

# Zion Lutheran Church



11<sup>th</sup> Sunday After Pentecost  
August 9<sup>th</sup>, 2015

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

**ALTAR FLOWERS** are given by Nancy, Andrew & Rachel Klemash in Honor of Paul's Birthday and Megan Richards in Memory of her father, Frank Rilius.

**ETERNAL LIGHT** is given by Amanda & Jeremy Haesemeier in Honor of their marriage.

**WE WELCOME** Joe and Lindsey Faini to our congregation! Joe began his work as our part time Director of Youth Ministry last week. It is our prayer that Joe would be blessed to see God working through his ministry to make an eternal difference in the lives of the young men and women he serves through the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ. Welcome aboard, Joe! God's blessings to you and Lindsey here at Zion!

**WE WELCOME** little Avery to our church family this morning! Through Baptism, God has put his name on Avery and has given her the Holy Spirit that she might believe in Christ as her Savior. Welcome, Avery!

**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** can use your help! We want to expand Children's Church to twice monthly. If you want to help out with this ministry to our children, please contact Pastor Duncan or the Church Office. We'd love to have you serve!

**ZION FANTASY FOOTBALL LEAGUE** is back for a 6<sup>th</sup> Season! Sign up in the entryway to the church or contact Pastor Duncan if you are interested in "coaching" a team. The draft is set for September 6<sup>th</sup> at 2pm. The winner of the league gets to pick a "worthy cause" for the other coaches in the league to make a donation to, and bragging rights. Be warned, the scoring and roster positions have changed since last year. Are you ready for some football?

**SUNDAY SCHOOL** classes begin on Sept. 13<sup>th</sup>. Children ages 3-18 are welcome. For any child who has not yet attended Sunday School, please register your child at the church office or email [secretary@zlc.org](mailto:secretary@zlc.org)!

**SUNDAY SCHOOL VOLUNTEERS** are needed for Septembers unit on Sept. 13, 20 & 27. Contact Katie Gielarowski or email [winechick123@gmail.com](mailto:winechick123@gmail.com)

**ADULT CHOIR** rehearsals will be on Wednesdays this year (at least to start) after the mid-week service (approx. 7:30-8:30). Our 1st rehearsal will be August 26th in the loft. We are looking to add to our numbers from last year! Do not worry if you can't attend regularly, we can work around just about any schedule! A sign up sheet is located at the back of the church. See Mark Killinger if you have any questions.

**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](http://www.zlcb.org/sermons)

# Welcome to worship!

This morning, our Back to Basics Series moves ahead as we take a look at the Third Petition of the Lord's Prayer: "thy will be done." Or, more accurately, "thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven." This is when you expect your pastor to ask: "what is God's will?" (And, don't worry, we'll get to this in the sermon.) But you are an intelligent bunch of people and so let's ask the more challenging question: if God is sovereign and all powerful, why do we have to ask for him to do what he wants, isn't he doing it already? In the words of Luther: "The good and gracious will of God is done even without our prayer, but we pray in this petition that it may be done among us also." In other words, we are praying that God would have his way with us; we are submitting to his rule and authority when we pray this prayer. This is a gutsy petition to pray. We are relinquishing control of our lives and handing it over to the one who created us; we are submitting to God. We are echoing what Jesus prayed in Gethsemane: "Not my will but thine be done."

The question for us this morning then becomes: is this a smart thing to ask God to do? Do we really want God's will and not our own to be done in our lives? Would we rather ask God to bless us and then leave us alone, free to do as we will and desire? Do we really want to give God the keys to our life and say, "take her for a spin?"

I hope that you will see during our time together in worship that asking for God's will to be done in our lives neither an easy thing to do nor is it an easy thing to live with, but it is the right thing to ask for and a good thing (a VERY good thing) to live with.

God bless your time in worship!

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: The Lord, My God, Be Praised*

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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:** Holy and gracious God,

**People:** I confess that I have sinned against You this day. Some of my sin I know—the thoughts and words and deeds of which I am ashamed—but some is known only to You. In the name of Jesus Christ I ask forgiveness. Deliver and restore me that I may rest in peace.

**Pastor:** By the mercy of God we are redeemed by the blood of Jesus Christ, and in Him we are forgiven. We go in His peace to serve Him.

