

New Traditions Worship Time After Pentecost

9:00 AM Worship
September 12, 2021

Pre-service Music

Welcome & Announcements

Gathering

Confession and Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,
whose teaching is life,
whose presence is sure,
and whose love is endless.

Amen.

Let us confess our sins to the one who welcomes us with an open heart.

Silence is kept for reflection.

God our comforter:

like lost sheep, we have gone astray.

We gaze upon abundance and see scarcity.

We turn our faces away from injustice and oppression.

We exploit the earth with our apathy and greed.

Free us from our sin, gracious God.

Listen when we call out to you for help.

Lead us by your love to love our neighbors as ourselves.

Amen.

All have sinned and fall short of the glory of God.

By the gift of grace in † Christ Jesus, God makes you righteous.

Receive with glad hearts the forgiveness of all your sins.

Amen.

Gathering Song

“Here I Am to Worship”

insert

Greeting

From the one who is and who was and who is to come,
and from Jesus Christ, the first fruits of the resurrection,
grace and peace be with you all.

And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

O God, through suffering and rejection you bring forth our salvation, and by the glory of the cross you transform our lives. Grant that for the sake of the gospel we may turn from the lure of evil, take up our cross, and follow your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Welcome Students & Blessing of Backpacks

Leader:

Today, we have before us backpacks to be carried to and from school by the children and youth gathered here.

These backpacks will contain work to be done, work that's been returned, books to be studied, tools to complete homework. Notebooks, pencils, pens, protractors, compasses, crayons, rules, scissors, glue sticks and other items used for school work will find their way in and out of these backpacks.

Some days, so much stuff will fill these backpacks that the student may find it difficult to walk. Other days, they will be light and nearly empty. But on each and every day, these backpacks represent work required of the students gathered here. And, as in every aspect of our life, we bring these before God for blessing at this time.

Let us pray together:

Gracious God, we lift to you today, these students.

They stand here ready to receive your blessings and they commit themselves to study and learning in the school year ahead. We ask your blessing on each of them.

Further, we ask your blessing on these backpacks. They will hold the school work of each student and will be carried from home to school and back again. As these students carry these backpacks, may they be reminded of the love and care of this congregation that surrounds them each school day.

We pray as well for the teachers and administrators in our schools. May they also be sustained by your blessing. May they be reminded that this congregation embraces their call to teaching and learning and surrounds them with love and care as well.

We pray for the good health of the students, teachers, staff, bus drivers, & everyone who enters the school this year.

We pray in the name of Jesus who we seek to follow day by day. Amen.

Word

Children's Sermon Shawna Spears

First Reading Isaiah 50:4-9

⁴The Lord GOD has given me the tongue of a teacher, that I may know how to sustain the weary with a word. Morning by morning he wakens—wakens my ear to listen as those who are taught. ⁵The Lord GOD has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious, I did not turn backward. ⁶I gave my back to those who struck me, and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard; I did not hide my face from insult and spitting. ⁷The Lord GOD helps me; therefore I

have not been disgraced; therefore I have set my face like flint, and I know that I shall not be put to shame; ⁸he who vindicates me is near. Who will contend with me? Let us stand up together. Who are my adversaries? Let them confront me. ^{9a}It is the Lord GOD who helps me; who will declare me guilty?

Psalm 116:1-9

¹I love the LORD, who has | heard my voice,
and listened to my | supplication,

²**for the LORD has given | ear to me
whenever I called.**

³The cords of death entangled me; the anguish of the grave | came upon me;
I came to | grief and sorrow.

⁴**Then I called upon the name | of the LORD:
“O LORD, I pray you, | save my life.”**

⁵Gracious is the | LORD and righteous;
our God is full | of compassion.

⁶**The LORD watches o- | ver the innocent;
I was brought low, | and God saved me.**

⁷Turn again to your rest, | O my soul.
for the LORD has dealt | well with you.

⁸**For you have rescued my | life from death,
my eyes from tears, and my | feet from stumbling;**

⁹I will walk in the presence | of the LORD
in the land | of the living.

Second Reading James 3:1-12

¹Not many of you should become teachers, my brothers and sisters, for you know that we who teach will be judged with greater strictness. ²For all of us make many mistakes. Anyone who makes no mistakes in speaking is perfect, able to keep the whole body in check with a bridle. ³If we put bits into the mouths of horses to make them obey us, we guide their whole bodies. ⁴Or look at ships: though they are so large that it takes strong winds to drive them, yet they are guided by a very small rudder wherever the will of the pilot directs. ⁵So also the tongue is a small member, yet it boasts of great exploits.

