

August 1, 2021



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and two fish.
but what are they
for so many?"

- John 6:9



MT. ZION

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10th Sunday after Pentecost

Pre-Service Personal Prayer: *Lord God, heavenly Father, we ask You, graciously abide among us with Your blessing, and keep us from covetousness and the cares of this life, that we may seek first Your kingdom and righteousness, and in all things needful for body and soul, provide Your ever-present help; through Jesus Christ, Amen.*

Today's Worship!

Greeting and Prayer

Opening Hymn 16 (TLH): *Blessed Jesus, at Thy Word*

- 1. Blessed Jesus, at Thy word We are gathered all to hear Thee;
Let our hearts and souls be stirred Now to seek and love and fear Thee,
By Thy teachings, sweet and holy, Drawn from earth to love Thee solely.**
- 2. All our knowledge, sense, and sight Lie in deepest darkness shrouded
Till Thy Spirit breaks our night With the beams of truth unclouded.
Thou alone to God canst win us; Thou must work all good within us.**
- 3. Glorious Lord, Thyself impart, Light of Light, from God proceeding;
Open Thou our ears and heart, Help us by Thy Spirit's pleading;
Hear the cry Thy people raises, Hear and bless our prayers and praises.**
- 4. Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, Praise to Thee and adoration!
Grant that we Thy Word may trust And obtain true consolation
While we here below must wander, Till we sing Thy praises yonder.**

The Invocation

We invoke ("call upon") the name of the one true God – Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

- P** In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
C Amen!

The Confession and Absolution of Sins

We come before our Holy God admitting that we are sinful and need His forgiveness.

- P** We have come into the presence of God, who created us to love and serve Him as His dear children. But we have disobeyed Him and deserve only His wrath and punishment. Therefore, let us confess our sins to Him and plead for His mercy.

C Merciful Father in heaven, I am altogether sinful from birth. In countless ways I have sinned against You and do not deserve to be called Your child. But trusting in Jesus, my Savior, I pray: Have mercy on me according to Your unfailing love. Cleanse me from my sin, and take away my guilt.

P God, our heavenly Father, has forgiven all your sins. By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ, He has removed your guilt forever. You are His own dear child. May God give you strength to live according to His will!

C Amen!

Lord, Have Mercy

Kyrie – Latin for “O Lord.” We approach our Lord with a cry for help in all the needs of our earthly life.

C: Lord, have mer - cy on us. Christ, have mer - cy
on us. Lord, have mer - cy on us.

Glory to God in the Highest

Gloria in Excelsis – Latin for “Glory in the Highest (to God).” A hymn glorifying and praising our God.

C: 1 Glo - ry to God, we give You thanks and praise;
2 Lord Je - sus Christ, the Fa - ther's on - ly Son,
3 A - lone, O Christ, You on - ly are the Lord,
Of heav'n - ly joy and peace on earth we sing.
You bore for us the load of this world's sin.
At God's right hand in maj - es - ty most high:
We wor - ship You, to You our hearts we raise,
O Lamb of God, Your glo - rious vic - t'ry won,
Who, with the Spir - it wor - shiped and a - dored,
Lord God, al - might - y Fa - ther, heav'n - ly King.
Re - ceive our prayer, grant us Your peace with - in.
With all the heav'n - ly host we glo - ri - fy.

The Prayer for the Day

The main thoughts for the day are collected together in this prayer.

- P** Let us pray. . . through Christ Jesus, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever
- C** Amen.

The Old Testament Reading: *Exodus 24:3-11*

Moses came and told the people all the words of the LORD and all the rules. And all the people answered with one voice and said, "All the words that the LORD has spoken we will do." ⁴ And Moses wrote down all the words of the LORD. He rose early in the morning and built an altar at the foot of the mountain, and twelve pillars, according to the twelve tribes of Israel. ⁵ And he sent young men of the people of Israel, who offered burnt offerings and sacrificed peace offerings of oxen to the LORD. ⁶ And Moses took half of the blood and put it in basins, and half of the blood he threw against the altar. ⁷ Then he took the Book of the Covenant and read it in the hearing of the people. And they said, "All that the LORD has spoken we will do, and we will be obedient." ⁸ And Moses took the blood and threw it on the people and said, "Behold the blood of the covenant that the LORD has made with you in accordance with all these words."

