



# Zion Lutheran Church

## The Divine Service

First Sunday after Trinity

### Welcome

#### Before Service Prayer

*In faith and love we ask you, Father, to watch over your family gathered here. In your mercy and loving kindness no thought of ours is left unguarded, no tear unheeded, no joy unnoticed. Through the prayer of Jesus may the blessings promised to the poor in spirit lead us to the treasurers of your heavenly kingdom. We ask this in the name of Jesus the Lord. Amen*

*For All The Saints, I: 353*

When we teach that through the Holy Spirit's work we are reborn and justified, we do not mean that after regeneration no unrighteousness in essence and life adheres to those who have been justified and regenerated, but we hold that Christ with his perfect obedience covers all our sins which throughout this life still inhere in our nature [...] And to those who by sheer grace, for the sake of the only mediator, Christ, through faith alone, without any work or merit, are justified before God (that is, accepted into grace) there is given the Holy Spirit, who renews and sanctifies them and creates within them love toward God and their fellowman [...] Love is a fruit which certainly and necessarily follows true faith. For if a person does not love, this indicates certainly that he is not justified but is still in death, or that he has again lost the righteousness of faith, as St. John says (I John 3:14).

*Formula of Concord,  
Solid Declaration III.22, 23, 27*

June 19, 2022 † 10:00 AM

## **We are very happy that you are here today!**

At Zion, the bulletin and Lutheran Service Book (LSB) are both used to lead us through our worship. To help guide you during the service, below are some helpful tips.

- For each section of the Divine Service, the page number in the hymnal is listed in the bulletin on the right side of the page, i.e., *LSB 184*, which is found towards the front of the hymnal. All responses are sung unless they are printed in the bulletin.
- **P** indicates sections spoken by the Pastor. **C** indicates responses by the Congregation and will be in **bold print**.
- All hymns are listed in the bulletin with the name of the hymn and page number, i.e., *Thy Strong Word LSB 578*. They are also shown on the Hymn board at the front of the church.
- The *bold, italic text* in both the bulletin and the hymnal shows when the congregation should stand or sit during the Divine Service. The Pastor may also provide direction.

## **A Special Welcome to Those with Young Children**

At Zion we want families with children to feel at home.

- First, please relax and enjoy your time here. Jesus knows that children tend to wiggle and squawk a bit, so please don't feel embarrassed by it. Your children are welcome at Zion.
- To make it a bit easier on your family, please dare to sit toward the front where your children can easily see the front of the Church, note the colors, watch the pastor, wonder about the stained-glass windows above the altar and embrace the action at the altar. What Jesus does here promises to engage them.
- As we go, softly explain the Liturgy to your children, encouraging them to chime in on their parts: Amen! Lord have mercy! And with thy Spirit! I believe! Our Father! All of that belongs to them too.
- Be sure to sing and say and pray your parts too as you stand and sit. Your children learn by following your lead.
- If you and your child must leave, please hurry back. We want you and your children here very much.
- If you need a little help, just ask. There are lots of folks here who will lend you a hand.
- Please know that while you are caring for your children, the rest of us will be rejoicing in Jesus' words, "Let the little children come to me and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these" (Luke 18:16).

We know that your children are a gift to the Church, so we will do our best to welcome, smile, encourage, help and bless you all. Welcome to Zion!



