INTRODUCTION
God does not promise that the path of the disciple will be easy. Jeremiah feels the pain of rejection from those who do not want to hear what he has to say. Jesus declares that his words may bring stark division. Even so, we need not be afraid for God accounts for each hair on our heads. Though we may experience rejection, frustration, division, and death, God's grace and love make us a new creation each day. Marked with the cross and filled with holy food, we are sent from worship to witness to Christ in the world.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE  Caricature of a Sunday School Hymn (Jesus Loves Me)   Arr. Wood

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS
P:  Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, whose steadfast love is everlasting, whose faithfulness endures from generation to generation.
C:  Amen.
P:  Trusting in the mercy of God, let us confess our sin.
(Silence is kept for reflection.)

P:  Reconciling God,
C:  we confess that we do not trust your abundance, and we deny your presence in our lives. We place our hope in ourselves and rely on our own efforts. We fail to believe that you provide enough for all. We abuse your good creation for our own benefit. We fear difference and do not welcome others as you have welcomed us. We sin in thought, word, and deed. By your grace, forgive us; through your love, renew us; and in your Spirit, lead us; so that we may live and serve you in newness of life. Amen.
P:  Beloved of God, by the radical abundance of divine mercy we have peace with God through + Christ Jesus, through whom we have obtained grace upon grace. Our sins are forgiven. Let us live now in hope. For hope does not disappoint, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit.
C:  Amen.

HYMN Red hymnal #660  Lift High the Cross

KYRIE  Music in Red hymnal on page 120
P:  In peace, let us pray to the Lord.
C: Lord, have mercy.
P: For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.
C: Lord, have mercy.
P: For the peace of the whole world, for the well being of the church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.
C: Lord, have mercy.
P: For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.
C: Lord, have mercy.
P: Help, save, comfort and defend us, gracious Lord.
C: Amen.

HYMN OF PRAISE

Music in Red hymnal on page 121 and 122

Refrain Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God’s people on earth.

1. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

Refrain Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God’s people on earth.

2. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.

Refrain Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God’s people on earth.

3. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Refrain Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God’s people on earth.

GREETING / PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray . . .

C: Teach us, good Lord God, to serve you as you deserve, to give and not to count the cost, to fight and not to heed the wounds, to toil and not to seek for rest, to labor and not to ask for reward, except that of knowing that we do your will, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

SPECIAL MUSIC Lisa Sebastian, vocal solo
FIRST READING: Jeremiah 20:7-13
R: 7 O LORD, you have enticed me, and I was enticed; you have overpowered me, and you have prevailed. I have become a laughingstock all day long; everyone mocks me. 8 For whenever I speak, I must cry out, I must shout, "Violence and destruction!" For the word of the LORD has become for me a reproach and derision all day long. 9 If I say, "I will not mention him, or speak any more in his name," then within me there is something like a burning fire shut up in my bones; I am weary with holding it in, and I cannot. 10 For I hear many whispering: "Terror is all around! Denounce him! Let us denounce him!" All my close friends are watching for me to stumble. "Perhaps he can be enticed, and we can prevail against him, and take our revenge on him." 11 But the LORD is with me like a dread warrior; therefore my persecutors will stumble, and they will not prevail. They will be greatly shamed, for they will not succeed. Their eternal dishonor will never be forgotten. 12 O LORD of hosts, you test the righteous, you see the heart and the mind; let me see your retribution upon them, for to you I have committed my cause. 13 Sing to the LORD; praise the LORD! For he has delivered the life of the needy from the hands of evildoers.

R: The word of the Lord.
C: Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING: Romans 6:1b-11
R: 1b Should we continue in sin in order that grace may abound? 2 By no means! How can we who died to sin go on living in it? 3 Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? 4 Therefore we have been buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life. 5 For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. 6 We know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body of sin might be destroyed, and we might no longer be enslaved to sin. 7 For whoever has died is freed from sin. 8 But if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. 9 We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. 10 The death he died, he died to sin, once for all; but the life he lives, he lives to God. 11 So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

R: The word of the Lord.
C: Thanks be to God.
GOSPEL ACCLAMATION
    Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life.

HOLY GOSPEL
P: The Gospel according to Matthew 10:24-39
C: Glory to you, O Lord.

