

Historic Zion Lutheran Church

DIVINE SERVICE FOR THE SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

9:00 am Sunday, July 11, 2021

RECEIVING OF THE LORD'S SUPPER AT ZION

As intended by Christ and as practiced by the one, holy, catholic and apostolic church throughout her history, "Closed Communion" is observed in this congregation, in which the Lord's Supper is distributed only to those:

- (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.

Guests at our services, before receiving the sacrament, are requested to affirm these facts with one of our pastors. Thank you for honoring our practice. If you are looking for a church home, would like to be a member of Zion, or would like to learn more about the Christian Faith, please speak to one of our pastors about our membership classes.

✙ = appropriate to make the baptismal sign of the cross

When "rise" or "kneel" is indicated, it is appropriate to sit if needed

Greeting And Announcements: *The Lord be with you! And also with you!*

The Congregation rises, turns towards the entrance of the nave, and faces the Cross of Christ, the reminder of Christ's promise to come and dwell among His people as they are gathered in His name.

Entrance Hymn All Who Believe and Are Baptized (LSB 601)

1. All who be-lieve and are bap-tized Shall see the Lord's sal-
2. With one ac-cord, O God, we pray, Grant us Your Ho - ly
va - tion; Bap - tized in - to the death of Christ, They
Spir - it; Help us in our in - fir - mi - ty Through
are a new cre - a - tion; Through Christ's re-demp - tion
Je - sus' blood and mer - it; Grant us to grow in
they will stand A - mong the glo - rious heav'n-ly band Of
grace each day By ho - ly Bap - tism that we may E -
ev - 'ry tribe and na - tion.
ter - nal life in - her - it.

The Rite of Holy Baptism (The Lutheran Formula of 1526)

Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church
Fort Wayne, Indiana

The Office of
The Sacrament of Holy Baptism

The Lutheran Formula of 1526

Behrend Tanner Post

*Son of Tanner Brian and Madison Adeline Post
Born July 5, 2021*

*Reborn into Christ this Seventh Sunday after Pentecost
July 11, 2021*

*Sponsor: Josef Muench
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Duluth, MN*

**All who believe and are baptized
Shall see the Lord's salvation;
Baptized into the death of Christ,
They are a new creation.
Through Christ's redemption they will stand
Among the glorious, heav'nly band
Of every tribe and nation.**

**With one accord, O God, we pray:
Grant us Your Holy Spirit.
Help us in our infirmity
Through Jesus' blood and merit.
Grant us to grow in grace each day
That by this sacrament we may
Eternal life inherit.**

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MARTIN LUTHER'S ADMONITION TO THE BAPTISMAL PARTY AND THE CONGREGATION

"In all Christian earnestness I would ask all those who administer baptism, who hold the children, or witness it, to take this wonderful work to heart in all its seriousness. For here, in the words of these prayers, you hear how meekly and earnestly the Christian church concerns herself about the little child and how he confesses before God in plain undoubting words that he is possessed by the devil and is a child of sin and wrath, and prays very diligently for aid and grace through baptism that he becomes a child of God. Remember, therefore, that it is no joke to take sides against the devil and not only to drive him away from the little child, but to burden the child with such a mighty and lifelong enemy. Remember, too, that it is very necessary to aid the poor child with all your heart and strong faith, earnestly to intercede for him that God, in accordance with this prayer, would not only free him from the power of the devil, but also strengthen him, so that he may nobly resist the devil in life and death.

I suspect that people turn out so badly after baptism because our concern for them has been so cold and careless; we, at their baptism, interceded for them without zeal. . . . See to it, therefore, that you are present in true faith, listen to God's Word, and earnestly join in prayer. For when the pastor says, "Let us pray," he is exhorting you to unite with him in prayer. And all sponsors and the others present should repeat with him the words of his prayer in their hearts to God, . . . carrying the little child's need before God most earnestly, setting themselves against the devil with all their strength on behalf of the child, and showing that they realize this is no joke as far as the devil is concerned. For this reason it is right and proper . . . to treat the matter with seriousness and true faith, lest the holy sacrament be made a mockery for the devil and an insult to God, who through it showers us with the abundant and infinite riches of his grace. He himself calls it a new birth by which we are being freed from all the devil's tyranny, loosed from sin, death, and hell, and become children of life, heirs of all the gifts of God, God's own children, and brethren of Christ.

