Zion Lutheran Church



July 18th, 2021 **Eighth Sunday after Pentecost**



Welcome to Zion Lutheran Church & Preschool!

Thank you for joining us in worship of the Lord. We would love to get to know you, and for you to learn more about our church family at Zion. We cordially invite you to talk with Pastor Grimenstein, our Elders, or any of our church members to learn more about our fellowship. At our website -- **zlcb.org** – you can find out more about the many worship, Christian education, and fellowship opportunities at Zion.

Communion Statement

We believe that in the Lord's Supper, Christ's physical body and blood are present in the bread and wine (1Cor. 11:23-25). We also believe receiving the Lord's Supper is an act of church fellowship. Scripture cautions that those who receive without recognizing Christ's body and blood will bring judgment upon themselves (1 Cor. 11:27-29). Therefore, out of love to our guests, we invite to our altar to receive the Lord's Supper those who are baptized, confirmed, repentant members of Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod congregations or sister congregations. If you are visiting us today from another Christian denomination, we welcome you to come to the altar to receive a baptismal blessing. Please signify by crossing your arms over your chest upon kneeling.

In preparation to receive the Lord's Supper in a worthy manner please consider reading "Christian Questions with their Answers" on Page 329-330. If you are interested in exploring membership, please talk with Pastor Grimenstein after the service, or call the church office.

Opening Hymn – Built on the Rock #645

- Built on the Rock the Church shall stand Even when steeples are falling.
 Crumbled have spires in ev'ry land; Bells still are chiming and calling,
 Calling the young and old to rest, But above all the souls distressed, Longing for rest everlasting.
- 2 Surely in temples made with hands God, the Most High, is not dwelling; High above earth His temple stands, All earthly temples excelling. Yet He who dwells in heav'n above Chooses to live with us in love, Making our bodies His temple.
- 3 We are God's house of living stones, Built for His own habitation. He through baptismal grace us owns Heirs of His wondrous salvation. Were we but two His name to tell, Yet He would deign with us to dwell With all His grace and His favor.
- 4 Here stands the font before our eyes, Telling how God has received us. The_altar recalls Christ's sacrifice And what His Supper here gives us. Here sound the Scriptures that proclaim Christ yesterday, today, the same, And evermore, our Redeemer.
- 5 Grant, then, O God, Your will be done, That, when the church bells are ringing, Many in saving faith may come Where Christ His message is bringing: "I know My own; My own know Me. You, not the world, My face shall see. My peace I leave with you. Amen."

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- **P** In the name of the Father and of the

 → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.
- P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
- But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.
- P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
- Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal

punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

- P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

Service of the Word

P You open | your hand;

- you satisfy the desire of every | living thing.
- Sing to the LORD with thanks- | giving;
 make melody to our God | on the harp!
 He covers the heavens with clouds; he prepares rain | for the earth; he makes grass grow | on the hills.
 He gives to the | beasts their food,
 and to the young ravens | that cry.
 His delight is not in the strength | of the horse,

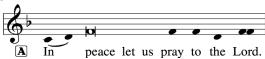
nor his pleasure in the legs | of a man, but the LORD takes pleasure in those who | fear him, in those who hope in his | steadfast love.

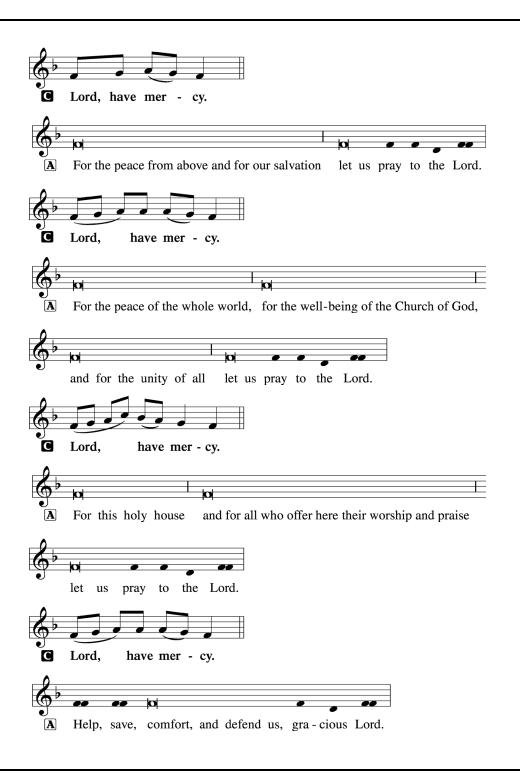
Glory be to the Father and | to the Son and to the Holy | Spirit; as it was in the be- | ginning,

is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

P You open | your hand; you satisfy the desire of every | living thing.

