

ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH 9:00 AM
SILVER CREEK LUTHERAN CHURCH 10:30 AM
Thief River Falls, MN
TIME AFTER PENTECOST - August 28, 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** "Shout to the Lord" ELW #821

***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.

O God, you resist those who are proud and give grace to those who are humble.
Give us the humility of your Son, that we may embody the generosity of Jesus
Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

FIRST READING: Proverbs 25:6-7

⁶Do not put yourself forward in the king's presence
or stand in the place of the great;
⁷for it is better to be told, "Come up here,"
than to be put lower in the presence of a noble.

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

PSALM: Psalm 112

¹Hallelujah! Happy are they who ¹fear the LORD
and have great delight in ¹God's commandments!
²Their descendants will be mighty ¹in the land;

the generation of the upright¹ will be blessed.

³Wealth and riches will be¹ in their house,
and their righteousness will¹ last forever.

⁴**Light shines in the darkness¹ for the upright;
the righteous are merciful and full¹ of compassion.**

⁵It is good for them to be generous in lending
and to manage their affairs with justice.

⁶**For they will never be shaken;
the righteous will be kept in everlasting remembrance.**

⁷They will not be afraid of any¹ evil rumors;
their heart is steadfast, trusting¹ in the LORD.

⁸**Their heart is established and¹ will not shrink,
until they see their desire upon their enemies.**

⁹They have given freely to the poor, and their righteousness stands¹ fast forever;
they will hold up their¹ head with honor.

¹⁰**The wicked will see it and be angry; they will gnash their teeth and
pine away; the desires of the wicked will perish.**

SECOND READING: Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16

¹Let mutual love continue. ²Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it. ³Remember those who are in prison, as though you were in prison with them; those who are being tortured, as though you yourselves were being tortured. ⁴Let marriage be held in honor by all, and let the marriage bed be kept undefiled; for God will judge fornicators and adulterers. ⁵Keep your lives free from the love of money, and be content with what you have; for he has said, "I will never leave you or forsake you." ⁶So we can say with confidence,

"The Lord is my helper;
I will not be afraid.

What can anyone do to me?"

⁷Remember your leaders, those who spoke the word of God to you; consider the outcome of their way of life, and imitate their faith. ⁸Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever. ¹⁵Through him, then, let us continually offer a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that confess his name. ¹⁶Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God. *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 14:1, 7-14

P: The Holy Gospel...

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

¹On one occasion when Jesus was going to the house of a leader of the Pharisees to eat a meal on the sabbath, they were watching him closely.

⁷When he noticed how the guests chose the places of honor, he told them a parable. ⁸“When you are invited by someone to a wedding banquet, do not sit down at the place of honor, in case someone more distinguished than you has been invited by your host; ⁹and the host who invited both of you may come and say to you, ‘Give this person your place,’ and then in disgrace you would start to take the lowest place. ¹⁰But when you are invited, go and sit down at the lowest place, so that when your host comes, he may say to you, ‘Friend, move up higher’; then you will be honored in the presence of all who sit at the table with you. ¹¹For all who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted.”

¹²He said also to the one who had invited him, “When you give a luncheon or a dinner, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or rich neighbors, in case they may invite you in return, and you would be repaid. ¹³But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind. ¹⁴And you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you, for you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous.”

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON LINDA ANDERSON

HYMN OF THE DAY “The Trumpets Sound” ELW # 531

***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**

Congregational 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** “Shine, Jesus, Shine” ELW #671

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: Jamie Bakken

Ushers: Rantanen family

Greeter: Paul & Marilyn Adams

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.

THANK YOU to Linda Anderson for pulpit supply today.

OUR SYMPATHY to the family of Becky Veselka whose funeral was held at Zion yesterday.

OUR PRAYERS to Millie Reiersen who is recovering at home.

BROADCASTS today are sponsored in memory of Delores Laliberte by her cousins Betty Sodnak, Jan & Myles Olson and Sara Olson.

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

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

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY has a start up date tentatively set for Thursday September 15th at 10:00 in the Fellowship Hall. Anyone having questions please call Deb Holtan at 218-686-3758 or 218-449-4645.

NEW MEMBERS a tentative date has been set for October 9, 2022 as New Member Recognition Sunday.

HELP! READERS NEEDED: If you would like to read lessons for Sunday services, please call the church office at 681-3296 or Carol Narverud at 681-4805. We'd love to have you.

OUTDOOR ELECTRONIC SIGN Donations & Pledges: \$13,715. If you wish to contribute to this project you can drop off or mail to the church office.

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

August 15-21 income: \$6,267.

August 1-21 income: \$13,300.

Jan 1– August 21 income: \$187,068.

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.

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



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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, September 8th 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

FROM PARISH HEALTH - It's been two years of pandemic news and updates, and it is frustrating. COVID 19 does NOT go away. It seems to be losing some of its severity though, and most people have lost some of the fear of getting it. That is good!

That said, COVID 19 cases are on the rise in the United States, and Omicron BA.5 is now the prominent variant, causing an estimated 78% of cases. It is more contagious, but symptoms are milder. For those who are vaccinated and boosted, this can protect against both infection and/or severe reaction to the virus. The symptoms are mild enough for one to have the virus and not realize it. For those who have underlying health issues, it is important to get tested, because post Covid pneumonia can happen and create long term effects. The good news is that there is now an anti-viral medication called Paxlovid, that when started within the first five days, can resolve the infection and decrease symptoms. It has been most effective on all variants with an efficacy of 90%. That's impressive!

The most common symptoms of Covid, along with many other viruses, are runny nose, cough, sore throat, fever, headache, muscle pain, and fatigue. Intercounty Nursing Service has free test kits available, and there are a few in the church office. I will be available during office hours to help with using a test kit if needed – or for answering any questions.

The COVID-19 Public Hotline – 1-833-431-2053. “Please Lord, make this virus go away. AMEN.”
God's Blessings and Peace—Parish Health

SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK:

Today, Sunday, August 28:

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 29:

9 SAIL

Tuesday, Aug 30:

9:30 Staff Meeting

9-12 Parish Health Hours

12:30—5 Vacation Bible School

5-6 BBQ & Family Fun night

Thursday, Sept 1:

9 SAIL

12-4 LSS Respite Care in lounge

Friday, Sept 2: Office Closed

Next Sunday, Sept. 4:

9:00 Zion Holy Communion Worship

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Broadcast ch. 3; KTRF;

10 Coffee fellowship

10:30 Silver Creek Worship

12:00 Zion broadcast on cable ch. 37

Monday, Sept 5: Labor Day—Office Closed



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

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
BBQ and family fun night
from 5:00 to 6:30
to follow in the Zion parking lot!

Rally Sunday coming September 11th!

New students please contact the church office to register so you receive mailings/ information.



Spotlight Family:

HELP!!! Zion's Youth and Education Board want to shine the spotlight on you and your family!

We are looking for families to help with our monthly food and fellowship breakfasts.

This is a great opportunity for your family to help Zion- and it is fun!! All you need to do is help set up, help make food, serve breakfast, and then clean up! David Lee is our resident cook who will get it ready and started. Then we also will have confirmation students helping.

We just need one smiling family to help each month. Please consider signing up for a great opportunity to serve your church family!

You can contact Kami at 218-689-4266 with any questions or to get your family signed up!!



FOOD AND FELLOWSHIP begins September 18th!

Come and enjoy a yummy breakfast!

Breakfast will be served 10:00-11:30!