P: [Jesus said to the twelve:] 24"A disciple is not above the teacher, nor a slave above
the master; 25it is enough for the disciple to be like the teacher, and the slave like the
master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they
malign those of his household! 26So have no fear of them; for nothing is covered up that
will not be uncovered, and nothing secret that will not become known. 27What I say to
you in the dark, tell in the light; and what you hear whispered, proclaim from the
housetops. 28Do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; rather fear
him who can destroy both soul and body in hell. 29Are not two sparrows sold for a
penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground apart from your Father. 30And even
the hairs of your head are all counted. 31So do not be afraid; you are of more value than
many sparrows. 32Everyone therefore who acknowledges me before others, I also will
acknowledge before my Father in heaven; 33but whoever denies me before others, I also
will deny before my Father in heaven. 34Do not think that I have come to bring peace to
the earth; I have not come to bring peace, but a sword. 35For I have come to set a man
against his father, and a daughter against her mother, and a daughter-in-law against her
mother-in-law; 36and one's foes will be members of one's own household. 37Whoever
loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever loves son or
daughter more than me is not worthy of me; 38and whoever does not take up the cross
and follow me is not worthy of me. 39Those who find their life will lose it, and those
who lose their life for my sake will find it."

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

CHILDREN’S SERMON

SERMON Pastor Jeff Glawe

HYMN Red hymnal #732

Borning Cry
RESPONSE TO GOD’S WORD

APOSTLE’S CREED
P: Let us confess our faith.
C: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, his 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 again 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 THE CHURCH (Response after each petition)
P: Lord in your mercy,
C: Hear our prayer . . .

LORD’S PRAYER
C: 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.

OFFERING—INVITATION—God’s Work Continues

OFFERING SONG  Red hymnal #583
C: Take my life, that I may be consecrated, Lord, to Thee;
take my moments and my days, let them flow in ceaseless praise.

Take my silver and my gold, not a mite would I withhold:
take my intellect and use every power as thou shalt choose.

Take my life, that I may be consecrated, Lord, to Thee;
take my moments and my days, let them flow in ceaseless praise.
BLESSING
P: Neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus. God, the creator, + Jesus, the Christ, and the Holy Spirit, the comforter, bless you and keep you in eternal love.
C: Amen.

HYMN Red hymnal #661 I Love to Tell the Story

DISMISSAL
P: What is the mission of Zion Lutheran Church?
C: The mission of Zion Lutheran Church is: “Serving Christ through serving others.”
P: Go in peace. Christ is with you.
C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE We Know that Christ is Raised Arr. Hobby

Prayer concerns for Zion's prayer chain may be submitted to the church office by calling 1 937 667-3110 or e-mail.

OFFERING 6/14
Total Unified Giving: $5,510.00
Total Building: $445.00

Staff
Pastor Jeff Glawe, Pastor; Terri Darrah, Choir Director;
Lori Sebastian, Organist; Jackie Glawe, Christian Education Director;
Linda Short, Office Manager; Susan Rambeau, Treasurer; Tina Putnam, Sexton
TREASURER’S REPORT:  Month of April 2020 Finances  
Unified Giving:  29,557.05  
Expenses:  $19,998.85  
Building Fund Giving:  $1,828.72  
Mortgage Payment:  $2,500.00  

**Building Fund Balance:**  $32,100.11

If you desire more detailed financial information there are ten copies of the balance sheet and income statement for the month of April 2020 on the table as you leave the sanctuary.  If you have any questions please bring them to our next Council meeting.

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**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**MISSION OF THE MONTH / Socks for Seniors**
Since 2002, Socks for Seniors hosts an annual sock drive throughout the United States. Community organizations across America are becoming involved by collecting adult socks to be distributed to senior centers and nursing facilities. Many of the residents have no funds to purchase needed items and socks are one of those most needed items.

*What kind of socks should you collect?* The funnier, funkier styles you can find - holiday themed, bright colors, animals, patterned. One recipient of socks replied, “We’re just old, not dead and we still have a sense of humor!”  **Also needed are traditional tube socks. Please avoid socks that have individual toes.** There will be a laundry basket and display in the lobby inside Zion’s Walnut Street entrance. If you cannot shop for socks, feel free to leave a donation and the shopping will be done for you. Socks should be placed in the laundry basket and monetary donations should be given to Linda in the office.

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**F.Y.I.**  During the Summer there will be no Newsletter for July. If you need something announced it can be put in the bulletin or on the website. Please contact the church office with regard to information for the bulletin by Tuesday of each week.