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Fourteenth Sunday After Pentecost

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Welcome to Zion Lutheran Church on this Fourteenth Sunday After Pentecost! Today we hear the prophet Jeremiah speaks of the incurable wound of his suffering yet finds in God's words the delight of his heart. When Peter doesn't understand Jesus' words about suffering, Jesus tells the disciples they will find their lives in losing them. Such sacrificial love is described by Paul when he urges us to associate with the lowly and not repay evil with evil. In worship we gather as a community that we might offer ourselves for the sake of our suffering 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* 



# + 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.

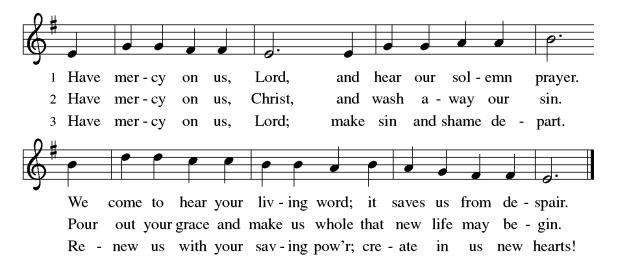
# Amen.

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



+ CANTICLE OF PRAISE Glory to God ELW p. 204 1 Glo-ry be all God in heav-en; peace, good-will to the earth. to 2 Glo-ry Christ for - ev - er, Lamb of God and Lord of love. be to now ac-claim you; Lord a - lone, to you we call; 3 Ho-ly One we all Might-y God of cre - a - tion, Fa - ther of sur - pass - ing worth: of God and gra-cious Sav - ior, you have come from heav'n a-bove; Son Ho - ly One in faith we name you, God most high, yet near to all: you, we a - dore you, we lift high our thanks and praise. we ex - alt 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. the peace that we in - her - it, For glo - ry be God on high! to

+ PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you And also with you Let us pray: O God, we thank you for your Son, who chose the path of suffering for the sake of the world. Humble us by his example, point us to the path of obedience, and give us strength to follow your commands, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

ANTHEMMarilyn Briscoe & Sue Robinson – piano duetNearer My God to Thee

#### **# WORD #**

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

#### FIRST READING Jeremiah 15:15-21

<sup>15</sup>O LORD, you know; remember me and visit me, and bring down retribution for me on my persecutors. In your forbearance do not take me away; know that on your account I suffer insult. <sup>16</sup>Your words were found, and I ate them, and your words became to me a joy and the delight of my heart; for I am called by your name, O LORD, God of hosts. <sup>17</sup>I did not sit in the company of merrymakers, nor did I rejoice; under the weight of your hand I sat alone, for you had filled me with indignation. <sup>18</sup>Why is my pain unceasing, my wound incurable, refusing to be healed? Truly, you are to me like a deceitful brook, like waters that fail. <sup>19</sup>Therefore thus says the LORD: If you turn back, I will take you back, and you shall stand before me. If you utter what is precious, and not what is worthless, you shall serve as my mouth. It is they who will turn to you, not you who will turn to them. <sup>20</sup>And I will make you to this people a fortified wall of bronze; they will fight against you, but they shall not prevail over you, for I am with you to save you and deliver you, savs the LORD. <sup>21</sup>I will deliver you out of the hand of the wicked, and redeem you from the grasp of the ruthless. The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

#### **PSALM 26:1-8**

<sup>1</sup>Vindicate me, O LORD, for I have walked in my integrity, and I have trusted in the LORD without wavering.

<sup>2</sup> Prove me, O LORD, and try me; test my heart and mind.
<sup>3</sup> For your steadfast love is before my eyes, and I walk in faithfulness to you.<sup>[a]</sup>
<sup>4</sup> I do not sit with the worthless, nor do I consort with hypocrites;
<sup>5</sup> I hate the company of evildoers and will not sit with the wicked.