Ah, dear Christians, let us not value and administer this unspeakable gift so indolently and indifferently; for baptism is our only comfort and admits to every blessing of God and to the communion of all the saints. To this may God help us! Amen!"

+ THE OFFICE OF THE SACRAMENT +

[*The baptismal party gathers at the baptismal font
during the Processional Hymn*]

In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit! Amen!

+ THE EXORCISM +

[The Lutheran Church retained The Exorcism from the historic baptismal rite because of the Biblical doctrine of original sin. "It is taught among us that since the fall of Adam all men who are born according to the course of nature are conceived and born in sin. That is, all men are full of evil lust and inclinations from their mothers' wombs and are unable by nature to have true fear of God and true faith in God."]

[*To the candidate*]

*Depart O unclean spirit and make room for the Holy Spirit!
Receive the sign of the holy cross both upon your mind ✠ and
upon your heart ✠ to mark you as one redeemed by Christ the
crucified..... Amen!*

[To the congregation]

*Let us pray: O Almighty eternal God, who according to Your righteous judgment did condemn the unbelieving world through the flood; and in your great mercy did preserve believing Noah and his family; and who did drown hardhearted Pharaoh with all his host in the Red Sea and did lead your people Israel through the same on dry ground, thereby prefiguring this bath of your baptism; and who through the baptism of Your dear Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, has consecrated and set apart the Jordan and all water as a salutary flood and a rich and full washing away for sins: We pray through Your same boundless mercy that You will graciously behold this **Behrend Tanner Post**, and bless him with true faith in his spirit so that by means of this saving flood all that has been born in him from Adam, and which he himself has added thereto, may be drowned in him and engulfed, and that he may be sundered from the number of the unbelieving, preserved dry and secure in the holy ark of Christendom, and serve Your name at all times fervent in spirit and joyful in hope, so that with all believers he may be made worthy to attain eternal life according to Your promise; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen!***

[To the candidate]

*I adjure you, O unclean spirit, by the name of the Father ✠ and of the Son ✠ and of the Holy Spirit ✠ that you come out of and depart from this servant of Jesus Christ, **Behrend Tanner Post**..... **Amen!***

+ THE WORD OF GOD +

[God does bring blessings to those who are baptized, including infants: "It is taught among us that Baptism is necessary and that grace is offered through it. Children, too, should be baptized, for in Baptism they are committed to God and become acceptable to him."]

*The Holy Gospel of St. Mark..... **Glory be to You, O Lord!***

And they brought young children to him, that he should touch them; and his disciples rebuked those that brought them. But when Jesus saw it, he was much displeased, and said unto them, "Suffer the little children to come unto me, and forbid them not, for of such is the kingdom of God. Verily I say unto you, Whosoever shall not receive the kingdom of God like a little child, he shall not enter therein." And he took them up in his arms, put his hands upon them, and blessed them [Mark 10:13-16].

*This is the Gospel of the Lord! **Praise be to You, O Christ!***

+ THE OUR FATHER and THE BLESSING +

[In Holy Baptism, God is at work. It is a Sacrament, a divine activity, through which He gives His blessing: "Baptism is not just plain water, but it is the water included in God's command and combined with God's Word."]

[We pray together for God's blessing on the candidates]

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. Amen!

[To the candidate]

*The Lord preserve your going out and coming in now and forevermore. **Amen!***

+ THE CONFESSION OF THE FAITH +

[Baptism is based on the command and promise of Christ, who causes Baptism to bring saving grace to the candidates by the power of the Word: "It works forgiveness of sins, rescues from death and the devil, and gives eternal salvation to all who believe this, as the words and promises of God declare."]

[*To the sponsors, the parents, and the congregation*]

Because this candidate cannot answer for himself, we shall all, together with sponsors and parents, speak in testimony of the forgiveness of sin and the birth of the life of faith which God our Father bestows upon this candidate in and through Baptism:

Do you renounce the devil? I do renounce him!
and all his works? I do renounce them!
and all his ways? I do renounce them!

Do you believe in God, the Father Almighty?

Yes, I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son?

Yes, I believe in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God, the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

Do you believe in the Holy Spirit?

Yes, I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.

Do you desire to be a baptized and forgiven person? I do!

