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**Sunday, September 11, 2022**  
**The 14<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**

Prelude  
Tower Bells  
Welcome  
Announcements

*Visitors are welcome and encouraged to note their attendance by filling out the “Welcome” side (blue print) of the pew cards and putting the card into the offering plate.*

*Offerings may be placed in the plates at the entrance before or after worship. Ushers will not pass offering plates between pews.*

Opening Hymn

*O Holy Spirit, Enter In*

**LSB 913**

Confession and Absolution

LSB 184

P: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

P: Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

P: Our help is in the name of the Lord,

**C: who made heaven and earth.**

P: I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

**C: and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

P: O almighty God, merciful Father,

**C: I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.**

P: Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

Service of the Word

Introit Psalm 119:169-176

169 Let my cry come before you, O LORD;  
**give me understanding according to your word!**

170 Let my plea come before you;  
**deliver me according to your word.**

171 My lips will pour forth praise,  
**for you teach me your statutes.**

172 My tongue will sing of your word,  
**for all your commandments are right.**

173 Let your hand be ready to help me,  
**for I have chosen your precepts.**

174 I long for your salvation, O LORD,  
**and your law is my delight.**

175 Let my soul live and praise you,  
**and let your rules help me.**

176 I have gone astray like a lost sheep; seek  
your servant,  
**for I do not forget your commandments.**

Gloria Patri, Kyrie, Gloria in Excelsis, Salutation and Collect of the Day (*sing*) LSB 186-189

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;  
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen**

**Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.**

P: Glory be to God on high:

**and on earth peace, goodwill toward men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we worship Thee, we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory. O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty.**

**O Lord, the only begotten Son, Jesus Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sin of the world, receive our prayer.**

**Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us. For Thou only art holy; Thou only art the Lord. Thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

P: The Lord be with you.

**C: And with thy spirit.**

P: Let us pray.

**ALL: Lord Jesus, You are the Good Shepherd, without whom nothing is secure. Rescue and preserve us that we may not be lost forever but follow You, rejoicing in the way that leads to eternal life; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

First Reading

Ezekiel 34:11-24

11 "For thus says the Lord GOD: Behold, I, I myself will search for my sheep and will seek them out. 12 As a shepherd seeks out his flock when he is among his sheep that have been scattered, so will I seek out my sheep, and I will rescue them from all places where they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. 13 And I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries, and will bring them into their own land. And I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the ravines, and in all the inhabited places of the country. 14 I will feed them with good pasture, and on the mountain heights of Israel shall be their grazing land. There they shall lie down in good grazing land, and on rich pasture they shall feed on the mountains of Israel. 15 I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I myself will make them lie down, declares the Lord GOD. 16 I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak, and the fat and the strong I will destroy. I will feed them in justice.

17 "As for you, my flock, thus says the Lord GOD: Behold, I judge between sheep and sheep, between rams and male goats. 18 Is it not enough for you to feed on the good pasture, that you must tread down with your feet the rest of your pasture; and to drink of clear water, that you must muddy the rest of the water with your feet? 19 And must my sheep eat what you have trodden with your feet, and drink what you have muddied with your feet?

20 "Therefore, thus says the Lord GOD to them: Behold, I, I myself will judge between the fat sheep and the lean sheep. 21 Because you push with side and shoulder, and thrust at all the weak with your horns, till you have scattered them abroad, 22 I will rescue my flock; they shall no longer be a prey. And I will judge between sheep and sheep. 23 And I will set up over them one shepherd, my servant David, and he shall feed them: he shall feed them and be their shepherd. 24 And I, the LORD, will be their God, and my servant David shall be prince among them. I am the LORD; I have spoken.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

Epistle

1 Timothy 1:5-17

5 The aim of our charge is love that issues from a pure heart and a good conscience and a sincere faith. 6 Certain persons, by swerving from these, have wandered away into vain discussion, 7 desiring to be teachers of the law, without understanding either what they are saying or the things about which they make confident assertions.

8 Now we know that the law is good, if one uses it lawfully, 9 understanding this, that the law is not laid down for the just but for the lawless and disobedient, for the ungodly and sinners, for the unholy and profane, for those who strike their fathers and mothers, for murderers, 10 the sexually immoral, men who practice homosexuality, enslavers, liars, perjurers, and whatever else is contrary to sound doctrine, 11 in accordance with the gospel of the glory of the blessed God with which I have been entrusted.

12 I thank him who has given me strength, Christ Jesus our Lord, because he judged me faithful, appointing me to his service, 13 though formerly I was a blasphemer, persecutor, and insolent opponent. But I received mercy because I had acted ignorantly in unbelief, 14 and the grace of our Lord overflowed for me with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. 15 The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am

the foremost. 16 But I received mercy for this reason, that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display his perfect patience as an example to those who were to believe in him for eternal life. 17 To the King of the ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

Alleluia (*sing*)

LSB 190

**Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.**

Holy Gospel

Luke 15:1-10

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the fifteenth chapter.

