

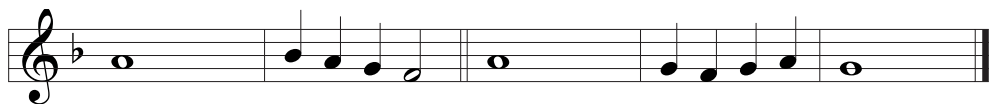
## DIVINE SERVICE (LSB 184) FOR THE SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

## RECEIVING OF THE LORD'S SUPPER AT ZION

- (a) who have been **baptized** in the Name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit;
- (b) who have been **instructed** in the truth of Holy Scripture as taught in the Lutheran Confessions, who have been **confirmed** in this Lutheran faith, and who now confess the same doctrines that are taught in this congregation, holding membership in a congregation of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod;
- (c) who **believe that in this sacrament the real body and blood of Christ are truly distributed to them and orally received by them**, bestowing on them the forgiveness of sins, life and salvation;
- (d) who **sincerely repent** of all their sins, and desire to receive God's forgiveness in this holy meal.

**✠ = appropriate to make the baptismal sign of the cross**  
**When “rise” or “kneel” is indicated, it is appropriate to sit if needed**

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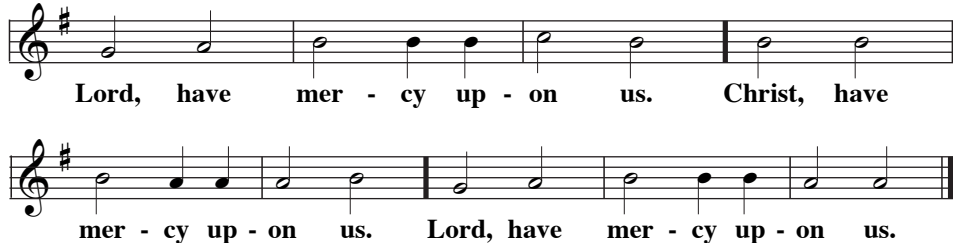
Verse 4: *O God, insolent men have risen | up a- gainst me; || a band of ruthless men seek my life, and they do not | set you be- fore | them.*

Verse 5: **But you, O Lord, are a God merci- | ful and gra- cious, || slow to anger and abounding in steadfast | love and faith- ful- | ness.**

Gloria: **Glory be to the Father and I to the Son\_\_ ; || and I to the Ho- ly I •Spirit•; As it was in the be- I •ginning•, is now\_\_, || and will I be for- •ever• A- I men!**

[Antiphon] **Give ear, O Lord, | to my pray- er; || listen | to my plea for | grace.**

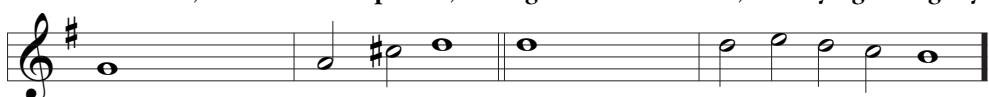
## Kyrie



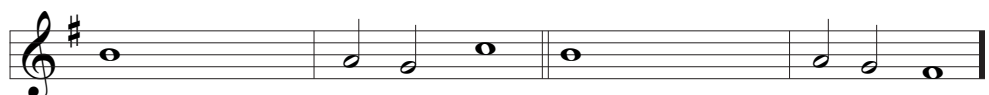
## Gloria in Excelsis



1. *Glory be to . . . . . God on high: And on earth . . . peace good will •toward• men*
2. *We praise Thee, we we glorify Thee, bless Thee, we . . . . wor-ship Thee, we give thanks to I Thee, for Thy great •glory•.*



3. *O Lord God, . . . . . heav'n- ly King, God, the . . . . . Fa- ther Al-\_\_ •mighty•,*
4. *O Lord, the only- O Lord God, begotten Son, . . . . . Je - sus Christ; Lamb of God, . . . Son\_\_ of the •Father•,*



5. *That takest away the . . sin •of the• world, have mercy up - - - - - on\_\_ us.*
6. *Thou that takest away the . . . . . sin •of the• world, re - - - - - ceive our •prayer•*
7. *Thou that sittest at the right hand of . . . . . God the •Father•, have mercy up - - - - - on\_\_ us.*



8. *For Thou . . . . . •only• art •holy• Thou . . . . . on - - ly art the Lord.*
9. *Thou, only, O art most Christ, with the . . . Ho - - ly Ghost; high in the I •glory• of God the •Father• A-men.*

## Salutation

*The Lord be with you.*



A musical staff with a treble clef. It contains five notes: a quarter note on G4, a quarter note on A4, a quarter note on G4, a quarter note on F#4, and a half note on E4. A slur is placed under the first four notes. The staff ends with a double bar line. Below the staff, the text "A ——— men!" is written, with a line connecting the "A" to the "men!".