+ THE BAPTISM IN THE NAME OF THE HOLY TRINITY +

[Through Holy Baptism poor sinners are adopted into God's family in the washing of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit: "Without God's Word the water is plain water and no Baptism. But with the Word of God it is a Baptism, that is, a life-giving water, rich in grace, and a washing of the new birth in the Holy Spirit."]

Behrend Tanner Post, I baptize you in the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit! Amen!

[*To the newly baptized and all the baptized here present*]

Almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given you new birth through water and the Holy Spirit and has forgiven you all your sins, strengthen you with His grace to life everlasting! Amen!

Peace be with you! Amen!

[*The baptismal party returns to the pews*]

+ A FINAL NOTE FOR BAPTIZED CHRISTIANS +

"What does such baptizing with water indicate? It indicates that the Old Adam in us should by daily contrition and repentance be drowned and die with all sins and evil desires, and that a new man should daily emerge and arise to live before God in righteousness and purity forever."

[Explanatory notes contain quotations from two primary statements of what Lutherans believe, teach and confess: The Augsburg Confession, and Luther's Small Catechism.]

Kyrie

Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have
mer - cy up - on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

Gloria

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 | 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 | •glory • of God the •Father. • A-men.

Salutation

The Lord be with you.
And with thy spir— it.

Collect for the Seventh Sunday after Pentecost: *O Lord, You granted Your prophets strength to resist the temptations of the devil and courage to proclaim repentance. Give us pure hearts and minds to follow Your Son faithfully even into suffering and death; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.*

A ——— men!

[Rise]

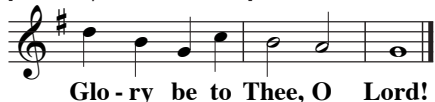
Alleluia Sequence

[Deacon] *Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Alleluia!*

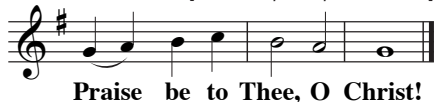


Holy Gospel St. Mark 6:14-29

[The Gospel is announced.]



[The Gospel is proclaimed.]



[Be Seated]

Hymn of the Day Jesus, Priceless Treasure Burgundy Hymn 743

[All sing stanzas 1 & 2; Women alone sing stanza 3; SKIP stanza 4;
Men alone sing stanza 5; All sing stanza 6.]

Sermon

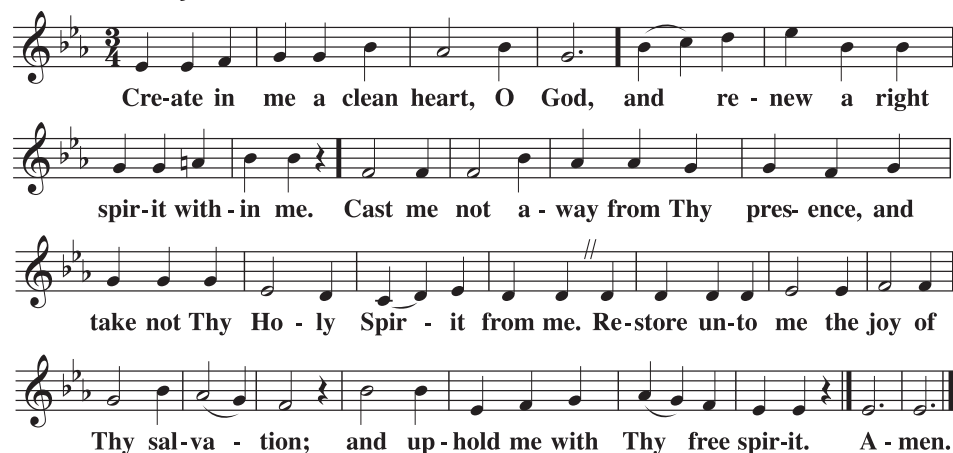
[Rise] Prayer of the Church

Let us pray for the whole people 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 prayer]:..., one God, now and forever **Amen.**

[Be Seated] Offerings, Voluntary

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



+ The Office of the Sacrament of the Altar +

Preface

The Lord be with you.

Lift up your hearts.



Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.



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] 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,
have mer-cy up - on us. Grant us Thy Peace. A - - - - men!

