



Zion Lutheran Church – LCMS
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Sunday, July 2, 2023
5th Sunday after Pentecost

Prelude
Tower Bells
Welcome
Announcements

Visitors are 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 near the entrance doors. Those taking Communion are asked to fill out the “Communion” side (black print) of the card. Completed cards may also be left on the pew seat. Offerings may be placed in the plates at the entrance before or after worship. Ushers will not pass offering plates between pews.

Worship Notes: Thank you to Pastor Roger James for serving as Bible study leader and Guest Pastor leading worship this morning.

Opening Hymn

Blessed Jesus at Your Word

LSB 904

Confession and Absolution

LSB 151

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

C: Amen.

P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

C: But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

P: Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

C: Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

P: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore 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 119:153-160

153 Look on my affliction and deliver me,
for I do not forget your law.

154 Plead my cause and redeem me;
give me life according to your promise!

155 Salvation is far from the wicked,
for they do not seek your statutes.

156 Great is your mercy, O LORD;
give me life according to your rules.

157 Many are my persecutors and my
adversaries,
but I do not swerve from your testimonies.

158 I look at the faithless with disgust,
because they do not keep your commands.

159 Consider how I love your precepts!
Give me life according to your steadfast love.

160 The sum of your word is truth,
**and every one of your righteous rules
endures forever.**

Kyrie (*Sing*)

LSB 152

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.**

This Is the Feast (*sing*)

LSB 155

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.

Salutation and Collect of the Day
P: (*Speak*) The Lord be with you.

LSB 156
C: **And also with you.**

P: Let us pray.

All: Almighty God, by the working of Your Holy Spirit, grant that we may gladly hear Your Word proclaimed among us and follow its directing; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Old Testament Reading Jeremiah 28:5-9 (*Congregation sits*)

5 Then the prophet Jeremiah spoke to Hananiah the prophet in the presence of the priests and all the people who were standing in the house of the LORD, 6 and the prophet Jeremiah said, "Amen! May the LORD do so; may the LORD make the words that you have prophesied come true, and bring back to this place from Babylon the vessels of the house of the LORD, and all the exiles. 7 Yet hear now this word that I speak in your hearing and in the hearing of all the people. 8 The prophets who preceded you and me from ancient times prophesied war, famine, and pestilence against many countries and great kingdoms. 9 As for the prophet who prophesies peace, when the word of that prophet comes to pass, then it will be known that the LORD has truly sent the prophet."

P: This is the Word of the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.**

Epistle Reading Romans 7:1-13

1 Or do you not know, brothers—for I am speaking to those who know the law—that the law is binding on a person only as long as he lives? 2 For a married woman is bound by law to her husband while he lives, but if her husband dies she is released from the law of marriage. 3 Accordingly, she will be called an adulteress if she lives with another man while her husband is alive. But if her husband dies, she is free from that law, and if she marries another man she is not an adulteress.

4 Likewise, my brothers, you also have died to the law through the body of Christ, so that you may belong to another, to him who has been raised from the dead, in order that we may bear fruit for God. 5 For while we were living in the flesh, our sinful passions, aroused by the law, were at work in our members to bear fruit for death. 6 But now we are released from the law, having died to that which held us captive, so that we serve in the new way of the Spirit and not in the old way of the written code.

7 What then shall we say? That the law is sin? By no means! Yet if it had not been for the law, I would not have known sin. For I would not have known what it is to covet if the law had not said, "You shall not covet." 8 But sin, seizing an opportunity through the commandment, produced in me all kinds of covetousness. For apart from the law, sin lies dead. 9 I was once alive apart from the law, but when the commandment came, sin came alive and I died. 10 The very commandment that promised life proved to be death to me. 11 For sin, seizing an opportunity through the commandment, deceived me and through it killed me. 12 So the law is holy, and the commandment is holy and righteous and good.

13 Did that which is good, then, bring death to me? By no means! It was sin, producing death in me through what is good, in order that sin might be shown to be sin, and through the commandment might become sinful beyond measure.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Alleluia and Verse (*Stand and sing*) LSB 156

Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?

You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia, alleluia.

Holy Gospel Matthew 10:34-42

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 10th chapter.

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

34 "Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth. I have not come to bring peace, but a sword. 35 For I have come to set a man against his father, and a daughter against her mother, and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law. 36 And a person's enemies will be those of his own household. 37 Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me, and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me. 38 And whoever does not take his cross and follow me is not worthy of me. 39 Whoever finds his life will lose it, and whoever loses his life for my sake will find it.

40 "Whoever receives you receives me, and whoever receives me receives him who sent me. 41 The one who receives a prophet because he is a prophet will receive a prophet's reward, and the one who receives a righteous person because he is a righteous person will receive a righteous person's reward. 42 And whoever gives one of these little ones even a cup of cold water because he is a disciple, truly, I say to you, he will by no means lose his reward."

