

Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost September 18, 2022

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Pastor Willie Rosin's Email Pastor Willie's Cell Zion's Office Email Zion's Phone Number pastorwillie.rosin@gmail.com 320-444-7277 zionmuscatine@gmail.com 563-263-5074 Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost September 18, 2022 Zion Lutheran Church Presiding Minister – Rev. Willie Rosin Assisting Minister - Peggy Starkweather Music Minister – Sue Robinson Holy Communion, WOV Setting 5

As we are invited today to consider what it means to be managers (rather than owners) of all that we have, it is crucial to recognize that we are bought with a price. "Christ Jesus, himself human, . . . gave himself a ransom for all." Apart from the generosity of God we have nothing—we are nothing. By God's gracious favor we have everything we need.

PRELUDE

Sue Robinson

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS TEMPLE TALK - PEGGY STARKWEATHER

BELL CALLING US TO WORSHIP

‡ GATHERING **‡**

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

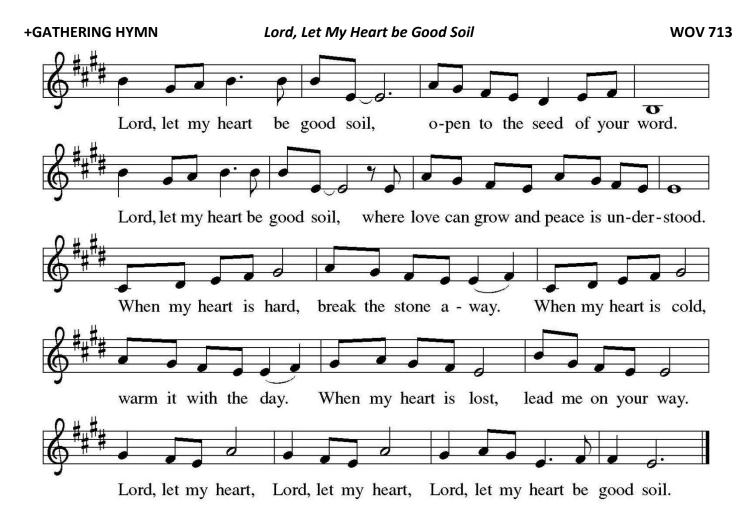
Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. Most merciful God,

we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. 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. 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.

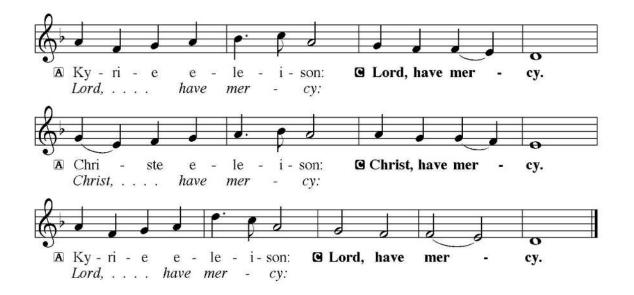
In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the 🛛 Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**



+GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

+KYRIE







+PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray: God among us,

God among us, we gather in the name of your Son to learn love for one another. Keep our feet from evil paths. Turn our minds to your wisdom and our hearts to the grace revealed in your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen

‡ WORD ‡

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

FIRST READING: Amos 8:4-7

⁴ Hear this, you who trample on the needy, and bring to ruin the poor of the land, ⁵ saying, "When will the new moon be over so that we may sell grain, and the Sabbath, so that we may offer wheat for sale? We will make the ephah smaller and the shekel heavier and practice deceit with false balances, ⁶ buying the poor for silver and the needy for a pair of sandals and selling the sweepings of the wheat."⁷ The LORD has sworn by the pride of Jacob: Surely I will never forget any of their deeds.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 113

¹Hallelujah! Give praise, you servants of the LORD; praise the name of the LORD.

²Let the name of the LORD be blessed, from this time forth forevermore.

³From the rising of the sun to its going down let the name of the LORD be praised.

⁴The LORD is high above all nations; God's glory above the heavens.

⁵Who is like the ¹ LORD our God, who sits enthroned on high,

⁶but stoops to behold the heavens and the earth?

⁷The LORD takes up the weak out of the dust and lifts up the poor from the ashes,

⁸enthroning them with the rulers, with the rulers of the people.

⁹The LORD makes the woman of a childless house to be a joyful mother of children. Hallelujah!

