

Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

Saturday August 27, 2022

5:30 p.m.

Sunday August 28, 2022

8:00 a.m.

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Welcome to all gathering together with us in worship today! May our time together in God's Word be blessed by Him. We are glad to be gathering together once more!

Receiving Communion – 10:30 a.m.

In preparation, examine yourself by asking these questions:

Am I truly sorry for my sins?

Do I believe I am forgiven because of Jesus' suffering and death?

Do I believe in the Real Presence of Christ's Body and Blood in the Sacrament?

Do I desire to be strengthened in faith to live a God-pleasing life, and to forgive others?

This is the faith expressed by the LCMS and those in fellowship with us. All members of fellow LCMS congregations may commune with us. If it is your first time with us, please speak to the pastor before communing.

Prayers

For Healing: Larry Meyer, Carolyn (Tolley) Nimmons, Paul Frerichs, Roberta Roberts, Memphis LaFuria, Janet Keiser, Melonie Pence, Joe McNeal, Laura Mueller, Steve Steelman, Jeff Lutz, JoAnn Fuchs, Florence Collman, Heath Beccue, Dee Galyon, and Declan Treece.

Zion Lutheran School

Government Officials and Nation

Military and all First Responders

ALTAR FLOWERS are given by Tom & Mary Ann Frerichs in Honor of their 20th Anniversary

BULLETINS are given by Carol Foster for All Glory and Praise to God.

THANKS to all my church family who helped me celebrate my 90th birthday. Thanks also for all of the beautiful cards that I received. I give God the glory for the blessings He has given me for 90 years! Dorothy Mansholt

Dear Zion Family,

Thank you for your thoughts, prayers, cards, meals, etc. during the past year. I'm happy to share that my recent scans show that I'm cancer free! Your continued thoughts and prayers are much appreciated. God's Blessings, Cheryl Frerichs

POSITION AVAILABLE Our church secretary Jessica Neuhaus has accepted another job. Her last official day at Zion will be Friday September 2nd. If you know of anyone that may be interested please contact Pastor Kramer or Mike Helgen. Throughout the school year this will be a part-time position Monday through Friday 8am -Noon. Hours may decrease during the summer months.

ADULT INFORMTION CLASSES will be held in the Parish Hall at 6:30 p.m. every Tuesday beginning September 13th through November 22nd. These classes are offered to all who wish to become a member, learn more about the Lutheran Faith and also to current

members who wish to take a refresher course. For further information feel free to contact our church office at (217) 324-2033.

LADIES AID MEETING Thursday, September 1, 7pm, "Sleepers for St. Francis". There will be a speaker from St. Francis Hospital and a Mission Service collection for September of new baby sleepers.

The Moores, who bought the parsonage across the street on State Street, have decided to sell the house since they have moved. Zion has first right of refusal for the sale of that house. At this time the leadership of the congregation have determined it would not be in the best interest of the church to purchase the house back. We are letting the congregation know so that if anyone has desire to purchase the house it will be coming up on market. Or, if you have thoughts or questions concerning this decision please contact Mike Helgen or Jim Martin.

MISSION SERVICE The collections for Zion Lutheran School are in the grocery cart in the hallway. If you would still like to contribute, they have asked for pint, quart, or gallon ziplock bags, plain yellow pencils (not mechanical), Crayola brand crayons and colored pencils. Scissors (adult size), Scotch brand tape, and Sticky tac, are also always in high demand. We will be emptying the cart after the 10:30 service on Sept. 4th. Thanks for your help!

Educational Grants - Applications are being accepted from those that are enrolled in an approved LCMS college or seminary. Grants are in the amount of \$500.00 for the 2023 spring term. Applicant must be an active member of Zion Lutheran Church, Litchfield, IL., and must maintain at least a "C" grade average to qualify. Applications can be picked up in the church office and must be submitted to the church office for approval by October 1, 2022. Please include a copy of your most recent transcript.

SERVING US THIS WEEKEND

Pastor - Rev. Fred Kraemer

Organist - Keith Marburger

Elder - 5:30 p.m Doug Martin

8:00 a.m. Allan Spelbring

10:30 Stan Diestelhorst & Bud Helgen

Last Week's Attendance - 5:30 p.m. - 32

8:00 a.m. - 53

10:30 a.m. - 49

Plate Offering - \$4,955.00

E-Giving - \$1,641.72

Upcoming Events:

Wednesday August 31 - **Chapel** - 8:30 a.m.

Wednesday August 31 - **Confirmation**- 6:00 p.m.

Wednesday August 31 - **Festival Bells** - 6:00 p.m.

Wednesday August 31 - **Adult Choir** - 7:00 p.m.

Thursday September 1 - **Berean Bible Class** - 9:15 a.m.

Thursday September 1 - **Elders Meeting** - 7:00 p.m.

