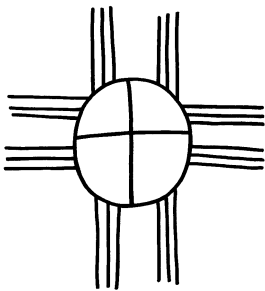


Zion Lutheran Church, Aberdeen, SD  
Twelfth Sunday After Pentecost  
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PRELUDE

*Voluntary*

John Stanley

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

GATHERING HYMN

*Morning Has Broken*

ELW #556

- 1
- Morning has broken like the first morning;  
blackbird has spoken like the first bird.  
Praise for the singing! Praise for the morning!  
Praise for them, springing fresh from the Word!
- 2
- Sweet the rain's new fall, sunlit from heaven,  
like the first dewfall on the first grass.  
Praise for the sweetness of the wet garden,  
sprung in completeness where God's feet pass.
- 3
- Mine is the sunlight! Mine is the morning,  
born of the one light Eden saw play!  
Praise with elation, praise ev'ry morning,  
God's recreation of the new day!

INVOCATION

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

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God,  
who forgives all our sin,  
whose mercy endures forever.  
**Amen.**

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Drawn to Christ and seeking God’s abundance, let us confess our sin.

*Silence for reflection.*

God, our provider, **help us.**  
It is hard to believe there is enough to share.  
We question your ways when they differ from the ways  
of the world in which we live.  
We turn to our own understanding  
rather than trusting in you.  
We take offense at your teachings and your ways.  
Turn us again to you.  
Where else can we turn?  
Share with us the words of eternal life  
and feed us for life in the world. **Amen.**

Beloved people of God:  
in Jesus, the manna from heaven,  
you are fed and nourished.  
By Jesus, the worker of miracles,  
there is always more than enough.  
Through Jesus, ☩ the bread of life,

you are shown God's mercy:  
you are forgiven and loved into abundant life.  
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.

CANTICLE OF PRAISE (ELW, p. 122)

Refrain

Refrain



**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Let us pray.  
 Ever-loving God, your Son gives himself as living bread for the life of the world. Fill us with such a knowledge of his presence that we may be strengthened and sustained by his risen life to serve you continually, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

**FIRST READING** **Proverbs 9:1-6**

<sup>1</sup>Wisdom has built her house,  
 she has hewn her seven pillars.  
<sup>2</sup>She has slaughtered her animals, she has mixed her wine,  
 she has also set her table.  
<sup>3</sup>She has sent out her servant-girls, she calls  
 from the highest places in the town,  
<sup>4</sup>"You that are simple, turn in here!"  
 To those without sense she says,  
<sup>5</sup>"Come, eat of my bread  
 and drink of the wine I have mixed.  
<sup>6</sup>Lay aside immaturity, and live,  
 and walk in the way of insight."

Word of God. Word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

**PSALM** **Psalm 34:9-14** *(read responsively)*

<sup>9</sup>Fear the LORD, you saints of the LORD,  
 for those who fear the LORD lack nothing.  
<sup>10</sup>**The lions are in want and suffer hunger,**  
**but those who seek the LORD lack nothing that is good.**  
<sup>11</sup>Come, children, and listen to me;  
 I will teach you reverence for the LORD.  
<sup>12</sup>**Who among you takes pleasure in life**  
**and desires long life to enjoy prosperity?**  
<sup>13</sup>Keep your tongue from evil  
 and your lips from lying words.  
<sup>14</sup>**Turn from evil and do good;**  
**seek peace and pursue it.**

**SECOND READING** **Ephesians 5:15-20**

<sup>15</sup>Be careful then how you live, not as unwise people but as wise, <sup>16</sup>making the most of the time, because the days are evil. <sup>17</sup>So do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. <sup>18</sup>Do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery; but be filled with the Spirit, <sup>19</sup>as you sing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs among yourselves, singing and making melody to the

Lord in your hearts, <sup>20</sup>giving thanks to God the Father at all times and for everything in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Word of God. Word of life.            Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,  
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. *Repeat alleluia*  
Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e - ter - nal life.