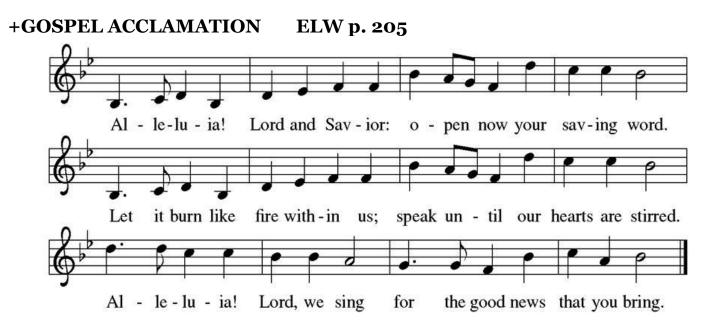
# <sup>6</sup> I wash my hands in innocence and go around your altar, O LORD, <sup>7</sup> singing aloud a song of thanksgiving and telling all your wondrous deeds. <sup>8</sup> O LORD, I love the house in which you dwell and the place where your glory abides.

#### SECOND READING Romans 12:9-21

<sup>9</sup>Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; <sup>10</sup>love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honor. <sup>11</sup>Do not lag in zeal, be ardent in spirit, serve the Lord. <sup>12</sup>Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer. <sup>13</sup>Contribute to the needs of the saints; extend hospitality to strangers.

<sup>14</sup>Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. <sup>15</sup>Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. <sup>16</sup>Live in harmony with one another; do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly; do not claim to be wiser than you are. <sup>17</sup>Do not repay anyone evil for evil, but take thought for what is noble in the sight of all. <sup>18</sup>If it is possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. <sup>19</sup>Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave room for the wrath of God; for it is written, "Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord." <sup>20</sup>No, "if your enemies are hungry, feed them; if they are thirsty, give them something to drink; for by doing this you will heap burning coals on their heads." <sup>21</sup>Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good. The Word of the Lord **Thanks be to God** 

# **CHILDREN'S SERMON**



#### + GOSPEL READING

Matthew 16:21-28

The holy gospel according to Matthew.

#### Glory to you, O Lord.

<sup>21</sup>From that time on, [after Peter confessed that Jesus was the Messiah,] Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and undergo great suffering at the hands of the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised. <sup>22</sup>And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, "God forbid it, Lord! This must never happen to you." <sup>23</sup>But he turned and said to Peter, "Get behind me, Satan! You are a stumbling block to me; for you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things."

<sup>24</sup>Then Jesus told his disciples, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. <sup>25</sup>For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it. <sup>26</sup>For what will it profit them if they gain the whole world but forfeit their life? Or what will they give in return for their life?

<sup>27</sup>"For the Son of Man is to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay everyone for what has been done. <sup>28</sup>Truly I tell you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom.".

This is the gospel of our Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.** 

#### SERMON



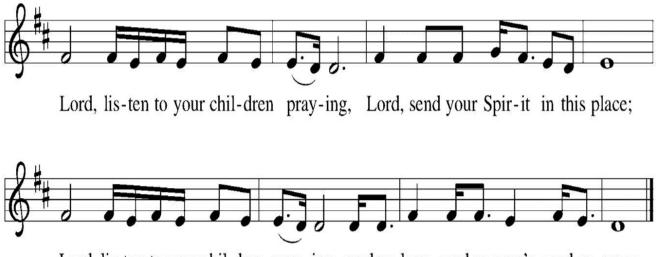
#### + APOSTLES' CREED

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 *Lord*, *Listen to Your Children Praying* 



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

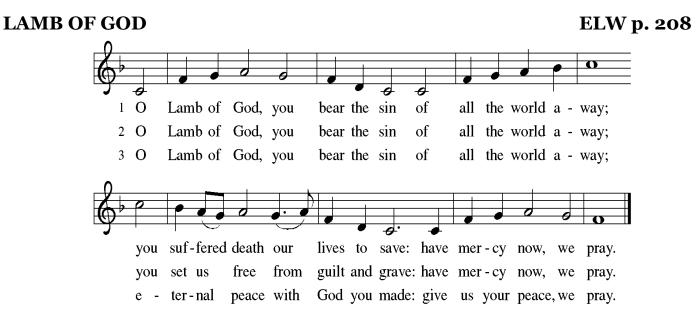
#### + THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