Thursday September 1 - **Ladies Aid Meeting**- 7:00 p.m.

Friday September 2 - **Early Dismissal - School** - 1:15 p.m.

Saturday September 3 - **Worship/Traditional(Communion)** - 5:30 p.m.

Sunday September 4 - **Worship/Traditional(Communion)** - 8:00a.m.

Sunday September 4 - **Bible Study** - 9:15 a.m.

Sunday September 4 - **Worship/Traditional**- 10:30 a.m.

WELCOME

HYMN OF INVOCATION LSB 904 *"Blessed Jesus, at Your Word"*

- 1 Blessed Jesus, at Your Word we are gathered all to hear You.
Let our hearts and souls be stirred now to seek and love and fear You,
By Your teachings, sweet and holy, drawn from earth to love You solely.
- 2 All our knowledge, sense, and sight lie in deepest darkness shrouded
Till Your Spirit breaks our night with the beams of truth unclouded.
You alone to God can win us; You must work all good within us.
- 3 Gracious Savior, good and kind, light of Light, from God proceeding,
Open now our heart and mind; help us by Your Spirit's pleading.
Hear the cry Your Church now raises; hear and bless our prayers and praises.
- 4 Father, Son, and Spirit, Lord, Praise to You and adoration!
Grant that we may trust Your Word, confident of our salvation,
While we here below must wander, till we sing Your praises yonder.

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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.

C: **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.

C: **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.**

INTROIT *Psalm 131*

¹O LORD, my heart is not lifted up; my eyes are not raised too high;
I do not occupy myself with things too great and too marvelous for me.

²**But I have calmed and quieted my soul,**

like a weaned child with its mother; like a weaned child is my soul within me.

³O Israel, hope in the LORD from this time forth and forevermore.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning is now and will be forever. Amen.

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P: In peace let us pray to the Lord.

C: **Lord, have mercy.**

P: For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.

C: **Lord, have mercy.**

P: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.

C: **Lord, have mercy.**

P: For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.

C: **Lord, have mercy.**

P: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

C: **Amen.**

HYMN OF PRAISE Page 155 *"Gloria in Excelsis"*

P: Glory to God in the highest, and peace to His people on earth.

C: **Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father:**

We worship You, we give You thanks, we praise You for Your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God:

You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

You are seated at the right hand of the Father; receive our prayer.

For You alone are the Holy One, You alone are the Lord,

You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,

in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

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P: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

P: Let us pray...

C: **Amen.**

OLD TESTAMENT *Proverbs 25:2-10*

²It is the glory of God to conceal things, but the glory of kings is to search things out. ³As the heavens for height, and the earth for depth, so the heart of kings is unsearchable. ⁴Take away the dross from the silver, and the smith has material for a vessel; ⁵take away the wicked from the presence of the king, and his throne will be established in righteousness. ⁶Do not put yourself forward in the king's presence or stand in the place of the great, ⁷for it is better to be told, "Come up here," than to be put lower in the presence of a noble. What your eyes have seen ⁸do not hastily bring into court, for what will you do in the end, when your neighbor puts you to shame? ⁹Argue your case with your neighbor himself, and do not reveal another's secret, ¹⁰lest he who hears you bring shame upon you, and your ill repute have no end.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

EPISTLE *Hebrews 13:1-17*

¹Let brotherly love continue. ²Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for thereby some have entertained angels unawares. ³Remember those who are in prison, as though in prison with them, and those who are mistreated, since you also are in the body. ⁴Let marriage be held in honor among all, and let the marriage bed be undefiled, for God will judge the sexually immoral and adulterous. ⁵Keep your life free from love of money, and be content with what you have, for he has said, "I will never leave you nor forsake you." ⁶So we can confidently say, "The Lord is my helper; I will not fear; what can man do to me?" ⁷Remember your leaders, those who spoke to you the word of God. Consider the outcome of their way of life, and imitate their faith. ⁸Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever. ⁹Do not be led away by diverse and strange teachings, for it is good for the heart to be strengthened by grace, not by foods, which have not benefited those devoted to them. ¹⁰We have an altar from which those who serve the tent have no right to eat. ¹¹For the bodies of those animals whose blood is brought into the holy places by the high priest as a sacrifice for sin are burned outside the camp. ¹²So Jesus also suffered outside the gate in order to sanctify the people through his own blood. ¹³Therefore let us go to him outside the camp and bear the reproach he endured. ¹⁴For here we have no lasting city, but we seek the city that is to come. ¹⁵Through him then let us continually offer up a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that acknowledge his name. ¹⁶Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God. ¹⁷Obey your leaders and submit to them, for they are keeping watch over your souls, as those who will have to give an account. Let them do this with joy and not with groaning, for that would be of no advantage to you.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life.

