

# Zion Lutheran Church



Sixth Sunday  
After Pentecost  
June 26<sup>th</sup> 2016

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **ALTAR FLOWERS** are given MeMaw & Grandpa Meier in Honor of their grandson Brandon & granddaughter Meadows 6<sup>th</sup> birthday.
- **ETERNAL LIGHT** is given by Bernice DeBoe in Memory of her nephews, Eugene & Anthony Marinelle.
- **JOSHUA ULM** will be installed as our Vicar on July 24<sup>th</sup>. We will have a time to meet and greet Joshua and his family during the Sunday School hour in the Fellowship Hall.
- **VICAR BASKET COLLECTION** We will present Vicar Ulm and his family a gift basket on Monday, July 18<sup>th</sup> (his first official day of work), to welcome him to Zion. Donations of restaurant gift cards, grocery store gift cards, pantry items, or cash will be accepted up until July 10<sup>th</sup>. Donations will be collected after services. For any questions, please contact the secretaries at: [secretary@zlc.org](mailto:secretary@zlc.org) or by phone 412-221-4776.
- **STEPHEN MINISTRY** is taking a break for the summer, but we look forward to resuming again in the fall, providing Christ-centered care for people going through hard times. Want to know more about Stephen Ministry or be trained as a Stephen Minister or Stephen Leader? Contact Pastor Duncan or Kristin Neill.
- **WELCOME CENTER!** Are you a guest or visitor looking for information about Zion? hello and welcome to Zion! Please stop by the table in the foyer after the service and we'll try to help.
- **CREATION CONFERENCE 2.** Several years ago, Zion hosted its first "Creation Conference." We had scientists and theologians come and present the evidence for the Biblical account of creation. Since then, we have had interest in a second "Creation Conference. **The dates of the conference are August 12-14.** More information will be available shortly right here, on our website and in our newsletter and the Pittsburgh Lutheran.
- **VOTERS MEETING:** A Voters' Assembly will be held starting at 9:20 am TODAY. The main purpose of this meeting is to approve the budget for the 2016/2017 church year. Please plan to attend this important meeting.
- **CALL FOR ART!** Scripture in Art. Wallace Memorial Presbyterian Church is hosting an art exhibit from Friday, August 5<sup>th</sup> to Sunday August 28<sup>th</sup>. Entries must be submitted by June 30<sup>th</sup>. See poster and entry form in Narthex.
- **BIBLE IN A YEAR** readings are available on our church's website and in your monthly Zion Newsletter. Join us as we read the Bible in a Year in 2016!
- **CHURCH NURSERY:** Is available 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.)
- **MIDWEEK SMALL GROUP.** Looking for a good midweek Bible Study Small Group? We will be getting together in conjunction with our Service of Prayer and Preaching to study the books of James and Jude. Open to all ages, we encourage you to come! A sign-up sheet for the study books is in the narthex/greeting/entryway area. Looking forward to seeing you there! The Small Group study starts July 20<sup>th</sup>; childcare will be provided! Please sign-up for the study by July 13<sup>th</sup>.
- **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.zlc.org/sermons](http://www.zlc.org/sermons)

# Welcome to worship!

This morning, our focus is on part of our Bible in a Year Reading for today, 1 Samuel 13:8-15a. In this passage, Saul offers the prescribed sacrifice for God's people before heading into battle. No big deal, right? The Old Testament and sacrifices to Yahweh go hand in hand; what's the problem here? Saul was given the authority to lead God's people as a King, but Samuel had been given the authority to make sacrifices on behalf of God's people as a priest. What Saul did was, one could argue, a good thing; he just had not been given the authority to do it.

As a result, God removes his favor from Saul, telling him that he has not kept the command of the Lord and that his kingdom "shall not continue." Too bad for Saul and his descendants, but what is this to us? Other than being more careful to distinguish between "can" and "should," this text teaches at least two things: first, that God takes worship seriously and, second, that God is the one to give authority (not just permission) to do what we do (he is the one responsible for giving us the gift of vocation).

How does this point to Christ? Saul was not permitted to offer sacrifices on behalf of God's people; that was Samuel's job. In the same way, when it comes to our salvation—the forgiveness of sins and eternal life—we do not have authority to make it happen; Jesus Christ (and he alone) has been given authority to bring about forgiveness of sins, life and salvation for all people. This seemingly harsh Old Testament text, then, points us forward to Christ and all that he has done for us!

