

ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH, ELCA 9:00 AM
SILVER CREEK LUTHERAN CHURCH, ELCA 10:30 AM

Thief River Falls, MN

EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

July 18, 2021

Holy Communion



So you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God. Ephesians 2:19

PRELUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

***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.**

***GATHERING SONG** “In Christ There is No East or West” ELW #650

***GREETING**

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
And also with you.

***KYRIE (p. 203)**

Congregation: Have mercy on us, Lord, and hear our solemn prayer.
We come to hear your living word; it saves us from despair.
Have mercy on us, Christ, and wash away our sin.
Pour out your grace and make us whole that new life may begin.
Have mercy on us, Lord, make sin and shame depart.
Renew us with your saving pow'r; create in us new hearts!

(*Please stand as you are able.)

***CANTICLE OF PRAISE** (p. 204)

Congregation: Glory be to God in heaven; peace, goodwill to all the earth.
Mighty God of all creation, Father of surpassing worth:
we exalt you, we adore you, we lift high our thanks and praise.
Saints and angels bow before you; here on earth our songs we raise.

Glory be to Christ forever, Lamb of God and Lord of love.
Son of God and gracious Savior, you have come from heav'n above;
on the cross you died to save us; now you reign at God's right hand.
Hear our prayer; restore, forgive us; in your promise firm we stand.

Holy One we now acclaim you; Lord alone, to you we call;
Holy One in faith we name you, God most high, yet near to all:
Jesus Christ, with God the Spirit, in the Father's splendor bright.
For the peace that we inherit, glory be to God on high!

***PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Let us pray.

O God, powerful and compassionate, you shepherd your people, faithfully feeding and protecting us. Heal each of us, and make us a whole people, that we may embody the justice and peace of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

FIRST READING: First Reading: Jeremiah 23:1-6

¹Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! says the LORD.
²Therefore thus says the LORD, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who shepherd my people: It is you who have scattered my flock, and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. So I will attend to you for your evil doings, says the LORD.
³Then I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the lands where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply.
⁴I will raise up shepherds over them who will shepherd them, and they shall not fear any longer, or be dismayed, nor shall any be missing, says the LORD.

⁵The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land.
⁶In his days Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety. And this is the name by which he will be called: "The LORD is our righteousness."

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

PSALM: Psalm 23

¹The LORD | is my shepherd;
I shall not | be in want.

²**The LORD makes me lie down | in green pastures
and leads me beside still waters.**

³You restore my | soul, O LORD,
and guide me along right pathways | for your name's sake.

⁴Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall | fear no evil; for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they | comfort me.

**⁵You prepare a table before me in the presence | of my enemies;
you anoint my head with oil, and my cup is | running over.**

**⁶Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days | of my life,
and I will dwell in the house of the | LORD forever.**

SECOND READING: Ephesians 2:11-22

¹¹Remember that at one time you Gentiles by birth, called “the uncircumcision” by those who are called “the circumcision”—a physical circumcision made in the flesh by human hands—¹²remember that you were at that time without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. ¹³But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. ¹⁴For he is our peace; in his flesh he has made both groups into one and has broken down the dividing wall, that is, the hostility between us. ¹⁵He has abolished the law with its commandments and ordinances, that he might create in himself one new humanity in place of the two, thus making peace, ¹⁶and might reconcile both groups to God in one body through the cross, thus putting to death that hostility through it. ¹⁷So he came and proclaimed peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near; ¹⁸for through him both of us have access in one Spirit to the Father. ¹⁹So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God, ²⁰built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone. ²¹In him the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord; ²²in whom you also are built together spiritually into a dwelling place for God.

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

***GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (p. 205)**

Congregation: Alleluia! Lord and Savior: open now your saving word.

Let it burn like fire within us; speak until our hearts are stirred

Alleluia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

***GOSPEL: Gospel: Mark 6:30-34, 53-56**

When Jesus sends his disciples out to teach and heal, they minister among large numbers of people. Their work is motivated by Christ's desire to be among those in need.

P: The holy Gospel...

C: Glory to you O Lord.

³⁰The apostles gathered around Jesus, and told him all that they had done and taught.

