Blended Service October 10, 2021

Zion Lutheran Church, Aberdeen, SD Twentieth Sunday After Pentecost zionlutheranaberdeen.org

INTRODUCTION TO THE DAY

The rich man who comes to ask Jesus what he should do to inherit eternal life is a good man, sincere in his asking. Mark's gospel is alone in saying that Jesus looked on him and loved him. Out of love, not as judgment, Jesus offers him an open door to life: sell all you own and give it to the poor. Our culture bombards us with the message that we will find life by consuming. Our assemblies counter this message with the invitation to find life by divesting for the sake of the other.

PRELUDE

Lyric Pieces by American Composers

Darwin Wolford

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

GATHERING HYMN

O Sing to the Lord

ELW #822

Vs. 1,3,5 ~ All

Vs. 2 ~ Southside Vs. 4 ~ Northside

- Oh, sing to the Lord, oh, sing God a new song.
 Oh, sing to the Lord, oh, sing God a new song.
 Oh, sing to the Lord, oh, sing God a new song.
 Oh, sing to our God, oh, sing to our God.
- For God is the Lord, and God has done wonders. For God is the Lord, and God has done wonders. For God is the Lord, and God has done wonders. Oh, sing to our God, oh, sing to our God.
- So dance for our God and blow all the trumpets. So dance for our God and blow all the trumpets. So dance for our God and blow all the trumpets, Oh, sing to our God, oh, sing to our God.
- Oh, shout to our God, who gave us the Spirit.
 Oh, shout to our God, who gave us the Spirit.
 Oh, shout to our God, who gave us the Spirit.
 Oh, sing to our God, oh, sing to our God.
- For Jesus is Lord! Amen! Alleluia!
 For Jesus is Lord! Amen! Alleluia!
 For Jesus is Lord! Amen! Alleluia!
 Oh, sing to our God, oh, sing to our God.

INVOCATION

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

Blessed be the holy Trinity, \pm one God, whose teaching is life, whose presence is sure, and whose love is endless. **Amen.**

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Let us confess our sins to the one who welcomes us with an open heart.

Silence for reflection.

God our comforter:

like lost sheep, we have gone astray.

We gaze upon abundance and see scarcity.

We turn our faces away from injustice and oppression.

We exploit the earth with our apathy and greed.

Free us from our sin, gracious God.

Listen when we call out to you for help.

Lead us by your love to love our neighbors as ourselves.

Amen.

All have sinned and fall short of the glory of God.

By the gift of grace in + Christ Jesus, God makes you righteous.

Receive with glad hearts the forgiveness of all your sins.

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.**

HYMN OF PRAISE

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!

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

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty and ever-living God, increase in us your gift of faith, that, forsaking what lies behind and reaching out to what lies ahead, we may follow the way of your commandments and receive the crown of everlasting joy, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

KIDS' TIME

Pastoral Assistant Saundra

FIRST READING

Isaiah 43:16-21

¹⁶Thus says the LORD, who makes a way in the sea, a path in the mighty waters, ¹⁷who brings out chariot and horse, army and warrior; they lie down, they cannot rise, they are extinguished, quenched like a wick: ¹⁸Do not remember the former things, or consider the things of old. ¹⁹I am about to do a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it? I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert. ²⁰The wild animals will honor me, the jackals and the ostriches; for I give water in the wilderness, rivers in the desert, to give drink to my chosen people, ²¹the people whom I formed for myself so that they might declare my praise.

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

PSALM Psalm 139 tune by Michael Guimont

Refrain:



- O Lord, you search me and you know me.
 You yourself know my resting and my rising;
 you discern my thoughts from afar.
 You mark when I walk or lie down;
 you know all my ways through and through. *Refrain*
- 2 For it was you who formed my inmost being, knit me together in my mother's womb.
 I thank you who wonderfully made me; how wonderful are your works, which my soul knows well! *Refrain*
- My frame was not hidden from you, when I was being fashioned in secret and molded in the depths of the earth. *Refrain*

SECOND READING

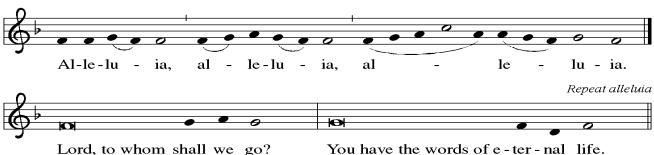
Hebrews 4:12-16

¹²Indeed, the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing until it divides soul from spirit, joints from marrow; it is able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart. ¹³And before him no creature is hidden, but all are naked and laid bare to the eyes of the one to whom we must render an account.