+ The Office of the Word of God +

[ After the reading ] *This is the word of the Lord.* ..... **Thanks be to God.**

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## Alleluia Sequence

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le lu - ia!

[ *The Gospel is announced.* ]

Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord!

[ *The Gospel is proclaimed.* ]



**Praise be to Thee, O Christ!**

**I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, Very God of Very God, Begotten, not made, Being of one substance with the Father, By whom all things were made; Who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven**

[ Bow ] **And was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the Virgin Mary, And was made man;**

**And was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried; And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures; And ascended into heaven, And sits at the right hand of the Father; And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead; Whose kingdom will have no end.**

**And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of Life, Who proceeds from the Father and the Son, Who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified, Who spoke by the Prophets. And I believe in one Holy Christian and Apostolic Church. I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, And I look for the resurrection of the dead, And the life ☩ of the world to come. Amen!**

**Hymn of the Day ..... Why Should Cross and Trial ..... Burgundy Hymn 756**

## Sermon

[ Rise ] **Prayer of the Church**

*Let us pray for the whole church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs: ...*

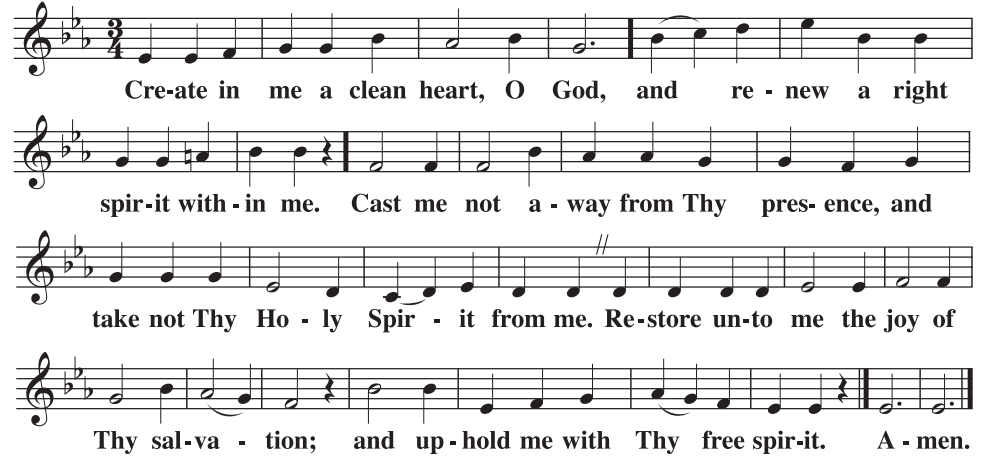
[ After each petition ]: *Lord, in Your mercy:* ..... **Hear our prayer.**

[ After the final petition ]: ..., *one God, now and forever* ..... **Amen.**

[ Be Seated ] **Offering** (please continue your regular tithes and offerings by mail, drop off, or online banking)

**Voluntary**

[ Rise ] **Offertory** ..... **Create in Me a Clean Heart, O God**



Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new a right  
spir-it with - in me. Cast me not a - way from Thy pres- ence, and  
take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re-store un-to me the joy of  
Thy sal-va - tion; and up - hold me with Thy free spir-it. A - men.

**+ The Office of the Sacrament of the Altar +**

**Preface**

*The Lord be with you.*

*Lift up your hearts.*



And with thy spir-it. We lift \_ them up un-to \_ the Lord.

