Zion Lutheran Church





June 17th 2018 4th Sunday after Pentecost

<u>ANNOUNCEMENTS</u>

WELCOME TABLE! 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.

ALTAR FLOWERS are given Megan Richards in Memory of Harry Richards and Paul & Terry Hayes in Memory of Loved Ones.

ETERNAL LIGHT is given by Bob & Diana Schmidt in Memory or their fathers.

THIS WEEK'S FAVORITE BIBLE VERSE...is from our former vicar and now newly ordained and installed PASTOR JOSHUA ULM. Psalm 32:1 ESV Blessed is the one whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered.

YOUTH GROUP...The next youth group/parent meeting will be on June 24th after late service. More information to come! Also be on the look out for our next fundraiser in July!

VBS REGISTRATION for students aged 4 through 12 is now open! Registration forms are available at the VBS display in the back of the sanctuary.

VBS VOLUNTEER spaces are filling up quickly! Don't forget to fill out your volunteer form before it's too late!!

VOTERS MEETING will be on Sunday July 1st at 9:20am between services in the undercroft.

CHURCH NURSERY: Is available for kids age 0-2 during the 10:30 Service! The Nursery ("Little Lions") is in the lower level of the building. (If you need help locating the nursery, please ask an Usher or Greeter for assistance.)

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

- In the name of the Father and of the

 → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- G Amen.
- P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.
- P Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- who made heaven and earth.
- P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
- and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.
- P O almighty God, merciful Father,
- I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.
- P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the
 → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- **G** Amen.

Service of the Word

Introit

- P It is good to give thanks | to the LORD,* to sing praises to your name, | O Most High.
- The righteous flourish like the | palm tree* and grow like a cedar in | Lebanon.

They are planted in the house | of the LORD;* they flourish in the courts | of our God.

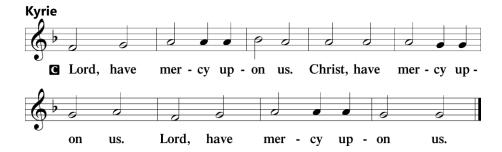
They still bear fruit in | old age;*
they are ever full of | sap and green,

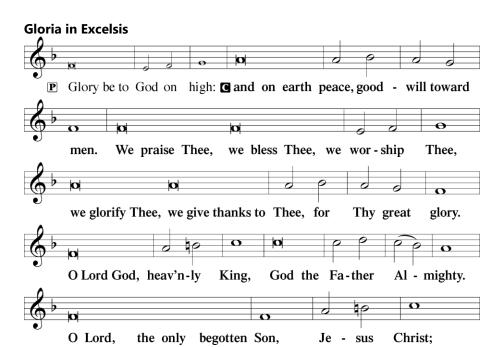
to declare that the LORD is | upright;*

he is my rock, and there is no unrighteousness | in him.

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son* and to the Holy | Spirit; as it was in the be- | ginning,* is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

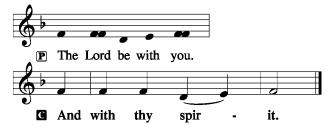
P It is good to give thanks | to the LORD,* to sing praises to your name, | O Most High.







Salutation and Collect of the Day



P Let us pray.

Blessed Lord, since You have caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning, grant that we may so hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them that we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Old Testament Reading - Ezekiel 17:22-24

Thus says the Lord GoD: "I myself will take a sprig from the lofty top of the cedar and will set it out. I will break off from the topmost of its young twigs a tender one, and I myself will plant it on a high and lofty mountain. On the mountain height of Israel will I plant it, that it may bear branches and produce fruit and become a noble cedar. And under it will dwell every kind of bird; in the shade of its branches birds of every sort will nest. And all the trees of the field shall know that I am the LORD; I bring low the high tree, and make high the low tree, dry up the green tree, and make the dry tree flourish. I am the LORD; I have spoken, and I will do it."

P This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Epistle – 2 Corinthians 5:1-10

For we know that if the tent, which is our earthly home, is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens. For in this tent we groan, longing to put on our heavenly dwelling, if indeed by putting it on we may not be found naked. For while we are still in this tent, we groan, being burdened—not that we would be unclothed, but that we would be further clothed, so that what is mortal may be swallowed up by life. He who has prepared us for this very thing is God, who has given us the Spirit as a guarantee.

So we are always of good courage. We know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord, for we walk by faith, not by sight. Yes, we are of good courage, and we would rather be away from the body and at home with the Lord. So whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to please him. For we must all

appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each one may receive what is due for what he has done in the body, whether good or evil.

- **P** This is the Word of the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

Alleluia



Holy Gospel

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the third chapter.

