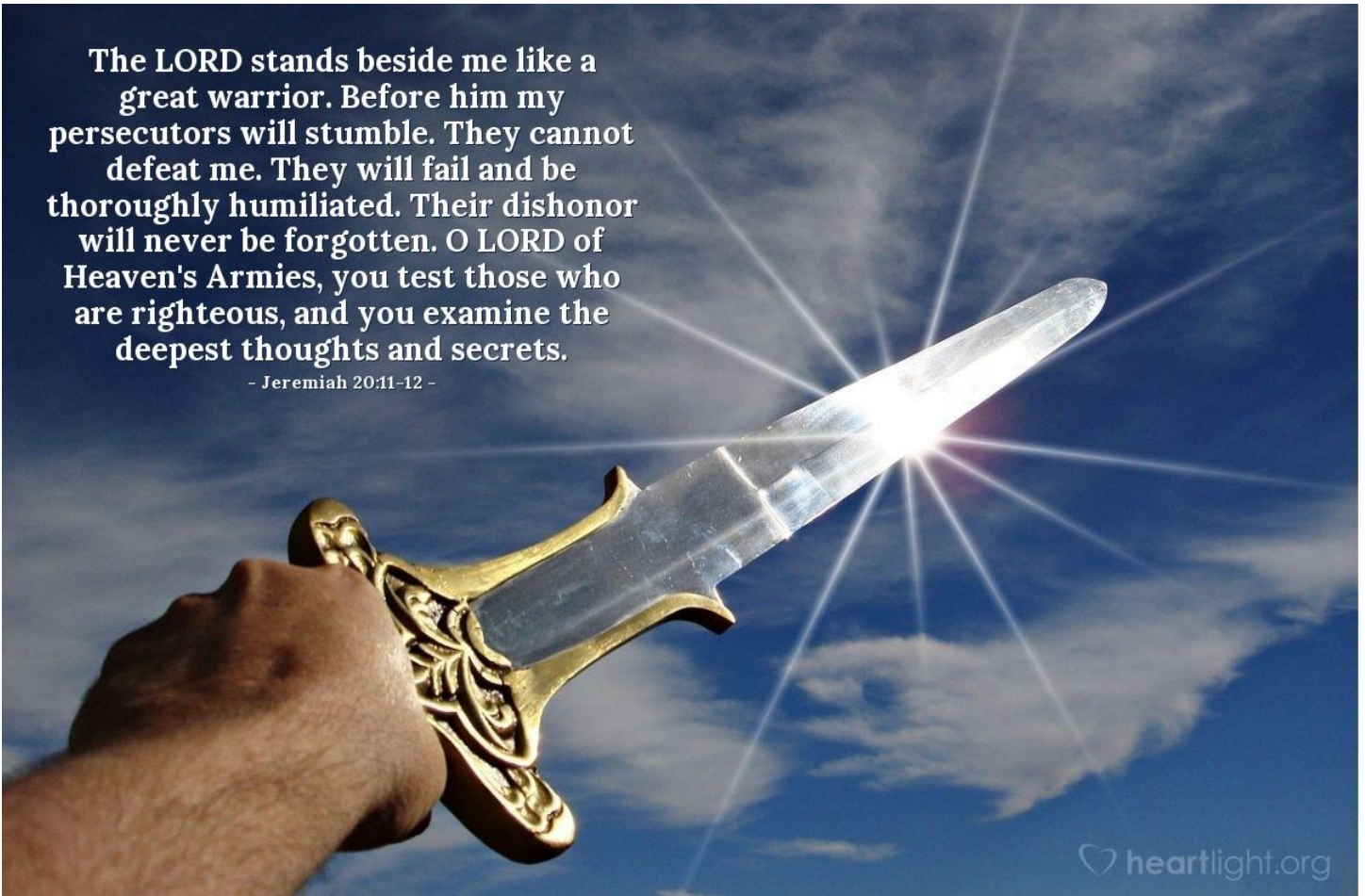




The LORD stands beside me like a great warrior. Before him my persecutors will stumble. They cannot defeat me. They will fail and be thoroughly humiliated. Their dishonor will never be forgotten. O LORD of Heaven's Armies, you test those who are righteous, and you examine the deepest thoughts and secrets.

- Jeremiah 20:11-12 -



June 25, 2023, 9:00 a.m.

Fourth Sunday After Pentecost

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Welcome to Zion Lutheran Church on this Fourth Sunday After Pentecost! In today's readings we hear that God does not promise that the path of the disciple will be easy. Jeremiah feels the pain of rejection from those who do not want to hear what he has to say. Jesus declares that his words may bring stark division. Even so, we need not be afraid for God accounts for each hair on our heads. Though we may experience rejection, frustration, division, and death, God's grace and love make us a new creation each day. Marked with the cross and filled with holy food, we are sent from worship to witness to Christ in the world.