SECOND READING: 1 Timothy 2:1-7

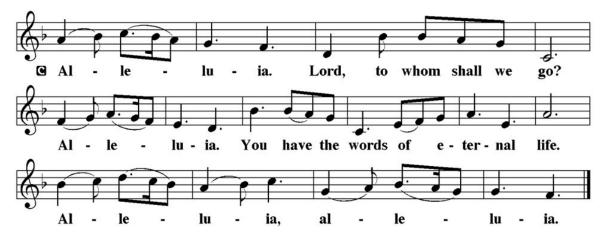
¹First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for everyone, ²for kings and all who are in high positions, so that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and dignity. ³This is right and is acceptable in the sight of God our Savior, ⁴who desires everyone to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. ⁵For there is one God; there is also one mediator between God and humankind, Christ Jesus, himself human, ⁶who gave himself a ransom for all—this was attested at the right time.⁷For this I was appointed a herald and an apostle (I am telling the truth, I am not lying), a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

+GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



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+ GOSPEL: Luke 16:1-13

The holy gospel according to Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord.

¹Then Jesus said to the disciples, "There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was squandering his property. ²So he summoned him and said to him, 'What is this that I hear about you? Give me an accounting of your management, because you cannot be my manager any longer.' ³Then the manager said to himself, 'What will I do, now that my master is taking the position away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg. ⁴I have decided what to do so that, when I am dismissed as manager, people may welcome me into their homes.' ⁵So, summoning his master's debtors one by one, he asked the first, 'How much do you owe my master?' ⁶He answered, 'A hundred jugs of olive oil.' He said to him, 'Take your bill, sit down quickly, and make it fifty.' ⁷Then he asked another, 'And how much do you owe?' He replied, 'A hundred containers of wheat.' He said to him, 'Take your bill and make it eighty.' ⁸And his master commended the dishonest manager because he had acted shrewdly; for the children of this age are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than are the children of light. ⁹And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of dishonest wealth so that when it is gone, they may welcome you into the eternal homes.

¹⁰"Whoever is faithful in a very little is faithful also in much; and whoever is dishonest in a very little is dishonest also in much. ¹¹If then you have not been faithful with the dishonest wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches? ¹²And if you have not been faithful with what belongs to another, who will give you what is your own? ¹³No slave can serve two masters; for a slave will either hate the one and love the other, or be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth." This is the Word of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

Pastor Willie Rosin



+PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Lord, in your mercy Hear our prayer

SHARING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

Please take a moment to share a sign of peace with those around you. As we are still conscious of limiting person to person contact, please do this in a way which does not involve person to person contact, such as verbally greeting one another with "Peace be with you" or showing the peace sign to one another.

‡ MEAL‡

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

Thank you for supporting God's ministry and mission through the people of Zion Lutheran Church. Your contributions are greatly appreciated. We also have online giving options available through Tithe.ly which allows you to give through the app, online, and even make weekly, biweekly, or monthly donations on a regular schedule. If you are interested in electronic giving options, please contact the church office.

MUSICAL OFFERING Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow, arr. Eithun Zion Bell Choir

OFFERTORY Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful vine- yards be fruit-ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of Let the ing. bless Gath er har-vest from the seeds that were a that fed with the bread of life. be sown, we may Gath-er the hopes and dreams of u - nite them with the prayers we all; fer now. of -Grace our ta - ble with your pres - ence, Lord, and the feast give fore-taste of us a to come.

+OFFERING PRAYER

Merciful God,

We offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us – our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

+GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. And also with you. Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

+WORDS OF INSTITUTION - On the Night

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us:

+THE LORD'S PRAYER

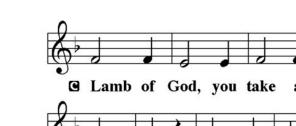
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

+INVITATION TO COMMUNION

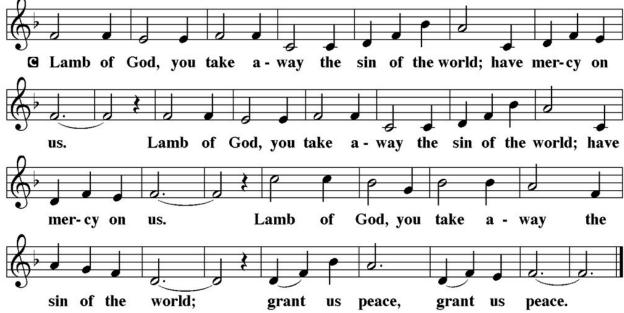
The risen Christ dwells with us here. All who are hungry, all who are thirsty, come.

