

# ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH



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*First Sunday After Pentecost*  
*June 19, 2011*



# ANNOUNCEMENTS

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The **Altar Flowers** have been given to the Glory of God by Bob & Shelly James in memory of Shelly's mother's birthday, Betty Amos and by Megan and Tom Richards in memory of Tom's father, Harry Richards.

The **Eternal Light** is lit to the Glory of the God by Paul Hayes in memory of his father, Paul Hayes.

There will be a **Voter's Meeting** next Sunday, June 26<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 a.m.

**Calling all vocalists and musicians!** Zion is looking for volunteers to play or sing for the offertory during our summer services. Young people who are taking voice/instrument lessons are encouraged. Contact Paula Gardner at 412-276-0269 for more information.

**Zion Night At PNC Park** will be Saturday, July 23<sup>rd</sup>. Price per person is \$19.00 which includes the price of the ticket and transportation. More information is in the June Newsletter. **Sign up by June 23<sup>rd</sup>** to hold your ticket.

We are in need of volunteers in the **nursery** during our **VBS** week, August 8-12. Please consider helping out with our little ones. Contact Katie Gielarowski if you are able to help.

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### **Welcome to Zion Lutheran Church!**

This week, our mini-series on the raising of Lazarus from the dead continues. This week, Jesus will perform the seventh of his seven “signs,” raising Lazarus from the dead. More than demonstrating his power as the Son of God, Jesus foreshadows what will happen to us and all people on the Last Day, when our Lord Jesus will raise us and all people from the sleep of death to an indestructible life.

With books like “Heaven Is for Real” nearing “Bestseller” status, and the “Left Behind” series in the not-too-distant past, many people have a hard time articulating the real hope we have in Christ...or even worse, not knowing the true hope we have in Christ!

Put together, our readings this morning provide a solid Biblical foundation for the hope we have: the resurrection from the dead. Job looked forward to it in the midst of his sufferings. Paul was arrested because he wouldn't stop talking about it. And Jesus proved that he is able and willing to raise the dead when he brought Lazarus back to life.

We've lost two longtime members of our church family in the last couple of weeks. And while it's good to know that their souls are in the presence of Christ in a way that is different and better than how we enjoy his presence in this age, our real hope for them (and for us) is that our Lord Jesus will, by the power that raised him from the dead, will raise them to a life like his: free from sin, free from death... forever.

-Pastor Duncan

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# The Divine Service

## *The Prelude*

### *Introduction to Worship and Announcements*

(please stand)

**Opening Hymn:** The Church's One Foundation

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## *The Invocation*

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

People: **Amen.**

*Matthew 28:19*

## *Confession and Absolution*

Pastor: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

People: **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

*1 John 1:8-9*

Pastor: 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.

*Hebrews 10:22*

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

People: **who made heaven and earth.**

*Psalms 124:8*

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

People: **and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

*Psalms 32:5*

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.**

**Pastor:**        Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy upon us and has given His only Son to die for us and for His sake forgives us all our sins. To those who believe on His name He gives power to become children of God and has promised them His Holy Spirit. He that believes and is baptized shall be saved. Grant this, Lord, unto us all.

*Mark 16:16, John 1:12*

**People:**        **Amen.**

***Hymn of Praise:*** This Is the Feast 155

**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 Collect***

**Pastor:**        The Lord be with you!

**People:**        **And also with you!**

**Pastor:**        Let us pray. Almighty and everlasting God, since you have given us, your servants, grace to acknowledge the glory of the eternal

Trinity by the confession of a true faith, and to worship the true Unity in the power of your divine majesty, keep us also steadfast in this true faith and worship, and defend us ever from all our adversaries; for you, O Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, live and reign, one God, now and forever.

**People:** Amen.

(Please be seated)

## **The Service of the Word**

### **The Old Testament Lesson: Job 19:23-29**

“Oh that my words were written! Oh that they were inscribed in a book! Oh that with an iron pen and lead they were engraved in rock forever! For I know that my Redeemer lives, and at the last he will stand upon the earth. And after my skin has been thus destroyed, yet in my flesh I shall see God, whom I shall see for myself, and my eyes shall behold, and not another. My heart faints within me! If you say, ‘How we will pursue him!’ and, ‘The root of the matter is found in him,’ be afraid of the sword, for wrath brings the punishment of the sword, that you may know there is a judgment.”

### **The New Testament Lesson: Acts 24:10-21**

And when the governor had nodded to him to speak, Paul replied:

“Knowing that for many years you have been a judge over this nation, I cheerfully make my defense. You can verify that it is not more than twelve days since I went up to worship in Jerusalem, and they did not find me disputing with anyone or stirring up a crowd, either in the temple or in the synagogues or in the city. Neither can they prove to you what they now bring up against me. But this I confess to you, that according to the Way, which they call a sect, I worship the God of our fathers, believing everything laid down by the Law and written in the Prophets, having a hope in God, which these men accept, that there will be a resurrection of both the just and the unjust. So I always take pains to have a clear conscience toward both God and man.

Now after several years I came to bring alms to my nation and to present offerings. While I was doing this, they found me purified in the temple, without any crowd or tumult. But

some Jews from Asia—they ought to be here before you and to make an accusation, should they have anything against me. Or else let these men themselves say what wrongdoing they found when I stood before the council, other than this one thing that I cried out while standing among them: ‘It is with respect to the resurrection of the dead that I am on trial before you this day.’”