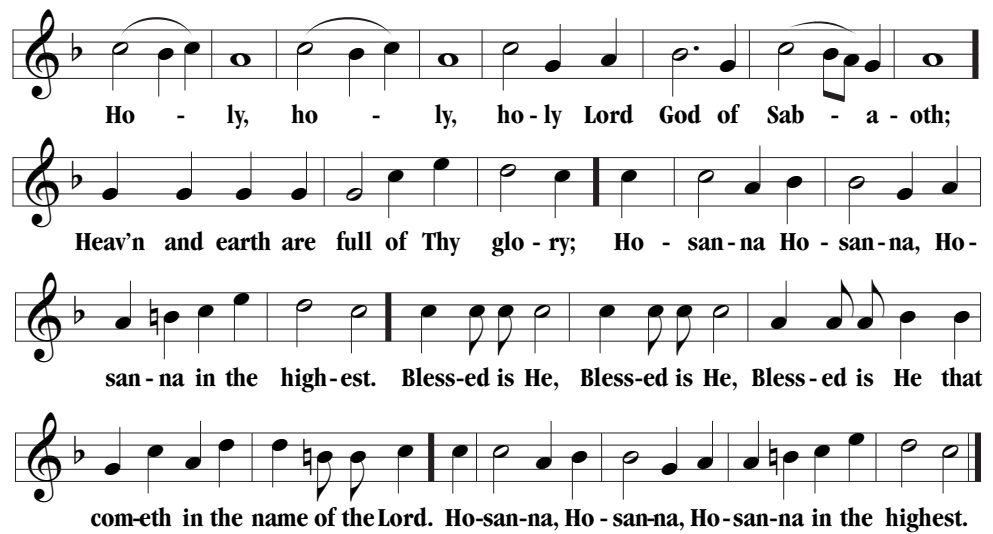
*Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.*



It is meet \_\_\_ and right so \_\_\_ to do. \_

**Common Preface, Sanctus**

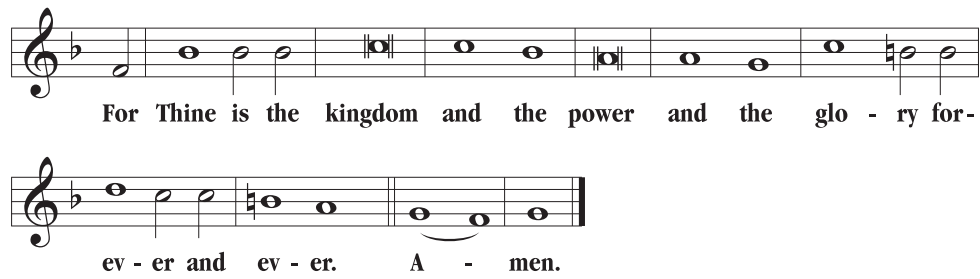
*It is truly meet, right and salutary . . . . . ever more praising You and saying:*



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth;  
Heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry; Ho - san-na Ho - san-na, Ho -  
san-na in the high-est. Bless-ed is He, Bless-ed is He, Bless-ed is He that  
com-eth in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na, Ho - san-na, Ho-san-na in the highest.

[ Kneel ] **The Lord's Prayer**


[ Pastor chants: ] *Our Father who art in heaven;... but deliver us from evil.*



For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glo - ry for-  
ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

**Words of Institution, Pax Domini**

*The peace of the Lord be with you always!*



A - men.

**Agnus Dei**



1-3. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the world,  
*Stanzas 1 and 2* | *Stanza 3*  
have mer-cy up - on us. Grant us Thy Peace. A - - - men!

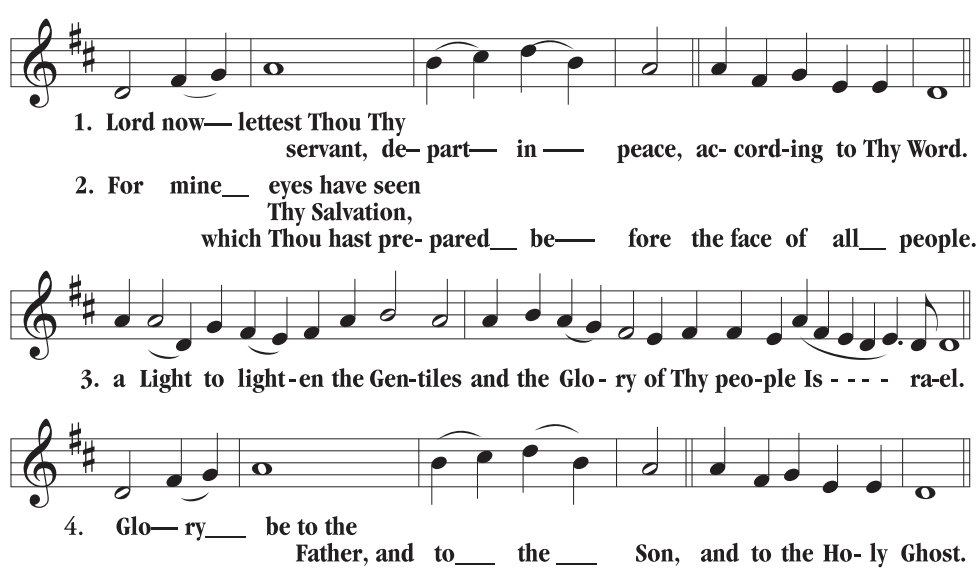
[ Be Seated ]

