

Zion Lutheran Church
Thief River Falls, MN

New Traditions Worship
Time After Pentecost
Rally Sunday

9:00 AM Worship
September 11, 2022

Pre-service Music
Welcome & Announcements

Gathering

Confession and Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,
who is eager to forgive
and who loves us beyond our days.

Amen.

Dear friends, together let us acknowledge
our failure to love this world as Jesus does.
Silence is kept for reflection.

God of mercy and forgiveness,
we confess that sin still has a hold on us.
We have harmed your good creation.
We have failed to do justice,
love kindness,
and walk humbly with you.
Turn us in a new direction.
Show us the path that leads to life.
Be our refuge and strength on the journey,
through Jesus Christ, our redeemer and friend.
Amen.

Beloved of God:
your sins are forgiven and you are made whole.
God points the way to new life in Christ,
who meets us on the road.
Journey now in God's abiding love
through the power of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

Gathering Song "Jesus Loves Me" ELW 595



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, overflowing with mercy and compassion, you lead back to yourself all those who go astray. Preserve your people in your loving care, that we may reject whatever is contrary to you and may follow all things that sustain our life in your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

Word

Children's Sermon - Shawna Spears

Noisy Offering—Operation Christmas Child

First Reading: Exodus 32:7-14

⁷The LORD said to Moses, "Go down at once! Your people, whom you brought up out of the land of Egypt, have acted perversely; ⁸they have been quick to turn aside from the way that I commanded them; they have cast for themselves an image of a calf, and have worshiped it and sacrificed to it, and said, 'These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!' " ⁹The LORD said to Moses, "I have seen this people, how stiff-necked they are. ¹⁰Now let me alone, so that my wrath may burn hot against them and I may consume them; and of you I will make a great nation."

¹¹But Moses implored the LORD his God, and said, "O LORD, why does your wrath burn hot against your people, whom you brought out of the land of Egypt with great power and with a mighty hand? ¹²Why should the Egyptians say, 'It was with evil intent that he brought them out to kill them in the mountains, and to consume them from the face of the earth'? Turn from your fierce wrath; change your mind and do not bring disaster on your people. ¹³Remember Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, your servants, how you swore to them by your own self, saying to them, 'I will multiply your descendants like the stars of heaven, and all this land that I have promised I will give to your descendants, and they shall inherit it forever.' " ¹⁴And the LORD changed his mind about the disaster that he planned to bring on his people.

Word of God, word of life...Thanks be to God.

Psalm: Psalm 51:1-10

¹Have mercy on me, O God, according to your ¹steadfast love;
in your great compassion blot out ¹my offenses.

²**Wash me through and through ¹from my wickedness,
and cleanse me ¹from my sin.**

³For I know ¹my offenses,
and my sin is ever before me.

⁴Against you only have I sinned and done what is evil ¹ in your sight;
so you are justified when you speak and right ¹ in your judgment.

⁵Indeed, I was born ¹ steeped in wickedness,
a sinner from my ¹ mother's womb.

⁶Indeed, you delight in truth ¹ deep within me,
and would have me know wisdom ¹ deep within.

⁷Remove my sins with hyssop, and I ¹ shall be clean;
wash me, and I shall be purer than snow.

⁸Let me hear ¹ joy and gladness;
that the body you have broken ¹ may rejoice.

⁹Hide your face ¹ from my sins,
and blot out ¹ all my wickedness.

¹⁰Create in me a clean ¹ heart, O God,
and renew a right spirit within me.

Second Reading: 1 Timothy 1:12-17

¹²I am grateful to Christ Jesus our Lord, who has strengthened me, because he judged me faithful and appointed me to his service, ¹³even though I was formerly a blasphemer, a persecutor, and a man of violence. But I received mercy because I had acted ignorantly in unbelief, ¹⁴and the grace of our Lord overflowed for me with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. ¹⁵The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners—of whom I am the foremost. ¹⁶But for that very reason I received mercy, so that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display the utmost patience, making me an example to those who would come to believe in him for eternal life. ¹⁷To the King of the ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.

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GOSPEL: Luke 15:1-10

¹Now all the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to [Jesus.] ²And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, "This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them."

³So he told them this parable: ⁴"Which one of you, having a hundred sheep and losing one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the one that is lost until he finds it? ⁵When he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders and rejoices. ⁶And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and neighbors, saying to them, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost.' ⁷Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance.

⁸"Or what woman having ten silver coins, if she loses one of them, does not light a lamp, sweep the house, and search carefully until she finds it? ⁹When she has found it, she calls together her friends and neighbors, saying, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found the coin that I had lost.' ¹⁰Just so, I tell you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents."

Sermon "LOST AND FOUND" PASTOR MARK HELGELAND

Hymn of the Day "In Christ Alone" printed on next page

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 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.**

Offering - *ushers bring offering forward*

Offertory "Sanctuary"

Lord prepare me to be a sanctuary, pure and holy, tried and true.

