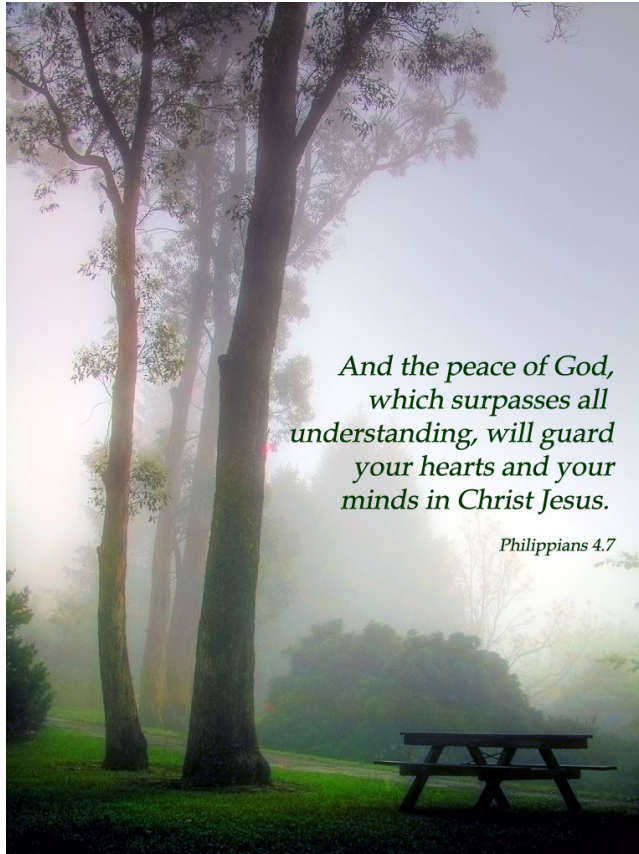


**Time After Pentecost  
October 11, 2020**



*And the peace of God,  
which surpasses all  
understanding, will guard  
your hearts and your  
minds in Christ Jesus.*

*Philippians 4.7*

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## INTRODUCTION

*In Isaiah we are given a vision of the great feast to come, when God will wipe away death forever. In Jesus' parable about a great banquet, those invited do not come, so the invitation is extended to others. In our liturgy God spreads a table before us. Even amid anxiety and hardship we rejoice in the peace of God which surpasses all understanding. With great joy we feast at the table of the Lord, and we go forth to share the wonderful invitation with others hungering and thirsting for the abundant life of God.*

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### PRELUDE

*My Hope is Built on Nothing Less*

Arr. Bottomley

## CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who creates, redeems, and sustains us and all of creation.

C: **Amen.**

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

P: Faithful God,

C: **have mercy on us. We confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We turn from your loving embrace and go our own ways. We pass judgment on one another before examining ourselves. We place our own needs before those of our neighbors. We keep your gift of salvation to ourselves. Make us humble, cast away our transgressions, and turn us again to life in you through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

P: God hears the cries of all who call out in need, and through his death and resurrection, Christ has made us his own. Hear the truth that God proclaims: Your sins are forgiven in the name of + Jesus Christ. Led by the Holy Spirit, live in freedom and newness to do God's work in the world.

C: **Amen.**

## HYMN #888

*O Beautiful for Spacious Skies*

## KYRIE

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 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**

*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: Amen.**

### **THE WORD**

**FIRST READING: Isaiah 25:1-9**

**Kervyn Mach**

R: <sup>1</sup>O LORD, you are my God; I will exalt you, I will praise your name; for you have done wonderful things, plans formed of old, faithful and sure. <sup>2</sup>For you have made the city a heap, the fortified city a ruin; the palace of aliens is a city no more, it will

never be rebuilt. <sup>3</sup>Therefore strong peoples will glorify you; cities of ruthless nations will fear you. <sup>4</sup>For you have been a refuge to the poor, a refuge to the needy in their distress, a shelter from the rainstorm and a shade from the heat. When the blast of the ruthless was like a winter rainstorm, <sup>5</sup>the noise of aliens like heat in a dry place, you subdued the heat with the shade of clouds; the song of the ruthless was stilled. <sup>6</sup>On this mountain the LORD of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wines, of rich food filled with marrow, of well-aged wines strained clear. <sup>7</sup>And he will destroy on this mountain the shroud that is cast over all peoples, the sheet that is spread over all nations; <sup>8</sup>he will swallow up death forever. Then the Lord GOD will wipe away the tears from all faces, and the disgrace of his people he will take away from all the earth, for the LORD has spoken. <sup>9</sup>It will be said on that day, Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him, so that he might save us. This is the LORD for whom we have waited; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.

R: The word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

## **SECOND READING: Philippians 4:1-9**

**Kervyn Mach**

R: <sup>1</sup>My brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved. <sup>2</sup>I urge Euodia and I urge Syntyche to be of the same mind in the Lord. <sup>3</sup>Yes, and I ask you also, my loyal companion, help these women, for they have struggled beside me in the work of the gospel, together with Clement and the rest of my co-workers, whose names are in the book of life. <sup>4</sup>Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. <sup>5</sup>Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. <sup>6</sup>Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. <sup>7</sup>And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. <sup>8</sup>Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. <sup>9</sup>Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.

