

**Welcome to Summer Worship at Zion!**

***I LOVE TO TELL THE STORY***  
***Rediscovering God's Grace in the Old Testament***  
***"God's Promise to David"***

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*Rooted in Faith \* Growing in Spirit \* Reaching Out to Those in Need*  
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**INTRODUCTION**

*This summer we are exploring the Old Testament stories of God's relationship with God's chosen people. Our scripture lessons for the summer begin with the early chapters of Genesis and move through the stories of Israel's early history, the exodus, the kings, and the prophets. The stories tell of hope and disappointment, suffering and redemption, love and forgiveness. In all these stories, we find God dealing with the complexities of human life.*

**GATHERING**

**PRELUDE/GATHERING SONGS**

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**OPENING SONG/HYMN "Better Is One Day"**

How lovely is Your Dwelling place, O Lord almighty.  
For my soul longs and even faints for you.  
For hear my heart is satisfied, within Your presence.  
I sing beneath the shadow of Your wings.

Better is one day in Your courts, better is one day in Your house,  
Better is one day in Your courts than a thousand elsewhere.  
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One thing I ask and I would seek, to see Your beauty.  
To find You in the place Your glory dwells.  
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**CALL TO WORSHIP**

We gather to worship our God,  
**who speaks the words of peace we need in chaotic times.**  
We gather to follow Jesus,  
**who encourages to never fear, for he is near.**  
We gather to be filled with the Spirit,  
**who anoints us so we can go to serve our world.**

## KYRIE

### “Kyrie Eleison”

Kyrie Eleison on our world and on our way.  
Kyrie Eleison ev’ry day.

For peace in the world, for the health of the Church,  
For the unity of all;  
For this holy house, for all who worship and praise,  
Let us pray to the Lord! Let us pray to the Lord!

Kyrie Eleison on our world and on our way.  
Kyrie Eleison ev’ry day.

That we may live out your impassioned response  
To the hungry and the poor;  
That we may live out truth and justice and grace,  
Let us pray to the Lord! Let us pray to the Lord!

Kyrie Eleison on our world and on our way.  
Kyrie Eleison ev’ry day.

For peace in our hearts, for peace in our homes,  
For friends and family; for life and for love,  
For our work and our play,  
Let us pray to the Lord! Let us pray to the Lord!

Kyrie Eleison on our world and on our way.  
Kyrie Eleison ev’ry day.

For your spirit to guide, that you center our lives  
In the water and the word; that you nourish our souls  
With your body and blood,  
Let us pray to the Lord! Let us pray to the Lord!

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## HYMN OF PRAISE



This is the feast of vic - t'ry for our God, for the



Lamb who was slain has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.



1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be



peo - ple of God. Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and



hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his. This is the feast of



vic - t'ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain has be - gun his reign. Al -



le - lu - ia. 2 Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and



join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless - ing, hon - or,



glo - ry, and might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

*Final refrain*



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**GREETING**

The boundless grace of our risen Lord Jesus Christ, the wisdom of God, and the light of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**And also with you.**

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

God of hope,  
You promised to make David's household great among the nations. Then you sent your son, Jesus, to transform this world so that all people are one in the great household of God. Show us how to live as your children, as sister and brothers in your holy and blessed realm, in the name of your son, Jesus Christ, who will one day welcome us all home.

**Amen.** *(please be seated)*

**SPECIAL MUSIC**

**Hank Bowker**

**A TIME FOR CHILDREN**

**WORD**

**SCRIPTURE**

2 Samuel 7:1-17

Pew Bible OT p. 312

**SERMON**

**Pastor Erin**

**HYMN/SONG OF THE DAY**

**“Blessed Be the God of Israel”**

**ELW #552**

**CREED** *(please stand)*

**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.** *(please be seated)*

**OFFERING**

*The children are welcome to come forward and place their offerings in the “For Children Everywhere” box.*

**OFFERTORY HYMN/SONG      “What Have We to Offer”**

What have we to offer? What have we to share?  
Coins from the coffer, hearts filled with care.  
God will not falter if we will dare.  
Lay it at the altar there.