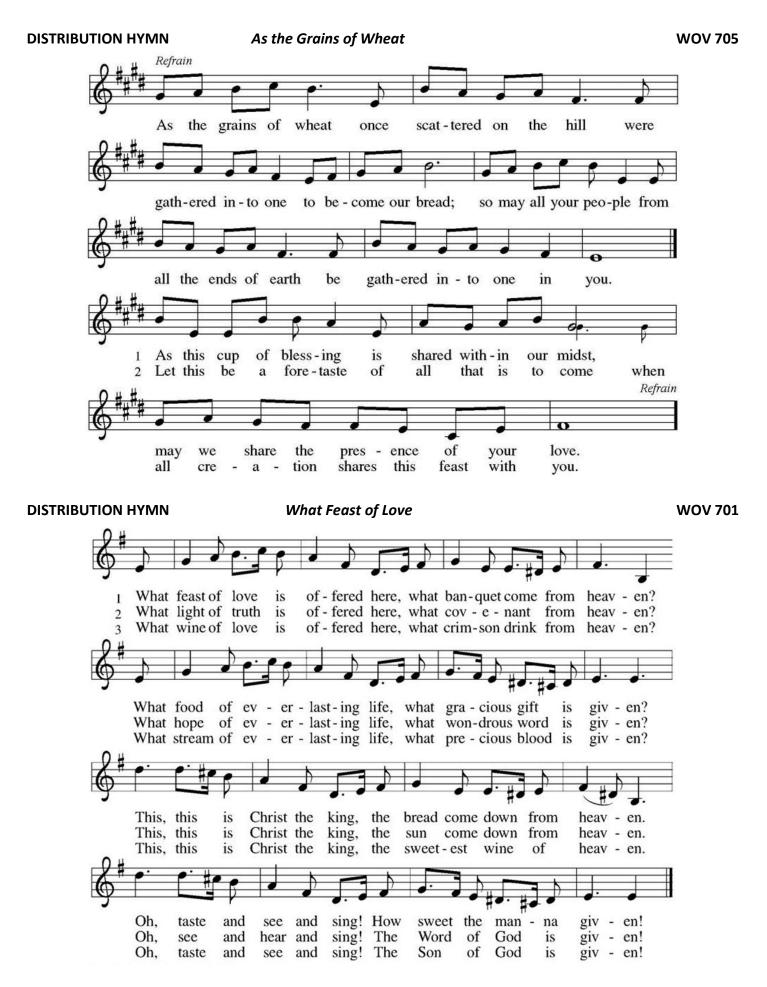
THE DISTRIBUTION

Please come forward for communion as directed. We will serve communion by continuous distribution with one station for bread in the center and a station for wine on each side. Please receive wine from the side on which you are sitting and return to your seat by walking down the side aisle. If you are unable or would prefer not to come forward, please inform one of the ushers and communion will be brought to your seat or pre-packaged elements are available for you to receive communion where you are seated. If you do not wish to receive communion, you are welcome to come forward with arms crossed to receive a blessing. Gluten-free wafers are available in the separate small dish on the bread tray. Please let Pastor Willie know if you would like a gluten-free wafer. If you wish to receive grape juice rather than wine, please indicate this preference by approaching the communion server with your hand out and palm down. The grape juice is located in the center ring of the communion tray. All who believe in Christ as Lord and Savior, young and old, are welcome at this feast.

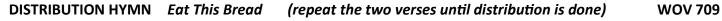


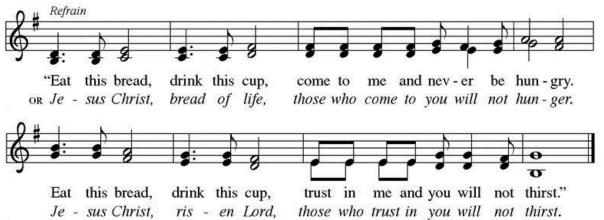






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+POST COMMUNION BLESSING

Now may this body and blood of our Lord and Savior, Jesus the Christ, strengthen you and keep you in his grace, now and forever.

+POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Life-giving God, through this meal you have bandaged our wounds and fed us with your mercy. Now send us forth to live for others, both friend and stranger, that all may come to know your love. This we pray in the name of Jesus.

Amen.