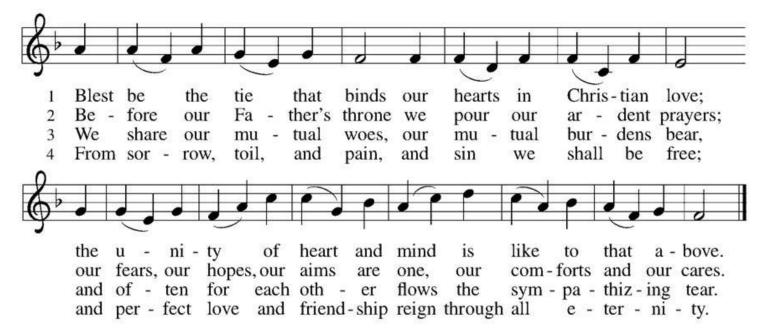
The table has been prepared for you. Taste and see that the Lord is good!

#### THE DISTRIBUTION



#### **DISTRIBUTION HYMNS ELW 656, 631, 721, 785**

ELW 656



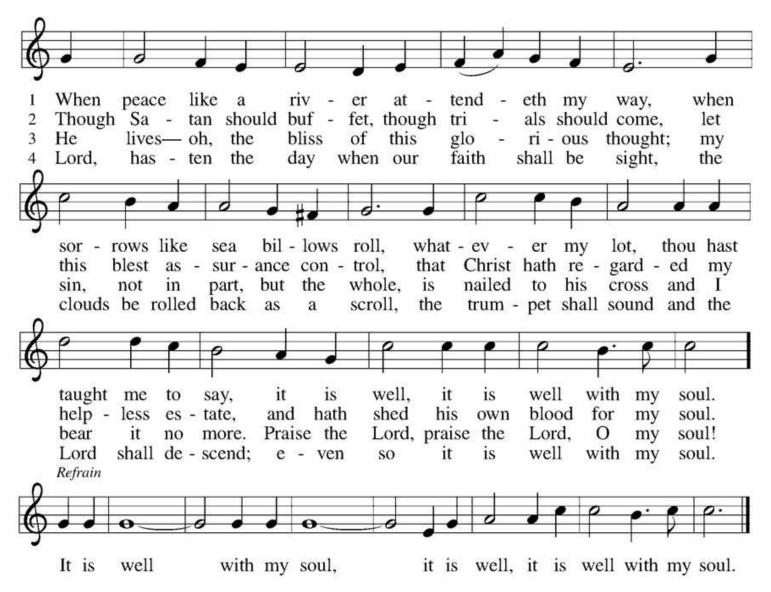
#### ELW 631



Music: HYFRYDOL, Rowland H. Prichard, 1811-1887

# Goodness Is Stronger than Evil





#### + 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

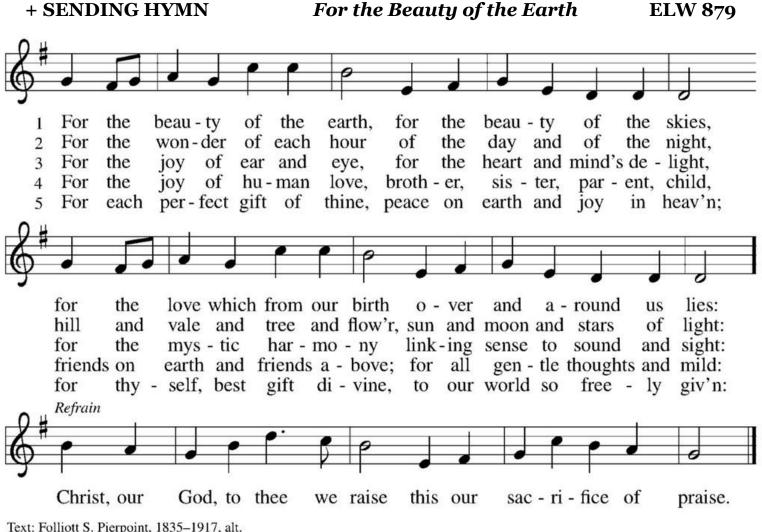
God of abundance, with this bread of life and cup of salvation you have united us with Christ, making us one with all your people. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue forever in the risen life of Jesus Christ, our Lord.