[Be Seated]

Distribution Hymns ... Lord Jesus Christ, We Humbly... Burgundy Hymn 623

From God Can Nothing Move Me ... Burgundy Hymn 713

[All sing stanza 1; Women alone sing stanzas 2 & 4; Men alone sing stanzas 3 & 5;
All sing stanzas 6 & 7; Rise for stanza 7.]

[Rise] 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 Canticle 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.



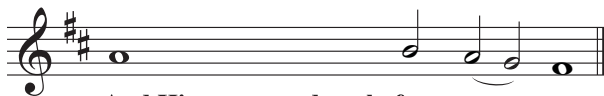
4. Glo— ry_ be to the
Father, and to_ the _ Son, and to the Ho- ly Ghost.



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.



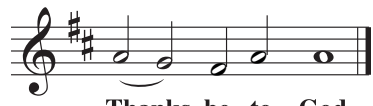
A — men.

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 of Our Life Burgundy Hymn 659

Postlude

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Readings for the Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

The Old Testament Reading is Amos 7:7-15

This is what [the Lord GOD] showed me: behold, the Lord was standing beside a wall built with a plumb line, with a plumb line in his hand. And the LORD said to me, “Amos, what do you see?” And I said, “A plumb line.” Then the Lord said,

“Behold, I am setting a plumb line
in the midst of my people Israel;
I will never again pass by them;
the high places of Isaac shall be made desolate,
and the sanctuaries of Israel shall be laid waste,
and I will rise against the house of Jeroboam with the sword.”

Then Amaziah the priest of Bethel sent to Jeroboam king of Israel, saying, “Amos has conspired against you in the midst of the house of Israel. The land is not able to bear all his words. For thus Amos has said,

‘Jeroboam shall die by the sword,
and Israel must go into exile
away from his land.’”

And Amaziah said to Amos, “O seer, go, flee away to the land of Judah, and eat bread there, and prophesy there, but never again prophesy at Bethel, for it is the king’s sanctuary, and it is a temple of the kingdom.” Then Amos answered and said to Amaziah, “I was no prophet, nor a prophet’s son, but I was a herdsman and a dresser of sycamore figs. But the LORD took me from following the flock, and the LORD said to me, ‘Go, prophesy to my people Israel.’”

The Epistle is Ephesians 1:3-14

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, even as he chose us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and blameless before him. In love he predestined us for adoption through Jesus Christ, according to the purpose of his will, to the praise of his glorious grace, with which he has blessed us in the Beloved. In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace, which he lavished upon us, in all wisdom and insight making known to us the mystery of his will, according to his purpose, which he set forth in Christ as a plan for the fullness of time, to unite all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth.

In him we have obtained an inheritance, having been predestined according to the purpose of him who works all things according to the counsel of his will, so that we who were the first to hope in Christ might be to the praise of his glory. In him you also, when you heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and believed in him, were sealed with the promised Holy Spirit, who is the guarantee of our inheritance until we acquire possession of it, to the praise of his glory.

The Gospel is Mark 6:14-29

King Herod heard of it, for Jesus' name had become known. Some said, "John the Baptist has been raised from the dead. That is why these miraculous powers are at work in him." But others said, "He is Elijah." And others said, "He is a prophet, like one of the prophets of old." But when Herod heard of it, he said, "John, whom I beheaded, has been raised." For it was Herod who had sent and seized John and bound him in prison for the sake of Herodias, his brother Philip's wife, because he had married her. For John had been saying to Herod, "It is not lawful for you to have your brother's wife." And Herodias had a grudge against him and wanted to put him to death. But she could not, for Herod feared John, knowing that he was a righteous and holy man, and he kept him safe. When he heard him, he was greatly perplexed, and yet he heard him gladly.

But an opportunity came when Herod on his birthday gave a banquet for his nobles and military commanders and the leading men of Galilee. For when Herodias's daughter came in and danced, she pleased Herod and his guests. And the king said to the girl, "Ask me for whatever you wish, and I will give it to you." And he vowed to her, "Whatever you ask me, I will give you, up to half of my kingdom." And she went out and said to her mother, "For what should I ask?" And she said, "The head of John the Baptist." And she came in immediately with haste to the king and asked, saying, "I want you to give me at once the head of John the Baptist on a platter." And the king was exceedingly sorry, but because of his oaths and his guests he did not want to break his word to her. And immediately the king sent an executioner with orders to bring John's head. He went and beheaded him in the prison and brought his head on a platter and gave it to the girl, and the girl gave it to her mother. When his disciples heard of it, they came and took his body and laid it in a tomb.

