

**June 9, 2024**

**Time After Pentecost**



"And if a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand."

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## WELCOME TO OUR WORSHIP CELEBRATION!

Thanks for coming to be with us at Zion Lutheran Church. If you are visiting with us for the first time, will you please fill out a visitor card, available in the pew rack in front of you, and drop it in the offering plate. Whether this is your first visit or 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

*A house divided against itself cannot stand. Jesus makes this observation in light of charges that he is possessed. He is possessed, not by a demon, but by the Holy Spirit. We who have received the Holy Spirit through baptism have been joined to Christ's death and resurrection and knit together in the body of Christ. Those with whom we sing and pray this day are Jesus' family. With them we go forth in peace to do the will of God.*

## WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

### PRELUDE

*Eternal Father, Strong to Save*

Arr. Keesecker

## CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

*All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.*

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, the God of manna, the God of miracles, the God of mercy.

C: **Amen.**

P: Drawn to Christ and seeking God's abundance, let us confess our sin.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

P: God, our provider,

C: **help us. It is hard to believe there is enough to share. We question your ways when they differ from the ways of the world in which we live. We turn to our own understanding rather than trusting in You. We take offense at your teachings and your ways. Turn us again to You. Where else can we turn? Share with us the words of eternal life and feed us for life in the world. Amen.**

P: Beloved people of God: in Jesus, the manna from heaven, you are fed and nourished. By Jesus, the worker of miracles, there is always more than enough. Through Jesus, + the bread of life, you are shown God's mercy:

you are forgiven and loved into abundant life.

**C: Amen**

## **HYMN Red hymnal #504**

*A Mighty Fortress*

### **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 together the Prayer of the Day.

**C: All-powerful God, in Jesus Christ you turned death into life and defeat into victory. Increase our faith and trust in him, that we may triumph over all evil in the strength of the same Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen**

### **RESTORE IN US, O GOD Red Hymnal #328**

Restore in us, O God, the splendor of your love;  
renew your image in our hearts, and all our sins remove.

Bring us, O Christ, to share the fullness of your joy;  
baptize us in the risen life that death cannot destroy.

## **THE WORD**

### **FIRST READING: Genesis 3:8-15**

R: <sup>8</sup>[Adam and Eve] heard the sound of the LORD God walking in the garden at the time of the evening breeze, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God among the trees of the garden. <sup>9</sup>But the LORD God called to the man, and said to him, "Where are you?" <sup>10</sup>He said, "I heard the sound of you in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked; and I hid myself." <sup>11</sup>He said, "Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?" <sup>12</sup>The man said, "The woman whom you gave to be with me, she gave me fruit from the tree, and I ate." <sup>13</sup>Then the LORD God said to the woman, "What is this that you have done?" The woman said, "The serpent tricked me, and I ate." <sup>14</sup>The LORD God said to the serpent, "Because you have done this, cursed are you among all animals and among all wild creatures; upon your belly you shall go, and dust you shall eat all the days of your life. <sup>15</sup>I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and hers; he will strike your head, and you will strike his heel."

R: The word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

**PSALM: Psalm 130**

R: <sup>1</sup>Out of the depths I cry to you, O LORD;

C: <sup>2</sup>**O LORD, hear my voice! Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my supplication.**

R: <sup>3</sup>If you were to keep watch over sins, O LORD, who could stand?

C: <sup>4</sup>**Yet with you is forgiveness, in order that you may be feared.**

R: <sup>5</sup>I wait for you, O LORD; my soul waits; in your word is my hope.

C: <sup>6</sup>**My soul waits for the Lord more than those who keep watch for the morning, more than those who keep watch for the morning.**

R: <sup>7</sup>O Israel, wait for the LORD, for with the LORD there is steadfast love; with the LORD there is plenteous redemption.

C: <sup>8</sup>**For the LORD shall redeem Israel from all their sins.**

**SECOND READING: 2 Corinthians 4:13 - 5:1**

R: <sup>13</sup>But just as we have the same spirit of faith that is in accordance with scripture—"I believed, and so I spoke"—we also believe, and so we speak, <sup>14</sup>because we know that the one who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus, and will bring us with you into his presence. <sup>15</sup>Yes, everything is for your sake, so that grace, as it extends to more and more people, may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God. <sup>16</sup>So we do not lose heart. Even though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed day by day. <sup>17</sup>For this slight momentary affliction is preparing us for an eternal weight of glory beyond all measure, <sup>18</sup>because we look not at what can be seen but at what cannot be seen; for what can be seen is temporary, but what cannot be seen is eternal. <sup>5:1</sup>For we know that if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

R: The word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

**GRACIOUS SPIRIT, HEED OUR PLEADING Red Hymnal #401**

**Gracious Spirit, heed our pleading, fashion us all anew.**

**It's your leading that we're needing, help us to follow you.**

**Come, come, come, Holy Spirit, come.**

**Come, come, come, Holy Spirit, come.**

**Guide our thinking and our speaking done in your holy name.  
Motivate all in their seeking, freeing from guilt and shame.  
Come, come, come, Holy Spirit, come.  
Come, come, come, Holy Spirit, come.**