(Out of respect for our Lord Jesus Christ, please rise)

**Pastor:** The Holy Gospel according to St. John the 11<sup>th</sup> Chapter  
**People:** (sing) **Glory to Thee, O Lord!**

### **The Gospel: John 11:28-44**

When she had said this, she went and called her sister Mary, saying in private, “The Teacher is here and is calling for you.” And when she heard it, she rose quickly and went to him.

Now Jesus had not yet come into the village, but was still in the place where Martha had met him. When the Jews who were with her in the house, consoling her, saw Mary rise quickly and go out, they followed her, supposing that she was going to the tomb to weep there.

Now when Mary came to where Jesus was and saw him, she fell at his feet, saying to him, “Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died.” When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who had come with her also weeping, he was deeply moved in his spirit and greatly troubled. And he said, “Where have you laid him?” They said to him, “Lord, come and see.” Jesus wept. So the Jews said, “See how he loved him!” But some of them said, “Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man also have kept this man from dying?”

Then Jesus, deeply moved again, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone lay against it. Jesus said, “Take away the stone.” Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, “Lord, by this time there will be an odor, for he has been dead four days. Jesus said to her, “Did I not tell you that if you believed you would see the glory of God?” So they took away the stone. And Jesus lifted up his eyes and said, “Father, I thank you that you have heard me. I knew that you always hear me, but I said this on account of the people standing around, that they may believe that you sent me.” When he had said these things, he cried out with a loud voice, “Lazarus, come out.” The man who had died came out, his hands and feet bound with

linen strips, and his face wrapped with a cloth. Jesus said to them, “Unbind him, and let him go.”

**Pastor:** This is the Gospel of the Lord.  
**People:** (sing) Praise be to thee, O Christ!

(Please be seated)

### ***The Children’s Message***

***The Sermon Hymn:*** Lift High the Cross 837

### ***Sermon***

(Please stand)

***The Creed:*** Nicene Creed 191

***The Offertory:*** We Give Thee But Thine Own 781 vs. 1,2,6

We give Thee but Thine own, Whatever the gift may be;  
All that we have is Thine alone, a trust, O Lord, from Thee.

May we Thy bounties thus as stewards true receive  
And gladly, as Thou blessest us, to Thee our firstfruits give!

And we believe Thy Word, though dim our faith may be:  
Whatever for Thine we do, O Lord, we do it unto Thee.

(Please be seated)

### ***The Collection of the Offering***

(Please stand)

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

## **The Service of the Sacrament (208)**

**Pastor:** As we approach the Lord’s Table, may the Lord be with you.  
**People:** And also with you.

Pastor: Let us pray in His Name and as He has taught us:  
People: **Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed by 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.**

*Matthew 6:9-13*

***The Words of Institution*** *Mt. 26:26-28; Mk. 14:22-24; Lk. 22:19-20; 1 Cor 11:23-25*

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

People: **And also with you.**

***The Sharing of the Peace***

*John 20:19*

***The Agnus Dei (Lamb of God)*** 180

*John 1:29*

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***

What Is This Bread	629
You Satisfy the Hungry Heart	641
Love Divine, All Loves Excelling	700

### ***Post-Communion Canticle*** 181

Thank the Lord and sing His praise;  
Tell everyone what He has done.  
Let everyone who seeks the Lord rejoice and proudly bear His name.  
He recalls His promises and leads His people forth in joy  
With shouts of thanksgiving.  
Alleluia, alleluia.

### ***Post-Communion Collect*** 183

Pastor: 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.

People: **Amen.**

### ***Benediction***

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

People: **Amen!** *Num. 6:24-26*

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

### ***The Postlude***

## † *Service Participants* †

The Officiant:	The Rev. Duncan McLellan
Pastoral Assistant:	Darren Eliker
The Organist:	Paula Gardner
The Elders:	Jim Neill & Bill Bishop
The Acolyte:	Mitchell Fitzgerald
The Greeters:	Bob & Bernice DeBoe
The Ushers:	Jim Oelschlager, Dan Harris, & Loren Luedeman
Altar Guild:	Bernice DeBoe, Mary Hutula, & Elsie DallaPiazza

### **GUEST SPEAKER COMING TO ZION:**

On Sunday July 3<sup>rd</sup>, we will welcome Dr. Dale Meyer as our guest pastor. Dr. Meyer is the current president of Concordia Seminary in St. Louis, Missouri and was the speaker of "The Lutheran Hour," a popular weekly religious radio broadcast, from 1989 to 2001. Prior to that, Dr. Meyer served as senior pastor at Holy Cross Lutheran Church in Collinsville, Illinois and hosted a Bible class which was broadcast twice weekly over radio station KFJO-AM in St. Louis, Missouri. He also taught Homiletics and New Testament courses at Concordia Seminary-St. Louis and served there as the director of resident field education. In addition, Dr. Meyer served as a third vice-president for The Lutheran Church--Missouri Synod, and has written several sermon booklets, Bible studies and articles for Christian publications. Dr. Dale A. Meyer is the host of the popular television talk show "On Main Street." Dr. Meyer holds masters and doctoral degrees in classical languages from Washington University in St. Louis, a Master of divinity degree from Concordia Seminary in St. Louis, and an honorary doctorate in divinity from Concordia Seminary in Fort Wayne, Indiana.



