Sunday Worship August 24, 2025 Time After Pentecost

Annual Church Picnic



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WELCOME TO OUR WORSHIP CELEBRATION!

Thanks for coming to be with us at Zion Lutheran Church. If you are visiting with us for the first time, will you please fill out a visitor card, available in the pew rack in front of you, and drop it in the offering plate. Whether this is your first visit or you worship here regularly, we are delighted that you chose to share with us. We worship together on Saturday at 5:00 p.m. and Sunday at 10:00 a.m. If you have a "prayer request" or a "praise report", please let the pastor know. God bless you on your journey of faith.

INTRODUCTION

Remember the sabbath day. Call the sabbath a delight. This is the Lord's day, and the Lord will do for us what the Lord does: feed us, forgive us, help and heal us. Rejoice at all the wonderful things God is doing.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

- P: In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit
- C: Amen
- P: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love You and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.
- C: Amen.
- P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another. Most merciful God.
- C: we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. 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. 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: God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of + Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

C: Amen.

HYMN Purple Hymnal #971

Come and Seek the Ways of Wisdom

GREETING / PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray . . .

C: O God, mighty and immortal, You know that as fragile creatures surrounded by great dangers, we cannot by ourselves stand upright. Give us strength of mind and body, so that even when we suffer because of human sin, we may rise victorious through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen

THE WORD

FIRST READING: Isaiah 58:9b-14

R: ^{9b}If you remove the yoke from among you, the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil, ¹⁰if you offer your food to the hungry and satisfy the needs of the afflicted, then your light shall rise in the darkness and your gloom be like the noonday. ¹¹The LORD will guide you continually, and satisfy your needs in parched places, and make your bones strong; and you shall be like a watered garden, like a spring of water, whose waters never fail. ¹²Your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt; you shall raise up the foundations of many generations; you shall be called the repairer of the breach, the restorer of streets to live in. ¹³If you refrain from trampling the sabbath, from pursuing your own interests on my holy day; if you call the sabbath a delight and the holy day of the LORD honorable; if you honor it, not going your own ways, serving your own interests, or pursuing your own affairs; ¹⁴then you shall take delight in the LORD, and I will make you ride upon the heights of the earth; I will feed you with the heritage of your ancestor Jacob, for the mouth of the LORD has spoken.

R: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 103:1-8

R: ¹Bless the LORD, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless God's holy name.

C: ²Bless the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all God's benefits—

R: ³who forgives all your sins and heals all your diseases;

C: ⁴who redeems your life from the grave and crowns you with steadfast love and mercy;

R: ⁵who satisfies your desires with good things so that your youth is renewed like an eagle's.

C: ⁶O LORD, you provide vindication and justice for all who are oppressed.

R: ⁷You made known your ways to Moses and your works to the children of Israel.

C: ⁸LORD, you are full of compassion and mercy, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

SECOND READING: Hebrews 12:18-29

¹⁸You have not come to something that can be touched, a blazing fire, and R: darkness, and gloom, and a tempest, ¹⁹ and the sound of a trumpet, and a voice whose words made the hearers beg that not another word be spoken to them. ²⁰ (For they could not endure the order that was given, "If even an animal touches the mountain, it shall be stoned to death." ²¹Indeed, so terrifying was the sight that Moses said, "I tremble with fear.") ²²But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels in festal gathering, ²³ and to the assembly of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven, and to God the judge of all, and to the spirits of the righteous made perfect, ²⁴ and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel. ²⁵See that you do not refuse the one who is speaking; for if they did not escape when they refused the one who warned them on earth. how much less will we escape if we reject the One who warns from heaven! ²⁶At that time his voice shook the earth; but now he has promised, "Yet once more I will shake not only the earth but also the heaven." ²⁷This phrase, "Yet once more," indicates the removal of what is shaken—that is, created things—so that what cannot be shaken may remain. ²⁸Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us give thanks, by which we offer to God an acceptable worship with reverence and awe; ²⁹ for indeed our God is a consuming fire.

R: The Word of the Lord **C:** Thanks be to God.

HOLY GOSPEL

P: The Gospel according to Luke 13:10-17

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

¹⁰Now [Jesus] was teaching in one of the synagogues on the sabbath. ¹¹And just then there appeared a woman with a spirit that had crippled her for eighteen years.

