

ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH 9:00 AM  
SILVER CREEK LUTHERAN CHURCH 10:30 AM  
Thief River Falls, MN  
TIME AFTER PENTECOST - July 31, 2022



## **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** "I Love to Tell the Story" ELW #661

**\*GREETING** (p. 203)

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.

Benevolent God, you are the source, the guide, and the goal of our lives. Teach us to love what is worth loving, to reject what is offensive to you, and to treasure what is precious in your sight, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

**FIRST READING:** Ecclesiastes 1:2, 12-14; 2:18-23

<sup>2</sup>Vanity of vanities, says the Teacher,  
vanity of vanities! All is vanity.

<sup>12</sup>I, the Teacher, when king over Israel in Jerusalem, <sup>13</sup>applied my mind to seek and to search out by wisdom all that is done under heaven; it is an unhappy business that God has given to human beings to be busy with. <sup>14</sup>I saw all the deeds that are done under the sun; and see, all is vanity and a chasing after wind.

<sup>2:18</sup>I hated all my toil in which I had toiled under the sun, seeing that I must leave it to those who come after me <sup>19</sup>—and who knows whether they will be wise or foolish? Yet they will be master of all for which I toiled and used my wisdom under the sun. This also is vanity. <sup>20</sup>So I turned and gave my heart up to despair concerning all the toil of my labors under the sun, <sup>21</sup>because sometimes one who has toiled with wisdom and knowledge and skill must leave all to be enjoyed by another who did not toil for it. This also is vanity and a great evil. <sup>22</sup>What do mortals get from all the toil and strain with which they toil under the sun? <sup>23</sup>For all their days are full of pain, and their work is a vexation; even at night their minds do not rest. This also is vanity. *The word of the Lord... Thanks be to God.*

**PSALM:** Psalm 49:1-12

<sup>1</sup>Hear this, <sup>1</sup>all you peoples;  
give ear, all you who dwell <sup>1</sup>in the world,  
<sup>2</sup>**you of high degree and low,  
rich and <sup>1</sup>poor together.**  
<sup>3</sup>My mouth shall <sup>1</sup>speak of wisdom,  
and my heart shall meditate on <sup>1</sup>understanding.  
<sup>4</sup>**I will incline my ear <sup>1</sup>to a proverb  
and set forth my riddle upon the harp.**  
<sup>5</sup>Why should I be afraid in <sup>1</sup>evil days,  
when the wickedness of those at my <sup>1</sup>heels surrounds me,  
<sup>6</sup>**the wickedness of those who put their trust in <sup>1</sup>their own prowess,  
and boast of <sup>1</sup>their great riches?**  
<sup>7</sup>One can never redeem another,  
or give to God the ransom for another's life;  
<sup>8</sup>**for the ransom of a life <sup>1</sup>is so great  
that there would never be enough to pay it,**  
<sup>9</sup>in order to live forever and ever  
and never <sup>1</sup>see the grave.  
<sup>10</sup>**For we see that the wise die also; like the dull and stupid they perish  
and leave their wealth to those who come <sup>1</sup>after them.**  
<sup>11</sup>Their graves shall be their homes forever, their dwelling places from genera-  
tion to <sup>1</sup>generation, though they had named lands after themselves.  
<sup>12</sup>**Even though honored, they cannot <sup>1</sup>live forever;  
they are like the <sup>1</sup>beasts that perish.**

**SECOND READING:** Colossians 3:1-11

<sup>1</sup>So if you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. <sup>2</sup>Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth, <sup>3</sup>for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. <sup>4</sup>When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory.

<sup>5</sup>Put to death, therefore, whatever in you is earthly: fornication, impurity, passion, evil desire, and greed (which is idolatry). <sup>6</sup>On account of these the wrath of God is coming on those who are disobedient. <sup>7</sup>These are the ways you also once followed, when you were living that life. <sup>8</sup>But now you must get rid of all such things—anger, wrath, malice, slander, and abusive language from your mouth. <sup>9</sup>Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have stripped off the old self with its practices <sup>10</sup>and have clothed yourselves with the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge according to the image of its creator. <sup>11</sup>In that renewal there is no longer Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave and free; but Christ is all and in all! *The word of the Lord...* **Thanks be to God.**

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

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:** Luke 12:13-21

P: The Holy Gospel...

**C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>13</sup>Someone in the crowd said to [Jesus,] “Teacher, tell my brother to divide the family inheritance with me.” <sup>14</sup>But he said to him, “Friend, who set me to be a judge or arbitrator over you?” <sup>15</sup>And he said to them, “Take care! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; for one’s life does not consist in the abundance of possessions.” <sup>16</sup>Then he told them a parable: “The land of a rich man produced abundantly. <sup>17</sup>And he thought to himself, ‘What should I do, for I have no place to store my crops?’ <sup>18</sup>Then he said, ‘I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. <sup>19</sup>And I will say to my soul, Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry.’ <sup>20</sup>But God said to him, ‘You fool! This very night your life is being demanded of you. And the things you have prepared, whose will they be?’ <sup>21</sup>So it is with those who store up treasures for themselves but are not rich toward God.”