**C: (*sing*) Glory be to Thee, O Lord.**

1 Now the tax collectors and sinners were all drawing near to hear him. 2 And the Pharisees and the scribes grumbled, saying, "This man receives sinners and eats with them."

3 So he told them this parable: 4 "What man of you, having a hundred sheep, if he has lost one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the open country, and go after the one that is lost, until he finds it? 5 And when he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders, rejoicing. 6 And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and his neighbors, saying to them, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost.' 7 Just 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.

8 "Or what woman, having ten silver coins, if she loses one coin, does not light a lamp and sweep the house and seek diligently until she finds it? 9 And when 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.' 10 Just so, I tell you, there is joy before the angels of God over one sinner who repents."

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C: (*sing*) Praise be to Thee, O Christ.**

Apostles' Creed (*Inside back cover of hymnal*)

Children's Message

Sermon Hymn

*The Lord's My Shepherd, I'll Not Want*

**LSB 710**

Sermon

Offering Hymn

*I Am Jesus' Little Lamb*

**LSB 740**

*(Offering brought forward on last verse.)*

Installation of 2022-2023 Christian Education Staff (*Back cover of the bulletin*)

Prayer of the Zion Lutheran Church

In peace, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

That we may daily recognize how God provides for our every need of body and soul, and praise and thank Him for these gifts from above, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For pastors, that God would bless them in shepherding His people whom He has gathered, and in seeking those who have wandered away, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For the households of this congregation, that all may live in love that issues from a pure heart, a good conscience and a sincere faith, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For those in authority, that the God who appoints princes would remember those He has placed over us and cause them to fulfill their responsibilities according to His Word, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

That the Lord who heals would hear our cries on behalf of all who are in need of strength and deliverance, [*especially \_\_\_\_\_,*] let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For the baptized who have wandered from the household of faith, that God would pursue them as a shepherd seeks lost sheep and strengthen their families to persist in prayer and confidence in His faithfulness, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

With thanksgiving that the Lord brings up the souls of His people from Sheol and restores His people who go down to the pit; and that He would preserve us in faith until we, too, sing His praises in heaven, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

**O Lord, all things are Yours, and You have promised to well supply us with all that we need. Give us courage and faith, that we may give a confident “amen” to these prayers, certain that You will give us all that is good and beneficial to our salvation and preserve us from all things harmful, for the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, through whom, with whom and in whom be all honor and glory, both now and forever. Amen.**

In Our Prayers – *Contact Pastor Rockrohr for changes to the prayer list.*

Luther's Morning Prayer

**I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have kept me this night from all harm and danger; and I pray that You would keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings and life may please You. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.**

Lord's Prayer

LSB 196

Benediction

LSB 202

P: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.

The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.

**C: (sing) Amen, amen, amen.**

Closing Hymn

*Forth in the Peace of Christ We Go*

**LSB 920**

Silent Prayer, Extinguish Candles

Postlude

Depart in His Peace

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## Rite of Installation of Christian Education Staff

P: Dear sisters in Christ, you are to be installed as Christian Education Staff for the 2022-2023 Academic Year at Zion Lutheran Church, a work in which our Father in heaven has great joy.

P: Hear the Word of the Lord: “Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one. You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might. And these words that I command you today shall be on your heart. You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, and when you walk by the way, and when you lie down, and when you rise.” (Deut. 6:4-7)

P: Beloved in the Lord, you are to assist me, the minister of Word and Sacrament, in the instruction of God’s people according to His holy Word. You are to prepare yourselves for this work by your individual and corporate study of the Word of God and the faith drawn from it as it has been delivered to us in the Small Catechism. While holiness of life and obedience to Christ are expected of all members of the congregation, it is especially important that you show yourselves, by word and example, to be faithful to Him in service and Christian devotion.

P: In the presence of God and of this congregation, I therefore ask you: Do you accept the position entrusted to you, and do you promise faithfully to carry out your duties, trusting in the Lord and conforming yourself to His Word in accordance with the faith of the Evangelical Lutheran Church? If so, then answer: I do. ***I do.***

P: Beloved in the Lord (to congregation), you have heard the promises of faithfulness spoken by these women. Do you promise to support them in their work, to remember them in your prayers, and to work with them to the best of the abilities that God has given you, so that He may be glorified and His work be done in our midst? If so, then answer: We do. **Congregation: We do.**

P: Sisters in Christ, I install you as Christian Education Staff of Zion Lutheran Church in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. **ALL: Amen.**

P: The almighty and most merciful God enlighten and strengthen you in your service that you may be good and faithful leaders and teachers to the glory of His name and the salvation of His people.

**ALL: Amen.**

P: Let us pray. O Lord, grant to these Your daughters the gifts of wisdom and discretion, kindness and faithfulness, so that they may effectively teach and guide, and grant to all Your people a ready willingness to learn. Let the knowledge of Your Word be preserved and extended among us so that all may know and praise You now and forever; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **ALL: Amen.**

P: Go in the name of the Lord. Be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that in the Lord your labor is not in vain. The almighty and most merciful God, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless and preserve you. **ALL: Amen.**