Hymns for the Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

LSB601 All Who Believe and Are Baptized — See Service Bulletin

LSB743 Jesus, Priceless Treasure

Johann Franck

1. Jesus, priceless treasure, Fount of purest pleasure,
Truest friend to me.
Ah, how long in anguish Shall my spirit languish,
Yearning, Lord, for Thee?
Thou art mine, O Lamb divine!
I will suffer naught to hide Thee, Naught I ask beside Thee.
2. In Thine arms I rest me; Foes who would molest me
Cannot reach me here.
Though the earth be shaking, Ev'ry heart be quaking,
Jesus calms my fear.
Lightnings flash And thunder crash;
Yet, though sin and hell assail me, Jesus will not fail me.
- W 3. Satan, I defy thee; Death, I now decry thee;
Fear, I bid thee cease.
World, thou shalt not harm me Nor thy threats alarm me
While I sing of peace.
God's great pow'r Guards ev'ry hour;
Earth and all its depths adore Him, Silent bow before Him.
- M 5. Evil world, I leave thee; Thou canst not deceive me,
Thine appeal is vain.
Sin that once did blind me, Get thee far behind me,
Come not forth again.
Past thy hour, O pride and pow'r;
Sinful life, thy bonds I sever, Leave thee now forever.
6. Hence, all fear and sadness! For the Lord of gladness,
Jesus, enters in.
Those who love the Father, Though the storms may gather,
Still have peace within.
Yea, whate'er I here must bear,
Thou art still my purest pleasure, Jesus, priceless treasure!

LSB623 Lord Jesus Christ, We Humbly Pray

Henry E. Jacobs

1. Lord Jesus Christ, we humbly pray
That we may feast on You today;
Beneath these forms of bread and wine
Enrich us with Your grace divine.
2. Give us, who share this wondrous food,
Your body broken and Your blood,
The grateful peace of sins forgiv'n,
The certain joys of heirs of heav'n.
3. By faith Your Word has made us bold
To seize the gift of love retold;
All that You are we here receive,
And all we are to You we give.
4. One bread, one cup, one body, we,
Rejoicing in our unity,
Proclaim Your love until You come
To bring Your scattered loved ones home.
5. Lord Jesus Christ, we humbly pray:
O keep us steadfast till that day
When each will be Your welcomed guest
In heaven's high and holy feast.

LSB713 From God Can Nothing Move Me

Ludwig Hembold

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1. From God can nothing move me; He will not step aside
But gently will reprove me And be my constant guide.
He stretches out His hand In evening and in morning,
My life with grace adorning Wherever I may stand.
- W 2. When those whom I regarded As trustworthy and sure
Have long from me departed, God's grace shall still endure.
He rescues me from sin And breaks the chains that bind me.
I leave death's fear behind me; His peace I have within.
- M 3. The Lord my life arranges; Who can His work destroy?
In His good time He changes All sorrows into joy.
So let me then be still My body, soul, and spirit
His tender care inherit According to His will