**Distribution Hymns** ..... O Little Flock, Fear Not the Foe ... Burgundy Hymn 666  
If Thou But Trust in God to Guide .. Burgundy Hymn 750  
Come, Ye Thankful People ..... Burgundy Hymn 892

**Eucharistic Benediction**

*The Body and Blood of your Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting! ✠ Depart in Peace! ..... Amen!*

**Post-Communion Cantic.....The Nunc Dimittis**



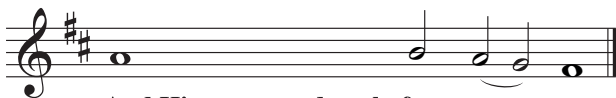
1. Lord now— lettest Thou Thy  
servant, de- part— in — peace, ac- cord-ing to Thy Word.  
2. For mine\_\_ eyes have seen  
Thy Salvation,  
which Thou hast pre- pared\_\_ be— fore the face of all\_\_ people.  
3. a Light to light-en the Gen-tiles and the Glo- ry of Thy peo-ple Is - - - ra-el.  
4. Glo— ry\_\_ be to the  
Father, and to\_\_ the\_\_ Son, and to the Ho- ly Ghost.



5. As it \_\_\_\_\_ was in the  
beginning, is  
now, and e-ver shall be, world with-out end. A-men.

## Post Communion Rite

*Oh, give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good.*



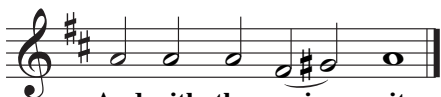
And His mercy endureth for – ev — er.

## Prayer of Thanksgiving ... now and forever.



A — men.

*The Lord be with you.*



And with thy spir — rit.

*Bless we the Lord.*



Thanks be to God.

## Benediction

*The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and ✠ give you peace.*



A - men, A - men, A - men.

*During the Recessional, the Congregation turns and faces the Processional Cross, the symbol of Christ's promise to remain with and lead His people as they now go and live in the world in His name.*

## Recessional Hymn ..... Lord Jesus Christ, with Us Abide .. Burgundy Hymn 585

## Postlude

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## **Readings for the Seventh Sunday after Pentecost**

### **The Old Testament Reading is Isaiah 44:6-8**

Thus says the LORD, the King of Israel  
and his Redeemer, the LORD of hosts:  
“I am the first and I am the last;  
besides me there is no god.  
Who is like me? Let him proclaim it.  
Let him declare and set it before me,  
since I appointed an ancient people.  
Let them declare what is to come, and what will happen.  
Fear not, nor be afraid;  
have I not told you from of old and declared it?  
And you are my witnesses!  
Is there a God besides me?  
There is no Rock; I know not any.”

### **The Epistle is Romans 8:18-27**

For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory that is to be revealed to us. For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the sons of God. For the creation was subjected to futility, not willingly, but because of him who subjected it, in hope that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to corruption and obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God. For we know that the whole creation has been groaning together in the pains of childbirth until now. And not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly as we wait eagerly for adoption as sons, the redemption of our bodies. For in this hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what he sees? But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness. For we do not know what to pray for as we ought, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us with groanings too deep for words. And he who searches hearts knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.

### **The Gospel is Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43**

[Jesus] put another parable before them, saying, “The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a man who sowed good seed in his field,

but while his men were sleeping, his enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat and went away. So when the plants came up and bore grain, then the weeds appeared also. And the servants of the master of the house came and said to him, ‘Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? How then does it have weeds?’ He said to them, ‘An enemy has done this.’ So the servants said to him, ‘Then do you want us to go and gather them?’ But he said, ‘No, lest in gathering the weeds you root up the wheat along with them. Let both grow together until the harvest, and at harvest time I will tell the reapers, Gather the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn.’”

...

Then he left the crowds and went into the house. And his disciples came to him, saying, “Explain to us the parable of the weeds of the field.” He answered, “The one who sows the good seed is the Son of Man. The field is the world, and the good seed is the sons of the kingdom. The weeds are the sons of the evil one, and the enemy who sowed them is the devil. The harvest is the close of the age, and the reapers are angels. Just as the weeds are gathered and burned with fire, so will it be at the close of the age. The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will gather out of his kingdom all causes of sin and all law-breakers, and throw them into the fiery furnace. In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. He who has ears, let him hear.”