With thanksgiving, I'll be a living sanctuary for you. *(CCLI Lic. # 11095451)*

Prayers of Intercession *response: hear our prayer.*

Lord's Prayer

**Our Father, in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done,
on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those
who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.**

Sending

Blessing

God, who gives life to all things and frees us from despair,
bless you with truth and peace.

And may the holy Trinity, one God,
guide you always in faith, hope, and love.

Amen.

Sending Song "Shine, Jesus, Shine" *ELW 671*

Dismissal Go in peace, with Christ beside you. **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

Pianist: Laura Rude

Ushers: Aaron, Dean, Don, & Wade Joppru

Reader: Kami Spears

Greeters: Cammy Joppru, Pam Joppru

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 Gary Lofberg, Roman & Marie Didier, Art & Eileen Lofberg by MaryAnn Lofberg.

ZION'S WEBSITE for September is sponsored by Richard & Janice Haugen in memory of family & friends

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

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY has a tentative start date of 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.

WELCA Meeting Sept. 13 Women of the ELCA will begin their new program year on Tuesday, Sept. 13, 10 a.m. Everyone is welcome to join in the fellowship and refreshments as we make plans for the coming year. Executive board meets at 9 a.m.

NEW MEMBERS a tentative date has been set for October 9, 2022 as New Member Recognition Sunday. If you are interested in membership, please contact the church office.

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)

Sept. 1-4 income: \$7,730.

Jan 1– September 4 income: \$197,324.

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

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

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



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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, October 13th 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

PARISH HEALTH - Are you getting the sleep you need? Your brain & body have a lot to do while you slumber.—It goes to work restoring itself, the memories of the day are stored away, and there must be time for dreams. To get this work done, the brain keeps a strict schedule, using different segments of sleep. For specific tasks in a scripted pattern. It repeats the pattern throughout the night in a masterpiece of biological orchestration. - Adults need at least 7 hours of sleep to get the work done but many don't get that. (adults over age 65, require 8-9 hours) As many as 70 million adults have sleep disorders. This can take a profound toll on your health—causing diseases or making them worse, such as diabetes, cardiovascular disease, obesity & depression.

Following a few tips for better sleep can make a big difference:

- 1) Keep to a sleep schedule
- 2) Shape your sleep space— keep bedroom dark, quiet, comfortable temperature—it's also a good time for prayer.
- 3) Eliminate screen time in the bedroom
- 4) Watch what you eat and drink—limit alcohol use
- 5) Exercise during the day
- 6) Manage your worries—give them all to God!
- 7) Limit naps
- 8) Adjust as you age—limit fluids to decrease bathroom trips, may need medications for minor aches/pain

If these tips don't help—there are doctors who specialize in sleep disorders so a visit to one is not a bad idea. *Wishing you sweet dreams every night—God's Blessing & Peace—Parish Health*

SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK:

Today, Sunday, Sept. 11: Rally Sunday

9:00 Zion Worship

Broadcast ch. 3; KTRF;

10 Coffee fellowship

10 October Sharing Servants meet

10 Sunday School Rally

10:30 Silver Creek Worship

12:00 Zion broadcast on cable ch. 37

Monday, Sept 12:

9 SAIL

Tuesday, Sept 13:

9:30 Staff Meeting

9 WELCA Exec Board

10 WELCA meeting

11-1 RSVP meeting

1-4 PM Parish Health Hours (time change today)

Thursday, Sept 15:

9 SAIL

10 Prayer Shawl Ministry

12-4 LSS Respite Care in lounge

Friday, Sept 16:

7 Men's Breakfast /Biffs

Next Sunday, Sept. 18:

9:00 Zion Holy Communion Worship;

Little Lambs pins; Teacher installation

Broadcast ch. 3; KTRF;

10 Coffee fellowship

10 Sunday School

10:30 Silver Creek Worship/ Baptism

12:00 Zion broadcast on cable ch. 37

12-4 PM 11th Grade Confirmation Retreat



Rally Sunday Today—September 11th!

- WELCOME to all Sunday School Students!
- **Students/parents –Please remain in the Sanctuary following worship today to meet up with teachers**
- New student families - please contact the church office to register so you receive mailings/ information.
- Little Lambs receive pins at worship September 18th
- Noisy Offering collected in September/October will go for Operation Christmas Child

Spotlight Family



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!

IMPORTANT DATES FOR CONFIRMATION- PUT THESE ON YOUR CALENDAR!

- September 28, 2022- 6:00 pm- MANDATORY Parent/Student meeting grades 8-10
- October 5, 2022- 6:00 pm- 1st night of Confirmation class!
- Supper served at 5:15- Tater-tot Hotdish

11th Grade:

- September 18, 2022- 11th grade Confirmation Retreat 12-4PM
- October 11, 12, 13th- Faith Statement Reviews
- October 26th- Confirmation pictures- time: TBD
- October 29th- 6:00 pm- Confirmation Banquet
- October 30, 2022- Confirmation service for 11th graders

