

Zion Lutheran Church
Thief River Falls, MN

New Traditions Worship
2nd Sunday of Pentecost

9:00 AM Worship
June 11, 2023

Pre-service Music

Welcome & Announcements

Gathering

Confession and Forgiveness

All may make the sign of the cross



Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,
who greets us in this and every season,
whose word never fails,
whose promise is sure.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God
and of our neighbors.

Merciful God,

we confess that we have sinned.

We have hurt our community.

We have squandered your blessings.

We have hoarded your bounty.

In the name of Jesus,

forgive us and grant us your mercy.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Righteous God,

we confess that we have sinned.

We have failed to be honest.

We have lacked the courage to speak.

We have spoken falsely.

In the name of Jesus,

forgive us and grant us your mercy.

Silence is kept for reflection.

God is a cup of cold water when we thirst.

God offers boundless grace when we fail.

Claim the gift of God's mercy:

you are freed and forgiven

in the name of † Jesus Christ.

Amen.

Gathering Song "Oceans" printed in back pages

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

Let us pray.

O God, you are the source of life and the ground of our being. By the power of your Spirit bring healing to this wounded world, and raise us to the new life of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

Word

FIRST READING: Hosea 5:15--6:6

¹⁵I will return again to my place
until they acknowledge their guilt and seek my face.
In their distress they will beg my favor:

^{6:1}"Come, let us return to the LORD;
for it is he who has torn, and he will heal us;
he has struck down, and he will bind us up.

²After two days he will revive us;
on the third day he will raise us up,
that we may live before him.

³Let us know, let us press on to know the LORD;
his appearing is as sure as the dawn;
he will come to us like the showers,
like the spring rains that water the earth."

⁴What shall I do with you, O Ephraim?

What shall I do with you, O Judah?

Your love is like a morning cloud,
like the dew that goes away early.

⁵Therefore I have hewn them by the prophets,
I have killed them by the words of my mouth,
and my judgment goes forth as the light.

⁶For I desire steadfast love and not sacrifice,
the knowledge of God rather than burnt offerings.

Word of God, Word of Life... **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM: Psalm 50:7-15

⁷“Listen, my people, and I will speak: Israel, I will bear witness against you;
for I am ¹ God, your God.

⁸**I do not accuse you because ¹ of your sacrifices;
your burnt offerings are always before me.**

⁹I will not accept a calf ¹ from your stalls,
nor goats ¹ from your pens;

¹⁰**for all the wild animals of the forest are mine,
the cattle on a ¹ thousand hills.**

¹¹I know every bird ¹ of the mountains,
and the creatures of the ¹ fields are mine.

¹²**If I were hungry, I ¹ would not tell you,
for the whole world is mine and all ¹ that is in it.**

¹³Do you think I eat the ¹ flesh of bulls,
or drink the ¹ blood of goats?

¹⁴Offer to God a sacrifice ¹ of thanksgiving
and make good your vows to ¹ the Most High.

¹⁵**Call upon me in the ¹ day of trouble;
I will deliver you, and you shall ¹ honor me.**

SECOND READING: Romans 4:13-25

¹³The promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. ¹⁴If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. ¹⁵For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation.

¹⁶For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, ¹⁷as it is written, “I have made you the father of many nations”)—in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist. ¹⁸Hoping against hope, he believed that he would become “the father of many nations,” according to what was said, “So numerous shall your descendants be.” ¹⁹He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was already as good as dead (for he was about a hundred years old), or when he considered the barrenness of Sarah’s womb. ²⁰No distrust made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, ²¹being fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised. ²²Therefore his faith “was reckoned to him as righteousness.” ²³Now the words, “it was reckoned to him,” were written not for his sake alone, ²⁴but for ours also. It will be reckoned to us who believe in him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead, ²⁵who was handed over to death for our trespasses and was raised for our justification.

Word of God, Word of Life...**Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL: Matthew 9:9-13, 18-26

Jesus demonstrates God's mercy and power, accepting the unacceptable and curing the incurable. Even the dead receive new life.

⁹As Jesus was walking along, he saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax booth; and he said to him, "Follow me." And he got up and followed him.

¹⁰And as he sat at dinner in the house, many tax collectors and sinners came and were sitting with him and his disciples. ¹¹When the Pharisees saw this, they said to his disciples, "Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?" ¹²But when he heard this, he said, "Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. ¹³Go and learn what this means, 'I desire mercy, not sacrifice.' For I have come to call not the righteous but sinners."