Kyrie



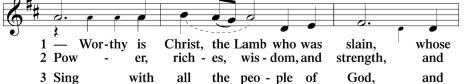




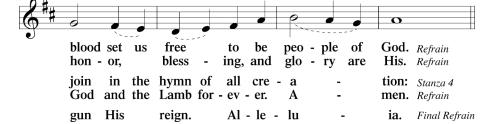
This Is the Feast



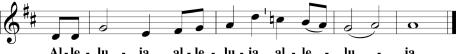




4 Bless ing, hon - or, glo - ry, and might to be 5 For the Lamb_____ who was slain has be -

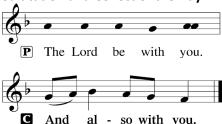






Al-le - lu - ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-leia.





P Let us pray.

Heavenly Father, though we do not deserve Your goodness, still You provide for all our needs of body and soul. Grant us Your Holy Spirit that we may acknowledge Your gifts, give thanks for all Your benefits, and serve You in willing obedience; 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 – Jeremiah 23:1-6

"Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture!" declares the LORD. Therefore thus says the LORD, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who care for my people: "You have scattered my flock and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. Behold, I will attend to you for your evil deeds, declares the LORD. Then I will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the countries where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. I will set shepherds over them who will care for them, and they shall fear no more, nor be dismayed, neither shall any be missing, declares the LORD.

"Behold, the days are coming, declares the LORD, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In his days Judah will be saved, and Israel will dwell securely. And this is the name by which he will be called: 'The LORD is our righteousness.'"

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

Second Reading – Ephesians 2:11-22

Remember that at one time you Gentiles in the flesh, called "the uncircumcision" by what is called the circumcision, which is made in the flesh by hands—remember that you were at that time separated from Christ, alienated from the commonwealth of Israel and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. For he himself is our peace, who has made us both one and has broken down in his flesh the dividing wall of hostility by abolishing the law of commandments and ordinances, that he might create in himself one new man in place of the two, so making peace, and might reconcile us both to God in one body through the cross, thereby killing the hostility. And he came and preached peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near. For through him we both have access in one Spirit to the Father. So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God, built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Christ Jesus himself being the cornerstone, in whom the whole structure, being joined together, grows into a holy temple in the Lord. In him you also are being built together into a dwelling place for God by the Spirit.

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





Holy Gospel

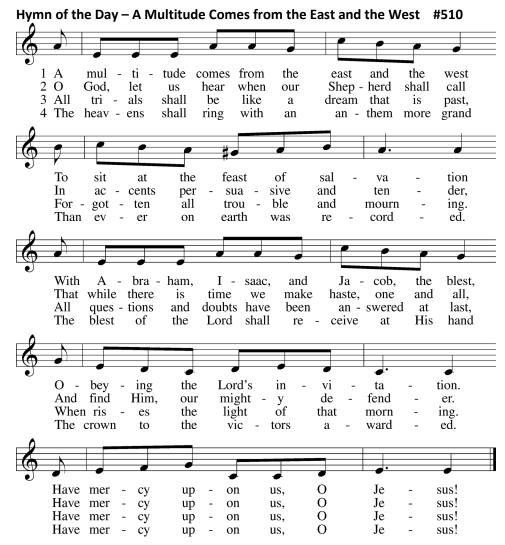
P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the sixth chapter.



