

Zion Lutheran Church, Aberdeen, SD  
Fifth Wednesday after Pentecost  
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GATHERING MUSIC

*Blessed Be the Lord God Almighty*

WELCOME

SONG

*I'll Bless the Lord*

I'll bless the Lord forevermore,  
and in my mouth all praise shall be;  
my soul rejoices in the Lord;  
O magnify the Lord with me.

This poor one cried; God answered me,  
and rescued me from all my pain;  
the angel of the Lord is near,  
and will deliver me again.

O taste and see; the Lord is good;  
your happiness will ne'er depart;  
O fear the Lord, you saints of earth,  
for those who fear will have no want.

CONFESSING OUR SIN AND HEARING GOOD NEWS

God gives us freedom through the mercy of Jesus Christ. And so we confess our sins, knowing that this is God's work in us.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

Merciful God,

**We are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We do what we don't want to do and we don't do what we want to do. We have sinned in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and free us to live in faith and delight in your gifts. Amen.**

People of God, hear the good news that is for you:

In Jesus' death and resurrection, God's mercy is revealed to be a gift given to you and for your life. By the command of our Lord Jesus, you are forgiven, freed from sin and freed for the new life in Christ that is freely and fully given to you. In the name of the Father, and of the ☩ Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Faithful God, you show time and again that you carry out your purposes even through deeply flawed human beings. You included Jacob in carrying out your promise and purpose, meeting him in his sin and his suffering. Remind us day after day, through your Holy Spirit, that you do the same for us. You do not find us only in our best moments, but you meet us in our worst, so that you can carry us into your future. We pray in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

SCRIPTURE SONG

*The Lord Almighty Reigns*

Hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah the Lord reigns.  
Hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah the Lord Almighty reigns.  
Hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah the Lord reigns.  
Hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah the Lord Almighty reigns.

## SONG

*Be Thou My Vision*

Be Thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;  
Naught be all else to me, save that Thou art.,  
Thou my best thought, by day or by night,  
Waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light.

Be Thou my Wisdom, and Thou my true Word;  
I ever with Thee and Thou with me, Lord;  
Thou my great Father, I Thy true son,  
Thou in me dwelling, and I with Thee one.

Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise,  
Thou mine inheritance, now and always;  
Thou and Thou only, first in my heart,  
High King of heaven, my Treasure Thou art.

High King of heaven, my victory won,  
May I reach heaven's joys, O bright heav'n's Sun!  
Heart of my own heart, whatever be fall,  
Still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*You are invited to sing with the Praise Band as they play Hope of All Creation before the prayers begin and at the conclusion of the prayers.*



## SHARING OF THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you always.  
And also with you.

## OFFERING

*Offering will not be taken during worship; a basket is available in the back of the sanctuary to drop off today's offering. We encourage you to consider giving a gift online at [zionlutheranaberdeen.org/giving](http://zionlutheranaberdeen.org/giving) or by mail as you are able. If you would like, use the QR code scanner on your smart phone to give online.*



## LORD'S PRAYER

We pray in confidence in the words Jesus gave us:

Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done, on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Save us from the time of trial  
and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,  
now and forever. Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLESSING

The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord’s face shine on you with grace and mercy.  
The Lord look upon you with favor and ☩ give you peace.  
Amen.

SONG

*Holy is the Lord*

We stand and lift up our hands,  
For the joy of the Lord is our strength.  
We bow down and worship Him now.  
How great, how awesome is He.  
And together we sing,  
Everyone sing.

Holy is the Lord, God Almighty,  
The earth is filled with His glory.  
Holy is the Lord, God Almighty,  
The earth is filled with His glory.  
The earth is filled with His glory.

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The earth is filled with His glory.  
Holy is the Lord, God Almighty,  
The earth is filled with His glory.  
The earth is filled with His glory.

It is rising up all around;  
It’s the anthem of the Lord’s renown.  
It is rising up all around;  
It’s the anthem of the Lord’s renown.

And together we sing,  
Everyone sing.  
Holy is the Lord, God Almighty,  
The earth is filled with His glory.  
Holy is the Lord, God Almighty,  
The earth is filled with His glory.  
The earth is filled with His glory.

**SENDING WORDS**

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

**SENDING MUSIC**

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