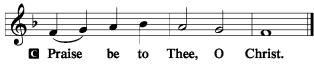


And he said, "The kingdom of God is as if a man should scatter seed on the ground. He sleeps and rises night and day, and the seed sprouts and grows; he knows not how. The earth produces by itself, first the blade, then the ear, then the full grain in the ear. But when the grain is ripe, at once he puts in the sickle, because the harvest has come."

And he said, "With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable shall we use for it? It is like a grain of mustard seed, which, when sown on the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth, yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes larger than all the garden plants and puts out large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade."

With many such parables he spoke the word to them, as they were able to hear it. He did not speak to them without a parable, but privately to his own disciples he explained everything.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of His Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light,
very God of very God,
begotten, not made,
being of one substance with the Father,
by whom all things were made;
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary
and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.
He suffered and was buried.
And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures
and ascended into heaven

and sits at the right hand of the Father.

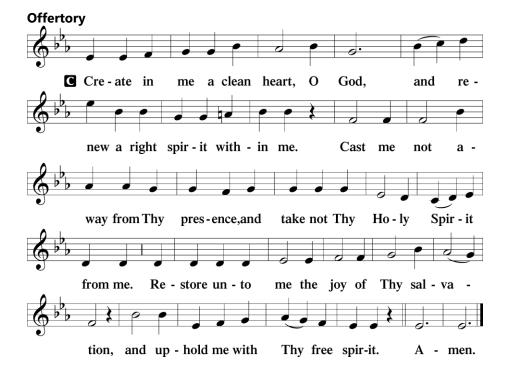
And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,
who spoke by the prophets.
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,
and I look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life 🕂 of the world to come. Amen.

Sermon Hymn - O God, My Faithful God

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Sermon



Offering

Offertory – Jesse Carter (8:00am)

Kristen Neill (10:30am)

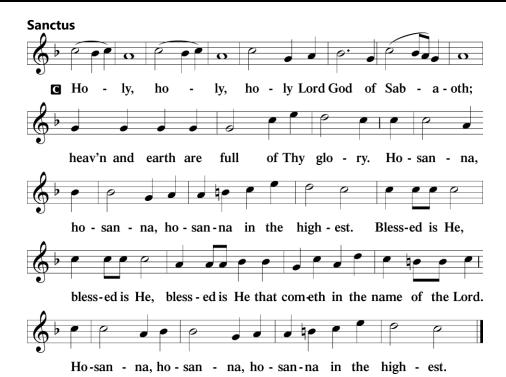
Prayer of the Church

- **P** ...Lord in your mercy.
- ...Hear our prayer.

Service of the Sacrament



It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who on this day overcame death and the grave and by His glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:



Lord's Prayer

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The Words of Our Lord

P 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."

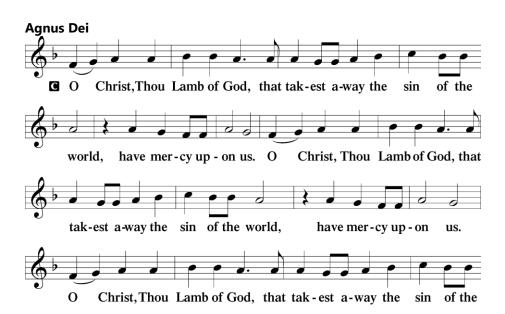
In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My + blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."





P The peace of the Lord be with you al - ways.







Sharing of Peace

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

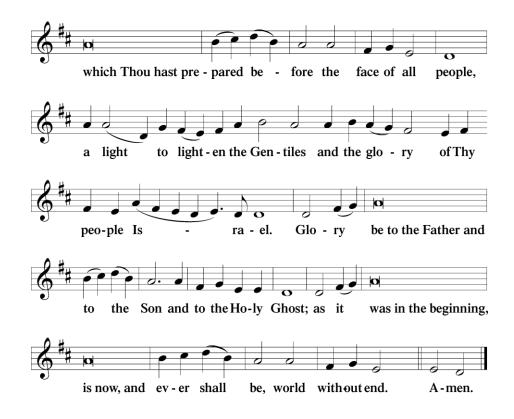
What Is This Bread	#629
Lord, Whose Love through Humble Service	#848
Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us	#711



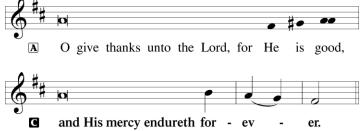




cord-ing to Thy for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation, word,







Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us

through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.





P The Lord be with you.



Benedicamus

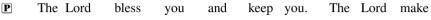


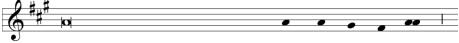
Bless we the Lord.



Benediction







His face shine upon you and be gra-cious un - to you.



The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and + give you peace.



