; take your sandals off your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground." And he said, "I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob." And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God.

Then the Lord said, "I have surely seen the affliction of my people who are in Egypt and have heard their cry because of their taskmasters. I know their sufferings, and I have come down to deliver them out of the hand of the Egyptians and to bring them up out of that land to a good and broad land, a land flowing with milk and honey, to the place of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites. And now, behold, the cry of the people of Israel has come to me, and I have also seen the oppression with which the Egyptians oppress them. Come, I will send you to Pharaoh that you may bring my people, the children of Israel, out of Egypt." But Moses said to God, "Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh and bring the children of Israel out of Egypt?" He said, "But I will be with you, and this shall be the sign for you, that I have sent you:

when you have brought the people out of Egypt, you shall serve God on this mountain.”

Then Moses said to God, “If I come to the people of Israel and say to them, ‘The God of your fathers has sent me to you,’ and they ask me, ‘What is his name?’ what shall I say to them?” God said to Moses, “I am who I am.” And he said, “Say this to the people of Israel, ‘I am has sent me to you.’” God also said to Moses, “Say this to the people of Israel, ‘The Lord, the God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you.’ This is my name forever, and thus I am to be remembered throughout all generations.

The New Testament Reading: Revelation 1:4-8

Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, and from Jesus Christ the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of kings on earth. To him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by his blood and made us a kingdom, priests to his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen. Behold, he is coming with the clouds, and every eye will see him, even those who pierced him, and all tribes of the earth will wail on account of him. Even so. Amen.

“I am the Alpha and the Omega,” says the Lord God, “who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.”

Pastor: In honor of our Lord Jesus Christ, we rise for the reading of the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 10th chapter.

People: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

The Gospel Reading: Matthew 10:32-39

“So everyone who acknowledges me before men, I also will acknowledge before my Father who is in heaven, but whoever denies me before men, I also will deny before my Father who is in heaven.

“Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth. I have not come to bring peace, but a sword. For I have come to set a man against his father, and a daughter against her mother, and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law. And a person's enemies will be those of his own household. Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me, and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me. And whoever does not take his cross and follow me is not worthy of me. Whoever finds his life will lose it, and whoever loses his life for my sake will find it.”

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

(Please be seated)

Children's Church (10:30)

(Children ages Preschool - 6 may leave with Alissa to go to Children's Church)

Sermon Hymn: O Savior, Precious Savior

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Sermon

(Please stand)

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,

who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried.

He descended into hell.

The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.

From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

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

(Please be seated)

The Collection of the Offering

If you are visiting with us this morning, know that your presence here means far more to us than any gift of money you could make; please do not hesitate to let the plate pass you by.

(Please stand)

The Service of the Sacrament

Pastor: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said, "Take, eat; this is My body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me." In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

Pastor: As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

People: Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

People: 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.

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

People: And also with you.

The Sharing of the Peace

The Agnus Dei (Lamb of God)

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Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

(Please be seated until it is your time to commune.)

The Distribution

We welcome to the Lord's Table all who have been baptized in the name of the Triune God, can examine themselves spiritually and believe they receive the true body and blood of the Lord Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of sins and as a profession of their faith. If you hold a profession of faith that differs from that of our congregation, please speak to the Pastor before the start of the service before communing.

- We believe the body and blood of Christ are truly present in the bread and wine.
- We believe Christ offers the forgiveness of sins in the Lord's Supper, but that the Lord's Supper is not necessary for salvation.
- We believe the Lord's Supper remembers the death of Christ and proclaims his death until he returns.
- We believe the Lord's Supper is a statement of unity in the body of Christ; we do not believe it creates that unity.

During the distribution, you are encouraged to sing the Distribution Hymns, pray, or meditate on the words "this is my body... this is my blood, given for you."

The cups at the center of the Individual Communion tray contain diluted wine for those with alcohol sensitivities.

Distribution Hymns

Lamb of God 550

Jesus, Savior, Pilot Me 715

Have No Fear, Little Flock 735

Benediction

People: Amen

The Recessional: O Sing to the Lord

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† *Service Participants* †

Pastor:	The Rev. Duncan McLellan
Music Director:	Mark Killinger
The Organist:	Sandra Quinlan
The Elders:	Paul Klemash & Ken Wuerthele
The Acolyte:	Chris Yellig (8:00) Lara Leudeman (10:30)
The Greeters:	Jack & Jacque Oelschlager (8:00) John & Keri Gresh & Family (10:30)
The Ushers:	Josh Gielarowski, Dale Miller Barb & Wayne Oechslein (8:00) Ross Chilcott, Sam Dragan Dan Harris & Chuck LaJeunesse (10:30)
Altar Guild:	Penney Miller, Clara Hayes & Sandra Bryant
Nursery 10:30 service:	Carrie Lemonovich & Marion Oelschlager

Last Week in Worship

Sunday Worship Attendance (7/19) - 200

Wednesday Attendance (7/22) - 18

Sunday Offering (7/19) - \$4,352.01

Online Giving (7/12-7/18) - \$945

~Online giving is now available by going to the Zion web site: www.zlcb.org~

Week of July 26th – August 2nd

SUNDAY 7/26	8:00 AM – Worship w/Communion 9:15 AM – Adult Bible Study 10:30 AM–Worship w/Communion & Children’s Church 6:30PM – Body & Soul Bootcamp
MONDAY 7/27	
TUESDAY 7/28	6:30 PM – Sunday School Meeting
WEDNESDAY 7/29	7:00 PM – Prayer & Preaching Service w/ Communion 7:00 PM – Zion Lions Softball Game
THURSDAY 7/30	
FRIDAY 7/31	
SATURDAY 8/1	8:00 AM – Men’s Bible Breakfast
SUNDAY 8/2	8:00 AM – Worship w/Communion 9:30 AM – Bible Study (Fellowship Hall) 10:30 AM – Worship w/Communion