

Zion Lutheran Church 9:00 AM
Silver Creek Lutheran Church 10:30 AM
Thief River Falls, MN
TIME AFTER PENTECOST - August 14, 2022



[Jesus said:] “I came to bring fire to the earth,
and how I wish it were already kindled!

Luke 12:49

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** “Canticle of the Turning” ELW #723

***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, judge eternal, you love justice and hate oppression, and you call us to share your zeal for truth. Give us courage to take our stand with all victims of bloodshed and greed, and, following your servants and prophets, to look to the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

FIRST READING : Isaiah 5:1-7

¹Let me sing for my beloved my love-song concerning his vineyard: My beloved had a vineyard on a very fertile hill. ²He dug it and cleared it of stones, and planted it with choice vines; he built a watchtower in the midst of it, and hewed out a wine vat in it; he expected it to yield grapes, but it yielded wild grapes. ³And now, inhabitants of Jerusalem and people of Judah, judge between me and my vineyard. ⁴What more was there to do for my vineyard that I have not done in it? When I expected it to yield grapes, why did it yield wild grapes?

⁵And now I will tell you what I will do to my vineyard. I will remove its hedge, and it shall be devoured; I will break down its wall, and it shall be trampled down.

⁶I will make it a waste; it shall not be pruned or hoed, and it shall be overgrown with briars and thorns; I will also command the clouds that they rain no rain upon it. ⁷For the vineyard of the LORD of hosts is the house of Israel, and the people of Judah are his pleasant planting; he expected justice, but saw bloodshed; righteousness, but heard a cry! *The word of the Lord...* **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM: Psalm 80:1-2, 8-19

¹Give ear, O Shepherd of Israel, you who lead Joseph like a flock!

You who are enthroned upon the cherubim, shine forth

²**before Ephraim and Benjamin and Manasseh.**

Stir up your might, and come to save us!

⁸You brought a vine out of Egypt; you drove out the nations and planted it.

⁹**You cleared the ground for it; it took deep root and filled the land.**

¹⁰The mountains were covered with its shade,
the mighty cedars with its branches;

¹¹**it sent out its branches to the sea, and its shoots to the River.**

¹²Why then have you broken down its walls,
so that all who pass along the way pluck its fruit?

¹³**The boar from the forest ravages it, and all that move in the field feed on it.**

¹⁴Turn again, O God of hosts;

look down from heaven, and see; have regard for this vine,

¹⁵**the stock that your right hand planted.**

¹⁶They have burned it with fire, they have cut it down;
may they perish at the rebuke of your countenance.

¹⁷**But let your hand be upon the one at your right hand,
the one whom you made strong for yourself.**

¹⁸Then we will never turn back from you; give us life, and we will call on your name.

¹⁹**Restore us, O LORD God of hosts; let your face shine, that we may be saved.**

SECOND READING: Hebrews 11:29--12:2

²⁹By faith the people passed through the Red Sea as if it were dry land, but when the Egyptians attempted to do so they were drowned. ³⁰By faith the walls of Jericho fell after they had been encircled for seven days. ³¹By faith Rahab the prostitute did not perish with those who were disobedient, because she had received the spies in peace.

³²And what more should I say? For time would fail me to tell of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, of David and Samuel and the prophets—³³who through faith conquered kingdoms, administered justice, obtained promises, shut the mouths of lions, ³⁴quenched raging fire, escaped the edge of the sword, won strength out of weakness, became mighty in war, put foreign armies to flight. ³⁵Women received their dead by resurrection. Others were tortured, refusing to accept release, in order to obtain a better resurrection. ³⁶Others suffered mocking and flogging, and even chains and imprisonment. ³⁷They were stoned to death, they were sawn in two, they were killed by the sword; they went about in skins of sheep and goats, destitute, persecuted, tormented—³⁸of whom the world was not worthy. They wandered in deserts and mountains, and in caves and holes in the ground.

³⁹Yet all these, though they were commended for their faith, did not receive what was promised, ⁴⁰since God had provided something better so that they would not, apart from us, be made perfect.

