

Zion Lutheran Church, Aberdeen, SD
 Twenty-Second Sunday After Pentecost
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INTRODUCTION TO THE DAY

Can we pray the way Bartimaeus prays? People try to hush him up because by addressing Jesus as "Son of David" he is making a politically dangerous claim that Jesus is the rightful king. Could our prayers ever be heard as a threat to unjust powers that be? Bartimaeus won't give up or go away quietly, but repeats his call for help more loudly. Do we ask so boldly? And are our prayers an honest answer to Jesus' question, "What do you want me to do for you?"

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

GATHERING SONG

Blessed Be Your Name

Blessed be Your name in the land that is plentiful,
 Where the streams of abundance flow,
 Blessed be Your name.
 Blessed be Your name when I'm found in the desert place,
 Though I walk through the wilderness
 Blessed be Your name.

Ev'ry blessing You pour out I'll turn back to praise.
 When the darkness closes in, Lord, still I will say.

Blessed be the name of the Lord, Blessed be Your name.
 Blessed be the name of the Lord, Blessed be Your glorious name.

Blessed be Your name when the sun's shining down on me,
 When the world's all as it should be.
 Blessed be Your name.
 Blessed be Your name on the road marked with suffering,
 Though there's pain in the offering.
 Blessed be Your name.

Ev'ry blessing You pour out I'll turn back to praise.
 When the darkness closes in, Lord, still I will say.

Blessed be the name of the Lord, Blessed be Your name.
 Blessed be the name of the Lord, Blessed be Your glorious name.

You give and take away, You give and take away.
 My heart will choose to say, Lord, blessed be your name.
 You give and take away, You give and take away.
 My heart will choose to say, Lord, blessed be Your name.

Blessed be the name of the Lord, Blessed be Your name.
 Blessed be the name of the Lord, Blessed be Your glorious name.

CONFESSING OUR SINS AND HEARING GOOD NEWS

In the name of the Father, and of the ☩ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

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.

SONG OF PRAISE *He is Exalted*

He is exalted, the King is exalted on high;
I will praise him.
He is exalted, forever exalted, and I will praise his name.
Jesus is Lord, forever his truth shall reign;
Heaven and earth rejoice in his holy name.
He is exalted, the King is exalted on high.

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PRAYER

We pray together:
Eternal light, shine in our hearts. Eternal wisdom, scatter the darkness of our ignorance. Eternal compassion, have mercy on us. Turn us to seek your face, and enable us to reflect your goodness, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

FAITH MILESTONE—Bible Presentations for three-year-olds and 3rd graders

FIRST READING **Jeremiah 31:7-9**

⁷Thus says the Lord:
Sing aloud with gladness for Jacob,
and raise shouts for the chief of the nations;
proclaim, give praise, and say,
“Save, O Lord, your people, the remnant of Israel.”
⁸See, I am going to bring them from the land of the north,
and gather them from the farthest parts of the earth,
among them the blind and the lame,
those with child and those in labor, together;
a great company, they shall return here.
⁹With weeping they shall come,
and with consolations I will lead them back,
I will let them walk by brooks of water,
in a straight path in which they shall not stumble;

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

Hebrews 7:23-28

²⁶For it was fitting that we should have such a high priest, holy, blameless, undefiled, separated from sinners, and exalted above the heavens. ²⁷Unlike the other high priests, he has no need to offer sacrifices day after day, first for his own sins, and then for those of the people; this he did once for all when he offered himself. ²⁸For the law appoints as high priests those who are subject to weakness, but the word of the oath, which came later than the law, appoints a Son who has been made perfect forever.

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

Hear our Praises

Hallelujah. Hallelujah.
Hallelujah. Hallelujah.
Hallelujah. Hallelujah.
Hallelujah. Hallelujah.

From the mountains to the valley
Hear our praises rise to You.
From the heavens to the nations,
Hear the singing fill the air.

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

Mark 10:46-52

The gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

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SONG OF THE DAY

Amazing Grace (My Chains are Gone)

Amazing Grace, how sweet the sound.
That saved a wretch like me.
I once was lost but now am found.
Was blind but now I see.

Tw'as Grace that taught my heart to fear
And Grace my fears relieved.
How precious did that grace appear,
The hour I first believed.

My chains are gone, I've been set free.
My God, my Savior has ransomed me.
And like a flood his mercy reigns;
Unending love, amazing grace.

The Lord has promised good to me.
His word my hope secures;
He will my shield and portion be,
As long as life endures.

My chains are gone, I've been set free.
My God, my Savior has ransomed me.
And like a flood his mercy reigns;
Unending love, amazing grace.

The earth shall soon dissolve like snow.
The sun forbear to shine.
But God who called me hear below,
Will be forever mine.
Will be forever mine.
Will be forever mine.

APOSTLES' CREED

God has made us his people through our Baptism into Christ. Living together in trust and hope, we 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

Set free from sin and death and nourished by the word of truth, we join in prayer for all of God’s creation.

Prayers of Intercession

Confident that you hear us, O God, we boldly place our prayers into your hands; 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 SONG

In the Secret

In the secret, in the quiet place,
In the stillness you are there.
In the secret, in the quiet hour, I wait only for You.
‘Cause I want to know You more.

I want to know You.
I want to hear Your voice.
I want to know You more.
I want to touch You.
I want to see Your face.
I want to know You more.

I am reaching for the highest goal.
That I might receive the prize.
Pressing onward, pushing every hindrance aside, out of my way.
‘Cause I want to know You more.

I want to know You.
I want to hear Your voice.
I want to know You more.
I want to touch You.
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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, who taught us to pray:

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.

BLESSING

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 *Rock of Ages*

There is no rock, there is no god like our God.
No other name worthy of all our praise.
The Rock of Salvation that cannot be moved.
He’s proven himself to be faithful and true.
There is no rock. There is no god like ours.

Rock of Ages. Jesus is the Rock.
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SENDING WORDS

Go in peace. The living Word dwells in you.
Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE

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