‡ SENDING **‡**

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

+BLESSING

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. Amen. For the Fruit of All Creation



+DISMISSAL

Go in peace with Christ beside you. Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

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AGENDA FOR WEEK

SUN, Sept 18	9:00 a.m. Worship
	10:30 a.m. Fellowship - Ushers
WED, Sept 21	6:00 p.m. FFN @ Grace Lutheran
	6:15 p.m. Zion Bell Choir
	7:00 p.m. Zion Choir
THURS, Sept 22	Joy Circle in MPR @ 6:30 p.m.
SUN, Sept 25	9:00 a.m. Worship/Food Pantry
	10:15 a.m. Sunday School
	10:15 a.m. Adult Bible Study
	10:30 a.m. Fellowship - Council

ACOLYTE(S): Max Brendel, Mason Smith

SERVING IN MINISTRY IN THE COMING WEEKS

DATE	9/25/22	10/2/22	10/9/22	10/16/22
	Dalton Bozarth	Mason Smith	Naomi Young	Hayden Cantrell
ACOLTYES	Hayden Cantrell	Preston Schroeder	Bailey Othmer	Preston Schroeder
	Abi & Julie Frye			
A.M./READER	(R <i>,</i> AM)	Marilyn Briscoe - R	Jim Haage - AM	Dyann Roby - R
	Peggy	Jim Haage		Dyann Roby
COMM. ASST.	Starkweather	Stacey Ramos		Stacey Ramos
HOSPITALITY	Council	Finance/Stewardship	Worship	Social Ministry

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The flowers on the altar are from David and Sara Reusswig in honor of Phil and Alice Reusswig.

Today is Quarters for Hunger. All quarters in the offering plate will be used to alleviate hunger

Next week is Food Pantry. Monetary donations are collected by Zion and mailed to the Muscatine Food Pantry on Iowa Avenue to help the community pantry purchase food at a better price compared to the local grocery store items being purchased. The allows for donations to purchase a greater quantity of food. Thank you for your donations!

Next Weeks Readings: Amos 6:1a, 4-7; Psalm 146; 1 Timothy 6:6-19; Luke 16:19-31

Please pray for the following: Christy Keith, Bill Dyar, Patty Lange, Roger Roskens, Butch Doyle, Gary Sebbert, Rose Marie Paul, and Billy Rueckert.

Book Give-Away On Sunday, September 25th, there will be a book give-away in the upstairs library area at Zion following the 9:00 a.m. worship service. Any free-will donations will be given to the Muscatine Food Pantry. If you have any questions please contact Gail Pusateri.

Blessing of the Animals On <u>Sunday, October 2nd at 8:00 a.m.</u> you are invited to bring your animals for a short blessing service in the Zion parking lot. This is in observance of the feast day for St. Francis of Assisi on October 4th. St. Francis of Assisi is the patron saint of animals and had a deep love and care for all sentient beings and we would like to celebrate this by offering a blessing for the beloved animals in our lives. Please have dogs leashed and cats either leashed or confined. We do not need any escapees or animal quarrels in the parking lot. :) All pets of any sort are welcome!

Reminder: Men's Bible Study meets every Wednesday morning at 6:30 AM at the All American Diner.

Family Faith Night meets at Grace Lutheran every Wednesday beginning with a meal at 6 p.m. We will break into our groups at 6:30 p.m. and conclude at 7:30 p.m.

Choir and Bell Choir will rehearse on Wednesday evenings, beginning with the Zion Bell Choir at 6:15 p.m. and the Zion Choir at 7:00 p.m. Welcome back to the singers and ringers and if you would like to join either or both groups, please contact Sue Robinson for the Zion Choir and Charles Potter for the Zion Bell Choir. New members are welcome!!!

Adult Bible Study opportunity begins today at 10:15 a.m. in the chapel area. Pastor Willie has your books for this study.

Christians Underground - We have an additional Bible study/discussion group opportunity in Muscatine called Christians Underground. Pastor Aleese Kenitzer from Shepherd of the Cross leads this group in discussion about the Revised Common Lectionary texts for the upcoming Sunday. They meet weekly on Wednesdays at 12:00 p.m. at Geo Johnz Pizza (203 E 2nd St.) for about an hour. This invitation is open to all three ELCA congregations in Muscatine.

The Muscatine Youth, Children's, and Littlest Angels' Choirs are starting up! All choirs rehearse at Wesley United Methodist Church Youth Choir (grades 7-12) begins August 28 and meets every Sunday from 3:30 to 4:45 p.m. Littlest Angels' Choir (K-2) and Children's Choir (grades 3-6 and shown above) start on Monday, September 12, from 4:00-4:45pm. Registration for each choir is required and may done so in 1 of 2 ways:

1) use this link: https://wesleyonline.elexiochms.com/external/form/a15be28f-21d2-4c20-94df-5918f5cb85b7

2) fill out a paper copy outside the Wesley Church office. There is no registration fee this year. For more information, please call Dr. Dan Laaveg, Wesley's music director, at 563-263-1596 or email him at danlaaveg@wesleyonline.org. Thank you!