## **HOLY GOSPEL**

**P:** The Holy Gospel according to **Mark 3:20-35**

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

**P:** [Jesus] went home; <sup>20</sup>and the crowd came together again, so that [Jesus and the disciples] could not even eat. <sup>21</sup>When his family heard it, they went out to restrain him, for people were saying, "He has gone out of his mind." <sup>22</sup>And the scribes who came down from Jerusalem said, "He has Beelzebul, and by the ruler of the demons he casts out demons." <sup>23</sup>And he called them to him, and spoke to them in parables, "How can Satan cast out Satan? <sup>24</sup>If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. <sup>25</sup>And if a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand. <sup>26</sup>And if Satan has risen up against himself and is divided, he cannot stand, but his end has come. <sup>27</sup>But no one can enter a strong man's house and plunder his property without first tying up the strong man; then indeed the house can be plundered. <sup>28</sup>Truly I tell you, people will be forgiven for their sins and whatever blasphemies they utter; <sup>29</sup>but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit can never have forgiveness, but is guilty of an eternal sin"—<sup>30</sup>for they had said, "He has an unclean spirit."  
<sup>31</sup>Then his mother and his brothers came; and standing outside, they sent to him and called him. <sup>32</sup>A crowd was sitting around him; and they said to him, "Your mother and your brothers and sisters are outside, asking for you." <sup>33</sup>And he replied, "Who are my mother and my brothers?" <sup>34</sup>And looking at those who sat around him, he said, "Here are my mother and my brothers! <sup>35</sup>Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother."

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

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

## **CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

**SERMON** Sally Padgett

**HYMN** Red hymnal #785

*When Peace Like a River*

## 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....

### OFFERING—INVITATION—God's Work Continues

OFFERTORY SONG Red hymnal #583 *Take My Life, That I May Be*

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 pow'r 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.

### EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER / WORDS OF INSTITUTION

#### 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.

**INVITATION TO COMMUNION** *(All who confess Jesus as their Lord and Savior and believe in the real presence of Christ in the sacrament are invited to receive Holy Communion.)*

**BLESSING**

P: The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us,  
+ be upon you now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

**HYMN Red hymnal #537**

*On Our Way Rejoicing*

**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. You are the body of Christ

C: **Thanks be to God.**

**POSTLUDE**

*Built on the Rock*

Arr. Hobby

*The altar flowers are given to the honor and glory of God by the Jacobs in celebration of their anniversary.*

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

**In Helpful Service**

Pastor	Sally Padgett
Reader	Chris Frame
Communion Assist	May Fischvogt
Ushers	John & Dianne LeGros
Greeters	Co Holley & Bev Bashore

**Total Attendance: 6/1 & 2: 73**

**Unified Giving: \$4,405.00**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### **JUNE MISSION OF THE MONTH: *Lutheran Outdoor Ministries in Ohio***

We will be collecting your spare change or checks (made payable to Women of Zion) for LOMO (Lutheran Outdoor Ministries in Ohio) to help pay for camper-ships for children and families to attend a summer camp. Camp Luther at Hope-Wood Shores, LMC at HopeWood Pines and HopeWood Connect provide families and youth with opportunities for worship, Bible study, games, crafts, swimming, and other recreational opportunities while in a safe and caring environment. Look for the collection jar at the back of the sanctuary. Any questions contact Deb Keppel.

**RELAY FOR LIFE** The Relay for Life team will have their final meeting before the Relay on **TODAY at 3 pm** in the adult Sunday school room. All team members need to attend. The deadline to order a luminaria is **TODAY**. Cost is \$10 each. See Debbie Rudisill for an order form. Donate online at <http://www.RelayForLife.org/MiamiCounty>. Select Holy Walkamolies for the Cure when asked who you are supporting, or give a check payable to American Cancer Society to any team member by **TODAY**. We thank you for your support.

### **HOW CAN WE PRAY FOR YOU? TOMORROW June 10th.**

It was well received last year so we are bringing it back for one day. There are 2 shifts: 9:00 am until Noon and 3:00 – 6:00 pm. The shifts will be one hour each and we need 3 people to pray each shift. There will be stations in front of and behind the church. Weather permitting. A sign-up sheet is in the fellowship hallway. The congregation is welcome to submit prayer requests to be prayed over that day.

**SIMPLY GIVE** Needy Basket is partnering again with Meijer to provide much-needed relief to local families facing food insecurity through the retailer's customer-driven hunger relief program, Simply Give. Meijer will match \$10 donation cards available at the Troy Meijer store checkout lanes now through **June 29<sup>th</sup>**. In addition, Meijer will double match all customer cards on Saturday, **June 15<sup>th</sup>**, effectively tripling contributions made on this day. If desired, donations can also be sent directly to Needy Basket at 330 S. Fifth St., Tipp City, OH 45371 for inclusion in the double match benefit. For more info or if you are interested in volunteering, call 937-667-1977.

**ZION NIGHT AT THE DRAGONS** All 69 of our tickets are sold.

If you have signed up, please **get your money in ASAP**. There is an envelope on the table in the workroom for the money. Tickets cost \$14 each.