## Hymns for the Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

### **LSB756 Why Should Cross and Trial Grieve Me**

**Paul Gerhardt**

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1. Why should cross and trial grieve me?  
Christ is near With His cheer; Never will He leave me.  
Who can rob me of the heaven  
That God's Son For me won When His life was given?
2. When life's troubles rise to meet me,  
Though their weight May be great, They will not defeat me.  
God, my loving Savior, sends them;  
He who knows All my woes Knows how best to end them.
3. God gives me my days of gladness,  
And I will Trust Him still When He send me sadness.  
God is good; His love attends me  
Day by day, Come what may, Guides me and defends me.
4. From God's joy can nothing sever,  
For I am His dear lamb, He, my Shepherd ever.  
I am His because He gave me  
His own blood For my good, By His death to save me.
5. Now in Christ, death cannot slay me,  
Though it might, Day and night, Trouble and dismay me.  
Christ has made my death a portal  
From the strife Of this life To His joy immortal!

### **LSB666 O Little Flock, Fear Not the Foe**

**Jacob Fabricius**

1. O little flock, fear not the foe  
Who madly seeks your overthrow;  
Dread not his rage and pow'r.  
And though your courage sometimes faints,  
His seeming triumph o'er God's saints  
Lasts but a little hour.
2. Be of good cheer; your cause belongs  
To Him who can avenge your wrongs;  
Leave it to Him, our Lord.  
Though hidden yet from mortal eyes,  
His Gideon shall for you arise,  
Uphold you and His Word.

3. As true as God's own Word is true,  
Not earth nor hell's satanic crew  
Against us shall prevail.  
Their might? A joke, a mere facade!  
God is with us and we with God—  
Our vict'ry cannot fail.
4. Amen, Lord Jesus, grant our prayer;  
Great Captain, now Thine arm make bare,  
Fight for us once again!  
So shall Thy saints and martyrs raise  
A mighty chorus to Thy praise  
Forevermore. Amen..

### **LSB750 If Thou But Trust in God to Guide Thee**

**Georg Neumark**

1. If thou but trust in God to guide thee  
And hope in Him through all thy ways,  
He'll give thee strength, whate'er betide thee,  
And bear thee through the evil days.  
Who trusts in God's unchanging love  
Builds on the rock that naught can move.
2. What can these anxious cares avail thee,  
These never-ceasing moans and sighs?  
What can it help if thou bewail thee  
O'er each dark moment as it flies?  
Our cross and trials do but press  
The heavier for our bitterness.
3. Be patient and await His leisure  
In cheerful hope, with heart content  
To take whate'er thy Father's pleasure  
And His discerning love hath sent,  
Nor doubt our inmost wants are known  
To Him who chose us for His own.
4. God knows full well when times of gladness  
Shall be the needful thing for thee.  
When He has tried thy soul with sadness  
And from all guile has found thee free,  
He comes to thee all unaware  
And makes thee own His loving care.

5. Nor think amid the fiery trial  
That God hath cast thee off unheard,  
That he whose hopes meet no denial  
Must surely be of God preferred.  
Time passes and much change doth bring  
And sets a bound to ev'rything.  
All are alike before the Highest;
6. 'Tis easy to our God, we know,  
To raise thee up, though low thou liest,  
To make the rich man poor and low.  
True wonders still by Him are wrought  
Who setteth up and brings to naught.
7. Sing, pray, and keep His ways unswerving,  
Perform thy duties faithfully,  
And trust His Word; though undeserving,  
Thou yet shalt find it true for thee.  
God never yet forsook in need  
The soul that trusted Him indeed.

## **LSB892 Come, Ye Thankful People, Come**

**Henry Alford**

1. Come, ye thankful people, come; Raise the song of harvest home.  
All be safely gathered in Ere the winter storms begin;  
God, our Maker, doth provide For our wants to be supplied.  
Come to God's own temple, come; Raise the song of harvest home.
2. All the world is God's own field, Fruit unto His praise to yield;  
Wheat and tares together sown, Unto joy or sorrow grown.  
First the blade and then the ear, Then the full corn shall appear.  
Lord of harvest, grant that we Wholesome grain and pure may be.
3. For the Lord, our God, shall come And shall take His harvest home,  
From His field shall in that day All offenses purge away,  
Give His angels charge at last In the fire the tares to cast,  
But the fruitful ears to store In His garner evermore.
4. Even so, Lord, quickly come To Thy final harvest home;  
Gather Thou Thy people in, Free from sorrow, free from sin,  
There, forever purified, In Thy garner to abide:  
Come with all Thine angels, come, Raise the glorious harvest home.