Thank you for joining us! If you are visiting us today, please fill out a Visitor Card, located in your pew rack, if you would like to have us contact you. We practice an open communion table at Zion. All who believe in Christ as Lord and Savior are welcome to celebrate Holy Communion with us, from the youngest to the oldest members of the body of Christ present in worship.

Children are welcome to fully participate in worship. What could be better than the whole family of God being together in worship? There are Children's worship bags available near the usher's table in the narthex. Should you or your child need a break, there is a nursery located across from Fellowship Hall for your use. Nursing mothers are welcome to use the Mothers' Room, just one door down the hall from the nursery. Please knock before entering.

+ Indicates that you are invited to rise as you are able

BOLD PRINT INDICATES CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSES

Hymn numbers are the large numbers at the top of the page in the red hymnal, *Evangelical Lutheran Worship*, which is located in the pew racks. Thank you for silencing all electronic devices.

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS
THE BELL CALLS US TO WORSHIP

‡ **GATHERING** ‡

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God



1 Let us build a house where love can dwell and all can safe - ly
 2 Let us build a house where proph-ets speak, and words are strong and
 3 Let us build a house where love is found in wa - ter, wine and
 4 Let us build a house where hands will reach be - yond the wood and
 5 Let us build a house where all are named, their songs and vi - sions



live, a place where saints and chil - dren tell how
 true, where all God's chil - dren dare to seek to
 wheat: a ban - quet hall on ho - ly ground where
 stone to heal and strength - en, serve and teach, and
 heard and loved and trea - sured, taught and claimed as



hearts learn to for - give. Built of hopes and dreams and
 dream God's reign a - new. Here the cross shall stand as
 peace and jus - tice meet. Here the love of God, through
 live the Word they've known. Here the out - cast and the
 words with - in the Word. Built of tears and cries and



vi - sions, rock of faith and vault of grace; here the love of
 wit - ness and as sym - bol of God's grace; here as one we
 Je - sus, is re - vealed in time and space; as we share in
 strang-er bear the im - age of God's face; let us bring an
 laugh-ter, prayers of faith and songs of grace, let this house pro -



Christ shall end di - vi - sions:
 claim the faith of Je - sus:
 Christ the feast that frees us: All are wel - come,
 end to fear and dan - ger:
 claim from floor to raf - ter:



all are wel - come, all are wel - come in this place.

+ CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

We gather for worship today 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.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Most merciful God,

we confess that we are captive 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.

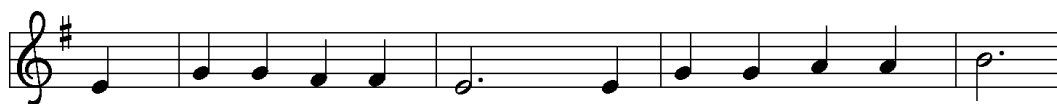
Amen.

+ 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 – ELW p. 203



- 1 Have mer - cy on us, Lord, and hear our sol - emn prayer.
- 2 Have mer - cy on us, Christ, and wash a - way our sin.
- 3 Have mer - cy on us, Lord; make sin and shame de - part.



We come to hear your liv - ing word; it saves us from de - spair.
Pour out your grace and make us whole that new life may be - gin.
Re - new us with your sav - ing pow'r; cre - ate in us new hearts!

+ CANTICLE OF PRAISE

Glory to God ELW p. 204



1 Glo-ry be to God in heav-en; peace, good-will to all the earth.
2 Glo-ry be to Christ for - ev - er, Lamb of God and Lord of love.
3 Ho - ly One we now ac-claim you; Lord a - lone, to you we call;



Might-y God of all cre - a - tion, Fa - ther of sur - pass - ing worth:
Son of God and gra - cious Sav - ior, you have come from heav'n a - bove;
Ho - ly One in faith we name you, God most high, yet near to all:



we ex - alt you, we a - dore you, we lift high our thanks and praise.
on the cross you died to save us; now you reign at God's right hand.
Je - sus Christ, with God the Spir - it, in the Fa - ther's splen - dor bright.



Saints and an - gels bow be - fore you; here on earth our songs we raise.
Hear our prayer; re - store, for - give us; in your prom - ise firm we stand.
For the peace that we in - her - it, glo - ry be to God on high!

+ PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you

And also with you

Let us pray: Good and gracious God,

Teach us to serve you as you deserve, to give and not to count the cost, to fight and not to heed the wounds, to toil and not to seek for rest, to labor and not to ask for reward, except that of knowing that we do your will, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

‡ WORD ‡

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

FIRST READING **Jeremiah 20:7-13**

⁷O LORD, you have enticed me, and I was enticed; you have overpowered me, and you have prevailed. I have become a laughingstock all day long; everyone mocks me. ⁸For whenever I speak, I must cry out, I must shout, "Violence and destruction!" For the word of the LORD has become for me a reproach and derision all day long. ⁹If I say, "I will not mention him, or speak any more in his name," then within me there is something like a burning fire shut up in my bones; I am weary with holding it in, and I cannot.¹⁰For I hear many whispering: "Terror is all around! Denounce him! Let us denounce him!" All my close friends are watching for me to stumble. "Perhaps he can be enticed, and we can prevail against him, and take our revenge on him."¹¹But

the LORD is with me like a dread warrior; therefore my persecutors will stumble, and they will not prevail. They will be greatly shamed, for they will not succeed. Their eternal dishonor will never be forgotten. ¹²O LORD of hosts, you test the righteous, you see the heart and the mind; let me see your retribution upon them, for to you I have committed my cause.¹³Sing to the LORD; praise the LORD! For he has delivered the life of the needy from the hands of evildoers.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 69:7-10; 16-18

⁷It is for your sake that I have borne reproach, that shame has covered my face.

⁸I have become a stranger to my kindred, an alien to my mother's children.

⁹It is zeal for your house that has consumed me; the insults of those who insult you have fallen on me.

¹⁰When I humbled my soul with fasting, they insulted me for doing so.

¹⁶Answer me, O LORD, for your steadfast love is good; according to your abundant mercy, turn to me.

¹⁷Do not hide your face from your servant, for I am in distress—make haste to answer me.

¹⁸Draw near to me; redeem me; set me free because of my enemies.

SECOND READING Romans 6:1b-11

^{1b}Should we continue in sin in order that grace may abound? ²By no means! How can we who died to sin go on living in it? ³Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? ⁴Therefore we have been buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life.

⁵For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. ⁶We know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body of sin might be destroyed, and we might no longer be enslaved to sin. ⁷For whoever has died is freed from sin. ⁸But if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. ⁹We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. ¹⁰The death he died, he died to sin, once for all; but the life he lives, he lives to God. ¹¹So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

The Word of the Lord **Thanks be to God**

CHILDREN'S SERMON

+GOSPEL ACCLAMATION ELW p. 205



Al - le-lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav - ing word.
Let it burn like fire with - in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.
Al - le - lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

+ GOSPEL READING Matthew 10:24-39

The holy gospel according to Matthew.

Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said to the twelve:] ²⁴“A disciple is not above the teacher, nor a slave above the master; ²⁵it is enough for the disciple to be like the teacher, and the slave like the master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household!

²⁶“So have no fear of them; for nothing is covered up that will not be uncovered, and nothing secret that will not become known. ²⁷What I say to you in the dark, tell in the light; and what you hear whispered, proclaim from the housetops. ²⁸Do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell. ²⁹Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground apart from your Father. ³⁰And even the hairs of your head are all counted. ³¹So do not be afraid; you are of more value than many sparrows.

³²“Everyone therefore who acknowledges me before others, I also will acknowledge before my Father in heaven; ³³but whoever denies me before others, I also will deny before my Father in heaven.

³⁴“Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth; I have not come to bring peace, but a sword.

³⁵For 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;

³⁶and one’s foes will be members of one’s own household.

³⁷Whoever 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; ³⁸and whoever does not take up the cross and follow me is not worthy of me. ³⁹Those who find their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it.” This is the gospel of our Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON



1 "Will you come and fol - low me if I but call
 2 "Will you leave your - self be - hind if I but call
 3 "Will you let the blind - ed see if I but call
 4 "Will you love the you you hide if I but call
 5 Lord, your sum - mons ech - oes true when you but call



your name? Will you go where you don't
 your name? Will you care for cruel and
 your name? Will you set the pris - 'ners
 your name? Will you quell the fear in -
 my name. Let me turn and fol - low



know and nev - er be the same?
 kind and nev - er be the same?
 free and nev - er be the same?
 side and nev - er be the same?
 you and nev - er be the same.



Will you let my love be shown, will you let my
 Will you risk the hos - tile stare, should your life at -
 Will you kiss the lep - er clean, and do such as
 Will you use the faith you've found to re - shape the
 In your com - pa - ny I'll go where your love and



name be known, will you let my life be
 tract or scare? Will you let me an - swer
 this un - seen, and ad - mit to what I
 world a - round, through my sight and touch and
 foot - steps show. Thus I'll move and live and



grown in you and you in me?"
 pray'r in you and you in me?"
 mean in you and you in me?"
 sound in you and you in me?"
 grow in you and you in me.

+ APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 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 INTERCESSION

With the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, let us pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation, responding by singing through *Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying*



Lord, lis-ten to your chil-dren pray-ing, Lord, send your Spir-it in this place;



Lord, lis-ten to your chil-dren pray-ing, send us love, send us pow'r, send us grace.

Into your hands, gracious God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

Amen.

+ SHARING THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you

Please share a sign of peace with one another at this time.

‡ MEAL ‡

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ

MUSICAL OFFERING

Jennifer Rosin

+ OFFERING PRAYER

Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts: our selves, our time, and our possessions. Use us, and what we have gathered, in feeding the world with your love, through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

+ THE GREAT THANKSGIVING ELW p. 206

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.

+ THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

+ THE LORD’S PRAYER

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

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 table has been prepared for you. Taste and see that the Lord is good!

THE DISTRIBUTION

LAMB OF GOD

ELW p. 208



1 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
2 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
3 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;



you suf-fered death our lives to save: have mer-cy now, we pray.
you set us free from guilt and grave: have mer-cy now, we pray.
e - ter-nal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.



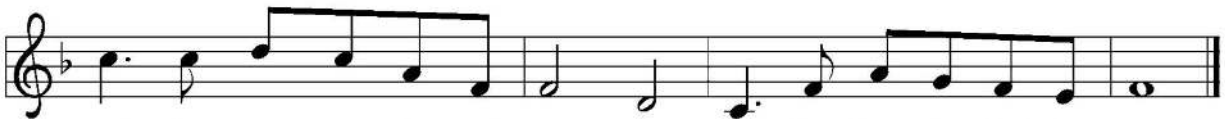
1 What a friend we have in Je - sus, all our sins and griefs to bear!
 2 Have we tri - als and temp - ta - tions? Is there trou - ble an - y - where?
 3 Are we weak and heav - y - lad - en, cum - bered with a load of care?



What a priv - i - lege to car - ry ev - 'ry - thing to God in prayer!
 We should nev - er be dis - cour - aged—take it to the Lord in prayer.
 Pre - cious Sav - ior, still our ref - uge—take it to the Lord in prayer.



Oh, what peace we of - ten for - feit; oh, what need - less pain we bear—
 Can we find a friend so faith - ful who will all our sor - row share?
 Do your friends de - spise, for - sake you? Take it to the Lord in prayer.



all be - cause we do not car - ry ev - 'ry - thing to God in prayer!
 Je - sus knows our ev - 'ry weak - ness—take it to the Lord in prayer.
 In his arms he'll take and shield you; you will find a so - lace there.



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Text: Joseph Scriven, 1820–1886
 Music: CONVERSE, Charles C. Converse, 1832–1918



O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer: when I call, an - swer me.



O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer: come and lis - ten to me.



+ 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. **Amen**

+ PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

God of abundance, with this bread of life and cup of salvation you have united us with Christ, making us one with all your people. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue forever in the risen life of Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Amen.

‡ **SENDING** ‡

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world

+ BLESSING

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.

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

Amen.



1 When mem - 'ry fades, and rec - og - ni - tion fal - ters,
 2 As frail - ness grows, and youth - ful strengths di - min - ish,
 3 With - in your Spir - it, good - ness lives un - fad - ing.



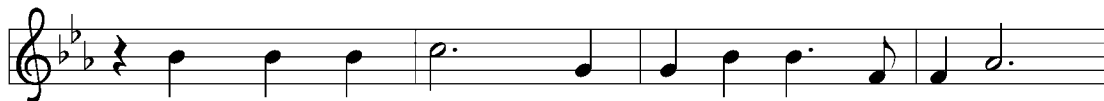
when eyes we love grow dim, and minds con - fused,
 in wea - ry arms which worked their ear - nest fill,
 The past and fu - ture min - gle in - to one.



speak to our souls of love that nev - er al - ters;
 your ag - ing ser - vants la - bor now to fin - ish
 All joys re - main, un - shad - owed light per - vad - ing.



speak to our hearts, by pain and fear a - bused.
 their earth - ly tasks, as fits your mer - cy's will.
 No val - ued deed will ev - er be un - done.



O God of life and heal - ing peace, em - pow'r us
 We grieve their wan - ing, yet re - joice, be - liev - ing,
 Your mind en - folds all fi - nite acts and off - 'rings.



with pa - tient cour - age, by your grace in - fused.
 your arms, un - wea - ried, shall up - hold us still.
 Held in your heart, our death - less life is won.