⁹ Then Moses and Aaron, Nadab, and Abihu, and seventy of the elders of Israel went up, ¹⁰ and they saw the God of Israel. There was under his feet as it were a pavement of sapphire stone, like the very heaven for clearness. ¹¹ And he did not lay his hand on the chief men of the people of Israel; they beheld God, and ate and drank.

The Responsive Reading: *Psalms 84 Selected Verses*

- P** How lovely is your dwelling place,
C O LORD of hosts!
- P** My soul longs, yes, faints for the courts of the LORD;
C My heart and flesh sing for joy to the living God.
- P** Blessed are those who dwell in your house,
C Ever singing your praise!
- P** Blessed are those whose strength is in you,
C In whose heart are the highways to Zion.
- P** O LORD God of hosts, hear my prayer;
C Give ear, O God of Jacob!

- P** Behold our shield, O God;
- C** **Look on the face of your anointed!**
- P** For a day in your courts is better than a thousand elsewhere.
- C** **I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God than dwell in the tents of wickedness.**
- P** For the LORD God is a sun and shield; the LORD bestows favor and honor.
- C** **No good thing does he withhold from those who walk uprightly.**
- P** O LORD of hosts,
- C** **Blessed is the one who trusts in you!**



The Epistle Reading: *Ephesians 4:1-7,11-16*

I therefore, a prisoner for the Lord, urge you to walk in a manner worthy of the calling to which you have been called, ² with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, ³ eager to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. ⁴ There is one body and one Spirit--just as you were called to the one hope that belongs to your call-- ⁵ one Lord, one faith, one baptism, ⁶ one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all. ⁷ But grace was given to each one of us according to the measure of Christ's gift.

¹¹ And he gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the shepherds and teachers, ¹² to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, ¹³ until we all attain to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to mature manhood, to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ, ¹⁴ so that we may no longer be children, tossed to and fro by the waves and carried about by every wind of doctrine, by human cunning, by craftiness in deceitful schemes. ¹⁵ Rather, speaking the truth in love, we are to grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, ¹⁶ from whom the whole body, joined and held together by every joint with which it is equipped, when each part is working properly, makes the body grow so that it builds itself up in love.

- P** Blessed are they who hear the Word of God and keep it.

C: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

These words are writ - ten that we may be - lieve that

Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God.

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

The Nicene Creed

We boldly confess what we believe.

C 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 on the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, Whose kingdom shall 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 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.

Children's Sermon:

Theme: WHAT MORE COULD WE NEED?

Hymn 849 LSB: Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness

1 Praise the One who breaks the dark - ness With a lib - er -
2 Praise the One who blessed the chil - dren With a strong, yet
3 Let us praise the Word In - car - nate, Christ, who suf - fered
at - ing light; Praise the One who frees the pris - 'ners,
gen - tle, word; Praise the One who drove out de - mons
in our place. Je - sus died and rose vic - to - rious
Turn - ing blind - ness in - to sight. Praise the One who preached the
With the pierc - ing, two - edged sword. Praise the One who brings cool
That we may know God by grace. Let us sing for joy and
Gos - pel, Heal - ing ev - 'ry dread dis - ease, Calm - ing
wa - ter To the des - ert's burn - ing sand; From this
glad - ness, See - ing what our God has done; Let us
storms, and feed - ing thou - sands With the ver - y Bread of peace.
Well comes liv - ing wa - ter, Quench - ing thirst in ev - 'ry land.
praise the true Re - deem - er, Praise the One who makes us one.