## **LSB585 Lord Jesus Christ, with Us Abide**

**Philip Melancthon**

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1. Lord Jesus Christ, with us abide,  
For round us falls the eventide.  
O let Your Word, that saving light,  
Shine forth undimmed into the night.
2. In those last days of great distress  
Grant us, dear Lord, true steadfastness  
That we keep pure till life is spent  
Your holy Word and Sacrament.
3. To hope grown dim, to hearts turned cold  
Speak tongues of fire and make us bold  
To shine Your Word of saving grace  
Into each dark and loveless place.
4. May glorious truths that we have heard,  
The bright sword of Your mighty Word,  
Spurn Satan that Your Church be strong,  
Bold, unified in act and song.
5. Restrain, O Lord, the human pride  
That seeks to thrust Your truth aside  
Or with some man-made thoughts or things  
Would dim the words Your Spirit sings.
6. Stay with us, Lord, and keep us true;  
Preserve our faith our whole life through –  
Your Word alone our heart's defense,  
The Church's glorious confidence.

## For the family of God's Priestly People at Zion

God calls His own people a "Royal Priesthood." God makes us kings and queens, princes and princesses who are bound together by the Holy Spirit in Baptism for the Christian benefit of each other. Priests **PRAY** -- They talk to God about their neighbor! Priests **TEACH** -- They talk to their neighbor about God! Priests **OFFER SACRIFICES** -- They offer to God the sacrifice of broken and contrite hearts; they offer their bodies and work as holy services to God for their neighbors. Join in this priestly work of prayer with your fellow members.

### Morning Prayer

Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43

Acts 16:1-22

Acts 16:23-40

Acts 18:1-11, 23-28

Acts 19:1-22

Acts 21:15-36

Acts 21:37-22:16

### DAILY LECTIONARY

#### The Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Saturday

### Evening Prayer

Isaiah 44:6-8

1 Samuel 3:1-21

1 Samuel 4:1-22

1 Samuel 5:1-6:3, 10-16

1 Samuel 6:19-7:14

1 Samuel 8:1-22

1 Samuel 9:1-27

### THE DAILY PETITIONS OF THE CHURCH

[Daily] **O Lord, have mercy upon us. O Christ, have mercy upon us. O Lord, have mercy upon us.** Let us pray:

[S] For the joy of the Resurrection among us; for true and godly worship throughout the world; for diligent preaching and hearing of God's Word of Law and Gospel; for our pastors; for the teachers and students of our Sunday School; for our Bible Class leaders and their students; for our catechumens; Lord, in Thy mercy, .....**hear our prayer. Amen!**

[M] For workers; for the unemployed; for farmers; for seasonable weather; for businesses small and large; for our leaders, federal, state and local; for the economic welfare of the nations on earth; for peace in our world; Lord, in Thy mercy, .....**hear our prayer. Amen!**

[T] For the tempted; for the addicted and despairing; for the tortured and oppressed; for the lonely; for the sick, the hospitalized, and the needy; Lord, in Thy mercy, .....**hear our prayer. Amen!**

[W] For fathers, mothers, and families; for those adults who must rear their children alone; the teachers and students of Lutheran South Unity School and Concordia Lutheran High School; Lord, in Thy mercy, .....**hear our prayer. Amen!**

[T] For the Church and her pastors; for the training of ministers of the Word; for missionaries of the Church; for the leaders of the Church, including Matthew, our synod president, and Daniel, our district president; for those who have not heard the Gospel; for the fruitful use of the blessed Sacrament of the Lord's Body and Blood; Lord, in Thy mercy, .....**hear our prayer. Amen!**

[F] For the preaching of the Cross; for those persecuted for the sake of the Gospel; the confession of the orthodox Lutheran faith in our community; Lord, in Thy mercy, .....**hear our prayer. Amen!**

[Sat] For faithfulness unto life's earthly end; for the revival of those who have withered in the faith or fallen away; for the dying; Lord, in Thy mercy, .....**hear our prayer. Amen!**

[Daily] **The Our Father**

### TO PREPARE FOR NEXT SUNDAY

#### The Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

Deuteronomy 7:6-9

Romans 8:28-39

Matthew 13:44-52

## The Seventh Sunday after Pentecost



## Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church

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The mission of Zion Lutheran Church is to be the body of Christ gathered at Hanna and Creighton in Fort Wayne, Indiana to:

- Receive Christ's gifts in baptism, preaching, teaching, and the Eucharist;
- Reach out to those who do not know the love of God in Christ;
- Reveal Christ's love for the world through acts of kindness and mercy toward all.