She was bent over and was quite unable to stand up straight. ¹²When Jesus saw her, he called her over and said, "Woman, you are set free from your ailment." ¹³When He laid his hands on her, immediately she stood up straight and began praising God. ¹⁴But the leader of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had cured on the sabbath, kept saying to the crowd, "There are six days on which work ought to be done; come on those days and be cured, and not on the sabbath day." ¹⁵But the Lord answered him and said, "You hypocrites! Does not each of you on the sabbath untie his ox or his donkey from the manger, and lead it away to give it water? ¹⁶And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham whom Satan bound for eighteen long years, be set free from this bondage on the sabbath day?" ¹⁷When He said this, all his opponents were put to shame; and the entire crowd was rejoicing at all the wonderful things that he was doing.

P: The Gospel of the Lord.
C: Praise to you, O Christ.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

SERMON Pastor Jaren Summers

HYMN Purple hymnal #966 Loaves Were Broken, Words Were Spoken

RESPONSE TO GOD'S WORD

APOSTLE'S CREED

P: Let us confess our faith.

C: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe 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 to the dead On the third day He rose again; He ascended into heaven, He is seated at the right hand of the Father, and He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS (Response after each petition)

P: Lord in your mercy,
C: Hear our prayer...

OFFERING—Invitation—God's Work Continues

COMMUNION PREFACE

P: The Lord be with you

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to You, almighty and merciful God...(The pastor continues with the proper preface for the day)...And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn.

C: Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of power and might Heav'n and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER & WORDS OF INSTITUTION - from 1 Corinthians 11:23-26

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.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

(All who confess Jesus as their Lord and Savior and believe in the real presence of Christ in the sacrament are invited to receive Holy Communion.)

BLESSING

P: Almighty God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

C: Amen.

HYMN Purple hymnal #975

O God, Whose Word Well-Planted

DISMISSAL

P: What is the mission of Zion Lutheran Church?

C: The mission of Zion Lutheran Church is: "Serving Christ through serving others."

P: Go in Peace, Live by the Spirit

C: Thanks be to God

The altar flowers are given to the honor and glory of God by Ruth Stollmer in memory of Bob.

Prayer concerns for Zion's prayer chain may be submitted using a 'Prayer Request' card from the pew rack.

In Helpful Service

Pastor Jaren Summers Reader Richard Geiman Communion Assist Doug Jacobs

Ushers John & Dianne LeGros Greeters Matt & Pam Sauls

ANNOUNCEMENTS

AUGUST MISSION OF THE MONTH: Lutheran World Relief School Kits Additional slips of paper with needed items have been put on the table in the narthex.

RALLY DAY is Sunday, September 7th. Sunday School for all ages at 9:00 a.m. All are welcome.

ZION GARAGE SALE is Thursday & Friday, September 25 & 26.

We will begin setting up the sale on **Sunday, Sept. 21** and will be working on it that entire week. You may bring in your garage sale treasures beginning on Saturday, September 20, after worship, Sunday, September 21 after worship <u>until</u> 4:00 pm and Monday and Tuesday mornings, Sept. 22 & 23.

We do NOT accept clothing, bed pillows, large exercise equipment, TVs and car seats. We do not have room to store any donations at Zion until September 20, so please hang on to your items until then.

Garage Sale Hours: Thursday 9-5 and Friday 9 - 8

We need **help** setting up and clerking. A sign-up sheet will be coming to the fellowship hallway.

BUNCO RETURNS Saturday, September 6th at 6:00 in the Fellowship Hall. Pizza will be served and a love offering will be taken to cover the cost. Please bring a snack to share. If you don't know how to play, no worries, we will teach you.

MISSION TRIP TO BACK BAY MISSION- BILOUXI, MISSISSIPPI, May 6-10, 2026. We are thrilled to announce that our church will be heading to Back Bay Mission in Biloxi, MS for an incredible week of service and fellowship! Back Bay Mission has been faithfully serving the Mississippi Gulf Coast since 1922. Homelessness has been outlawed in Biloxi and Back Bay Mission offers hope and compassion to those in need, offering housing rehab, a food pantry, day-to-day support services, and assistance with a local soup kitchen. This is an amazing opportunity for us to be the hands and feet of Christ! This trip is open to all volunteers ages 16 and up. Please come and experience the joy of serving. Join us Sunday, September 28th immediately after church in the Adult Sunday School room to learn more. Questions? Contact Raenell Poynter at 937-657-2301 (call or text).

THIS WEEK AT ZION

Monday, August 25	10:30 am 3:30 pm 6:30 pm	Mission Quilts TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) Scouts
Tuesday, August 26	10:00 am 8:00 pm	Mission Quilts AA
Wednesday, August 27	10:00 am	Women's Daytime Fellowship
Thursday, August 28	7:00 pm	Compassionate Friends
Sunday, August 31	Randall Residence Outreach	

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