# Sunday Worship Time after Pentecost



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#### INTRODUCTION

Invited and inviting—that is the nature of the church. By God's grace in holy baptism we have a place at Christ's banquet table. When, by the power of that same Spirit, humility and mutual love continue among us, the church can be more inviting still.

#### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE Prayer of St. Francis Arr. Mossing

#### **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, whose steadfast love endures forever.

C: Amen.

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

Silence is kept for reflection.

P: Merciful God,

C: we confess that we have not followed your path but have chosen our own way. Instead of putting others before ourselves, we long to take the best seats at the table. When met by those in need, we have too often passed by on the other side. Set us again on the path of life. Save us from ourselves and free us to love our neighbors. Amen.

P: Hear the good news! God does not deal with us according to our sins but delights in granting pardon and mercy. In the name of + Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. You are free to love as God loves.

C: Amen.

# **HYMN** Red hymnal #484

You Satisfy the Hungry Heart

# KYRIE Music on page 138

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 on page 140**

C: This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. Power, riches, wisdom, and strength, and honor, blessing, and glory are his. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation: Blessing, honor, glory, and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. For the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign. Alleluia. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

# **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: O God, you resist those who are proud and give grace to those who are humble. Give us the humility of your Son, that we may embody the generosity of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

#### THE WORD

# FIRST READING: Proverbs 25:6-7

R: <sup>6</sup>Do not put yourself forward in the king's presence or stand in the place of the great;

for it is better to be told, "Come up here,"

than to be put lower in the presence of a noble.

R: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

# SECOND READING: Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16

R: <sup>1</sup>Let mutual love continue. <sup>2</sup>Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it. <sup>3</sup>Remember those who are in prison, as though you were in prison with them; those who are being tortured, as though you yourselves were being tortured. <sup>4</sup>Let marriage be held in honor by all, and let the marriage bed be kept undefiled; for God will judge fornicators and adulterers. <sup>5</sup>Keep your lives free from the love of money, and be content with what you have; for he has said, "I will never leave you or forsake you." <sup>6</sup>So we can say with confidence,

"The Lord is my helper;

I will not be afraid.

What can anyone do to me?"

<sup>7</sup>Remember your leaders, those who spoke the word of God to you; consider the outcome of their way of life, and imitate their faith. <sup>8</sup>Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever. <sup>15</sup>Through him, then, let us continually offer a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that confess his name. <sup>16</sup>Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.

R: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

# **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

C: Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia. Alleluia.

# **HOLY GOSPEL**

P: The Gospel according to Luke 14:1, 7-14

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

P: <sup>1</sup>On one occasion when Jesus was going to the house of a leader of the Pharisees to eat a meal on the sabbath, they were watching him closely. <sup>7</sup>When he noticed how the guests chose the places of honor, he told them a parable. <sup>8</sup>"When you are invited by someone to a wedding banquet, do not sit down at the place of honor, in case someone more distinguished than you has been invited

by your host; <sup>9</sup>and the host who invited both of you may come and say to you, 'Give this person your place,' and then in disgrace you would start to take the lowest place. <sup>10</sup>But when you are invited, go and sit down at the lowest place, so that when your host comes, he may say to you, 'Friend, move up higher'; then you will be honored in the presence of all who sit at the table with you. <sup>11</sup>For all who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted."

<sup>12</sup>He said also to the one who had invited him, "When you give a luncheon or a dinner, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or rich neighbors, in case they may invite you in return, and you would be repaid. <sup>13</sup>But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind. <sup>14</sup>And you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you, for you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous."

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

CHILDREN'S SERMON

**SERMON** Pastor Dale Schaefer

**HYMN** Red hymnal #523

Let Us Go Now to the Banquet

# **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 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: The God of peace, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you, comfort you, and show you the path of life this day and always.

C: Amen.

**HYMN** Red hymnal #733

Great is Thy Faithfulness

#### 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. Love your neighbor.

C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE Gift of Finest Wheat Arr. Callahan

# In Helpful Service

Pastor Dale Schaefer Acolyte Alex Garvic

Greeter Jack & Sharon Byrd

Reader Kervyn Mach Usher Brad Kennedy

The altar flowers are given to the honor and glory of God by Joe & Shirley Delaplane in celebration of their 48th anniversary.