*Divine Service, Setting Three*

## The Preparation

Processional Hymn

*Lord of Glory, You Have Bought Us*

*LSB 851*

*Stand*

Invocation

*LSB 184*

Confession of Sins and Absolution

*LSB 184*

## Service of the Word

Introit

*Psalm 13:1-4; antiphon: vv. 5-6*

- P** [O Lord,] I have trusted in your | steadfast love;\*  
my heart shall rejoice in your sal- | vation.
- C** I will sing | to the LORD,\*  
because he has dealt bountifully | with me.
- P** How long, O LORD? Will you forget me for- | ever?\*
- How long will you hide your | face from me?
- C** How long must I take counsel in my soul and have sorrow in my heart | all the day?\*
- How long shall my enemy be exalted | over me?
- P** Consider and answer me, O | LORD my God;\*
- light up my eyes, lest I sleep the | sleep of death,
- C** lest my enemy say, “I have prevailed | over him,”\*
- lest my foes rejoice because I am | shaken.
- C** 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** [O Lord,] I have trusted in your | steadfast love;\*  
my heart shall rejoice in your sal- | vation.
- C** I will sing | to the LORD,\*  
because he has dealt bountifully | with me.

Kyrie

*LSB 186*

Gloria in Excelsis

*LSB 187*

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And with thy spirit.

**P** Let us pray.

O God, the strength of all who trust in You, mercifully accept our prayers; and because through the weakness of our mortal nature we can do no good thing, grant us Your grace to keep Your commandments that we may please You in both will and deed; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

Sit

**Old Testament Reading**

*Genesis 15:1-6*

The Old Testament reading for The First Sunday after Trinity is from Genesis, the fifteenth chapter.

After these things the word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision: “Fear not, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great.” But Abram said, “O Lord GOD, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?” And Abram said, “Behold, you have given me no offspring, and a member of my household will be my heir.” And behold, the word of the LORD came to him: “This man shall not be your heir; your very own son shall be your heir.” And he brought him outside and said, “Look toward heaven, and number the stars, if you are able to number them.” Then he said to him, “So shall your offspring be.” And he believed the LORD, and he counted it to him as righteousness.

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

**Gradual**

*Psalms 41:4,1*

**P** I said, “O LORD, be gracious to me;  
heal me, for I have sinned against you!”

**C** **Blessèd is the one who considers the poor!**  
**In the day of trouble the LORD delivers him.**

**Epistle Reading**

*I John 4:16-21*

The Epistle Reading is from First John, the fourth chapter.

So we have come to know and to believe the love that God has for us. God is love, and whoever abides in love abides in God, and God abides in him. By this is love perfected with us, so that we may have confidence for the day of judgment, because as he is so also are we in this world. There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear. For fear has to do with

punishment, and whoever fears has not been perfected in love. We love because he first loved us. If anyone says, “I love God,” and hates his brother, he is a liar; for he who does not love his brother whom he has seen cannot love God whom he has not seen. And this commandment we have from him: whoever loves God must also love his brother.

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

*Stand*

Alleluia

*LSB 190*

Holy Gospel

*Luke 16:19-31*

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the sixteenth chapter.

**C** Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

[Jesus said:] “There was a rich man who was clothed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. And at his gate was laid a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, who desired to be fed with what fell from the rich man’s table. Moreover, even the dogs came and licked his sores. The poor man died and was carried by the angels to Abraham’s side. The rich man also died and was buried, and in Hades, being in torment, he lifted up his eyes and saw Abraham far off and Lazarus at his side. And he called out, ‘Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the end of his finger in water and cool my tongue, for I am in anguish in this flame.’ But Abraham said, ‘Child, remember that you in your lifetime received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner bad things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in anguish. And besides all this, between us and you a great chasm has been fixed, in order that those who would pass from here to you may not be able, and none may cross from there to us.’ And he said, ‘Then I beg you, father, to send him to my father’s house— for I have five brothers—so that he may warn them, lest they also come into this place of torment.’ But Abraham said, ‘They have Moses and the Prophets; let them hear them.’ And he said, ‘No, father Abraham, but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent.’ He said to him, ‘If they do not hear Moses and the Prophets, neither will they be convinced if someone should rise from the dead.’”

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C** Praise be to thee, O Christ.

Nicene Creed

**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 at the right hand of the Father.  
 And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead,  
 whose kingdom will 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 in 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.