The Sermon: John 6:1-15

After this Jesus went away to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, which is the Sea of Tiberias. ² And a large crowd was following him, because they saw the signs that he was doing on the sick. ³ Jesus went up on the mountain, and there he sat down with his disciples. ⁴ Now the Passover, the feast of the Jews, was at hand. ⁵ Lifting up his eyes, then, and seeing that a large crowd was coming toward him, Jesus said to Philip, "Where are we to buy bread, so that these people may eat?" ⁶ He said this to test him, for he himself knew what he would do. ⁷ Philip answered him, "Two hundred denarii would not buy enough bread for each of them to get a little." ⁸ One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said to him, ⁹ "There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish, but what are they for so many?" ¹⁰ Jesus said, "Have the people sit down." Now there was much grass in the place. So the men sat down, about five thousand in number. ¹¹ Jesus then took the loaves, and when he had given thanks, he distributed them to those who were seated. So also the fish, as much as they wanted. ¹² And when they had eaten their fill, he told his disciples, "Gather up the leftover

fragments, that nothing may be lost." ¹³ So they gathered them up and filled twelve baskets with fragments from the five barley loaves left by those who had eaten. ¹⁴ When the people saw the sign that he had done, they said, "This is indeed the Prophet who is to come into the world!" ¹⁵ Perceiving then that they were about to come and take him by force to make him king, Jesus withdrew again to the mountain by himself.

Theme: INVITED TO WORK IN JESUS’ MIRACLE RESTAURANT

- I. He allows the hunger so that He can satisfy it.
- II. He divides the work so that we can share in it.

The Offertory

Having heard God’s Word, we ask Him to spiritually heal us, giving us the gift of the Holy Spirit.

C: Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -
 new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me
 not a - way from Your pres - ence. Take not Your Ho - ly
 Spir - it from me. Re - store to me the joy of
 Your sal - va - tion. Up - hold with Your Spir - it free.

Hymn 770 (WS2000): I Hear the Savior Calling

- 1. *I hear the Savior calling! The Gospel comes to me.
 My eyes once closed in blindness Are opened now to see
 That I myself was helpless To live eternally,
 But, dying, Christ did save me, And now He calls for me!*
- 2. *I hear the Savior calling! He leads a soul to me,
 A soul in bitter anguish, One needing to be free.
 The gift I have to offer Is Christ, my Lord's decree
 That all have been forgiven—My Savior calls for me!*
- 3. *I hear the Savior calling! He gives this charge to me:
 To serve the best I'm able, Whate'er the call may be.*

***Thus hand in hand with others Who share the gospel key
We spread the gospel tiding—My Savior calls for me!***

***4. I hear the Savior calling! He changes hearts for me.
From door to door I witness To share my Savior's plea;
Yet nothing can be added, No word on bended knee,
Beyond the simple gospel—My Savior calls for me!***

***5. I hear the Savior calling! His call has urgency!
Each moment souls are dying; Soon comes eternity.
And so, my precious Savior, This is my humble plea:
Prepare me for my mission, For You are calling me!***

The Offering of Thankful Hearts

In tangible evidence of our gratitude, we offer the Lord the gift of our money, remembering that He has first given to us that we might have to give to Him. If you wish to give your church offering electronically, you can do so by using the CashApp on your mobile device. The church's \$cashtag is "Şclcmztion". While the usher brings the offering plate forward we sing the following hymn verse (788:1):

***Lord, You love the cheerful giver Who with open heart and hand
Blesses freely, as a river That refreshes all the land.***

***Grant us, then, the grace of giving With a spirit large and true
That our life and all our living We may consecrate to You.***

Prayer of the Church – The 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.

The Service of the Sacrament

Now we approach the second high point of the liturgy, the Sacrament, in which the Lord comes to bless us with His very body and blood. We move toward the Sacrament with prayers of thanksgiving and songs of adoration.

☩ The Lord be with you.

☩ And also with you.

☩ Lift up your hearts.

☩ We lift them up to the Lord.

☩ It is right and beneficial that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and 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 all the company of heaven, we magnify Your glorious Name, evermore praising You and saying...

Holy, Holy, Holy

The Sanctus – Latin for “Holy.” We join our voices to the angels who sing, “Holy, Holy, Holy” around His throne.”

C: Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of Sa - ba - oth, a - dored; Heav'n and
earth with full ac - claim shout the glo - ry of Your name. Sing ho -
san - na in the high - est, sing ho - san - na to the Lord; Tru - ly
blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

Words of Institution

The words spoken by Jesus the night He instituted the Lord's Supper by which our Lord assured to His Church the real presence of His sacramental body and blood for all time.