Prayer concerns for Zion's prayer chain may be submitted using a 'Prayer Request' card from the pew rack.

OFFERING 8/20 & 8/21 TOTAL ATTENDANCE: 104

Total Unified Giving: \$1,585.00 Total Building: \$1,067.00

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

# **REMINDERS FOR NEXT SATURDAY & SUNDAY—**

- □ **Food Pantry Collection** is the first Sunday of every month. Donations of non-perishable food items can be placed in the green barrel in the Walnut Street entrance. Needy Baskets picks up the items and distributes the food to those in need in our community.
- □ **Thank Offering** will be collected in the back of the church by the Women of Zion. Money will be used to support the Good Samaritan Fund here at Zion which assists those in our community who need help paying rent, utilities, medical, gas etc.

# **WORSHIP SCHEDULES**

Last week a clip board was passed around during worship. Those of you who signed up to help during Sunday worship services in October will find a schedule in your mailbox here at Zion. Please pick up your schedule and mark your calendars. Thank you to those of you who offered to serve.

# MISSION OF THE MONTH: Lutheran World Relief School Kits

These kits will be shipped overseas to help children learn, in disadvantaged areas. Each school kit needs the following items:

One 30-centimeter ruler, with centimeters on one side and inches on the other. Five unsharpened No. 2 pencils with erasers; secured together with a rubber band. Four 70-sheet notebooks of wide ruled paper. No loose leaf paper. One pencil sharpener, One box of 16 or 24 crayons, One 2 ½ " eraser, One pair blunt scissors, (no pointed scissors). Five black or blue ballpoint pens (no gel ink); secured together with a rubber band. Stop by the church doors on Walnut St. and pick up a School backpack to get started, and fill the School Kit with necessary items above. Any questions, ask Action Team Leader Kathy Groth. Thanks for your help. A "packing party" will be held on Sunday, 9/11. Thrivent Financial is sponsoring \$250.00 for our Action Team shoppers/packers of School Kits. The backpacks purchased by Women of Zion and Thrivent Financial are already here.

#### SHIPPING COSTS

Donations are being accepted for quilts, health kits and school kits which will be shipped out in October. Each health kit costs \$2.65 to ship; school kits are \$1.40; quilts are \$2.25 each. If you choose to write a check, please make it payable to: **Women of Zion.** Look for the donation jar in the lounge area.

#### **RALLY DAY**

Sunday School will begin on Sunday 9/11. Teachers and teachers helpers are needed. All teachers and helpers need to be background checked. If you are able to help out please sign up in the hall or talk to Jessica Dorn.

# **FAMILY FUN NIGHTS**

I would like to start back up the Family Fun Nights here at Zion. They would take place once a month after Saturday's worship. The evening will include food, a movie, board games, and anything else the Family Fun Team can dream up. If you are interested in helping out please contact Jessica Dorn.

# **COMMUNION SCHEDULE**

September's schedule is as follows: Sunday: 9/18 & Saturday: 9/24

# YES! There will be a Mum Festival Garage Sale in Zion's Fellowship Hall! Thursday & Friday, September 22 & 23

We need donations - furniture, toys, kitchen items, jewelry, linens, books, DVD's, CD's, tools, sporting goods, seasonal decorations, garden items, home decor, etc. We ask that all donated items be in **good, clean condition and in working order**. **We Do NOT accept** clothing, bed pillows, TVs, treadmills or large exercise equipment, estate or garage sale leftovers.

Donations can be brought to the Fellowship Hall beginning Saturday, September 17 before or after the 5:00 service, Sunday, Sept. 18 after service until 4:00, Monday and Tuesday, Sept. 19 & 20 until noon. The last day to bring in donations is noon on Tuesday, Sept. 20. If you need an item picked up, call Bob Keppel (937-689-3892).

We also need many folks to help with setting up the sale, picking up items, pricing, working the days of the sale and cleaning up when the sale is over. Look for the signup sheet in the hallway.

# Prayer of St. Francis of Assisi (Prayer for Peace)

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace: where there is hatred, let me sow love; where there is injury, pardon; where there is doubt, faith; where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light; where there is sadness, joy.

O divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled as to console, to be understood as to understand, to be loved as to love.

For it is in giving that we receive, it is in pardoning that we are pardoned, and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life.