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

**C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

**SERMON** LINDA ANDERSON

**HYMN OF THE DAY** “Be Thou My Vision” ELW # 793

**\*APOSTLES’ 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 to the dead. 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: **receive our prayer.**

**\*PEACE**

The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

**OFFERING** *Offering plates are available in the narthex.  
Ushers will bring the plates forward at this time.*

**\*OFFERTORY** “Create in Me a Clean Heart” # 186

Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from your presence, and take not your Holy Spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and uphold me with your free Spirit.

**\*OFFERING PRAYER**

**A** Let us pray.

**C** **God of abundance:** you have set before us a plentiful harvest. As we feast on your goodness, strengthen us to labor in your field, and equip us to bear fruit for the good of all, in the name of Jesus. Amen.

**\*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.**

**\*BLESSING**

The God of peace, Father, ✝ Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you, comfort you, and show you the path of life this day and always.

**Amen.**

**\*SENDING SONG** “God of Grace and God of Glory” ELW #705

**DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. Love your neighbor.

**Thanks be to God.**

**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

*Pianist:* Laura Rude

*Reader:* David Lee

*Ushers:*

*Greeter:*

**THANK YOU** to Linda Anderson for providing pulpit supply today.

**ZION WORSHIP SERVICE ONLINE** Sunday mornings you can listen to the 9:00AM 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.

**BROADCASTS** today are sponsored in memory of Lillian & Vernon Kees, and Harold Kees by Vivian Knutson

**ZION'S WEBSITE** for July is sponsored by Zion memorials

**LISTENING DEVICES & LARGE PRINT** bulletins are available from an usher.

**WEDNESDAY WORSHIP August 3 & 10** Eric Mickelson, message & music. Supper will be served at 5:30 with a free will donation for the catered meal followed by worship. All are welcome!

**SYNOD ROAD TRIP** The Synod Staff is coming to you! **Wed., Aug. 17th 5:30 pm at Zion.** Come and join the synod staff for a light meal and conversation. Bishop Bill at the grill. Conference 2 Pastors, Council members, congregation members welcome!

**FROM PARISH HEALTH** - Have you ever tried positive self talk? When you wake up in the morning, what are the first words you say to yourself? "Is it a beautiful day in a rare and wonderful way?" Take a look in the mirror and say these words to yourself. Amazingly, saying positive words helps us to think more positively. We get so easily wrapped up in negatives. When someone gives us a compliment we often toss it back, without accepting it unto ourselves. If we do something well or are successful, we often remind ourselves of our failures Celebrate instead! Take a moment today to pick one of your positive attributes and celebrate it. Look in that mirror, and smile! You will find someone smiling back at you!! God lives in the praises of his people! "*Jesus said to him, "if you believe, all things are possible to him who believes."* Mark 9:23

Stay safe in the heat and enjoy the remainder of summer - God's Blessings & Peace, Parish Health

**OUTDOOR ELECTRONIC SIGN** Current donations & Pledges: \$13,675. If you wish to contribute to this project you can drop off or mail to the church office. A down payment has been made on this project.

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

July 18-24 income: \$2,314.

July 1-24 income: \$14,487.

Jan 1– July 17 income: \$169,373.

2022 Budget \$324,553./ \$6,241. needed per week to meet budgeted expenses.

**VANCO ELECTRONIC GIVING** is available - forms are on the table by the office. You can also set up contributions thru Zion's website.

Donations can be set up as monthly, weekly, bi-weekly, or a one-time donation.

You can also SCAN the Vanco QR code to support Zion electronically.



**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.

**LSS RESPITE CARE** - Thursdays, 12 Noon to 4:00 PM in the Lounge. For more info and to sign up please contact Julie Praska Moser at 218-686-6229

**LSS CAREGIVERS SUPPORT GROUP** will meet on Thursday, August 11th 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. More info Julie Praska Moser 218-686-6228

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## SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK:

### Today, Sunday, July 31:

**9:00 Zion Worship**

Broadcast ch. 3; KTRF;

10 Coffee fellowship

**10:30 Silver Creek Worship**

12:00 Zion broadcast on cable ch. 37

### Monday, Aug 1:

9 SAIL

### Tuesday, Aug 2:

9:30 Staff Meeting

9-12 Parish Health Hours

4 Parish Health

BOARD MEETINGS

### Wednesday, Aug 3:

5:30 Supper

6:15 Worship

### Thursday, Aug 4:

9 SAIL

12-4 LSS Respite Care in lounge

### Friday, Aug 5:

David Swanson memorial service

### Next Sunday, August 7:

**9:00 Zion Holy Communion Worship**

Broadcast ch. 3; KTRF;

10 Coffee fellowship

**10:30 Silver Creek Holy Communion  
Worship**

12:00 Zion broadcast on cable ch. 37

**CALLING ALL FISHERMAN**  
ages Preschool-6th grade to join us in a  
**ONE DAY BIBLE CAMP!!!!**

**Tuesday August 30th**  
**from 12:30 p.m.-5:00p.m.**  
**at Zion Lutheran Church**  
**with a BBQ and family fun night**  
**to follow in the Zion parking lot!**

Please watch for a mailing  
with more details to come.  
Event held at no charge.



"Come, follow me,  
and I will make you fishers of men."  
Matthew 4:19