The apostles returned to Jesus and told him all that they had done and taught. And he said to them, "Come away by yourselves to a desolate place and rest a while." For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat. And they went away in the boat to a desolate place by themselves. Now many saw them going and recognized them, and they ran there on foot from all the towns and got there ahead of them. When he went ashore he saw a great crowd, and he had compassion on them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd. And he began to teach them many things. And when it grew late, his disciples came to him and said, "This is a desolate place, and the hour is now late. Send them away to go into the surrounding countryside and villages and buy themselves something to eat." But he answered them, "You give them something to eat." And they said to him, "Shall we go and buy two hundred denarii worth of bread and give it to them to eat?" And he said to them, "How many loaves do you have? Go and see." And when they had found out, they said, "Five, and two fish." Then he commanded them all to sit down in groups on the green grass. So they sat down in groups, by hundreds and by fifties. And taking the five loaves and the two fish he looked up to heaven and said a blessing and broke the loaves and gave them to the disciples to set before the people. And he divided the two fish among them all. And they all ate and were satisfied. And they took up twelve baskets full of broken pieces and of the fish. And those who ate the loaves were five thousand men.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.





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Sermon

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

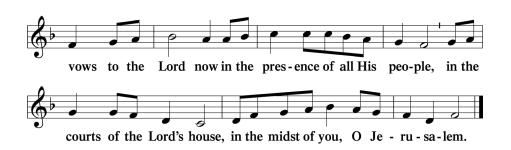
→ everlasting. Amen.

Prayer of the Church

P... Let us pray to the Lord.

C ... Lord have mercy.

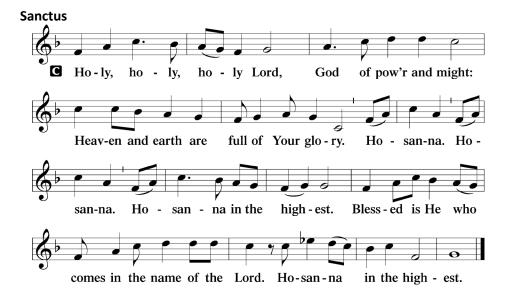




Service of the Sacrament



It is truly good, 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, out of love for His fallen creation, humbled Himself by taking on the form of a servant, becoming obedient unto death, even death upon a cross. Risen from the dead, He has freed us from eternal death and given us life everlasting. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:



Prayer of Thanksgiving

P Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

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 ⅓ 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."

- As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.
- C Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.
- P O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven,

hallowed be Thy name,

Thy kingdom come,

Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven;

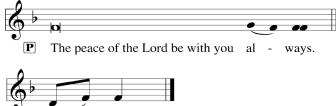
give us this day our daily bread;

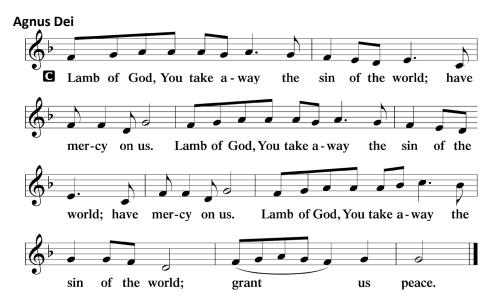
and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation,

but deliver us from evil.

For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

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Distribution

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Distribution Hymns

Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us	#711
O Living Bread from Heaven	#642
Lord Jesus Christ, Live-Giving Bread	#625



C Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev-'ry-one what He has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re - joice and proud-ly bear His name.



He re-calls His prom-is - es and leads His peo-ple forth in joy



Post-Communion Collect

P Let us pray.

Gracious God, our heavenly Father, You have given us a foretaste of the feast to come in the Holy Supper of Your Son's body and blood. Keep us firm in the true faith throughout our days of pilgrimage that, on the day of His coming, we may, together with all Your saints, celebrate the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom which has no end; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Benediction



The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.





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Prayer Requests for Family & Friends

The Church:

- **-For our homebound members**: Tom Bicusky, Florence Boehme, Lois Dittmer, Joan Cisko, Dottie Heslop, and Vince Kimberland.
- -Healing for: Megan Richards, Al Riske, Kami Snow, Ruth Rostron, Judy Graziano, Alyssa Mance, Shannon Mance, Elias Kazas, Marian Siek, Don and Deana Thielet, Dave Hutula, Ron Valentino, Mabel Granke, and Jennifer Meyer.
- -For our missions/missionaries, especially Pastor Wokoma and The Siberian Lutheran Mission Society.
- -For all who care for loved ones with illnesses.
- -For the ministry of Zion Lutheran Sunday School and Preschool.

The World:

- -For an end to the pandemic, and for the safety of all who are fighting it.
- -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 godly care of the earth.