¹⁸While he was saying these things to them, suddenly a leader of the synagogue came in and knelt before him, saying, "My daughter has just died; but come and lay your hand on her, and she will live." ¹⁹And Jesus got up and followed him, with his disciples. ²⁰Then suddenly a woman who had been suffering from hemorrhages for twelve years came up behind him and touched the fringe of his cloak, ²¹for she said to herself, "If I only touch his cloak, I will be made well." ²²Jesus turned, and seeing her he said, "Take heart, daughter; your faith has made you well." And instantly the woman was made well. ²³When Jesus came to the leader's house and saw the flute players and the crowd making a commotion, ²⁴he said, "Go away; for the girl is not dead but sleeping." And they laughed at him. ²⁵But when the crowd had been put outside, he went in and took her by the hand, and the girl got up. ²⁶And the report of this spread throughout that district.

Sermon Pastor Kristin Ostercamp

Hymn of the Day *"Amazing Love" printed in back pages*

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, 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

Blessing

The God of all, who raised Jesus from the dead, bless you by the power of the Holy Spirit to live in the new creation. **Amen.**

Sending Song "Shout to the Lord" ELW #821

Dismissal Go in peace. Serve the Risen One. **Thanks be to God.**

Post-service Music

WELCOME! ZION'S LAY MINISTRY/ÉVANGELISM 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 LEADERS/ASSISTANTS

Pastor: Kristin Ostercamp Pianist: Laura Rude Organist: Marie Longo

Greeters: Dale & Mavis Newton Reader: Jamie Bakken

Ushers: Gordy & Margo Peterson

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 Clayton Mathson & Clair Mathson by Inez Mathson

ZION'S WEBSITE for June is sponsored by Zion Memorials.

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

WEDNESDAY WORSHIP Supper served at 5:30 and Worship at 6:15 PM.

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

June 1-4 income: \$4,298.

May 1-31 income: \$25,970. Electronic sign donations \$20,201.

2023 Budget \$340,444. \$6,547. needed per week to meet budgeted expenses.

VANCO ELECTRONIC GIVING forms are in the wall rack by the office door. You can also set up contributions thru the link on Zion's website, or contact the church office.

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. *Thank you to all who have directed dollars!*

THE GROCERIES TO GO & HANDYMAN PROGRAMS are available through our church. If you need this service or would like to be a volunteer for grocery delivery, call the church office at 218-681-3296 and Darlene will get back to you.

LSS RESPITE CARE - Thursdays, 2:00 to 4:30 PM in the Lounge. For more info or to sign up please contact Lutheran Social Service at 866-787-9802.

SAVE THE DATE Vacation Bible School led by Pathways Staff will be held August 6-10th.

Check out the Youth Bulletin Board for information on Pathways Bible Camp and the 2024 ELCA Youth Gathering July 16-20 in New Orleans.

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PARISH HEALTH -

WE ARE NOT ALONE. God is with us, loving Father who will never leave us alone. John 16: 32-33

There are times in everyone's life when we feel alone. Teenagers often feel alone thinking their parents don't understand them, they don't fit in with the popular crowd in school, or they aren't not sure they even like themselves. The elderly can feel alone when they have lost many of their friends; they may have lost a spouse or child. They may have had to sell their home or had to move into a nursing home far from family.

Young mothers can feel alone, unsure of their ability to cope with a newborn and without the stimulation of adult conversation. When all the children have left the home, the parents often feel alone, wondering who they are now when their parenting days are over. Retirees often have a sense of loss of identity. When tragedy strikes, we can even feel abandoned by God. Jesus is speaking to the apostles in this passage knowing that they will abandon him and scatter in fear, leaving him alone. However, he is also telling them that he is not alone; the Father is with him and will not abandon him. Even when he quotes Psalm 22 while he hangs on the cross, he is stating his firm belief that he is not alone, his Father who has been with him all along, is with him even then. It is the same with us. No matter what is going on in our lives, God is with us, a loving Father who will never leave us alone. The verse Isaiah 49 let's us know that "Though a mother may forget her child I will not abandon you." If we are feeling alone, turn to the Lord. Close your eyes, sit in a favorite chair, picture the Father's presence beside you and breathe in his love.

Taken from King James Bible App.

May we always be aware of his loving presence in good times and in bad, and give him thanks and praise. God's Peace and Blessing. Parish Health.

SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK:

Today, Sunday, June 11:

9:00 Zion Worship/ Broadcast ch. 3; KTRF
10 July Sharing Servants in lounge
10 Coffee fellowship in lounge
10:30 Silver Creek Worship
12 Zion broadcast on cable ch. 37

Monday, June 12:

9 SAIL exercise

Tuesday, June 13:

9-1 Faith Community Nurse Office hours
11-1 RSVP in Patio Room
5:30 Education meeting

Wednesday, June 14:

5:30 Supper
6:15 Worship

Thursday, June 15:

9 SAIL Exercise
2:00-4:30 Respite Care in Lounge

Friday, June 16 :

Church offices closed

Next Sunday, June 18:

9:00 Zion Holy Communion Worship/
Broadcast ch. 3; KTRF
10 Coffee fellowship in lounge
10:30 Silver Creek Holy Communion Wor-
ship
12 Zion broadcast on cable ch. 37