Closing Hymn- Alleluia! Sing to Jesus

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Prayer Request for Family & Friends

The Church:

- -For our homebound members: Tom Bicusky, Ruth Miller, Florence Boehme, Lois & Henry Dittmer, Norm and Helen Erbrecht, Irene Bourg, and Don Jones.
- -Healing for: Janet Hickey, Jack Oelschlager, Florence Boehme, Gloria Godfrey, Marian Siek, Sarah & Michael Erbrecht, Gladys Cimarolli, Joyce Wood, Ruth Miller, Nancy Spotti, Aly Mance, Deana Thielet, Bill Koester, Nancy Koester, Dave Hutula, Roxanne Burgh, the family of Ryen McCaffrey, Mary Lou Neill, and Don Jones.
- -For our missionaries, especially Pastor Wokoma.
- -For all who care for loved ones with illnesses.
- -For the ministry of Zion Lutheran Preschool.

The World:

- -For an end to abortion and human trafficking.
- -For the youth in our community.

Our Nation:

- -For our leaders and government officials.
- -For those in foster care and those looking to adopt.
- -For the disabled, unborn and aged.
- -For those whose work it is to protect us.
- -For those affected by the recent hurricanes.
- For godly care of the earth.

† Service Participants **†**

Pastor: Rev. Dr. Edward Grimenstein

Music Director: Mark Killinger

The Organist: Sandy Quinlan

The Elders: Paul Klemash & Mike Sterba

The Acolyte: Lauren Liberatore (8:00)

Bella Bonacci (10:30)

The Greeters: Ron & Judy Meier (8:00)

Ken & Carol Wuerthle (10:30)

The Ushers: Dale Miller, Melanie &

Bill Becker, Joe DePalma (8:00)

Kari & John Gresh

Dwight & Andy Weldon (10:30)

Altar Guild: Elsie DallaPiazza, Bernice DeBoe

& Mary Hutula

Nursery: Jodi Fitzgerald & Megan Meyer

Last Week in Worship

Sunday Worship Attendance (6/10) - 147 Wednesday Worship Attendance (6/20) - 18 Sunday Offering (6/10) - \$2,711.00

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

June 17th - June 24th

SUNDAY 6/17 Happy Father's Dayl	8:00 AM – Worship w/ Communion 9:15 AM –Adult Bible Study & Sunday School 10:30 AM – Worship w/ Communion
Happy Father's Day! MONDAY	
6/18 TUESDAY 6/19	
WEDNESDAY	7:00 PM – Midweek Service
6/20	8:30 PM – Zion Lion's Softball Game
THURSDAY 6/21	10:00 AM – Bible Study 6:30 PM – New Member Class
FRIDAY 6/22	
SATURDAY 6/23	8:00 AM – Men's Bible Breakfast
SUNDAY 6/24	8:00 AM – Worship w/ Communion 9:15 AM –Adult Bible Study & Sunday School 10:30 AM – Worship w/ Communion 12:00 PM – Youth Group Meeting



FREE DENTAL CLINIC

FOR THE UNDER-SERVED OF PITTSBURGH

ADULTS & CHILDREN* WELCOME!

When / Where:

FRIDAY, JUNE 29TH & SATURDAY, JUNE 30TH PPG PAINTS ARENA DOORS OPEN @ 6 AM

Services:

- CLEANINGS
- FILLINGS
- EXTRACTIONS
- ORAL CANCER SCREENING

General Information:

- NO ELIGIBILITY/INCOME REQUIREMENTS
- NO APPOINTMENTS OR REGISTRATION
- ONE PROCEDURE PER PATIENT PER DAY

PLEASE COME PREPARED TO WAIT FOR TREATMENT, AS THIS IS A FIRST-COME, FIRST-SERVED CLINIC. A BRIEF MEDICAL SCREENING WILL BE CONDUCTED PRIOR TO TREATMENT.

(FREE SHUTTLE INFORMATION ON BACK)



VISIT WWW.MOMPGH.ORG FOR MORE INFORMATION

Vacation Bible School

June $25^{th} \sim 29^{th}$ 9am ~ Noon

SIGN UP TODAY!!!

Cost: \$15 / child or a maximum of \$40 /family Ages: 4 years old (before 9/1/18) through 12 years old Registration Deadline: Wednesday, June 20, 2018

Forms available in the back of the sanctuary or at www.zlcb.org/vbs

Email questions to sundayschool@zlcb.org



"I've always wondered..."



Have you ever had a question for Pastor but you just don't want to ask it in front of a group?

Now is your change to get all your questions answered!!

During the last Sundays in the summer we will devote our Adult Bible Study to your questions! Drop your confidential questions in the boxes in the narthex and downstairs.

We hope you join us for our "I've always wondered..." series!