How great a forest is set ablaze by a small fire! ⁶And the tongue is a fire. The tongue is placed among our members as a world of iniquity; it stains the whole body, sets on fire the cycle of nature, and is itself set on fire by hell. ⁷For every species of beast and bird, of reptile and sea creature, can be tamed and has been tamed by the human species, ⁸but no one can tame the tongue—a restless evil, full of deadly poison. ⁹With it we bless the Lord and Father, and with it we curse those who are made in the likeness of God. ¹⁰From the same mouth come blessing and cursing. My brothers and sisters, this ought not to be so. ¹¹Does a spring pour forth from the same opening both fresh and brackish water? ¹²Can a fig tree, my brothers and sisters, yield olives, or a grapevine yield fresh.

Gospel: Mark 8:27-38

²⁷Jesus went on with his disciples to the villages of Caesarea Philippi; and on the way he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that I am?" ²⁸And they answered him, "John the Baptist; and others, Elijah; and still others, one of the prophets." ²⁹He asked them, "But who do you say that I am?" Peter answered him, "You are the Messiah." ³⁰And he sternly ordered them not to tell anyone about him. ³¹Then he began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. ³²He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. ³³But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, "Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things."

³⁴He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. ³⁵For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. ³⁶For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? ³⁷Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? ³⁸Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels."

Sermon Pastor Mark Helgeland

Hymn of the Day "Open the Eyes of My Heart" *insert*

Apostle's Creed

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

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.

Sending

Benediction

Sending Song “Be Unto Your Name” *insert*

Dismissal Go in peace. Serve the Lord.
 Thanks be to God.

Post-service Music



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

Reader: Kaylynn Wold *Ushers:* Jopru family

BROADCASTS today are sponsored by Millie Reirson in memory of Mom & Dad

ZION'S WEBSITE for September is sponsored by Dick & Jan Haugen in memory of Family & Friends.

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.

NEW MEMBER SUNDAY a tentative date for receiving New Members will be Sunday, October 10th with orientation on Thursday, October 7th at 7:00 pm

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

ZION WELCA, Tuesday, Sept. 14 at 10:00 a.m. All Zion women are invited to gather to get "re-acquainted" after 16 months of not meeting due to COVID. We will enjoy fellowship, refreshments, WELCA updates, and discussion of future plans. Please join us and bring a friend!

LWR QUILTING & Lutheran World Relief Workshop the 1st, 3rd, and 5th Thursdays of the month 1- 4pm. Questions? call Sharon Bergerson 681-5445, or Renee Henney 964-5816

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

Sept 1-5 income: \$4,261.

August 1-31 income: \$24,296.

Year to Date income Jan 1– Sept. 5: \$216,213.

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

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

Direct Thrivent Choice Dollars® Eligible Thrivent Financial members: Show your appreciation for Zion Lutheran Church by directing Choice Dollars. The individual recommendations you make through Choice Dollars directions can make a profound impact.

GOD'S CREATION wall calendars are now available in limited supply. They are \$8.00 each and can be picked up in the church office.

Pastor Mark's office hours are Tuesday, Wednesday, & Friday 9-5

The Semi-annual meeting of Zion will be held Sunday, September 26th following the 9AM worship service. Election of officers/boards will be held. Please consider serving on a board.

LSS RESPITE CARE RESUMES Thursdays, beginning September 16th, 9am-1pm in the Lounge. For more info contact Julie Praska Moser at 218-686-6229

FROM THE PARISH NURSE We are blessed and thankful to see activity increasing at Zion! Thank you to all the leaders and volunteers that are working hard to make this happen and happen safely. It is greatly appreciated. The health of Zion Church is important and it is up to all of us to maintain the good health of Zion as an organization and also keep everyone safe in this changing environment. We are truly blessed and thank Pastor Mark for accepting our Interim Pastor position. We welcome Pastor Mark and his family with open arms! The next step in the health of Zion as a church is the work that is going on with the Call Committee and Board as we speak. During a time of change/transition often there are times of chaos which is a bump in the road, that needs to be navigated through. If this appears know that "this too will pass". May Gods Love be with us all and provide patience, respect and understanding as we work through this opportunity of transition. Oh what we can do as we work together and pray for guidance! Gods Blessings and please stay safe as we enjoy these increasing activities at Zion and in the community!

An Onsite Defibrillator (AED) for use on someone with Sudden Cardiac Arrest is located in the elevator alcove on the wall in the narthex.

LSS CAREGIVERS SUPPORT GROUP will meet on Thursday, October 14th from 10-11:00 AM at Zion. All caregivers are welcome, you do not need to register. Please spread the word to those who can benefit from this group.

Ministers: Every Member of the Congregation
Mark Helgeland, *Interim Pastor*
Sandy Knutson, *Parish Nurse*

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Tiffany Sterry & David Lee, *Custodial*

SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK:

Today, Sunday, Sept 12: Rally Day!