### The Pastoral Ministry At Zion

Senior Pastor

Rev. Douglas D. Punke, MDiv (341-5397)

Field Workers:

Kyle Nelson, Peter Wagner

### The Teaching Staff At Lutheran South Unity

Sheila Nehrenz, Principal (744-0459)

Teachers:

Gene Koch, Yvonne Schwantz, Barry Chrzan,

Danielle Ramsey, Susan Mittelstaedt, Merideth Tourney,

Dawn Gill, Hannah Maresh, Cathie Wakeland, Natalie Reynolds

### The Support Staff

Organist and Director of Parish Music:

Michael Hollman, MM

Church Office Manager:

Melvia Culpher

## PRAYERS FOR TODAY

- + For the church and those experiencing persecution around the world; for the leaders, pastors, church workers, for those preparing for the Holy Ministry, and for Bethlehem and Peace Lutheran congregations, calling new pastors
- + For those who serve our Lord at home and abroad
- + For our nation, under duress because of COVID-19 and racial strife, for our leaders, our military, and our health care workers
- + For our schools, especially Lutheran South Unity School and Concordia Lutheran High School on summer break and Concordia Theological Seminary in summer session, especially the new Greek students
- + For those who travel
- + For the aged and the homebound, including MaryLou Graham, Juanita Moore, Everett Beck, Helen Russell, Jackie Schieferstein, Cheryl Silvers, and Doris Yerger
- + For those who are near death, including Irene Nichols
- + For the ill, distressed, and those suffering affliction, including Mark Hollman, Jessica Krause, Shannon Roberson, Dwight Bieberich, Gloria Gonzalez, Willie Manning, Charlene Young, Lucille Brandt, Shirley Bohner, Donna Scott, Willodean Bates, Jill Stokes, Connie & Rick Meyer, Dick Hollman, Jim Reid, Joey Harrison, Maurice King, John Weber, Miranda Krider, Ron Rastl, Marlow Hogan, and Claudia Southerland
- + For God's blessing on all godly marriages, especially Susie & Jason Kaiser and TruLaine & John Starks
- + For the gift of life and for length of days
- + For the gift of rebirth by water and the Spirit, especially Jack & Mick DeSalvo
- + For those who mourn the death of loved ones
- + For the faithful departed
- + For our communicants and for a fruitful use of the most Blessed Sacrament of our Lord's Body and Blood

## IN THE SERVICE TODAY

Today is the Seventh Sunday after Pentecost. The Cross Bowl is given in celebration of the 17<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary of Susie & Jason Kaiser by Janeen and David Kaiser. The Altar Vases are given in celebration of the 18<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary of TruLaine & John Starks. The Baptismal Bud Vase is given in celebration of the 19<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Jack DeSalvo's baptism and the 17<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Mick DeSalvo's baptism by Ardis Behrendt. Please complete an attendance/communion card, including the names of all children, and indicate if you are communing. Non-members, please read the back of the card.

## CALENDAR

### July 19, 2020 thru July 25, 2020

<b>SUN.</b>	<b>9:00 AM</b>	<b>Divine Service</b>	<b>Church</b>
	10:30 AM	Adult Bible Class	Bauer Hall
<b>MON.</b>			
<b>TUES.</b>			
<b>WED</b>	<b>5:30 PM</b>	<b>Wednesday Divine Service</b>	<b>Church</b>
<b>THURS.</b>			
<b>FRI.</b>			
<b>SAT.</b>	11:00 AM	Private Confession	Church
	4:00 PM	Donovynn Sisson-Lewis Open House	Bauer Hall

### July 26, 2020

<b>SUN.</b>	<b>9:00 AM</b>	<b>Divine Service</b>	<b>Church</b>
	10:30 AM	Congregational Assembly	Bauer Hall

## ZION ANNOUNCEMENTS

**EDUCATION HOUR:** We continue to gather in Bauer Hall with an appropriate amount of distancing to continue the study of the Epistles of St. Peter (we had read through much of 1<sup>st</sup> Peter this Easter season). Dr. Voelz will pick things back up in the fall with the study of the Gospel according to St. Mark.

**FYI** Semi-annual giving statements are ready. You may pick them up at Julie Ganaway's Scrip table.

**LIFETOUCH** will be here on August 5 for those members who haven't had their pictures taken yet for the church directory. Times will be announced soon.

**THANKS** to everyone who has donated diapers; we have attained over 75% of our goal. We are still in need of newborn diapers and sizes 4, 5, and 6. If you would like to help with getting them bagged and ready, help is needed on August 4<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup>, noon – 2:00 PM, and August 10<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup>, 6 – 8 PM. Please contact TruLaine Starks at 260-441-0753 or DaVanna Seifert at 260-494-0803 to "sign up."