Alleluia, alleluia.

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the Fourteenth Chapter.

C: **Glory to You, O Lord.**

GOSPEL *Luke 14:1-14*

¹One Sabbath, when [Jesus] went to dine at the house of a ruler of the Pharisees, they were watching him carefully. ²And behold, there was a man before him who had dropsy. ³And Jesus responded to the lawyers and Pharisees, saying, "Is it lawful to heal on the Sabbath, or not?" ⁴But they remained silent. Then he took him and healed him and sent him away. ⁵And he said to them, "Which of you, having a son or an ox that has fallen into a well on a Sabbath day, will not immediately pull him out?" ⁶And they could not reply to these things. ⁷Now he told a parable to those who were invited, when he noticed how they chose the places of honor, saying to them, ⁸"When you are invited by someone to a wedding feast, do not sit down in a place of honor, lest someone more distinguished than you be invited by him, ⁹and he who invited you both will come and say to you, 'Give your place to this person,' and then you will begin with shame to take the lowest place. ¹⁰But when you are invited, go and sit in the lowest place, so that when your host comes he may say to you, 'Friend, move up higher.' Then you will be honored in the presence of all who sit at table with you. ¹¹For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and he who humbles himself will be exalted." ¹²He said also to the man who had invited him, "When you give a dinner or a banquet, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or rich neighbors, lest they also invite you in return and you be repaid. ¹³But when you give a feast, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind, ¹⁴and you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you. You will be repaid at the resurrection of the just."

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: **Praise to You, O Christ.**

HYMN OF THE DAY LSB 842 *"Son of God, Eternal Savior"*

- 1 Son of God, eternal Savior, Source of life and truth and grace,
Word made flesh, whose birth among us hallows all our human race,
You our Head, who, throned in glory, for Your own will ever plead:
Fill us with Your love and pity, heal our wrongs, and help our need.
- 2 As You, Lord, have lived for others, so may we for others live.
Freely have Your gifts been granted, freely may Your servants give.
Yours the gold and Yours the silver, Yours the wealth of land and sea;
We but stewards of Your bounty held in solemn trust will be.
- 3 Come, O Christ, and reign among us, King of love and Prince of Peace;
Hush the storm of strife and passion, bid its cruel discords cease.
By Your patient years of toiling, by Your silent hours of pain,
Quench our fevered thirst of pleasure, stem our selfish greed of gain.
- 4 Son of God, eternal Savior, source of life and truth and grace,
Word made flesh, whose birth among us hallows all our human race:
By Your praying, by Your willing that Your people should be one,
Grant, O grant our hope's fruition: here on earth Your will be done.

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SERMON *You Have a Place of Honor" Proverbs 25:7*

HYMN OF RESPONSE LSB 613 *"To Thee, Omniscient Lord of All"*

- 1 To Thee, omniscient Lord of all, in grief and shame I humbly call;
I see my sins against Thee, Lord, the sins of thought and deed and word.
They press me sore; I cry to Thee: O God, be merciful to me!
- 2 O Lord, my God, to Thee I pray: O cast me not in wrath away!
Let Thy good Spirit ne'er depart, but let Him draw to Thee my heart
That truly penitent I be: O God, be merciful to me!
- 3 O Jesus, let Thy precious blood be to my soul a cleansing flood.
Turn not, O Lord, Thy guest away, but grant that justified I may
Go to my house at peace with Thee: O God, be merciful to me!

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**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

OFFERTORY

**What shall I render to the Lord for all His benefits to me?
I will offer the sacrifice of thanksgiving and will call on the name of the Lord.
I will take the cup of salvation and will call on the name of the Lord.
I will pay my vows to the Lord now in the presence of all His people,
in the courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Jerusalem.**

LORD'S PRAYER Page 192

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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**P: 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.
C: Amen.**

DEPARTURE HYMN LSB 660 *"Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus"*

- 1 Stand up, stand up for Jesus, Ye soldiers of the cross.
Lift high His royal banner; it must not suffer loss.
From vict'ry unto vict'ry His army He shall lead
Till ev'ry foe is vanquished, and Christ is Lord indeed.
- 2 Stand up, stand up for Jesus; The trumpet call obey;
Stand forth in mighty conflict in this His glorious day.
Let all His faithful serve Him against unnumbered foes;
Let courage rise with danger and strength to strength oppose.
- 3 Stand up, stand up for Jesus; stand in His strength alone.
The arm of flesh will fail you, ye dare not trust your own.
Put on the Gospel armor; each piece put on with prayer.
Where duty calls or danger, be never wanting there.
- 4 Stand up, stand up for Jesus; the strife will not be long;
This day the din of battle, the next the victor's song.
The soldiers, overcoming, their crown of life shall see
And with the King of Glory shall reign eternally.

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