**People:** Amen.

## *The Prayer of the Church*

(Please be seated)

## *The Baptism of Avery Palmer (10:30)*

## **The Service of the Word**

### **The Old Testament Reading: Micah 6:6-8**

With what shall I come before the Lord and bow down before the exalted God? Shall I come before him with burnt offerings, with calves a year old? Will the Lord be pleased with thousands of rams, with ten thousand rivers of olive oil? Shall I offer my firstborn for my transgression, the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul? He has shown you, O mortal, what is good. And what does the Lord require of you? To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God.

### **The New Testament Reading: Romans 12:1-8**

Therefore, I urge you, brothers and sisters, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God—this is your true and proper worship. Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is—his good, pleasing and perfect will.

For by the grace given me I say to every one of you: Do not think of yourself more highly than you ought, but rather think of yourself with sober judgment, in accordance with the faith God has distributed to each of you. For just as each of us has one body with many members, and these members do not all have the same function, so in Christ we, though many, form one body, and each member belongs to all the others. We have different gifts, according to the grace given to each of us. If your gift is prophesying, then prophesy in accordance with your faith; if it is serving, then serve; if it is teaching, then teach; if it is to encourage, then give encouragement; if it is giving, then give generously; if it is to lead, do it diligently; if it is to show mercy, do it cheerfully.

Pastor: In honor of our Lord Jesus Christ, we rise for the reading of the Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 22<sup>nd</sup> Chapter.

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

**The Gospel Reading: Luke 22: 39-46**

Jesus went out as usual to the Mount of Olives, and his disciples followed him. On reaching the place, he said to them, "Pray that you will not fall into temptation." He withdrew about a stone's throw beyond them, knelt down and prayed, "Father, if you are willing, take this cup from me; yet not my will, but yours be done." An angel from heaven appeared to him and strengthened him. And being in anguish, he prayed more earnestly, and his sweat was like drops of blood falling to the ground.

When he rose from prayer and went back to the disciples, he found them asleep, exhausted from sorrow. "Why are you sleeping?" he asked them. "Get up and pray so that you will not fall into temptation."

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

(Please be seated)

***The Installation of Joe Faini, Director of Youth Ministry (10:30)***

***Sermon Hymn: Be Still, My Soul***

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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***

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

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I Am Trusting Thee, Lord Jesus

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I Come, O Savior, to Thy Table

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### ***Benediction***

**People:           Amen**

***The Recessional: Savior, Again to Thy Dear Name We Raise***      917



## † *Service Participants* †

Pastor:	The Rev. Duncan McLellan
Music Director:	Mark Killinger
The Organist:	Sandra Quinlan
The Elders:	James Neill, Neil Ackerman
The Acolyte:	Josiah Ackerman (8:00) Lara Luedeman (10:30)
The Greeters:	Wayne & Barb Oechslein (8:00) Vince & Ginny Kimberland (10:30)
The Ushers:	Carl Bauer, Gene Koop Ron Meier & Jack Oelschlager (8:00) Loren Luedeman, Vince Kimberland Jim Oelschlager & Ted Siek (10:30)
Altar Guild:	Janet & Marian Oelschlager
Nursery 10:30 service:	Susie Bishop & Megan Pasquini

### **Last Week in Worship**

Sunday Worship Attendance (8/2) - 179

Wednesday Attendance (8/5) - 25

Sunday Offering (8/2) - \$6,379.00

Online Giving (7/26-8/1) - \$140

~Online giving is now available by going to the Zion web site: [www.zlcb.org](http://www.zlcb.org)~

# Week of August 9<sup>th</sup> – August 16<sup>th</sup>

<b>SUNDAY</b> <b>8/9</b>	8:00 AM – Worship w/Communion 9:15 AM – Adult Bible Study 10:30 AM–Worship w/Communion FOOD BANK COLLECTION
<b>MONDAY</b> <b>8/10</b>	
<b>TUESDAY</b> <b>8/11</b>	
<b>WEDNESDAY</b> <b>8/12</b>	7:00 PM – Prayer & Preaching Service
<b>THURSDAY</b> <b>8/13</b>	10:00 AM – Bible Study 7:30 PM – Council Meeting
<b>FRIDAY</b> <b>8/14</b>	
<b>SATURDAY</b> <b>8/15</b>	8:00 AM – Men’s Bible Breakfast
<b>SUNDAY</b> <b>8/16</b>	8:00 AM – Worship w/Communion 9:30 AM –Adult Bible Study 10:30 AM – Worship w/Communion