† Service Participants **†**

Pastor: Rev. Dr. Edward Grimenstein

Music Director: Mark Killinger

The Organist: Sandy Quinlan

The Elders: Jim Neill & Mike Kroeger

The Acolyte: Sam Bishop (8:00)

Christian Bonacci (10:30)

The Ushers: Brian & Megan Pasquini, Wayne & Barb Oechslein (8:00)

John & Kari Gresh, Andy & Dwight Weldon (10:30)

Altar Guild: Clara Hayes & Sandy Bryant

ALTAR FLOWERS are given by John & Katie Gielarowski in celebration of their anniversary; and by Terry Hayes in celebration of Paul's birthday.

ETERNAL LIGHT is given by Judith Dames in memory of loved ones.

The 2022 LCMS NAT'L YOUTH GATHERING will be the topic of a brief meeting today after the second service. All youth entering 9th grade or older are encouraged to attend. Lunch will be served.





VOTERS' MEETING NEXT SUNDAY AFTER 2nd SERVICE in

the Fellowship Hall. Light lunch will be served. Please come ... your attendance supports the planning for our church, and the work of our servant leaders on Council!

Last Week in Worship

Sunday Worship Attendance (7/11) – 51 (8 am); 67 (10:30 am)

Wednesday Worship Attendance (7/14) -
Sunday Plate Offering (7/11) – \$13,797 Online Offering – \$815.38

Online giving is available on Zion's website at www.zlcb.org/donate

This Week at Zion	
SUN 7/18	8:00 AM – Worship 9:15 AM – Adult/Teen Bible Study 10:30 AM – Worship 11:45 AM – Intro to 2022 LCMS Nat'l Youth Gathering (lunch served)
MON 7/19	
TUE 7/20	
WED 7/21	7:00 PM – Service of Prayer & Preaching
THU 7/22	
FRI 7/23	
SAT 7/24	
SUN 7/25	8:00 AM – Worship 10:30 AM – Worship 11:45 AM – All-Church Voter's Meeting (lunch served)



Join a group of our Zion ladies at this luncheon to support the mission of Concordia Lutheran Ministries, our local, Lutheran senior care provider. For details and ticket information, please contact Zion member Janet Zreliak at zreliak@aol,com or 412-921-1668.



participate in Pastor's Bible study in the Fellowship Hall @ 9:15 am! We've begun a new study called "I Believe" which will focus on the three ecumenical Creeds of the Christian Church Bible Study (Apostles', Nicene & Athanasian). We're exploring each of their unique statements, and delving into why the early Christian

Throughout July & August we invite adults and older students to

church chose to make statements of what they believed in the face of this unbelieving world; something we are still doing to this day. We look forward to seeing you!

















2021 Annual Golf Scramble Fundraiser

Saturday, August 28th at 1 pm Rolling Fields Golf Course Murrysville, PA

\$75 fee includes 18 holes, cart, hot dog/drink at turn, dinner and prizes. \$55 fee for high school/college students



To register, or for more information, contact Charlie Buttgereit at 412-477-4-10 or the Redeemer Office at 412-793-5884.

Redeemer Lutheran School – PreK through 12th grade – has campuses in Oakmont and Penn Hills.

Your support helps provide Christ-centered education at Pittsburgh's only Lutheran high school!



Law and Gospel

Many people wrongly think that the Old Testament is the Law and the New Testament is the Gospel. In fact the Old Testament and the New Testament each contain both Law and Gospel.



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What are the basics of the Law and the Gospel?

The Law teaches us God's will for how we live, namely the Ten Commandments. God's Law demands perfection, but it is impossible to be perfect. According to the Law, we are sinners, and are in big trouble with God. We need someone to save us. The Law shows us our sins.

The Gospel tells us what Jesus has done to save us from our sins. But the Gospel doesn't stop there. It tells us what Jesus continues to do for us because of His great love for us. The Gospel shows us our Savior, Jesus!

An easy way to remember all of this is to think of the following letters: S.O.S. The Law "shows our sins" while the Gospel "shows our Savior"!



Parents: Distinguishing between Law and Gospel is a life-long venture of study. Perhaps you or your child can take notes during the sermon. Following the Divine Service, discuss these notes, identifying the Law and the Gospel in the sermon.