- P** Our Lord Jesus Christ, the same night in which He was betrayed, took bread. And when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to His disciples, saying, “Take, eat. This is My body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.” In the same way He took the cup, after supper, gave thanks, and gave it to them saying, “Drink of it, all of you. This cup is the new covenant in My blood, which is shed for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of Me.” The peace of the Lord be with you always!

Lamb of God

The Agnus Dei – Latin for “Lamb of God.” As we approach the Table of Forgiveness, we want to be thinking about the Lamb of God who was sacrificed for us on Calvary's cross.

O Lamb of God, O Christ our Lord, whose
blood, once shed, true life re - stored, Im -
part Your joy, our faith in - crease. Sus -
tain with Your mer - cy and grant us Your peace.

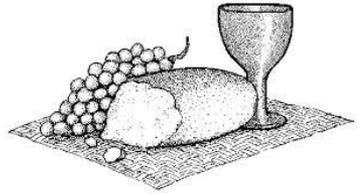
Distribution of the Sacrament

Communion Today is for Members Only Please

We don't judge anyone's faith, but we do stand up for our own. The Bible teaches what we call "Close Communion," that is, God wants you to commune only with those people with whom you are agreed in ALL the Bible's teachings. This belief is based upon the Bible passages listed below. Therefore, if you are a guest with us today, and BEFORE you come up to commune with us, you'll want to find out if our church teaches what the Bible does! The pastor would be happy to discuss this with you at your convenience!

1 Corinthians 1:10 "Now I plead with you, brethren, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that you all speak the same thing, and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be perfectly joined together in the same mind and in the same judgment."

1 Corinthians 11:26-30 "For as often as you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death till He comes. Therefore whoever eats this bread or drinks this cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty of the body and blood of the Lord. But let a man examine himself, and so let him eat of that bread and drink of that cup. For he who eats and drinks in an unworthy manner eats and drinks judgment to himself, not discerning the Lord's body."



O Lord, Now Let Your Servant

The Nunc Dimittis – Latin for "Now Dismiss." Simeon's words after seeing the Christ Child. (Luke 2:29-32)

C: 1 O Lord, now let Your ser - vant De -
 2 All glo - ry to the Fa - ther, All

part in heav'n - ly peace, For I have seen the
 glo - ry to the Son, All glo - ry to the

glo - ry Of Your re - deem - ing grace: A
 Spir - it, For - ev - er Three - in - One; For

light to lead the Gen - tiles Un -
 as in the be - gin - ning, Is

to Your ho - ly hill, The glo - ry of Your
 now, shall ev - er be, God's tri - une name re -

peo - ple, Your cho - sen Is - ra - el.
 sound - ing Through all e - ter - ni - ty.

P Go in peace. Serve the Lord with gladness.

Thanksgiving



C: My heart has now be - come Your dwell - ing, O bless - ed,
ho - ly Trin - i - ty. With an - gels I, Your prais - es
tell - ing, Shall live in joy e - ter - nal - ly. Lord, may Your
bod - y and Your blood Be for my soul the high - est good!

The Benediction *The blessing given by God for His people (Numbers 6:24-26)*

P The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.

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

G Amen!

Closing Hymn 659 (TLH): *Feed Thy Children, God Most Holy*

**1. Feed Thy children, God most holy, Comfort sinners poor and lowly;
O Thou Bread of Life from heaven, Bless the food Thou here hast given!
As these gifts the body nourish, May our souls in graces flourish
Till with saints in heavenly splendor At Thy feast due thanks we render.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

"If the LORD wills, we will do this or that." James 4:15

WELCOME EVERYONE! Thank you for joining us today. This has been a worship service of Mt. Zion Lutheran Church. Our regular place of worship is located at 26689 Northeastern Hwy in Madison Heights. You're welcome to join us there every Sunday at 10:00am for regular worship. We pray that God's Word and our worship today will help you grow in the grace and knowledge of our Savior Jesus, and in our fellowship with one another.