What have we to offer? What have we to bring?  
Love ripe with laughter, hope that we can sing,  
Dreams of what we're after, promises of when.  
Lay it at the altar then.

What have we to offer? What have we to give?  
Eyes that are wide open, lies that we won't live,  
Truth that must be spoken, justice somehow.  
Lay it at the altar now.  
What have we to offer? What have we to give?  
Lives we will live.

**OFFERTORY PRAYER** *(please stand)*

Let us pray: God of promise, like David, you have gifted us with riches far beyond what we deserve, and we never run out of reasons to thank you. Accept the offerings of our lives and resources, and like David, use them to bless a world in need of your loving example. In your holy name, **Amen.**

**MEAL**

**THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**

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.**

**WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

**LORD'S PRAYER**

**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**  
*(please be seated)*

**COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION**

*All are welcome at the Lord's table. Please come forward as directed by the ushers.  
Grape juice and gluten free wafers are available; please indicate to the server by raising your hand.*

**COMMUNION SONG      “As We Gather at Your Table”      ELW #522**

**COMMUNION BLESSING**

May the body and blood of Jesus, our Christ, free us from all that prevents us from being faithful disciples and fill us with the desire to bear witness to God's love for us and one another. **Amen.**

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

Dear God, we give thanks for your promised care. In the sharing of this meal, we participate in the fulfillment of your greatest promise. May your Holy Spirit strengthen us, that we may go into the world to imitate Christ and live as witnesses of your promised love. **Amen.**

## SENDING

### **BENEDICTION**

We go into the world as God's people,  
**telling of God's hopes for all.**

We go to serve the world as followers of Jesus,  
**showing with our lives that all are part of the kingdom.**

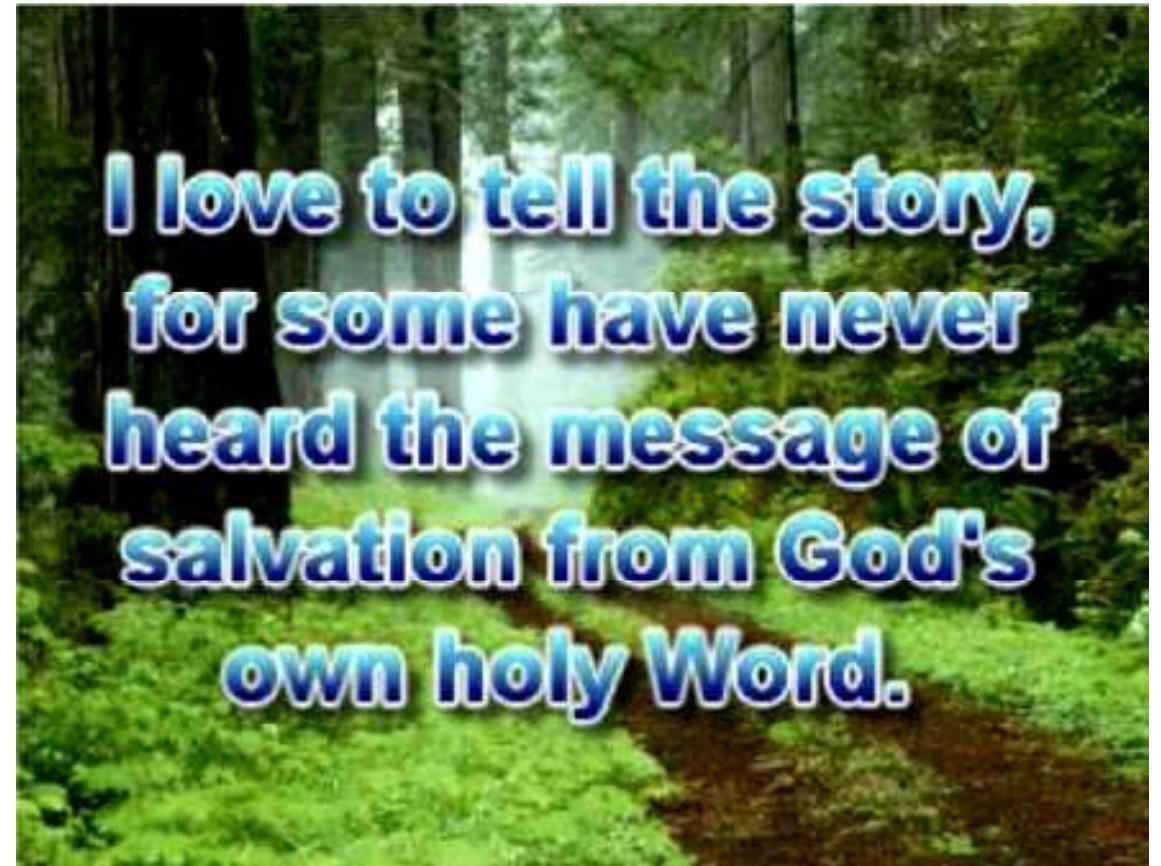
We go to share the Spirit,  
**to bring peace where there is war, to share love where there is hate.**