R: The word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

## **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

C: **Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia.**

**Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life.  
Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia.**

### **HOLY GOSPEL**

**P:** The Gospel according to **Matthew 22:1-14**

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

**P:** <sup>1</sup>Once more Jesus spoke to them in parables, saying: <sup>2</sup>"The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding banquet for his son. <sup>3</sup>He sent his slaves to call those who had been invited to the wedding banquet, but they would not come. <sup>4</sup>Again he sent other slaves, saying, 'Tell those who have been invited: Look, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready; come to the wedding banquet.' <sup>5</sup>But they made light of it and went away, one to his farm, another to his business, <sup>6</sup>while the rest seized his slaves, mistreated them, and killed them. <sup>7</sup>The king was enraged. He sent his troops, destroyed those murderers, and burned their city. <sup>8</sup>Then he said to his slaves, 'The wedding is ready, but those invited were not worthy. <sup>9</sup>Go therefore into the main streets, and invite everyone you find to the wedding banquet.' <sup>10</sup>Those slaves went out into the streets and gathered all whom they found, both good and bad; so the wedding hall was filled with guests. <sup>11</sup>But when the king came in to see the guests, he noticed a man there who was not wearing a wedding robe, <sup>12</sup>and he said to him, 'Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding robe?' And he was speechless. <sup>13</sup>Then the king said to the attendants, 'Bind him hand and foot, and throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.' <sup>14</sup>For many are called, but few are chosen."

**P:** The Gospel of the Lord.

**C:** **Praise to you, O Christ.**

**SERMON** Pastor Jeff Glawe

**HYMN #719**

*Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life*

### **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**

**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:** Mothering God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you and lead you into the way of truth and life.

**C:** Amen.

**HYMN #536**

*God Be with You Till We Meet Again*

**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. Remember the poor.  
 C: **Thanks be to God.**

**COMMITMENT TIME TO GOD**

**POSTLUDE** *Let All Things Now Living* Arr. Keesecker

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

**10/3 & 10/4**

**Total Attendance:** 64  
 Unified Giving: \$5,137.00  
 Building Fund: \$ 440.00

<b>TREASURER’S REPORT:</b>	<b><u>June 2020</u></b>	<b><u>July 2020</u></b>
Unified Giving:	\$17,769.00	\$15,102.50
Expenses:	\$19,843.20	\$12,435.84
Building Fund Giving :	\$ 2,223.97	\$ 1,928.85
Mortgage Payment:	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,500.00
<b>Building Fund Balance:</b>	<b>\$31,437.68</b>	<b>\$30,866.53</b>

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

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**MISSION OF THE MONTH: *What is Operation Christmas Child?***

The Samaritan’s Purse project Operation Christmas Child collects shoeboxes—, filled with school supplies, hygiene items, fun toys and notes of encouragement—and delivers them to children in need around the world to demonstrate God’s love in a tangible way. The Women of Zion have purchased 50 plastic shoebox size containers for

the people of Zion to fill with Christmas gifts for children living in poverty overseas. These gifts not only bring hope they bring the Gospel of Jesus to each child through the Samaritan's Purse organization. Please pick up an empty box (or two) and a "What to Pack" brochure located on the table under the youth board. (or you can use a regular shoebox or buy a container.

### **DO YOU WANT TO BE A SECRET SISTER?**

The Women of Zion will not be holding their annual Christmas dinner this year. But we won't let covid stop our fun! To be a Secret Sister this is what you need to do:

E-mail Linda Holt if you want to participate: [ljhbrass@frontier.com](mailto:ljhbrass@frontier.com) or [ljhbrass1@gmail.com](mailto:ljhbrass1@gmail.com).

You will be matched with another woman who is participating and you and she will become Secret Sisters.

Beginning on **Sunday November 15 and through Sunday December 6**, put a small gift in her mailbox at church. Of course, don't reveal your identity! Gifts should be inexpensive inspirational items (bookmarks, pens, notecards, etc.), candy, Christmas ornaments or anything that you think your Secret Sister might enjoy. Put the item in her mailbox at church. You can drop it off through the week during office hours or at worship services on Saturday or Sunday.

On **Sunday December 13**, the Women of Zion will hold a "reveal party". (Social distancing and masks, please!) You will exchange a larger gift (\$10.00 or less). Details for this will come later.

We hope you will join us to continue and encourage connections with our sisters! For more information, contact Linda Holt – 947-2093.

**THE WOMEN OF ZION** will be accepting donations to defray the cost of shipping the nearly 100 handmade quilts our Zion Quilters have made this year, the ELCA school kits and the ELCA health kits that our members have donated. Last year's shipping cost for Zion's donations was over \$500 and most of that was paid for by your generous donations. Look for the shipping donation jar on the table outside the Fellowship Hall. If you choose to write a check, please make it payable to **Women of Zion**.

**COMMUNION SCHEDULE**—**Saturday worship** is going back to celebrating communion on the 4th Saturday of the month . Also, on the **4th Saturday of the month**, we will have drive by communion available right after the Saturday service 5:45 pm—6:00 pm. Starting in October, for the Sunday worship service, communion will be celebrated on the **first and third Sundays** of the month.



## **2021 WALL CALENDAR SALE**

This sale is to benefit the Zion Youth Group. We have sold them in the past and the price is \$7.00. Please watch for the calendars.

## **ADDRESS CHANGE**

Please make the following change in your Photo Directory:

**May Fischvogt**

85 Floral Acres

Tipp City, OH 45371

(Same phone number)

## **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*