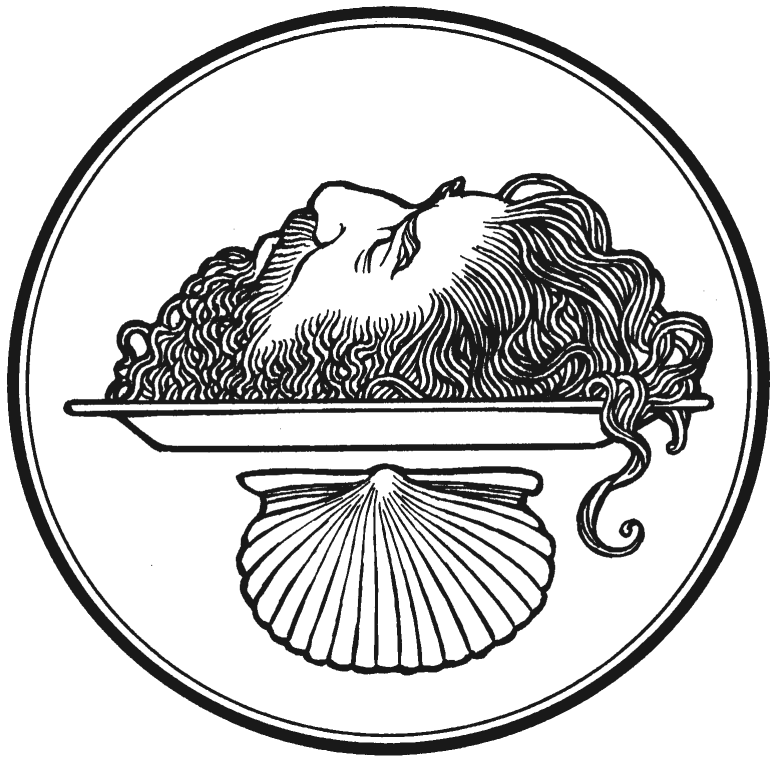
- W 4. Each day at His good pleasure God's gracious will is done.
 He sent His greatest treasure In Jesus Christ, His Son.
 He ev'ry gift imparts. The bread of earth and heaven
 Are by His kindness given. Praise Him with thankful hearts!
- M 5. Praise God with acclamation And in His gifts rejoice.
 Each day finds its vocation Responding to His voice.
 Soon years on earth are past; But time we spend expressing
 The love of God brings blessing That will forever last!
6. Yet even though I suffer The world's unpleasantness,
 And though the day's grow rougher And bring me great distress,
 That day of bliss divine, Which knows no end or measure,
 And Christ, who is my pleasure, Forever shall be mine.
- △ 7. For thus the Father willed it, Who fashioned us from clay;
 And His own Son fulfilled it And brought eternal day.
 The Spirit now has come, To us true faith has given;
 He leads us home to heaven. O praise the Three in One!

LSB659 Lord of Our Life

Matthäus Apelles von Löwenstern

1. Lord of our life and God of our salvation,
 Star of our night and Hope of ev'ry nation:
 Hear and receive Your Church's supplication,
 Lord God Almighty.
2. See round Your ark the hungry billows curling;
 See how Your foes their banners are unfurling
 And with great spite their fiery darts are hurling,
 O Lord, preserve us.
3. Lord, be our light when worldly darkness veils us;
 Lord, be our shield when earthly armor fails us;
 And in the day when hell itself assails us,
 Grant us Your peace, Lord:
4. Peace in our hearts, where sinful thoughts are raging,
 Peace in Your Church, our troubled souls assuaging,
 Peace when the world its endless war is waging,
 Peace in Your heaven.

The Seventh Sunday after Pentecost



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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.

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Organist and Director of Parish Music:
Church Office Manager:

Michael Hollman, MM
Melvia Culpher

PRAYERS FOR TODAY

- + For the church and those experiencing persecution around the world
- + For those who serve our Lord at home and abroad, especially Steven and Cindy Schumacher serving in Ghana, West Africa, our fieldworker Erik, and all who are going forth to proclaim the Gospel, especially Vicar-elect Peter Wagner
- + For our nation, under duress because of racial and political strife; for our leaders, our military, including Trevor Manning and James Hall, and our health care workers
- + For our schools, especially Lutheran South Unity School, Concordia Lutheran High School, and Concordia Theological Seminary.
- + 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
- + For the ill, distressed, and those suffering affliction, including Julie Ganaway, Connie Houser, Sherry Freeman, Kristie Roberson, Jeff Springer, Gloria Gonzalez, Willie Manning, Lucille Brandt, Donna Scott, Willodean Bates, Connie Meyer, Dick Hollman, Hannah Messmann Jackson, Maurice King, Ron Rastl, and Marlow Hogan
- + For God's blessing on all godly marriages
- + For the gift of life and for length of days, especially Carolyn Wallschlaeger
- + For the gift of rebirth by water and the Spirit, especially Behrend Post and Zach Albersmeyer
- + For those who mourn the death of loved ones
- + In remembrance of 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 Divine Service for the Seventh Sunday after Pentecost. The Cross Bowl and Altar Vase is given in recognition of Carolyn Wallschlaeger's 80th birthday by her husband Bill and Lori & Kirk Grabill. The Baptism Bud Vase is given with thanks for the love and blessings of our heavenly Father in Holy Baptism, especially His gift of faith to Zach Albersmeyer, by Carl and Rosie Albersmeyer. 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 11, 2021 thru July 17, 2021

