

**Welcome to Zion Lutheran Church!**

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*Rooted in Faith   \*   Growing in Spirit   \*   Reaching Out to Those in Need*  
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**August 20, 2017      “Languages and Letters” for the Word of God      8:30 am**

*So “The farmer might sing snatches of his Scripture at his plough, that the weaver might hum phrases of Scripture to the tune of his shuttle, that the traveler might lighten with stories from Scripture the weariness of his journey.” Erasmus*

**PRELUDE                              “Trio I, IV, & VII”                              Rheinberger**

**GATHERING**

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**OPENING HYMN                      “Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty”                      ELW #533**

**CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS** *(please stand)*

*All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.*

Trusting in the word of life given in baptism,  
we are gathered in the name of the Father,  
and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

God has given to all nations the repentance that leads to life.

Let us come with repentant hearts  
to the God who makes all things new.

**Amen.**

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

Gracious God,  
we confess to you all the ways  
in which we dismiss the resurrection news.  
We are slow of heart to believe.  
We turn from others and retreat in fear.

**Come into our locked rooms  
and breathe into us your forgiving Spirit.  
Reawaken our trust and strengthen our hope,  
that we may be witnesses to your saving power. Amen.**

Peace be with you, sisters and brothers.  
In baptism you have received a spirit of adoption;  
you are God's beloved children.  
In the name of Christ your sins are forgiven.  
Rejoice, and welcome this freedom as a gift.  
**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

In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer-cy.**

For the peace from above, and for our sal - va - tion, let us

pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**

For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,

and for the u - ni - ty of all, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mer - cy.**

For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor-ship and praise,

let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**

Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra - cious Lord.

**A - men.**

CANTICLE OF PRAISE “Lord, Let My Heart Be Good Soil” ELW #512

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Blessed Lord, you speak to us through the Holy Scriptures. Grant that we may hear, read, respect, learn, and make them our own in such a way that the enduring benefit and comfort of the Word will help us grasp and hold the blessed hope of everlasting life, given us through our Savior Jesus Christ. **Amen** *(please be seated)*

SPECIAL MUSIC

“Praise, Praise! You Are My Rock”

**Kathy Brumbaugh**

(Congregation is invited to listen and read the words as Kathy sings the hymn. ELW #862)

A TIME FOR CHILDREN

WORD

FIRST READING

Psalm 119

<sup>11</sup>I treasure your word in my heart,  
so that I may not sin against you.

<sup>15</sup>I will meditate on your precepts,  
and fix my eyes on your ways.

<sup>16</sup>I will delight in your statutes;  
**I will not forget your word.**

<sup>18</sup>Open my eyes, so that I may behold  
**wondrous things out of your law.**

<sup>105</sup>Your word is a lamp to my feet  
and a light to my path.

SECOND READING

2 Timothy 3:16-17, 4:1-5

Pew Bible NT pg. 230



**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION** *(please stand)*

God of mercy, we give you thanks for seating us at your table and serving us with the food of eternal life. Grant that the words we have heard this day with our ears may be grafted onto our hearts through your grace, that they may produce in us the fruit of a good life, to the praise and honor of your name, through Jesus Christ, your Son our Lord. **Amen**

**SENDING**

**BLESSING**

God the Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit watch over your going out and your coming in, from this time forth and forevermore. **Amen.**

**DISMISSAL**

Marked with the cross of Christ, go forth to love and serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

**CLOSING HYMN**                    **“Almighty God, Your Word is Cast”**                    **ELW #516**

**POSTLUDE**    **“Trio II”**    **Rheinberger**

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**LEADING OUR WORSHIP:**

- Preaching: Pastor Marcia Sylvester
- Worship Assistant: Kathy Heffernan
- Organist: Sonya Kempf
- Lector: Jo Tolvstad
- Deacon: Zach\Saundra Anderson
- Power Point: Wanda Wagemann
- Altar Guild Co-Chairs: Deb Hardy – Nicole Kempf
- Sound System: Jeff Carlson
- Van Driver: Bill Arndt
- Counters: Lynae Poel - Sharon Paranto  
Jeff Vicki Carlson
- Coffee Hosts: Table of Plenty
- Ushers: Darrell Sorensen, Howard Leicht

# Summer Worship at Zion

August 20, 2017

8:30 AM



## Lutheran Vocabulary

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<sup>16</sup>All scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, <sup>17</sup>so that everyone who belongs to God may be proficient, equipped for every good work. <sup>1</sup>In the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and in view of his appearing and his kingdom, I solemnly urge you: <sup>2</sup>proclaim the message; be persistent whether the time is favorable or unfavorable; convince, rebuke, and encourage, with the utmost patience in teaching. <sup>3</sup>For the time is coming when people will not put up with sound doctrine, but having itching ears, they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own desires, <sup>4</sup>and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander away to myths. <sup>5</sup>As for you, always be sober, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, carry out your ministry fully.

**GOSPEL**

**Luke 8:11-15**

**Pew Bible NT pg. 69**

<sup>11</sup>Now the parable is this: The seed is the word of God. <sup>12</sup>The ones on the path are those who have heard; then the devil comes and takes away the word from their hearts, so that they may not believe and be saved. <sup>13</sup>The ones on the rock are those who, when they hear the word, receive it with joy. But these have no root; they believe only for a while and in a time of testing fall away. <sup>14</sup>As for what fell among the thorns, these are the ones who hear; but as they go on their way, they are choked by the cares and riches and pleasures of life, and their fruit does not mature. <sup>15</sup>But as for that in the good soil, these are the ones who, when they hear the word, hold it fast in an honest and good heart, and bear fruit with patient endurance.