³¹He said to them, “Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while.” For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat. ³²And they went away in the boat to a deserted place by themselves. ³³Now many saw them going and recognized them, and they hurried there on foot from all the towns and arrived ahead of

them. ³⁴As he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things. ⁵³When they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret and moored the boat. ⁵⁴When they got out of the boat, people at once recognized him, ⁵⁵and rushed about that whole region and began to bring the sick on mats to wherever they heard he was. ⁵⁶And wherever he went, into villages or cities or farms, they laid the sick in the marketplaces, and begged him that they might touch even the fringe of his cloak; and all who touched it were healed.

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON Pastor Ale Tulu

HYMN OF THE DAY “Precious Lord, Take My Hand” ELW # 773

***NICENE CREED**

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

***PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

Congregational 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.

***WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

***THE SONG**

Congregation: We share this food together, rememb'ring Christ;
we share a common treasure and know the price;
we share it without measure, a gift of love;
we share our life forever, with God above.

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***PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION** Response: **Amen.**

***SONG AFTER COMMUNION** “Thankful Hearts and Voices Raise” # 204

Thankful hearts and voices raise; tell ev'ryone what God has done.
Let all who seek the Lord rejoice and bear Christ's holy name.
Send us with your promises, O God, and lead us forth in joy with
Shouts of thanksgiving. Alleluia.

***BLESSING** Response: **Amen.**

SENDING SONG “This is My Song” ELW # 887

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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: Phyllis Dalager

Ushers:

Acolyte:

Worship assistant: Millie Reiersen

Reader: Marie Engen

Tech assist:

OUR SYMPATHY to Jeannie Nelson & family on the death of her husband Ray. His funeral will be held at Zion on Friday, July 23rd at 11:00 AM.

OUR SYMPATHY to the family of Joseph DuChamp whose funeral was held yesterday at Silver Creek.

BROADCASTS today are sponsored in memory of Rudy Rude by Helen Rude

CONGRATULATIONS to Pr. Bob & Sheila Dahlen who will celebrate their 50th Wedding Anniversary on July 23rd.

ZION'S WEBSITE for July is sponsored by Zion memorials

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

ZION WORSHIP SERVICE ONLINE Sunday mornings you can listen to the 9:00AM service online. Go to: www.ziontrf.org. in the black banner click Listen Online, Click on the RED link to KTRF.

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

July 5-11: income: \$3,111.

July 1-11 income: \$6,839.

Year to Date income Jan 1– July 11: \$174,129.

2021 budget \$353,032. / \$6,789. is needed per week to meet budgeted expenses.

Contributions may be made by scanning the **QR code** provided. This is processed by Vanco Services.

A credit/debit card kiosk is available in the narthex for contributions.



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LAY READERS : Lay readers are needed for Sunday services. If you are interested, please call the church office at 681-3296 or Carol Narverud at 681-4805. We'd love to have you.

All are invited to enjoy informal coffee fellowship in the lounge following the service.

WEDNESDAY WORSHIP Supper at 5:30 and Worship at 6:15. All are Welcome!

July 21 Menu:

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL - K thru 5, August 2nd—5th. From 5:30 to 7:30 PM at Redeemer. Bring your own lunch for 5:00 to 5:30 outdoor picnic.

SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK:

Sunday, July 18

9:00 Holy Communion Worship at Zion; Broadcast ch. 3; KTRF;

10:30 Holy Communion Worship at Silver Creek

Monday, July 19

Parish Nurse by Appt

Tuesday, July 20

9:30 Staff meeting

10:30 Coffee with Staff

12 noon Pastors Text Study

7 Zion Council meeting

Wednesday, July 21:

1 Skylite Worship

2 Greenleaf worship

3 Valley Home worship

Wednesday Worship

5:30 Catered meal

6:15 New Traditions worship

Friday, July 23:

7AM Men's Breakfast at Biff's

No Coffee with staff

11:00 Funeral for Ray Nelson at Zion

Sunday, July 25:

9:00 Worship at Zion; Broadcast ch. 3; KTRF;

10:30 Worship at Silver Creek

Ministers: Every Member of the Congregation

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