*Sit*

Children's Message

Hymn of the Day

*To God the Holy Spirit Let Us Pray*

*LSB 768*

Sermon

True Love

*1 John 4:16-21*

Offertory

*LSB 192*

Prayer of the Church

**P** Lord in Your Mercy,

**C** Hear our Prayer



*The believer is in spiritual danger if he allows himself to go for any length of time without tasting the love of Christ. [...] When Christ ceases to fill the heart with satisfaction, our souls will go in silent search of other lovers.*

Maurice Roberts, *The Thought of God*, p. 172

# Service of the Sacrament

Preface LSB 194  
Proper Preface

Sanctus LSB 195  
Lord's Prayer LSB 196

The Words of Our Lord LSB 197

**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 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.

Pax Domini LSB 197  
Agnus Dei LSB 198

## Distribution

*We at Zion Lutheran Church of Augsburg believe and confess along with the Holy Scriptures, that this bread and wine in the Sacrament of Holy Communion are truly the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, instituted by Christ Himself, for us Christians to eat and drink. The gifts of His physical body and blood are given in, with, and under the elements of bread and wine at the altar. Those who are communicant members of a Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod congregation are welcome to commune at this altar with us. Other guests wishing to join our confession and receive this Holy Sacrament are invited to meet with the Pastor for Catechesis before communing. Anyone not communing may still come forward, crossing their arms at the rail, to receive a blessing from the Pastor.*

*The apostle Paul encourages everyone coming to the Sacrament to examine him/herself (1 Corinthians 11:28-29). Ask yourself the following questions: 1) Are you aware that you are a sinner; and, are you sorry for your sins? 2) Do you believe in Jesus Christ as your Savior and Lord and in His words of promise in the Sacrament: "This is my body," "This is my blood"? 3) Also, do you intend with the help of the Holy Spirit to live as a forgiven, redeemed child of God, resisting the devil, saying no to sinful desires, and walking in the new life God provides?*

*Those communing this day are invited to pray the following:*

Communion Hymn *Lord Jesus Christ, We Humbly Pray* LSB 623  
Communion Hymn *I'm But a Stranger Here* LSB 748

Nunc Dimittis LSB 199

Thanksgiving		<i>LSB 200</i>
Post-Communion Collect		<i>LSB 201</i>
Salutation, Benedicamus, and Benediction		
<i>Sit</i>		
Recessional Hymn	<i>What Wondrous Love Is This</i>	<i>LSB 543</i>



# ✠ Soli Deo Gloria ✠

## Serving in the Divine Service

### **PREACHER**

Rev. Joshua Ralston, Pastor

### **ORGANIST**

Susan Colles

### **ACOLYTE**

Emmett Schlittenhart, Chance Paylor

### **USHERS**

Tony Waldo, Dave Boswell, Chuck Campbell

### **ALTAR GUILD**

Delores McDaniel, Angela Waldo

### **ELDER**

Randy LeMar

### **TRUSTEE**

Robert Sims

# The Prayers of the Church

## Persecuted Christians in:

Jordan  
Nepal  
Butan  
Kazakhstan  
United Arab Emirates

## Partner Church

Confessional Lutheran  
Church of Chile

## Comfort, Health, and Recovery

Lori Johnson  
Rick Shott  
Lucas Bachman (*student of Katie Villalobos*)  
Betty Hefner & Warren family (*friends of the Villalobos'*)  
Tracy Boswell (*sister-in-law of Barbara Smith*)  
Jesse Lea (*brother of Wanda Choate*)  
Alissa Wicker & Jace (*friends of Katie Villalobos*)  
Ashton Schrock (*relative of Earl Schrock*)  
Mildred Greathouse (*grandmother of Tony Waldo*)  
Keith Olson (*nephew of Linda Shott*)  
Diane Caple (*sister-in-law of Eunice Lamar*)  
Kristen Brown (*friend of Earl Schrock*)