¹⁴Since, then, we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession. ¹⁵For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin. ¹⁶Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

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GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



You have the words of e-ter-nal life.

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

GOSPEL Mark 10:17-31

¹⁷As [Jesus] was setting out on a journey, a man ran up and knelt before him, and asked him, "Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?" 18 Jesus said to him, "Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. ¹⁹You know the commandments: 'You shall not murder; You shall not commit adultery; You shall not steal; You shall not bear false witness; You shall not defraud; Honor your father and mother.'" ²⁰He said to him, "Teacher, I have kept all these since my youth." ²¹Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said, "You lack one thing; go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me." ²²When he heard this, he was shocked and went away grieving, for he had many possessions.

²³Then Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, "How hard it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!" ²⁴And the disciples were perplexed at these words. But Jesus said to them again, "Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! ²⁵It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God." ²⁶They were greatly astounded and said to one another, "Then who can be saved?" ²⁷Jesus looked at them and said, "For mortals it is impossible, but not for God; for God all things are possible."

²⁸Peter began to say to him, "Look, we have left everything and followed you." ²⁹Jesus said, "Truly I tell you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields, for my sake and for the sake of the good news, 30 who will not receive a hundredfold now in this age—houses, brothers and sisters, mothers and children, and fields, with persecutions—and in the age to come eternal life. ³¹But many who are first will be last, and the last will be first."

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON Pastor Mark Galbraith

SONG OF THE DAY

Shout to the Lord

My Jesus, my Savior, Lord, there is none like you. All of my days I want to praise the wonders of your mighty love. My comfort, my shelter, tower of refuge and strength; Let ev'ry breath, all that I am never cease to worship you.

Shout to the Lord, all the earth let us sing
Power and majesty, praise to the King.
Mountains bow down and the seas will roar at the sound of your name.
I sing for joy at the work of your hands;
Forever I'll love you, forever I'll stand.
Nothing compares to the promise I have in you.

Shout to the Lord, all the earth let us sing Power and majesty, praise to the King.

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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

Made children and heirs of God's promise, we pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

Prayer response: Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Receive these prayers, O God, and those in our hearts known only to you; 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 or by mail as you are able. If you would like, use the QR code scanner on your smart phone to give online.



OFFERING HYMN

Accept, O Lord, the Gifts We Bring

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We will collect Noisy Offering at this time

- Accept, O Lord, the gifts we bring to place upon your table.We do not worship as we ought but only as we're able.
- The vines were planted, seeds were sown.
 They grew in your good pleasure.
 What once was common, daily food becomes a holy treasure.
- Our hopes and dreams, our toils and cares we lift in prayer before you.

 Lord, by your grace now come to us, as humbly we adore you.

OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray. God of abundance, you cause streams to break forth in the desert and manna to rain from the heavens. Accept the gifts you have first given us. Unite them with the offering of our lives to nourish the world you love so dearly; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

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.

WELCOME AND BLESSING FOR PASTOR MARK

BENEDICTION

People of God, you are Christ's body, bringing new life to a suffering world. The holy Trinity, + one God, bless you now and forever.

Amen.

SENDING SONG

Sing for Joy

If we call to Him, He will answer us.
If we run to Him, He will run to us.
If we lift our hands, He will lift us up.
Come now praise His name, all you saints of God.
Sing for joy to God our strength.
Sing for joy to God our strength.

Draw near to Him, He is here with us.
Give Him your love, He's in love with us.
He will heal our hearts, He will cleanse our hands,
If we rend our hearts, He will heal our land.
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SENDING WORDS

Go in peace. The living Word dwells in you.

Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE

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