9:00 Worship at Zion/ **Blessing of Backpacks**;
Broadcast ch. 3; KTRF;
10-11 Sunday School Rally event in Sanctuary
10:00 Coffee fellowship; October Sharing Servants
meet in lounge
10:30 Worship at Silver Creek
12:00 Zion broadcast on cable ch. 37

Monday, Sept 13:

9 SAIL
Parish nurse by appt

Tuesday, Sept 14:

9:30 Staff meeting
10 WELCA meeting
12 noon Pastors Text Study
5:15 Ch Ed & Youth Board
6:30 Parish Fellowship

Wednesday, Sept 15:

6 God's Joy Choir
7 Senior Choir

Thursday, Sept 16:

9 SAIL
1 Quilting

Friday, Sept 17:

7 Men's Breakfast at Biffs
SWO Convention in Moorhead

Saturday, Sept 11:

SWO Convention in Moorhead

Next Sunday, Sept 19:

9:00 HC Worship at Zion/ **Little Lambs pinning**;
Broadcast ch. 3; KTRF;
10-11 Sunday School
10:00 Coffee fellowship
10:30 Worship at Silver Creek
12:00 Zion broadcast on cable ch. 37
Baptism at Zion
11th Grade Confirmation Retreat at Silver Creek



TIME CHANGE FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL

Zion is going to one worship service from 9:00-10:00. Sunday school will be changing too and will now be from 10:00-11:00 a.m. (Yes! 1-hour)

BLESSING OF THE BACKPACK

SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 12, 2021

9:00-10:00 a.m.

We invite all students and educators to bring their backpacks, briefcases or tote bag along to the service to receive a blessing for the upcoming academic year.

RALLY SUNDAY - "LET'S DIVE IN WITH DOUGHNUTS"

SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 12, 2021

10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

Please join us in the Sanctuary to kick off the Sunday school year. Doughnuts, music and tons of fun will be had! We look forward to seeing everyone back at church!

*Masks are optional

LITTLE LAMB PINNING

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2021

TIME: 9:00 a.m. worship service



Confirmation

- Confirmation Kick off Meeting Wednesday, September 22nd at 6:00 PM—This is for students and parents.
- Confirmation Classes will begin on October 6th. A meal will be served at 5:15 followed by classes at 6PM.
- 11th Grade Confirmation Retreat is Sunday, September 19th.
- Details of these events will be sent out to families.

Here I Am to Worship

Light of the world, You stepped down into
darkness,

Opened my eyes, let me see

Beauty that made this heart adore You,

Hope of a life spent with You.

Here I am to worship;

Here I am to bow down;

Here I am to say that

You're my God.

And You're altogether lovely,

Altogether worthy,

Altogether wonderful to me.

King of all days, oh, so highly exalted,

Glorious in heaven above,

Humbly You came To the earth You created,

All for love's sake became poor.

Here I am to worship;

Here I am to bow down;

Here I am to say that

You're my God.

And You're altogether lovely,

Altogether worthy,

Altogether wonderful to me.

And I'll never know, How much it cost

To see my sin, Upon that cross. (repeat)

And here I am to worship;

Here I am to bow down;

Here I am to say that

You're my God.

You're altogether lovely,

Altogether worthy,

Altogether wonderful to me.(repeat)

Light of the world,

You stepped down into darkness,

Opened my eyes, let me see.

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Open the Eyes of My Heart

Open the eyes of my heart, Lord

Open the eyes of my heart

I want to see You

I want to see You

Open the eyes of my heart, Lord

Open the eyes of my heart

I want to see You

I want to see You

To see You high and lifted up

Shining in the light of Your glory

Pour out Your power and love

As we sing holy, holy, holy

Open the eyes of my heart, Lord

Open the eyes of my heart

I want to see You

I want to see You

Open the eyes of my heart, Lord

Open the eyes of my heart

I want to see You

I want to see You

To see You high and lifted up

Shining in the light of Your glory

Pour out Your power and love

As we sing holy, holy, holy (repeat)

Holy, holy, holy

Holy, holy, holy

holy, holy, holy

I want to see you

Holy, holy, holy

Holy, holy, holy

Holy, holy, holy,

I want to see you, I want to see you

I want to see you, I want to see you

I want to see you, oh, I want to see you.

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Be Unto Your Name

We are a moment, You are forever
Lord of the Ages, God before time
We are a vapor, You are eternal
Love everlasting, reigning on high

Holy, holy, Lord God Almighty
Worthy is the lamb who was slain
Highest praises, honor and glory
Be unto Your name, be unto Your name

We are the broken, You are the healer
Jesus, Redeemer, mighty to save
You are the love song we'll sing forever
Bowing before You, blessing Your name

Holy, holy, Lord God Almighty
Worthy is the lamb who was slain
Highest praises, honor and glory
Be unto Your name, be unto Your name

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