Go in peace. Share the good news.  
**Thanks be to God!**

**CLOSING HYMN/SONG**      **“Our Father, by Whose Name”**      **ELW #640**

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*REDISCOVERING GOD'S GRACE IN THE  
OLD TESTAMENT*

## 2 Samuel 7:1-17

<sup>1</sup>Now when the king (David) was settled in his house, and the LORD had given him rest from all his enemies around him, <sup>2</sup>the king said to the prophet Nathan, "See now, I am living in a house of cedar, but the ark of God stays in a tent." <sup>3</sup>Nathan said to the king, "Go, do all that you have in mind; for the LORD is with you."

<sup>4</sup>But that same night the word of the LORD came to Nathan: <sup>5</sup>Go and tell my servant David: Thus says the LORD: Are you the one to build me a house to live in? <sup>6</sup>I have not lived in a house since the day I brought up the people of Israel from Egypt to this day, but I have been moving about in a tent and a tabernacle. <sup>7</sup>Wherever I have moved about among all the people of Israel, did I ever speak a word with any of the tribal leaders of Israel, whom I commanded to shepherd my people Israel, saying, "Why have you not built me a house of cedar?" <sup>8</sup>Now therefore thus you shall say to my servant David: Thus says the LORD of hosts: I took you from the pasture, from following the sheep to be prince over my people Israel; <sup>9</sup>and I have been with you wherever you went, and have cut off all your enemies from before you; and I will make for you a great name, like the name of the great ones of the earth. <sup>10</sup>And I will appoint a place for my people Israel and will plant them, so that they may live in their own place, and be disturbed no more; and evildoers shall afflict them no more, as formerly, <sup>11</sup>from the time that I appointed judges over my people Israel; and I will give you rest from all your enemies. Moreover the LORD declares to you that the LORD will make you a house. <sup>12</sup>When your days are fulfilled and you lie down with your ancestors, I will raise up your offspring after you, who shall come forth from your body, and I will establish his kingdom. <sup>13</sup>He shall build a house for my name, and I will establish the throne of his kingdom forever. <sup>14</sup>I will be a father to him, and he shall be a son to me. When he commits iniquity, I will punish him with a rod such as mortals use, with blows inflicted by human beings. <sup>15</sup>But I will not take my steadfast love from him, as I took it from Saul, whom I put away from before you. <sup>16</sup>Your house and your kingdom shall be made sure forever before me; your throne shall be established forever. <sup>17</sup>In accordance with all these words and with all this vision, Nathan spoke to David.