**AROUND THE NATION** COVID-19 is still troubling many states, and Indiana has seen an uptick in positive cases and hospitalizations. As of this writing, I don't know what the governor is going to do in Indiana. We're going to continue to use caution as we gather; we must continue to love our neighbors. 1) Hoosiers 65 and older and those with known high-risk medical conditions should adhere to social distancing guidelines and remain cautious at work and in their communities; 2) Face coverings are optional, although encouraged; *the Governor is promoting "Mask Up, Hoosiers!"*; 3) *Maintain social distancing guidelines in social settings — we're doing this still in church; try to offset yourselves*; 4) social gatherings permitted in groups greater than 250; 5) Nursing homes visitation continues to be evaluated; K-12 schools operations to be determined.

**CONGREGATIONAL ASSEMBLY** will be held next Sunday July 26 after service — lots of business. Budget and ballot should be on the table in the narthex.

**MEMORY VERSE CHALLENGE** How did you do on last week's challenge verse? You've been hearing this week's challenge verse in my sermons — Rom. 10:17—"So faith comes from hearing and hearing through the word of Christ." Last week's verse was Rom. 6:3-4.

**UPDATE ON MAURICE:** I share what tidbits I receive. This is from Jon Dize (it was an email note; I fixed it up a bit): "I talked to Maurice today. He had just returned from a Wound Clinic visit in Kendallville. He was tired. The doctor doesn't like how slow a wound on his back is healing, and he may have to go to a plastic surgeon. He can't sit — only lie down or stand due to pain/healing issues. FYI; he's out of the hospital, but not out of the woods yet." Remember, his address is: Maurice King, 376 Quell Ct, 46845.

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# What Doctor Luther Says:

## *About Praying with Faith*

Prayer, therefore, is a special exercise of faith, and faith makes the prayer so acceptable that either it will surely be granted, or something better than what we ask will be given in its stead. ... It follows from this that he who prays aright never doubts that his prayer is surely acceptable and is heard, although the very thing for which he prays may not be granted him. For we are to lay our need before God in prayer, but not prescribe to him the measure or the manner, the limits or the place. If he wills to give us something better or something other than we think, we are to leave it to him; for frequently we do not know what we pray, as St. Paul says in Romans 8 [:26]. “God works and gives above and beyond all that we understand,” as he also says in Ephesians 3 [:20]. So there can be no doubt that the prayer is acceptable and heard, and yet we leave the time and place, the measure and the limit up to God: he will surely do it as it should be. “They are the true worshipers who worship him in spirit and in truth” [John 4:24]. For those who do not believe that they will be heard sin against this commandment on the left side, and go far astray with their unbelief. But those who prescribe a limit to him sin on the right side and come too close to tempting God. He has forbidden us to stray from his commandment either to the left or to the right, that is, neither with unbelief nor with tempting. He has commanded us to remain on the right path with simple faith, believing in him but at the same time setting him no limits.

*Luther’s Works*, 44:58-60.

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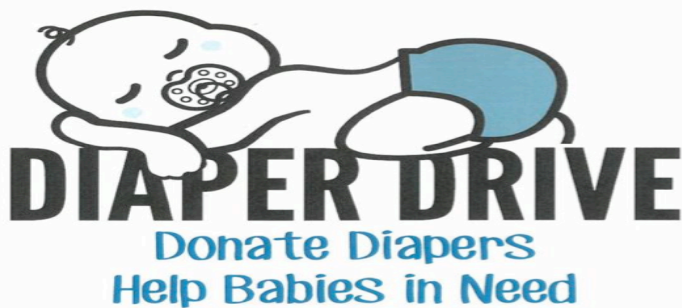


# **FAITH** IN THE SHADOW OF A PANDEMIC

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As Christians, we know how to address the tension between fear and hope. In the midst of our fears, Jesus Christ enters with hope and peace. Fear alone is paralyzing, but fear among the faithful may drive us to Christ. We are no longer paralyzed but rather freed and enabled to show love to our neighbors.





**FACT:**

Households experiencing diaper need are an average of 19 diapers short a month

Zion is collecting diapers for the community diaper give-a-way event on August 29th.

ALL size diapers are needed, just bring your diapers to the church and place them into the bassinet. Last day to bring diapers will be July 31st.

\*Last year Zion Lutheran Church gave away locally 2652 diapers which was 202 packages of diapers. But then, a crisis happened and the remaining diapers were shipped off to the needy families.

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