God bless your time in worship this morning!

-Pastor Duncan

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**ZION EQUIPS, EDUCATES, AND ENCOURAGES BELIEVERS IN CHRIST. SENDING THEM INTO THE WORLD TO SHARE THE GOSPEL.**

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# The Divine Service

(Please take a moment to fill out the Attendance books, located at either end of the pew. If you are visiting us this morning and would like to be contacted by the church, please indicate so in the Attendance Book. We are glad you chose to worship at Zion this morning!)

## *Prelude - Praeambulum*

### *Introduction to Worship and Announcements*

*Opening Hymn: O Bless the Lord, My Soul*

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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*

Pastor: O Lord, open my lips, and my mouth will declare Your praise.

Psalm 51:15

**People: Make haste, O God, to deliver me; make haste to help me, O Lord.**

Psalm 70:1

**All: *Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.***

Pastor: We have an advocate with the Father; Jesus is the propitiation for our sins.

**People: Blessed is he whose transgression is forgiven and whose sin is put away.**

Pastor: We have an advocate with the Father; Jesus is the propitiation for our sins.

**People: He was delivered up to death; He was delivered for the sins of the people.**

Pastor: Let us therefore confess our sins to God our Father, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**All: *Father in heaven, we confess that we are sinful and in need of forgiveness. Strengthen our faith, remove our sins from us and lead us to follow you with all of our heart, mind, soul and***

*strength all the days of our lives through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen.*

## ***Absolution Spoken by the Pastor***

### ***Hymn of Praise: This Is the Feast***

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#### **Refrain:**

*This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!  
Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God.*

#### **[REFRAIN]**

*Power, riches, wisdom, and strength, and honor, blessing, and glory are His.*

#### **[REFRAIN]**

*Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation:  
Blessing, honor, glory, and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen.*

#### **[REFRAIN]**

*For the Lamb who was slain has begun His reign. Alleluia.*

#### **[REFRAIN]**

## ***The Prayer of the Church***

(Please be seated)

## **The Service of the Word**

### **Psalm of the Day:**

**Psalm 26**

Vindicate me, O Lord, for I have walked in my integrity,  
and I have trusted in the Lord without wavering.

Prove me, O Lord, and try me; test my heart and my mind.

For your steadfast love is before my eyes, and I walk in your faithfulness.

I do not sit with men of falsehood, nor do I consort with hypocrites.

I hate the assembly of evildoers, and I will not sit with the wicked.

I wash my hands in innocence and go around your altar, O Lord,  
proclaiming thanksgiving aloud, and telling all your wondrous deeds.

O Lord, I love the habitation of your house and the place where your glory  
dwells.

Do not sweep my soul away with sinners, nor my life with bloodthirsty men,  
in whose hands are evil devices, and whose right hands are full of bribes.  
But as for me, I shall walk in my integrity; redeem me, and be gracious to me.  
My foot stands on level ground; in the great assembly I will bless the Lord.

### **Old Testament Reading:**

### **1 Samuel 13:8-15a**

He waited seven days, the time appointed by Samuel. But Samuel did not come to Gilgal, and the people were scattering from him. So Saul said, "Bring the burnt offering here to me, and the peace offerings." And he offered the burnt offering. As soon as he had finished offering the burnt offering, behold, Samuel came. And Saul went out to meet him and greet him. Samuel said, "What have you done?" And Saul said, "When I saw that the people were scattering from me, and that you did not come within the days appointed, and that the Philistines had mustered at Michmash, I said, 'Now the Philistines will come down against me at Gilgal, and I have not sought the favor of the Lord.' So I forced myself, and offered the burnt offering." And Samuel said to Saul, "You have done foolishly. You have not kept the command of the Lord your God, with which he commanded you. For then the Lord would have established your kingdom over Israel forever. But now your kingdom shall not continue. The Lord has sought out a man after his own heart, and the Lord has commanded him to be prince over his people, because you have not kept what the Lord commanded you." And Samuel arose and went up from Gilgal. The rest of the people went up after Saul to meet the army; they went up from Gilgal to Gibeah of Benjamin. And Saul numbered the people who were present with him, about six hundred men.

**Pastor:** In honor of our Lord Jesus Christ, we rise for the reading of the Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the 10<sup>th</sup> Chapter.

