

# Zion & Silver Creek Lutheran Churches

## Pentecost 9 - August 2, 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

"I Love to Tell the Story"

ELW #661

### Prayer of the Day

Glorious God, your generosity waters the world with goodness, and you cover creation with abundance. Awaken in us a hunger for the food that satisfies both body and spirit, and with this food fill all the starving world; through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

### FIRST READING: Isaiah 55:1-5

*Eat and drink that which truly satisfies*

<sup>1</sup>Ho, everyone who thirsts,  
come to the waters;  
and you that have no money,  
come, buy and eat!

Come, buy wine and milk  
without money and without price.

<sup>2</sup>Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread,  
and your labor for that which does not satisfy?

Listen carefully to me, and eat what is good,  
and delight yourselves in rich food.

<sup>3</sup>Incline your ear, and come to me;



listen, so that you may live.  
I will make with you an everlasting covenant,  
my steadfast, sure love for David.  
<sup>4</sup>See, I made him a witness to the peoples,  
a leader and commander for the peoples.  
<sup>5</sup>See, you shall call nations that you do not know,  
and nations that do not know you shall run to you,  
because of the LORD your God, the Holy One of Israel,  
for he has glorified you. *The word of the Lord...Thanks be to God.*

**PSALM 145:8-9, 14-21** *You open wide your hand and satisfy the desire of every living thing.*

<sup>8</sup>The LORD is gracious and full | of compassion,  
slow to anger and abounding in | steadfast love.

<sup>9</sup>**LORD, you are | good to all,  
and your compassion is over | all your works.**

<sup>14</sup>The Lord upholds all | those who fall  
and lifts up those who | are bowed down.

<sup>15</sup>**The eyes of all wait upon | you, O LORD,  
and you give them their food | in due season.**

<sup>16</sup>You open | wide your hand  
and satisfy the desire of every | living thing.

<sup>17</sup>**You are righteous in | all your ways  
and loving in | all your works.**

<sup>18</sup>You are near to all who | call upon you,  
to all who call up- | on you faithfully.

<sup>19</sup>**You fulfill the desire of | those who fear you;  
you hear their | cry and save them.**

<sup>20</sup>You watch over all | those who love you,  
but all the wicked you | shall destroy.

<sup>21</sup>**My mouth shall speak the praise | of the LORD;  
let all flesh bless God's holy name forever and ever.**

**SECOND READING: Romans 9:1-5**

*The glory of God's people Israel*

<sup>1</sup>I am speaking the truth in Christ—I am not lying; my conscience confirms it by the Holy Spirit—<sup>2</sup>I have great sorrow and unceasing anguish in my heart. <sup>3</sup>For I could wish that I myself were accursed and cut off from Christ for the sake of my own people, my kindred according to the flesh. <sup>4</sup>They are Israelites, and to them belong the adoption, the glory, the covenants, the giving of the law, the worship, and the promises; <sup>5</sup>to them belong the patriarchs, and from them, according to the flesh, comes the Messiah, who is over all, God blessed forever. Amen.

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

**GOSPEL: Matthew 14:13-21***Christ feeding five thousand*

<sup>13</sup>Now when Jesus heard [about the beheading of John the Baptist], he withdrew from there in a boat to a deserted place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns. <sup>14</sup>When he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them and cured their sick. <sup>15</sup>When it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, "This is a deserted place, and the hour is now late; send the crowds away so that they may go into the villages and buy food for themselves." <sup>16</sup>Jesus said to them, "They need not go away; you give them something to eat." <sup>17</sup>They replied, "We have nothing here but five loaves and two fish." <sup>18</sup>And he said, "Bring them here to me." <sup>19</sup>Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven, and blessed and broke the loaves, and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. <sup>20</sup>And all ate and were filled; and they took up what was left over of the broken pieces, twelve baskets full. <sup>21</sup>And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

**Sermon** "DON'T SETTLE FOR LESS THAN GOD'S BEST FOR YOU" Pastor Ale Tulu

**Hymn of the Day** "All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly" ELW # 461

**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** "Come, Thou Font of Every Blessing" ELW #807

**Benediction**

Pentecost 9

August 2, 2020

Announcements

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**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: Dan Bartsch*

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**OUR SYMPATHY TO** the family of Jim Dalager. A family memorial service was held last Friday.

**BROADCASTS** today are sponsored by Zion memorials

**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](http://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.

**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](mailto:dhulteen@mncable.net) or 689-8921. Supplies will be provided.

**HOLY COMMUNION** will be celebrated during broadcast worship on August 9th. Pre-filled home communion cups and wafers (sealed) may be picked up at the church August 3-7 during regular office hours (9-3). A signature sheet will be available for communion record.

**The ELCA National Youth Gathering** has been postponed to Summer of 2022.

**VIRTUAL VBS**—Redeemer & Zion youth—check Redeemer's YouTube channel Aug. 3-6 for a daily video for faith & fun!

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

July 20-26 income: \$4,002.

July 1– 26 income:\$24,528.

Year to Date income January 1– July 26: \$195,883.

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

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We are blessed and thankful for our great local/area education leaders that are trying to maximize the education opportunities for the students of our area. Our prayers are with them all, at every level. Minnesota Department of Health is anticipating more transmission in rural areas. We all need to think about what each of us can do to minimize this transmission in our area. We have and are doing a lot, but do not give in to the fatigue we feel in doing so. We will get through this and think positive! Thinking about what you can do and enjoying that, instead of what you cannot do, is helpful always, but much needed during this time. Follow CDC Guidelines. We pray for the researchers working tirelessly for a vaccine, as they are truly a blessing! Enjoy the great outdoors as you are able, even from a window. Remember we are never alone and we are wrapped in Gods Love!