



Zion Lutheran Church – LCMS
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Sunday, August 13th, 2023
The 11th Sunday after Pentecost

Prelude
Tower Bells and 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

When Morning Guilds the Skies

LSB 807

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

C: Amen.

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

C: who made heaven and earth.

P: If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

C: But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.

P: Since we are gathered to hear God’s Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

C: Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. 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 18:1-16, 46

1 I love you, O LORD, my strength.

2 The LORD is my rock and my fortress and my deliverer,

**my God, my rock, in whom I take refuge,
my shield, and the horn of my salvation, my
stronghold.**

3 I call upon the LORD, who is worthy to be praised,

and I am saved from my enemies.

4 The cords of death encompassed me;
the torrents of destruction assailed me;

5 the cords of Sheol entangled me;
the snares of death confronted me.

6 In my distress I called upon the LORD;
to my God I cried for help.

**From his temple he heard my voice,
and my cry to him reached his ears.**

7 Then the earth reeled and rocked;
**the foundations also of the mountains
trembled and quaked, because he was angry.**

8 Smoke went up from his nostrils,
**and devouring fire from his mouth;
glowing coals flamed forth from him.**

9 He bowed the heavens and came down;
thick darkness was under his feet.

10 He rode on a cherub and flew;
he came swiftly on the wings of the wind.

**11 He made darkness his covering, his canopy
around him, thick clouds dark with water.**

12 Out of the brightness before him
**hailstones and coals of fire broke through his
clouds.**

13 The LORD also thundered in the heavens,
**and the Most High uttered his voice,
hailstones and coals of fire.**

14 And he sent out his arrows and scattered them;

he flashed forth lightnings and routed them.

15 Then the channels of the sea were seen,
and the foundations of the world were laid bare

**at your rebuke, O LORD,
at the blast of the breath of your nostrils.**

16 He sent from on high, he took me;
he drew me out of many waters.

**46 The LORD lives, and blessed be my rock,
and exalted be the God of my salvation—**

Kyrie

LSB 204

C: (*sing*) Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.

Gloria in Excelsis (*sing*)

**1 To God on high be glory. And peace to all the earth;
Good will from God in heaven. Proclaimed at Jesus' birth!
We praise and bless You, Father; Your holy name, we sing —
Our thanks for Your great glory, Lord God, our heavenly King.**

**2 To You, O sole-begotten, The Father's Son, we pray;
O Lamb of God, our Savior, You take our sins away.
Have mercy on us, Jesus; Receive our heartfelt cry,
Where You in power are seated At God's right hand on high—**

**3 For You alone are holy; You only are the Lord.
Forever and forever, Be worshiped and adored;
You with the Holy Spirit Alone are Lord Most High,
In God the Father's glory. "Amen!" Our glad reply.**

Salutation and Collect of the Day

LSB 205

P: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

All: Almighty and most merciful God, preserve us from all harm and danger that we, being ready in both body and soul, may cheerfully accomplish what You want done; 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 Job 38:4-18 (*sit*)

4 "Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth? Tell me, if you have understanding.

5 Who determined its measurements—surely you know! Or who stretched the line upon it?

6 On what were its bases sunk, or who laid its cornerstone,

7 when the morning stars sang together and all the sons of God shouted for joy?

8 "Or who shut in the sea with doors when it burst out from the womb,

9 when I made clouds its garment and thick darkness its swaddling band,

10 and prescribed limits for it and set bars and doors,

11 and said, 'Thus far shall you come, and no farther,

and here shall your proud waves be stayed'?

12 "Have you commanded the morning since your days began,

and caused the dawn to know its place,

13 that it might take hold of the skirts of the earth, and the wicked be shaken out of it?

14 It is changed like clay under the seal, and its features stand out like a garment.

15 From the wicked their light is withheld, and their uplifted arm is broken.

16 "Have you entered into the springs of the sea, or walked in the recesses of the deep?

17 Have the gates of death been revealed to you, or have you seen the gates of deep darkness?

18 Have you comprehended the expanse of the earth?

Declare, if you know all this.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

Epistle

Romans 10:5-17

5 For Moses writes about the righteousness that is based on the law, that the person who does the commandments shall live by them. 6 But the righteousness based on faith says, "Do not say in your heart, 'Who will ascend into heaven?'" (that is, to bring Christ down) 7 "or 'Who will descend into the abyss?'" (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). 8 But what does it say? "The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart" (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); 9 because, if you confess

with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. 10 For with the heart one believes and is justified, and with the mouth one confesses and is saved. 11 For the Scripture says, "Everyone who believes in him will not be put to shame." 12 For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; for the same Lord is Lord of all, bestowing his riches on all who call on him. 13 For "everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved."

14 How then will they call on him in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in him of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone preaching? 15 And how are they to preach unless they are sent? As it is written, "How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the good news!" 16 But they have not all obeyed the gospel. For Isaiah says, "Lord, who has believed what he has heard from us?" 17 So faith comes from hearing, and hearing through the word of Christ.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

LSB 205

Verse

C: (stand and sing) Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

These things are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Holy Gospel

Matthew 14:22-33

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

C: Glory to You, O Lord.

22 Immediately he made the disciples get into the boat and go before him to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. 23 And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up on the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, 24 but the boat by this time was a long way from the land, beaten by the waves, for the wind was against them. 25 And in the fourth watch of the night he came to them, walking on the sea. 26 But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, and said, "It is a ghost!" and they cried out in fear. 27 But immediately Jesus spoke to them, saying, "Take heart; it is I. Do not be afraid."

28 And Peter answered him, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water." 29 He said, "Come." So Peter got out of the boat and walked on the water and came to Jesus. 30 But when he saw the wind, he was afraid, and beginning to sink he cried out, "Lord, save me." 31 Jesus immediately reached out his hand and took hold of him, saying to him, "O you of little faith, why did you doubt?" 32 And when they got into the boat, the wind ceased. 33 And those in the boat worshiped him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God."

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ.

Apostles' Creed (*Inside back hymnal cover*)

LSB 207

Children's Message

Sermon Hymn

Lord, Take My Hand and Lead Me

LSB 722

Sermon

Hymn

Jesus, Savior, Pilot Me
(Offering brought up during last verse.)

LSB 715

Prayer of Zion Lutheran Church

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

In thanksgiving for our bodies and souls, gifts of our glorious Creator, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

In sorrow for our sin, for death in this world and for the creation now subject to futility, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

In faith, for the forgiveness that Christ has won by His blood and for the new life of righteousness that comes from His grace, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For the people of God, in whose hearts His Word dwells, that they may have courage to confess Christ before the world, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For all pastors, church planters and congregations, that they might receive hope, renewal and endurance from God; and that fear would never keep us from the Word and Sacraments, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For trust in the Lord, that we may have confidence in all He has promised to bestow on us each day, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For preservation from all doubt and fear, that like Peter, we might be kept in the grasp of God's grace, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For those in need, [especially _____,] that their hearts would not waver from Christ, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

Gracious Lord, give ear to the prayers of Your people and lead us to trust in Your mercy without fear, that we may be confident that You will grant to us all things needful and for our salvation; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

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

Lord's Prayer

Benedicamus and Benediction LSB 212

P: Let us bless the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.**

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: Amen.

Closing Hymn

Guide Me, O Thou Great Redeemer

LSB 918

Silent Prayer, Extinguish Candles

Postlude and Depart in His Peace

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