#### 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.** 



Music: DIX, Conrad Kocher, 1786–1872

+ DISMISSAL Go in peace. Serve the Lord! Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE

# **‡Happening This Week**‡

SUN, Sept 3	9:00 a.m. Worship 10:30 a.m. Fellowship
MON, Sept 4	Church Office Closed For Labor Day
WED, Sept 6	6:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study 12:00 p.m. Christians Underground @ Geo John's
THU, Sept 7	6:30 a.m. Fellowship of Christian Athletes L-M School 6:30 p.m. All Committee Meeting
SUN, Sept 10	9:00 a.m. Worship 10:30 a.m. Fellowship 10:30 a.m. Sunday School 6:00 p.m. Evening Worship

# **\*Serving In Ministry**\*

	9/3	9/10	9/17
ACOLYTES	Jackson Evans Mitchell Taylor	Dalton Bozarth Elise Freberg	Preston Schroeder Carson Schroeder
A.M./READER	Jim Haage/AM	Katie Harris/AM	Kathleen Schippers/AM
HOSPITALITY	Youth	Worship	Social Ministry
GREETER (S)	Riley Padgett & Doris Watson		Jeff & Denise Baird

Total Offering Received For Week 8/27/2023	\$2841
YTD Offering Received	\$145553
Remaining Weekly Offering Required to meet Weekly Budget	\$6343 (per week)

	YTD Bag of Blessings	YTD Quarters for Hunger
\$650	\$520	\$172.90

#### **\*Announcements**\*

**Please Pray** for Kristy Keith, Bill Tiecke, Patty Lange, Butch Doyle, Evelyn Christophersen, Billy Rueckert, Rev. Bill Dyar & Roger Roskens.

**This week's** altar flowers were provided by Judy Carson for Carl Carlson. His dad would have celebrated his 121st birthday and his parents their 93rd wedding anniversary.

**This is** Bag of Blessings Sunday. Please make a memo on your envelope or check for these donations.

**Today's Hospitality & Bake Sale** is provided by the youth group to raise funds for their Youth trip to New Orleans next year.

**Next week's** Readings- Ezekiel 33:7-11, Psalm 119:33-40, Romans 13:8-14, Matthew 18:15-20

**Thank you to Irmgard Shoppa** for helping with translating all the German documents. Stop & look at all the wonderful historical items in the display case, as we celebrate our Zion heritage. You might see your family name!

Sunday Evening Worship!! Please join us Sept 10 & 24 @6pm.

**The Zion Trust** has opened the process for the 2023 Scholarship Awards and Outreach Mission Grants and that the applications are on the website or that they can pick up a paper copy from the office.

**Rally Day activities next Sunday, September 10**, will include our annual Hymns and Hot Dogs event! Hymn singing and organ music will begin at 3:30 PM, followed by a delicious and fun supper of grilled hot dogs with side dishes. Come wrap up Rally Day with music and eats!

# FAMILY FAITH NIGHT KICK-OFF!



FAITH **†** TOGETHER

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6



6:00 - 7:30 PM MEAL INCLUDED!

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of the 2023-2024 year! Schedule and more information for our elementary, middle school, and adult groups shared during Kick-Off Night.

ALL are invited to our first night