SUN.	9:00 AM	Divine Service	Church
	10:30 AM	Adult Bible Study	Bauer Hall
MON.	6:00 PM	Special CEA Board Meeting	CLHS
TUES.	1:00 PM	Junior Catechesis	Zoom
WED.	1:00 PM	Junior Catechesis	Zoom
	5:30 PM	Wednesday Divine Service	Church
	7:00 PM	Adult Catechesis	Zoom
THURS.	1:00 PM	Adult Catechesis	Conference Room
FRI.			
SAT.	11:00 AM	Private Confession	Church

July 18, 2021

SUN.	9:00 AM	Divine Service	Church
	10:30 AM	Adult Bible Study	Bauer Hall

ZION ANNOUNCEMENTS

EDUCATION HOUR: Seminarian Erik Saunders continues a study of St. John's first epistle using John's Gospel as a guide into his epistle. Erik is doing a great job. I think you'll enjoy it. Please join us.

DIAPERS continue to come in. Thank you. Count is 4,250! We're at 50% of our goal. The diaper giveaway on August 21st. Please help as you can. Also, TruLaine will be looking for people to help bag the diapers and work the diaper drive. For more information please call her at 260-615-1873.

SEMI-ANNUAL GIVING STATEMENTS are ready you can pick them up at Julie's Scrip table. Thanks

PARENTS WITH LITTLE ONES, there are booster seats available for you in the old narthex (entryway). Ask or pick one up for your toddler to help them sit and see.

COVID-19 UPDATE AT ZION: Allen County remains in blue with a two-metric score of 0.5. Our average daily positives metric has crept up to 2.6%, heading toward 3%. Our weekly number of positives per 100,000 has gone up to 29. District 3 hospitalizations and COVID ICU patients remain low. Breakthrough infections are 0.091% of those fully vaccinated (this number has gone up, but remains less than one tenth of one percent); breakthrough hospitalizations are 0.004%; and breakthrough deaths are 0.001%. The vaccine works. Should a vaccinated person get the virus, it is very unlikely that he will get sick enough to be hospitalized or die. Almost all of those catching the virus (including its variants) now are the unvaccinated. Don't let it be you; get your vaccination if your health permits it. Don't let undue fears or unfounded conspiracy theories deter you. Check with your doctor if you have questions. If you need help scheduling your vaccination or getting to the vaccination site, let the office know. We'll help.

MEMORY VERSE CHALLENGE In this week's memory verse our Lord Jesus Himself tells us of His purpose: Mark 10:45—"For even the son of man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many." Last week's verse was Isaiah 41:10.

SIDEWALK ADVOCATE TRAINING Join Right to Life of Northeast Indiana Saturday, July 24th for Sidewalk Advocate Training and learn how to save lives. The training, provided by Sidewalk Advocates for Life, will take place at RLNI's office on 2126 Inwood Dr, from 8 am- 2 pm. Learn how peacefully, prayerfully, and lovingly to approach people outside our local Planned Parenthood and redirect them to life-affirming alternatives in our community. This one-day training will empower you to turn your passion into action. There is no cost to participate. Lunch will be provided for those in attendance. Visit www.ichooselife.org/advocate or call 260-471-1849 to register.

SHEPHERD OF THE CITY will be having their annual Community BBQ on Saturday, August 7, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Also on that day they will hold their Back-to-School health fair from 11 a.m. to 2 pm. More information will be coming in the next couple of weeks.

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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

DAILY LECTIONARY

Evening Prayer

Mark 6:14-29

The Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

Amos 7:7-15

Galatians 1:1-24

Monday

Judges 7:1-23

Galatians 2:1-21

Tuesday

Judges 13:1-25

Galatians 3:1-22

Wednesday

Judges 14:1-20

Galatians 3:23-4:11

Thursday

Judges 15:1-16:3

Galatians 4:12-31

Friday

Judges 16:4-30

Galatians 5:1-26

Saturday

1 Samuel 1:1-20

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 reasonable 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 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

Jeremiah 23:1-6

Ephesians 2:11-22

Mark 6:30-44



What Doctor Luther Says:

About the Importance of Choosing the Right Spouse

Moses draws the conclusion that the descendants of the patriarchs first abandoned the worship and Word of God and departed from the commandments of their parents. Next they fell into sensuality and lust, and took to wife whomever they wished. They also became tyrants, made inroads on the possessions of others, etc. The world is unable to do otherwise: after it has turned away from God, it worships the devil. After it has despised the Word and has lapsed into idolatry, it plunges into all the vices of concupiscence. ...

