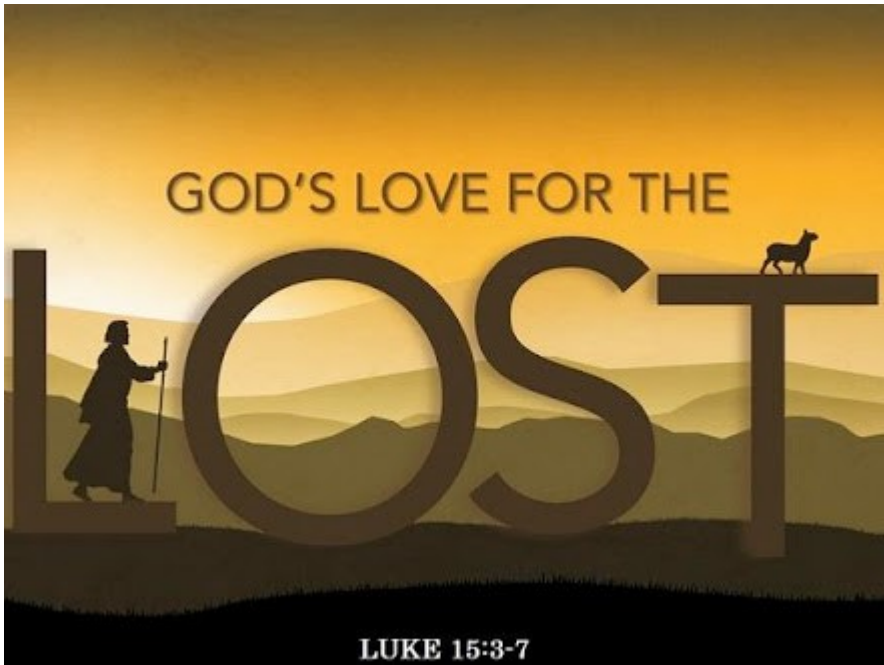


**Sunday Worship
Time After Pentecost
September 11, 2022**



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WELCOME TO OUR WORSHIP CELEBRATION

Thanks for coming to be with us at Zion Lutheran Church. If this is your first visit, or if you worship here regularly, we are delighted that you chose to share with us. We worship together on Saturday at 5:00 p.m. and Sunday at 10:00 a.m. If you have a "prayer request" or a "praise report", please let the pastor know. God bless you on your journey of faith.

INTRODUCTION

The grumbling of the religious leaders in today's gospel is actually our holy hope: This Jesus welcomes sinners and eats with them. That our God seeks and saves the lost is not only a holy hope, it is our only hope. As the writer of 1 Timothy reminds us, "The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners." Thanks be to God.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

Amazing Grace

Arr. Ham

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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

C: **Amen.**

P: Dear friends, together let us acknowledge our failure to love this world as Jesus does.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P: God of mercy and forgiveness,

C: **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.**

P: 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.

C: **Amen.**

HYMN Red hymnal #807

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

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, 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: From God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ, grace and peace be with you all.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray . . .

C: 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.

CHANCEL CHOIR / Memorial for Fred Aller

Director: Bill Jones

It is Well with My Soul

Composer: Horatio G. Spafford; setting by John Ness Beck

THE WORD

FIRST READING: Exodus 32:7-14

R: 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.

R: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING: 1 Timothy 1:12-17

R: 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

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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.

R: The word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Red hymnal #512

C: **Lord, let my heart be good soil, open to the seed of your word.
Lord, let my heart be good soil, where love can grow and peace
is understood. When my heart is hard, break the stone away. When
my heart is cold, warm it with the day. When my heart is lost, lead
me on your way. Lord, let my heart, Lord, let my heart, Lord, let my
heart be good soil.**

HOLY GOSPEL

P: The Gospel according to **Luke 15:1-10**

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

P: 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: ⁴Which 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.

⁸Or 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."

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

CHILDREN'S SERMON

SERMON Pastor Dale Schaefer

HYMN Red Hymnal #779 *Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound*

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 #674 *Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ*

C: Let us talents and tongues employ, reaching out with a shout of joy:

Bread is broken, the wine is poured, Christ is spoken and seen and heard.

Refrain: Jesus lives again, earth can breathe again, pass the Word around: loaves abound!

Jesus lives again, earth can breathe again, pass the Word around: loaves abound!

BLESSING

P: 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.

C: Amen.

HYMN Red hymnal #608

Softly and Tenderly, Jesus is Calling

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, with Christ beside you.

C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

O God Beyond All Praising (Thaxted)

Arr. Portman

In Helpful Service

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| Pastor | Dale Schaefer |
| Acolyte | Alex Garvic |
| Greeter | Chuck & Erma Swanson |
| Reader | Chris Frame |
| Usher | Garry Yunker |

*The altar flowers are given to the honor and glory of God
by Barb Zimmer in memory of her daughter Pam.*

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

OFFERING 9/3 & 9/4

Total Unified Giving: \$4,795.00

Total Building: \$1,217.00

TOTAL ATTENDANCE: 98

BUILDING FUND UPDATE: Of the \$25,000 needed to pay off the mortgage, we have raised \$14, 323. We are headed in the right direction and thank all of you who have contributed to the fund.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

MISSION OF THE MONTH: Abuse Shelter

Due to Covid the Abuse Shelter has switched to paper products. They are requesting paper products of any kind such as: Toilet paper, tissues, paper plates, bowl & cups, plastic ware etc. They are also in need of towels, washcloths, pajamas size 2T—adult and nightgowns. They have plenty of newborn sizes. Thrivent monies will be accessed to help with this project.

MUM FESTIVAL GARAGE SALE: Thursday & Friday, September 22 & 23

We need donations - furniture, toys, kitchen items, jewelry, linens, books, CD's, DVD'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, Sept. 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.

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.

COMMUNION SCHEDULE

September's schedule is as follows: **Sunday, 9/18 — Saturday, 9/24**

FAMILY FUN NIGHTS are coming back to Zion Lutheran Church! On Saturday, October 1 around 6 pm we will meet in the Fellowship Hall for pizza, games and a movie! Please sign up so that we know how much pizza to order. Donations are appreciated in order to help purchase the pizza.

THIS WEEK AT ZION:

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| Sunday, September 11 | 7:00 pm | Women of Zion Mtg. |
| Monday, September 12 | 6:00 pm | Property Committee |
| Tuesday, September 13 | 5:00 pm | Communications/Welcoming Mtg. |
| | 8:00 pm | AA, church basement until 9 pm |
| Wednesday, September 14 | 7:00 pm | Choir Practice |
| Thursday, September 15 | 1:00 pm | Red Cross Blood Drive until 7 pm |
| Saturday, September 17 | 4:30 - | Garage Sale Donations drop off |
| | 6:00 pm | |

BRAT & SAUERKRAUT SUPPER

When: Saturday, October 8 **Hours:** 4 pm—7 pm

Soon a sign up sheet will be posted for help with this event. Please think about where you would like to help and sign up. Tickets this year will be \$8.00 for adults presale, and \$9.00 at the door. Children under 10 are \$5.00. Carryout will be available.

Menu: Brat or Hot Dog, green Beans & Sauerkraut, Applesauce, Mashed Potatoes, Dinner Roll, Pie & Beverage.

Staff

Dale Schaefer, Interim Pastor; Bill Jones & Susie Gray, *Choir Directors*;
Lori Sebastian, *Organist*; Jessica Dorn *Christian Education Director*
Linda Short, *Office Manager*; Sue Rambeau, *Treasurer*; Tina Putnam, *Sexton*