A CLEVELAND AREA WORSHIP SERVICE is scheduled for next Sunday, August 8, at 4pm at the Hughes' home in North Olmsted. Speak with Pastor if you or someone you know may be interested in attending.

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHER(S) NEEDED: We are planning to reopen our Sunday School this fall for pre-school and kindergarten ages. If you are interested in being the lead teacher or a substitute, please speak with Pastor.

CLC CALL NEWS: Pastor Mark Tiefel of Redemption, Lynnwood, WA, has **received** the call to Living Savior, Eden Prairie, MN. <> Recently colloquized Pastor Luke Willitz, member of Grace, Sleepy Eye, MN, has **received** the call to Redeemer, Cheyenne, WY. <> Pastor Michael Gurath of Holy Cross Lutheran, Phoenix, AZ has **received** the call to Faith Lutheran, Manchester, MO. <> Ms. Rebecca McKenney, a member of Faith, Cambridge, WI, has **received** the call to be the upper grade teacher at Grace School, Valentine, NE, for the 2021-2022 school year. <> Mrs. Greta Brown-Kempenaar has **accepted** the call to serve as music/pre-school aid for one year at Faith Lutheran School, Markesan, WI. <> Pastor Frank Gantt of Zion Lutheran Church, Loganville, GA, has been appointed by President Michael Eichstadt to the CLC Board of Doctrine to fill the position being vacated by soon-to-be-retired Pastor Mark Bernthal, Peace Thru Christ, Middleton, WI.

SERVING US THIS WEEK

August Usher: Volunteer Needed <> Church Cleaning: Muellers
Lawn Care: Ben Mueller

OUR RESPONSE TO THE GOSPEL

Outdoor Service/Picnic Attendance Last Sunday = 20

Bi-Weekly Offerings Needed:	\$3,076.92	Total Offerings Needed YTD:	\$46,153.85
Bi-Weekly Offerings Received:	\$2,382.38	Total Offerings Received YTD:	\$44,340.88
Missions Offerings YTD (includes 10% of GB & individual offerings):			\$4,434.09

IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES AT MT. ZION

Wed. 8/4	8pm	Trustees Meeting
Sun. 8/8	10am	Worship Service (w/ Communion)
	4pm	Cleveland Area Worship Service
Tue. 8/10	7pm	Board of Elders Meeting
	7:30pm	Church Council Meeting
	8pm	Outreach Committee Meeting
Sun. 9/12	9am	Bible Class / Sunday School Begin

IN OUR PRAYERS <> ENCOURAGEMENT LIST

Ephesians 6:18 "Be alert and always keep on praying for all the Lord's people."

Jackie McGruder remains homebound as she continues to suffer from lupus, a chronic autoimmune disease that attacks tissues and organs. **Denise Troyan's** sister, Amy, is receiving treatment for cancer. **Carl and Michelle Ryan** are expecting a newborn baby in January 2022.

Worship at Mt. Zion

We have a singular goal in our worship: "Walk prudently when you go to the house of God; and draw near to hear rather than to give the sacrifice of fools." (Ecc. 5:1 NKJV)

Our service follows the historic Biblical style of using a liturgy. The liturgy is meant to give order and structure to the worship service. We try to keep our worship respectful in order to foster an atmosphere which allows us to focus on the power of God's Word. Our service is also meant to be reflective so that each individual can hear, understand, and meditate upon the wonderful works of God! (Acts 2:11)

The Bible teaches that God creates and sustains faith in a person's heart through the power of His Word: **Romans 1:16: "For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes."** In our fast-paced society, meditative and reflective worship is sometimes considered outdated, irrelevant, or boring. Yet, God Himself says, "**faith comes from hearing, and hearing through the word of Christ.**" (Romans 10:17) God has not changed His method of reaching people with the hope of forgiveness simply because our society has changed. He remains the same and His Word remains powerful.

If the worship service seems strange to you, don't give up right away! Stick with it, try to learn something new each week, and develop a habit of being present in God's house. The ability to quietly listen and learn is an acquired skill that takes time and practice. Our prayer each week is that we grow in our ability to listen to God's Word and thereby increase our faith in Jesus. We hope you will continue to join us!