[I]t is no sin that they take wives; sex itself is not condemned. But this is condemned, that they disregard God's command and marry women they should not have married. They allow themselves to be drawn by their wives from the true worship to the ungodly worship of the false church; and after the manner of the Cainites they disregard the authority of their parents, commit acts of violence, tyrannize, etc.

This sin Moses points out clearly when he states: "They took to wife such of them as they chose." It is as though he were saying: "To take a wife is nothing evil; if it is done properly, it is something good. But those men were sinning in this respect, that without discretion and contrary to the will and judgment of the fathers they married whomever they themselves wished, as many as they wished, and without distinction took married women as well as unmarried ones."

This is a harsh statement. With it Moses indicates the great sins that they promiscuously took two or more wives, exchanged wives, or took them away from others by force the way Herod took possession of his brother Philip's wife (Mark 6:17). This boundless dissoluteness of their lusts Moses points out and condemns.

Luther's Works, 2:121.

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SERVING THE LORD IN GHANA, WEST AFRICA



Rev. Dr. Steven and Cynthia Schumacher serve the Lord through The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod (LCMS) as missionaries in Ghana, West Africa. Steven teaches courses in Lutheran theology and serves as the dean of academics and student activities at the seminary of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Ghana (ELCG) in Accra, Ghana. He also assists the ELCG with their deaf ministry efforts. Cynthia assists the ELCG as an English as a Second Language (ESL) teacher at their seminary.

Steven is from Concordia, Mo., and his current home congregation is Zion Lutheran Church, Fort Wayne,

Ind. He earned his bachelor's degree in industrial design technology from Central Missouri State University, Warrensburg, and his Master of Divinity and his doctorate from Concordia Theological Seminary in Fort Wayne, Ind. Steven served as a pastor at five different LCMS congregations in Northeast and Midwest United States. He served as the North Wisconsin District missionary to the deaf (1988-1993). Most recently, Steven served as the director of deaf ministry for Lutheran Friends of the Deaf (Mill Neck Family of Organizations) and as an adjunct professor teaching deaf ministry at Concordia, Fort Wayne. Steven enjoys woodworking, camping and spending time outdoors.

Cynthia was born in Chester, Ill., and her current home congregation is also Zion Lutheran Church, Fort Wayne, Ind. She received a bachelor's degree in education, with an emphasis in early childhood education and English literature, from Concordia Teachers College, Seward, Neb. (now known as Concordia University, Nebraska). Cynthia enjoys sewing, crafts, gardening and reading.

Pray for Steven and Cynthia as they serve in Ghana. Pray that God gives them safety as they live in the village of Saasabi, Greater Accra, Ghana. Ask God to give them peace and understanding as they live in a different culture and minister to the local people and the ELCG seminary students. Pray that God daily gives them wisdom and insight as they teach and help prepare men for the Holy Ministry. Pray for the students who receive their instruction that their hearts and minds are open to God's Word. Pray for the people of Ghana who learn of the Gospel through the missionary work that is done in this country. Pray for Steven and Cynthia's children and their families as they remain in the United States. Let us give thanks that the Schumachers are serving God's children in this part of the world.



• **BIRTHDAYS:** Steven – July 4, Cynthia – Aug. 11

• **ANNIVERSARY:** Aug. 7

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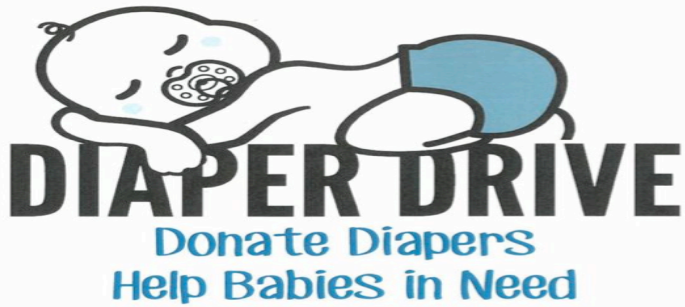
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For more information contact

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