^{12:1}Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, ²looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, who for the sake of the joy that was set before him endured the cross, disregarding its shame, and has taken his seat at the right hand of the throne of 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 12:49-56**

P: The Holy Gospel... **C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

[Jesus said:] ⁴⁹“I came to bring fire to the earth, and how I wish it were already kindled! ⁵⁰I have a baptism with which to be baptized, and what stress I am under until it is completed! ⁵¹Do you think that I have come to bring peace to the earth? No, I tell you, but rather division! ⁵²From now on five in one household will be divided, three against two and two against three; ⁵³they will be divided:

father against son and son against father,
mother against daughter and daughter against mother,
mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law and daughter-in-law against mother-in-law.”

⁵⁴He also said to the crowds, “When you see a cloud rising in the west, you immediately say, ‘It is going to rain’; and so it happens. ⁵⁵And when you see the south wind blowing, you say, ‘There will be scorching heat’; and it happens. ⁵⁶You hypocrites! You know how to interpret the appearance of earth and sky, but why do you not know how to interpret the present time?”

P: The Gospel of the Lord. **C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON “EXPECTING JUSTICE” Pastor Darrell Golnitz

HYMN OF THE DAY “A Time to Serve” tune ELW # 781

(Sung to "*Children of the Heavenly Father*")

Jesus hears his children crying.
Sees them hungry, lost, and dying;
Who will comfort all their sorrows?
Who will brighten their tomorrows?

When we aid the poor and lonely,
We're not caring for them only;
When our love some suffering eases,
We have done the same for Jesus.

When we join our Savior's service,
He will strengthen and preserve us;
He will guide our daily living,
And He'll bless the love we're giving.

Jesus pleads with us to reach them
With our gifts of love, and teach them
That the kindness we are giving
Is the Christian's way of living

Rise and follow! He will lead us;
Heed the cries of those who need us!
And when life has ended for us,
Heaven's glories lie before us.

***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** “We Are Called” ELW #720

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:* Charlie Cornell
Ushers: Robert & Laura Fay *Greeter:*

THANK YOU to Pastor Darrell Golnitz for sharing his message today.



✝ **Madelyn Marie Burnette**, daughter of Ralph and Janna (Clow) Burnette was baptized on Friday, August 12th at Zion. Her sponsors are Christy Cederholm and Kevin McCarthy.

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.

BROADCASTS today are sponsored in memory of Family & Friends by Bob Nelson

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.

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.

FOOD FOR THE POOR does much more than feed the millions of individuals. We drill life-giving water for those who otherwise wouldn't have clean drinking water; we provide life saving medical care; we build homes for families without adequate shelter; we provide skills training and micro-enterprise opportunities that enable the poor to work; and we give children an education that will enable them to break free from the cycle of poverty that has ensnared generations. **Today**, Pr. Darrell D. Golnitz will deliver the Message: *"Expecting Justice"* You will be invited to participate in this ministry through a special offering.

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. Conference 2 Pastors, Council members, congregation members welcome!

OUTDOOR ELECTRONIC SIGN Donations & Pledges: \$13,675. 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 1-7 income: \$4,611.

Jan 1– August 7 income: \$178,379.

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.

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, 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 - *There is a free mental health and suicide awareness event coming to the Ralph Engelstad Arena on August 23rd 2022 from 6:00—7:30 PM.* It's purpose is to raise awareness, erase stigma, and spread HOPE to one another through the speakers powerful message. Kevin Hines, a suicide attempt survivor will share his story. He has become an award-winning brain/mental health and suicide prevention activist, entrepreneur, film maker & best selling author, who reaches audiences with his story of unlikely survival and his strong will to live. Today he dedicates his life to saving lives and encouraging others to seek help and spread the message of hope by sharing his story.

- Take care of yourself and others, Parish Health

SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK:

Today, Sunday, August 14:

9:00 Zion Worship

Broadcast ch. 3; KTRF;

10 Sept Sharing Servant in Lounge

10 Coffee fellowship

10:30 Silver Creek Worship

12:00 Zion broadcast on cable ch. 37

Monday, Aug 15:

9 SAIL

Tuesday, Aug 16:

9:30 Staff Meeting

9-12 Parish Health Hours

7 Zion Council meeting

Wednesday, Aug 17:

5:30 Synod Conf 2 Picnic at Zion. Meet the Synod Staff

Thursday, Aug 18:

9 SAIL

12-4 LSS Respite Care in lounge

Saturday, Aug 20

Newsletter Deadline

Next Sunday, August 21:

9:00 Zion Worship

Broadcast ch. 3; KTRF;

10 Coffee fellowship

10:30 Silver Creek 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
BBQ and family fun night
from 5:00 to 6:30
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