

Zion & Silver Creek Lutheran Churches

Pentecost 11 – August 16, 2020

Welcome

Call to Worship

Invocation Pastor Ale Tulu

Brief Order of Confession and Forgiveness

In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.



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. **Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Most merciful God,

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.

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for you, and for his sake God forgives you all your sins. To those who believe in Jesus Christ he gives the power to become the children of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Hymn

"Great is Thy Faithfulness"

ELW # 733

Prayer of the Day

God of all peoples, your arms reach out to embrace all those who call upon you. Teach us as disciples of your Son to love the world with compassion and constancy, that your name may be known throughout the earth, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

FIRST READING: Isaiah 56:1, 6-8

A house of prayer for all peoples

¹Thus says the LORD:

Maintain justice, and do what is right,
for soon my salvation will come,
and my deliverance be revealed.

⁶And the foreigners who join themselves to the LORD,
to minister to him, to love the name of the LORD,
and to be his servants,
all who keep the sabbath, and do not profane it,
and hold fast my covenant—

⁷these I will bring to my holy mountain,
and make them joyful in my house of prayer;
their burnt offerings and their sacrifices
will be accepted on my altar;
for my house shall be called a house of prayer
for all peoples.

⁸Thus says the Lord GOD,
who gathers the outcasts of Israel,
I will gather others to them
besides those already gathered. *The word of the Lord...* **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM: Psalm 67

Let all the peoples praise you, O God. (Ps. 67:3)

¹May God be merciful to | us and bless us;
may the light of God's face | shine upon us.

²**Let your way be known | upon earth,
your saving health among all nations.**

³Let the peoples praise | you, O God;
let all the | peoples praise you.

⁴**Let the nations be glad and | sing for joy,
for you judge the peoples with equity and guide all the nations on earth.**

⁵Let the peoples praise | you, O God;
let all the | peoples praise you.

⁶**The earth has brought | forth its increase;
God, our own | God, has blessed us.**

⁷May God | give us blessing,
and may all the ends of the earth | stand in awe.

SECOND READING: Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32

God's mercy to all, Jew and Gentile

[Paul writes:] ¹I ask, then, has God rejected his people? By no means! I myself am an Israelite, a descendant of Abraham, a member of the tribe of Benjamin. ^{2a}God has not rejected his people whom he foreknew.

²⁹For the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable. ³⁰Just as you were once disobedient to God but have now received mercy because of their disobedience, ³¹so they have now been disobedient in order that, by the mercy shown to you, they too may now receive mercy. ³²For God has imprisoned all in disobedience so that he may be merciful to all.

The word of the Lord... **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL: Matthew 15:[10-20] 21-28

The healing of the Canaanite woman's daughter

[¹⁰Jesus] called the crowd to him and said to them, "Listen and understand: ¹¹it is not what goes into the mouth that defiles a person, but it is what comes out of the mouth that defiles."

¹²Then the disciples approached and said to him, "Do you know that the Pharisees took offense when they heard what you said?" ¹³He answered, "Every plant that my heavenly Fa-

ther has not planted will be uprooted. ¹⁴Let them alone; they are blind guides of the blind. And if one blind person guides another, both will fall into a pit.” ¹⁵But Peter said to him, “Explain this parable to us.” ¹⁶Then he said, “Are you also still without understanding? ¹⁷Do you not see that whatever goes into the mouth enters the stomach, and goes out into the sewer? ¹⁸But what comes out of the mouth proceeds from the heart, and this is what defiles. ¹⁹For out of the heart come evil intentions, murder, adultery, fornication, theft, false witness, slander. ²⁰These are what defile a person, but to eat with unwashed hands does not defile.”]

²¹Jesus left that place and went away to the district of Tyre and Sidon. ²²Just then a Canaanite woman from that region came out and started shouting, “Have mercy on me, Lord, Son of David; my daughter is tormented by a demon.” ²³But he did not answer her at all. And his disciples came and urged him, saying, “Send her away, for she keeps shouting after us.” ²⁴He answered, “I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel.” ²⁵But she came and knelt before him, saying, “Lord, help me.” ²⁶He answered, “It is not fair to take the children’s food and throw it to the dogs.” ²⁷She said, “Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters’ table.” ²⁸Then Jesus answered her, “Woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish.” And her daughter was healed instantly.

Sermon Pastor Ale Tulu

Hymn of the Day “In Christ There is No East or West” ELW # 650

Apostle’s Creed ELW page 105

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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. 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 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 of Intercession *response: hear our prayer*

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.

Hymn “This is My Song” ELW #887

Benediction

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Announcements

WELCOME! ZION'S LAY MINISTRY/EVANGELISM BOARD SAYS A SPECIAL WELCOME TO YOU THIS MORNING AND MAY YOU BE FED SPIRITUALLY DURING THIS TIME OF WORSHIP.

OUR THANKS TO TODAY'S WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Musician: Laura Rude

Worship assistant: Millie Reiersen

Reader:

CONGRATULATIONS to Steven & Chaslin Janzow, who were married yesterday in Bemidji.

OUR PRAYERS to Mark Melby, Helen Rude, and Karen Tygeson

OUR SYMPATHY TO:

✠ the family of Dennis Bakke. Service is pending.

✠ the family of Helen Wysoski. A private family service will be held.

BROADCASTS today are sponsored by Bob Nelson in memory of friends and family.

ZION'S WEBSITE for August is sponsored by David & Karen Kirkeby in memory of Cody Lundgren.

REMINDER to those hospitalized to please notify Zion as the hospital does not inform us.

THE HERALD Newsletter is available online at Zion's site or by mail. Please contact the church office if you would like to receive it by mail. Extra copies are available on tables in the narthex or by the church office.

ZION WORSHIP SERVICE ONLINE Sunday mornings you can listen to the 8:30AM service online. Go to: www.ziontrf.org. in the black banner click Listen Online, Click on the RED link to KTRF.

DEVOTIONAL BOOKS are available for pick up outside the church office entrance.

E-BULLETIN - If you would like to be added to the emailed bulletin list, please send an email to ziontrf@mncable.net with a message to add you to the bulletin list. Bulletins are also posted on Zion's website.

STEWARDSHIP (Envelopes/Simply Giving/ Silver Creek included in all totals)

Aug 3-9 income: \$5,539.

August 1-9 income: \$11,934.

Year to Date income January 1– August 9: \$209,000.

2020 Budget \$389,621. /\$7,493. needed per week to meet budgeted expenses

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From the Parish Nurse

What is your happy place? Think about what makes you smile and reflect that with gratitude daily, for that and everything that God has given us. Think of and focus your thoughts on what you can control. Be gentle with your self and others. Wrap yourself in God's love and ours, remembering you are never alone!

MASK DISTRIBUTION Mondays from 2-4 PM in Zion's parking lot weather permitting, as supplies last. **NEEDED** - children's and men's masks. If you are interested in sewing masks for Zion's Mask Give-Away, please contact Darlene Hulteen—dhulteen@mncable.net or 689-8921. Supplies will be provided.