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

**Gospel Reading:**

**Mark 10:35-45**

And James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came up to him and said to him, "Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you." And he said to them, "What do you want me to do for you?" And they said to him, "Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory." Jesus said to them, "You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or to be baptized with the baptism with which I am baptized?" And they said to him, "We are able." And Jesus said to them, "The cup that I drink you will drink, and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized, but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared." And when the ten heard it, they began to be indignant at James and John. And Jesus called them to him and said to them, "You know that those who are considered rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great ones exercise authority over them. But it shall not be so among you. But whoever would be great among you must be your servant, and whoever would be first among you must be slave of all. For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many."

**Pastor:** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

(Please be seated)

**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)

***Offertory***

***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: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

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

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.**

***The Words of Institution***



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.*

### ***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***

*Take My Life and Let It Be*

783

*Lord Jesus Christ, We Humbly Pray*

623

*My Hope is Built on Nothing Less*

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### ***Benediction***

People: **Amen**

### ***The Recessional: How Great Thou Art***

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### ***Postlude***

## † *Service Participants* †

Pastor:	Rev. Duncan McLellan
Music Director:	Mark Killinger
The Organist:	Sandra Quinlan
The Elders:	Peter Fisher & Robert Oelschlager
The Acolyte:	Matt Liberatore (8:00) Leah Luedeman (10:30)
The Greeters:	Clara Hayes (8:00) Michael & Deborah Sterba(10:30)
The Ushers:	Melanie & Bill Becker, (8:00) Michael Kozak & Larry Zreliak Ross Chilcott, Dan Harris, (10:30) Richard Quinlan & Chuck LaJeunesse
Altar Guild:	Elsie Dalla Piazza, Bernice DeBoe, & Mary Hutula
Nursery:	Jodi & Jenny Fitzgerald

## **Last Week in Worship**

Sunday Worship Attendance (6/19) – 211

Wednesday Attendance (6/22) – 19

Sunday Offering (6/19) - \$4,353.00

Hand bell Contribution - \$40.00

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

# Week of June 26<sup>th</sup> – July 3<sup>rd</sup>

<b>SUNDAY</b> <b>6/26</b>	8:00 AM – Worship w/Communion 9:15 AM – Sunday School & Voters Meeting 10:30 AM – Worship w/Communion & Children’s Church 8:00 PM – 10:00 PM -Youth Event – Night Games
<b>MONDAY</b> <b>6/27</b>	
<b>TUESDAY</b> <b>6/28</b>	6:45 PM – Adult Choir 7:00 PM – Zion Lions Softball
<b>WEDNESDAY</b> <b>6/29</b>	7:00 PM – Service of Prayer & Preaching
<b>THURSDAY</b> <b>6/30</b>	
<b>FRIDAY</b> <b>7/1</b>	
<b>SATURDAY</b> <b>7/2</b>	
<b>SUNDAY</b> <b>7/3</b>	8:00 AM – Worship 9:30 AM – Sunday School & Adult Bible Study 10:30 AM – Worship

# *Tonights Youth Event*

## NIGHT GAMES



WHEN: SUNDAY, JUNE 26

TIME: 8:00-10:00PM

WHO: ANYONE IN MIDDLE OR HIGH SCHOOL

WHERE: ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH

MORE INFO?  
CONTACT JOE FAINI  
YOUTH@ZLCB.ORG

## The preschool is seeking a part-time Day Porter

General duties include custodial, property maintenance, minor repairs and set up activities. The ideal candidate would have experience in custodian and repair work and have the ability to move light furniture such as tables, chairs, etc.

The hours would be 3 hours/day, 5 days a week, during the time of school operation, September through mid-June.

If you know of anyone interested, please contact Kim Anderson ([kmcphillips1@comcast.net](mailto:kmcphillips1@comcast.net)) or Tracey Harris ([tharrissyd@comcast.net](mailto:tharrissyd@comcast.net)) for additional details on specific duties, requirements and compensation.





*Thank you to all of the many volunteers who helped make VBS a huge success! This week would not be a success without the many volunteers. We reached 122 kids with the word of God. Spreading the news to these kids is such a joy!*



# JOIN US

Please mark your calendar for a meet and greet breakfast on July 24th! We will be having a breakfast between services for Vicar Joshua and his family.

More information coming soon!