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

Nicene Creed (*See inside back cover of hymnal.*)

Sermon Hymn *God of Grace and God of Glory* **LSB 850**

Sermon

Offertory (*Stand and sing*) LSB 159

Offering brought forward during Offertory.

What shall I render to the Lord for His benefits to me?

I will offer the sacrifice of thanksgiving and will call on the name of the Lord.

I will take my cup of salvation and will call on the name of the Lord.

**I will pay my vows to the Lord now in the presence of all His people,
in the courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Jerusalem.**

Prayer of Zion Lutheran Church

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

For all pastors and ministers of the Church, that they would be preserved in the pure doctrine of Christ's saving Word, defended against all adversaries, and thereby strengthened in faith and love, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For all who feel the sword of division brought about by the confession of Christ's truth, especially within their own families, that seeing as Christ also was rejected on earth by friends and relatives, they would be assured that their stand is necessary, be guarded from seeking a false or easier peace, and be turned in every earthly disappointment toward God's eternal and undivided Church Triumphant, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For homes filled with grace, that God would bring them peace and not a sword, fostering a common love and knowledge of His ways that nourishes our families in love for one another, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For all couples who are newly married or planning for their wedding in the coming weeks, that the Lord would bless their marriages with enduring love and faithfulness toward one another and also toward God, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For the Lord's blessings on all our work activities, that He may bless us with favorable weather, safety and success, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For the authorities of our nation, that God would give them integrity and honor; and for all citizens, that God would bless them with charity and preserve them from sinful contempt of good order and godly laws, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For thanksgiving to God for the 247 years of His blessings upon the United States of America since the Declaration of Independence, that He would lead all citizens to thanksgiving, service to all fellow citizens, and fear and respect of Him, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For those displaced from their homes by violence, war or persecution, that God would provide for their needs and foster in them the hope of an eternal home in Christ, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For true peace, that God would strengthen His people to hold fast to His Word in times of trouble; that He would preserve them from false messages of peace that do not remove sin; and that He would sustain them in the grace of Christ, [*especially _____,*] let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For all who commune today, that we who have died to the law in Christ and now belong to Him who was raised from the dead may receive His Sacrament with penitent hearts in a true confession, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

Lord God, heavenly Father, bless us in Christ, that we may bear much fruit. Receive our inadequate thanks for Your kindness, especially toward all who have died in the faith and now rest from their labors. Preserve us in the way of the Holy Spirit until we stand with them in glory; for You live and reign with the same Son and Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

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

Service of the Sacrament

Preface, Sanctus, Prayer of Thanksgiving (*sing*) LSB 160-161

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

P: It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who on this day overcame death and the grave and by His glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus (*sing*)

Holy, holy, holy Lord God of pow'r and might: Heaven and earth are full of Your glory.

Hosanna. Hosanna. Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

P: Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross. **Amen.**

Lord's Prayer

LSB 162

The Words of Our Lord

LSB 162

Pax Domini and Agnus Dei

LSB 163

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always. **C: (*sing*) Amen.**

**C: (sing) Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.**

Distribution *Tables*

Distribution Hymn *O Worship the King* **LSB 804**

Distribution Hymn *I Come O Savior To Thy Table* **LSB 618**

Distribution Hymn *How Can I Thank You Lord* **LSB 703**

(NOTE: The Pastor will commune the Communion Assistants and then the organist. Then those who commune in the pews will be served starting at the back of the church. Not all hymns/verses may be needed. Organist will play as needed.)

Nunc Dimittis *(sing)* **LSB 165**

**Lord, now You let Your servant go in peace; Your word has been fulfilled.
My own eyes have seen the salvation which You have prepared in the sight of ev'ry people:
A light to reveal You to the nations and the glory of Your people Israel.
Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

Post-Communion Collect and Benediction **LSB 166**

P: Let us pray. Gracious God, our heavenly Father, You have given us a foretaste of the feast to come in the Holy Supper of Your Son's body and blood. Keep us firm in the true faith throughout our days of pilgrimage that, on the day of His coming, we may, together with all Your saints, celebrate the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom which has no end; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **C: (sing) Amen.**

P: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

C: (sing) Amen.

Closing Hymn *Before You, Lord, We Bow* **LSB 966**

Silent Prayer, Extinguish Candles

Postlude, Depart in His Peace

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Zion Lutheran Church's Belief and Practice of the Lord's Supper

The Lord's Supper is celebrated at this congregation in the confession and glad confidence that, as He says, our Lord Jesus gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but His very Body and Blood to eat and drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with Him and with one another. Our Lord invites to His table those who trust His words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us, that they may show forth His death until He comes again in glory.

Because those who eat and drink our Lord's Body and Blood unworthily do so to their great harm and because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, in doubt, or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, and yet desire to receive the sacrament, are asked first to speak with the pastor.

For further study: Matthew 5:23f.; 10:32f., 18:15-35; 26:26-29; 1 Corinthians 10:14-22; 11:17-34.