The holy gospel according to John.  
Glory to you, O Lord.

GOSPEL John 6:51-58

<sup>51</sup>I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh."

<sup>52</sup>The Jews then disputed among themselves, saying, "How can this man give us his flesh to eat?" <sup>53</sup>So Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. <sup>54</sup>Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood have eternal life, and I will raise them up on the last day; <sup>55</sup>for my flesh is true food and my blood is true drink. <sup>56</sup>Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them. <sup>57</sup>Just as the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me. <sup>58</sup>This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like that which your ancestors ate, and they died. But the one who eats this bread will live forever."

The gospel of the Lord.  
Praise to you, O Christ. *(please be seated)*

SERMON Pastor Ray Heidenson

HYMN OF THE DAY ELW #469

*By Your Hand You Feed Your People*  
*(please stand on the last verse)*

1 By your hand you feed your people,  
food of angels, heaven's bread.  
For these gifts we did not labor,  
by your grace have we been fed:

*Refrain*  
Christ's own body, blessed and broken,  
cup o'er flowing, life outpoured,  
given as a living token  
of your world redeemed, restored.

2 In this meal we taste your sweetness,  
bread for hunger, wine of peace.  
Holy word and holy wisdom  
satisfy our deepest needs. *Refrain*

3      Send us now with faith and courage  
to the hungry, lost, bereaved.  
In our living and our dying,  
we become what we receive: *Refrain*

### APOSTLES' CREED

With the whole church, let us confess our faith.

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.

### PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Rooted in Christ and sustained by the Spirit, we offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all of creation.

*Prayer response:* Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

We lift these and all our prayers to you, O God, confident in the promise of your saving love;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

### 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](https://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.*



### OFFERING MUSIC

*Lord Jesus Christ, Be Present Now*

David A. Schack

### OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray. Jesus, Bread of life, you have set this table with your very self, and called us to the feast of plenty. Gather what has been sown among us, and strengthen us in this meal. Make us to be what we receive here, your body for the life of the world. **Amen.**

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

Let us pray in confidence in the words our Savior gave us:

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.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

All who hunger and thirst, come. The table is ready.

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

COMMUNION HYMN

*I Come with Joy*

ELW #482

- 1
- I come with joy, a child of God,  
forgiven, loved, and free,  
the life of Jesus to recall  
in love laid down for me,  
in love laid down for me.
- 2
- I come with Christians far and near  
to find, as all are fed,  
the new community of love  
in Christ's communion bread,  
in Christ's communion bread.
- 3
- As Christ breaks bread and bids us share,  
each proud division ends.  
The love that made us, makes us one,  
and strangers now are friends,  
and strangers now are friends.
- 4
- The Spirit of the risen Christ,  
unseen, but ever near,  
is in such friendship better known,  
alive among us here,

alive among us here.

- 5     Together met, together bound  
by all that God has done,  
we'll go with joy, to give the world  
the love that makes us one,  
the love that makes us one.

### BLESSING

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **Amen.**

### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray. Jesus, Bread of life, we have received from your table more than we could ever ask. As you have nourished us in this meal, now strengthen us to love the world with your own life. In your name we pray. **Amen.**

### BENEDICTION

The blessing of God,  
who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us,  
✠ be upon you now and forever.  
**Amen.**

### SENDING HYMN

*On Our Way Rejoicing*

ELW #537

- 1     On our way rejoicing  
gladly let us go.  
Christ our Lord has conquered;  
vanquished is the foe.  
Christ without, our safety;  
Christ within, our joy;  
who, if we be faithful,  
can our hope destroy?

#### *Refrain*

On our way rejoicing;  
as we forward move,  
hearken to our praises,  
O blest God of love!

- 2     Unto God the Father  
joyful songs we sing;  
unto God the Savior  
thankful hearts we bring;  
unto God the Spirit  
bow we and adore,  
on our way rejoicing  
now and evermore. *Refrain*

### SENDING WORDS

Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.  
**Thanks be to God!**

### POSTLUDE

*Fugue*

Jean Francois Dandrieu

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