## Continued Prayers

Landell Aday (*friend of Greg Kremers*)  
Toby Baldwin  
Josh Dodson (*brother of Tasha Schlittenhart*)  
Ryan Stripling (*brother of Kim Schroeder*)  
Elizabeth Sharp, Amber Beatty Molly  
Wiley, Tami Robinson (*friends of Phyllis Campbell*)  
Dennis Pistole (*co-worker of Patrick Callahan*)

## Homebound

Dorothy Birkhahn  
Betty Bocksnick  
Nettie Grant  
Gwen Hale  
Tom Harms  
Dorothy Hitzke  
Kenneth Hottinger Sr.  
Helen Riek  
Glenda Schrock

## Serving in the armed forces

Matthew Allen  
Brian Rutledge  
Trent Hale  
Josh Imme  
Dale Ozment  
Hunter Greenfield  
Abigail Manuel

*When hospitalized, sick, needing prayer or absolution,  
contact Pastor Ralston anytime at 501-454-0581.*

# ZION Life Together



## The First Sunday after Trinity June 19, 2022

### The Fruits of Our Faith 6/12/2022

Worship Attendance: 52  
Thursday Bible Study: 14  
Children's Sunday School: 10  
High School: 0

General Fund: \$2,415.00  
Weekly Need: \$2,870.00

Food Pantry: \$ 425.00

### Church Council & Fall Fest Meetings

Please plan on attending the Church Council and Fall Fest Meetings this Tuesday, June 21<sup>st</sup> at 6:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. Your input is important!

### Service of Prayer and Preaching

Can't make it to church on Sunday morning?  
Or hungry to hear more of God's Word?  
Come to our new service of prayer and preaching! We will have our first one this Thursday at 6:00 PM as we go through the book of 1 Peter. We hope to see you there!

### Banners for the Church Seasons

Additional banners will be purchased for the church seasons yet to come. Four to five sets are being planned, each set costing between \$200-\$300. If you would like to help with this initiative, please designate your additional offering "Parament Fund". If any questions, see Susan Colles or Pastor.

### Church Hike at Petit Jean

Enjoy God's creation and Christian fellowship this coming weekend! On Saturday, June 25<sup>th</sup>, we are meeting in front of the Petit Jean State Park Lodge at 9:00 a.m. for a hike. Please bring a sack lunch to enjoy afterwards, water, sunscreen, and good hiking shoes. All ages are welcome!

### Pless Community Picnic

Friday, July 1<sup>st</sup> is the annual fundraiser for the Pless Community Building. Zion is sponsoring the cakewalk for the event. A sign-up sheet to bring cookies, cakes and other sweet treats is in the Narthex. Also, if you can help run the cakewalk, please contact Diane Ragsdale and let her know.

### Thursday Bible Study

The Minor Prophets study will continue Thursday at 7:00 p.m. with an in-depth look at Obadiah. This is a wonderful opportunity to grow in our knowledge of God's Word!!



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### **Restrooms**

Restrooms are located in the Narthex outside of the Sanctuary and in the basement Fellowship Hall. Please see an usher if you need assistance.

### **Nursery**

The Nursery is located in the Narthex outside of the Sanctuary.

### **Congregational Membership**

New members are received by Baptism, Confirmation, Transfer, or Profession of Faith (after receiving Pastoral instruction). Please speak with Pastor Ralston for more details.

### **Pastoral Consultation**

Pastoral Consultation based on the Holy Scriptures is available from the Pastor. Please speak with Pastor Ralston to make an appointment.

### **Sick and Homebound**

The sick and homebound are visited regularly by the Pastor with the Scriptures and Sacrament. Please contact Pastor Ralston if you know of any parishioner in need of pastoral visitation.

### **Pastor's Bible Study, Teen, and Children's Sunday School**

Sunday School begins at 9:00 a.m. Anyone from confirmation age on up is welcome to attend Bible Study. Teen and Children's Sunday School is held **every Sunday** in the basement Fellowship Hall/Family Center (Ages 0 and up).

### **Listen to Lutheran Radio**

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