Text: Mary Louise Bringle, b. 1953

Music: FINLANDIA, Jean Sibelius, 1865-1957

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+ DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Serve the Risen One!

Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE

Jennifer Rosin

‡ **Happening This Week** ‡

MON, June 26	Zion's Book Club 5:30 PM at Diamond Dave's
WED, June 28	6:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study
SUN, June 30	9:00 a.m. Worship 10:15 a.m. Fellowship 10:30 a.m. Bible Study~ Making Sense of Scripture

‡**Serving In Ministry** ‡

	6/25	7/2	7/9
ACOLTYES	Jackson Evans	Mason Smith	Dalton Bozarth
A.M./READER	Dyann Roby /R	Julie Haage/R	Kathleen Schippers
COMM. ASST.	Kathleen Schippers		
HOSPITALITY	Council	Finance	Worship
GREETER (S)	Diane Emlet & Bill Toyne	Mike & Nicole Steele	Dave & Terri Hanson

Total Offering Received For Week 6/18/2023	\$4925
YTD Offering Received	\$104737
Remaining Weekly Offering Required to meet Weekly Budget	\$5535 (per week)

YTD Food Pantry	YTD Bag of Blessings	YTD Quarters for Hunger
\$350	\$500	\$176.40

‡Announcements‡

Please Pray for Kristy Keith, Bill Tiecke, Patty Lange, Butch Doyle, Mary Butcher, Evelyn Christopherson, Billy Rueckert, Rev. Bill Dyar, Tim Halloran & Melody Evans.

This is Food Pantry Sunday. Please make a memo on your envelope or check for these donations.

This week's altar flowers were provided by David & Sara Reusswig.

You have probably noticed that we have had the bathroom doors propped open for handicapped accessibility. The Council instituted this as a temporary measure for the upstairs bathrooms while we determine a more permanent solution. If you would prefer the door to be closed while you are using the facilities, please feel free to close the door. Please prop the door open again as you leave. The downstairs bathroom doors can remain closed. The upstairs bathrooms will be the handicapped accessible bathrooms. Thank you for your cooperation as we work to make the building a place accessible for all. If you would like to directly contribute to installing push button door openers for the upstairs bathrooms, the system costs about \$2500 per door and we would love to receive donations for this project!

In the last week the Pastor's Discretionary Fund has been depleted to almost zero. This fund is used by Pastor Willie to provide for those in need with some financial support - usually gas, groceries, or partial rental or utilities assistance. Please consider contributing to this fund. If you choose to do so, please mark your check or envelope as "Pastor's Discretionary Fund" so that it lands in the right account. Thank you!

Next week's Readings- Jeremiah 28:5-9, Psalm 89:1-4, 15-18, Romans 6:12-23, Matthew 10:40-42.

Holy Communion - We have returned to distributing Holy Communion at the communion rail. You are welcome to kneel or stand as you receive communion. If you are unable to come forward for communion we will gladly serve you in your seat. All who believe in Christ as Lord and Savior are welcome at the Lord's Table. We will use continuous distribution on Sundays when the Zion Bell Choir plays or for festival days when we anticipate a higher worship attendance than normal.

We are adding on a trial basis, Sunday Evening Worship!! Please join us on July 9th, and July 30th at 6pm.

Iowa Bishops riding bikes across Iowa to fight hunger

The three Iowa Bishops have partnered up to ride the 50th annual Register's Annual Great Bike Ride Across Iowa (RAGBRAI) July 23-29 to raise \$50,000 to fight hunger and will be highlighting 50 anti-hunger ministries in Iowa along the way.

The Bishops' can't do it without you! If every congregation in Iowa gave about \$100 they would meet their goal today! Give individually or organize a campaign or offering in your congregation.



3 IOWA BISHOPS
50 MILES A DAY
\$50,000 FOR HUNGER
50 ANTI-HUNGER MINISTRIES
434 IOWA CONGREGATIONS IN THREE IOWA SYNODS

Your support makes a difference!
Your gift to the Bishops' ride across Iowa will go 100% without any administrative fees to fight hunger in Iowa, across the country and across the world.



Yes! Make a one-time tax deductible gift of \$_____ to support the Bishops' RAGBRAI ride against hunger.

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Email: _____



You can give through your congregation or send your check directly to:

Southeastern Iowa Synod, 2635 Northgate Dr., Iowa City, IA 52245
Please indicate RAGBRAI on the check's memo line.

You can also give by credit card online at www.seiasynod.org/RAGBRAI

