

Zion Lutheran Church, Aberdeen, SD
Sixth Sunday after Pentecost
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INTRODUCTION TO THE DAY

Perhaps the church, at its best, is “all ears.” God urges the faithful, again and again, to “listen up!”—to heed the word that gives life. So it was with Abraham and Sarah, Mary and Martha, and the early church at Colossae. So it is today as we join the assembly to hear the word of God, the word of life.

PRELUDE

Lord, Have Mercy

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

GATHERING HYMN

Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee

ELW #836

- 1
- Joyful, joyful we adore thee,
God of glory, Lord of love!
Hearts unfold like flow'rs before thee,
praising thee, their sun above.
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness,
drive the gloom of doubt away.
Giver of immortal gladness,
fill us with the light of day.
- 2
- All thy works with joy surround thee,
earth and heav'n reflect thy rays,
stars and angels sing around thee,
center of unbroken praise.
Field and forest, vale and mountain,
flow'ry meadow, flashing sea,
chanting bird, and flowing fountain
call us to rejoice in thee.
- 3
- Thou art giving and forgiving,
ever blessing, ever blest,
wellspring of the joy of living,
ocean-depth of happy rest!
Thou our Father, Christ our brother,
all who live in love are thine;
teach us how to love each other,
lift us to the joy divine!

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity,† one God,
whose steadfast love endures forever.
Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Merciful God,
we confess that we have not followed your path
but have chosen our own way.
Instead of putting others before ourselves,

we long to take the best seats at the table.
When met by those in need,
we have too often passed by on the other side.
Set us again on the path of life.
Save us from ourselves
and free us to love our neighbors.
Amen.

Hear the good news!
God does not deal with us according to our sins
but delights in granting pardon and mercy.
In the name of † Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven.
You are free to love as God loves. **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.**

SONG OF PRAISE

My Life is in You, Lord

My life is in You, Lord.
My strength is in You, Lord.
My hope is in You, Lord,
In You, It's in You.
My life is in You, Lord.
My strength is in You, Lord.
My hope is in You, Lord,
In You, It's in You.

I will praise You with all of my life.
I will praise you with all of my strength.
With all of my life, with all of my strength.
All of my hope is in You.

My life is in You, Lord.
My strength is in You, Lord.
My hope is in You, Lord,
In You, It's in You.
My life is in You, Lord.
My strength is in You, Lord.
My hope is in You, Lord,
In You, It's in You.

I will praise You with all of my life.
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With all of my life, with all of my strength.
All of my hope is in You.

My life is in You, Lord.
My strength is in You, Lord.
My hope is in You, Lord,
In You, It's in You.
My life is in You, Lord.
My strength is in You, Lord.
My hope is in You, Lord,
In You, It's in You. In You.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray together:
O Lord God, your mercy delights us, and the world longs for your loving care. Hear the cries of everyone in need, and turn our hearts to love our neighbors with the love of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

KIDS’ TIME & NOISY OFFERING COLLECTION **Pastoral Assistant Sandra**

FIRST READING **Deuteronomy 30:9-14**

⁹The LORD your God will make you abundantly prosperous in all your undertakings, in the fruit of your body, in the fruit of your livestock, and in the fruit of your soil. For the LORD will again take delight in prospering you, just as he delighted in prospering your ancestors, ¹⁰when you obey the LORD your God by observing his commandments and decrees that are written in this book of the law, because you turn to the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul.
¹¹Surely, this commandment that I am commanding you today is not too hard for you, nor is it too far away. ¹²It is not in heaven, that you should say, "Who will go up to heaven for us, and get it for us so that we may hear it and observe it?" ¹³Neither is it beyond the sea, that you should say, "Who will cross to the other side of the sea for us, and get it for us so that we may hear it and observe it?" ¹⁴No, the word is very near to you; it is in your mouth and in your heart for you to observe.

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

PSALM **Psalm 25:1-10** *(read responsively)*

¹To you, O LORD, I lift up my soul.
²**O my God, in you I trust;**
do not let me be put to shame;
do not let my enemies exult over me.
³Do not let those who wait for you be put to shame;
let them be ashamed who are wantonly treacherous.
⁴**Make me to know your ways, O LORD;**
teach me your paths.
⁵Lead me in your truth, and teach me,
for you are the God of my salvation;
for you I wait all day long.
⁶**Be mindful of your mercy, O LORD, and of your steadfast love,**
for they have been from of old.
⁷Do not remember the sins of my youth or my transgressions;
according to your steadfast love remember me,
for your goodness' sake, O LORD!
⁸**Good and upright is the LORD;**
therefore he instructs sinners in the way.
⁹He leads the humble in what is right,
and teaches the humble his way.
¹⁰**All the paths of the LORD are steadfast love and faithfulness,**
for those who keep his covenant and his decrees.

SECOND READING **Colossians 1:1-14**

¹Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and Timothy our brother,
²To the saints and faithful brothers and sisters in Christ in Colossae:
Grace to you and peace from God our Father.
³In our prayers for you we always thank God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, ⁴for we have heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and of the love that you have for all the saints, ⁵because of the hope laid up for you in heaven. You have heard of this hope before in the word of the truth, the gospel ⁶that has come to you. Just as it is bearing fruit and growing in the whole world, so it has been bearing fruit among yourselves from the day you heard it and truly comprehended the

grace of God. ⁷This you learned from Epaphras, our beloved fellow servant. He is a faithful minister of Christ on your behalf, ⁸and he has made known to us your love in the Spirit.

⁹For this reason, since the day we heard it, we have not ceased praying for you and asking that you may be filled with the knowledge of God's will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, ¹⁰so that you may lead lives worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to him, as you bear fruit in every good work and as you grow in the knowledge of God. ¹¹May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, and may you be prepared to endure everything with patience, while joyfully ¹²giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. ¹³He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, ¹⁴in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

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

ALLELUIA

Halle, Halle, Hallelujah

Halle, halle, hallelujah!
Halle, halle, hallelujah!
Halle, halle, hallelujah!
Hallelujah, Hallelujah!

Halle, halle, hallelujah!
Halle, halle, hallelujah!
Halle, halle, hallelujah!
Hallelujah, Hallelujah!

The holy gospel according to Luke, the tenth chapter.
Glory to you, O Lord.

GOSPEL

Luke 10:25-37

²⁵Just then a lawyer stood up to test Jesus. "Teacher," he said, "what must I do to inherit eternal life?" ²⁶He said to him, "What is written in the law? What do you read there?" ²⁷He answered, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbor as yourself." ²⁸And he said to him, "You have given the right answer; do this, and you will live."

²⁹But wanting to justify himself, he asked Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?" ³⁰Jesus replied, "A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell into the hands of robbers, who stripped him, beat him, and went away, leaving him half dead. ³¹Now by chance a priest was going down that road; and when he saw him, he passed by on the other side. ³²So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. ³³But a Samaritan while traveling came near him; and when he saw him, he was moved with pity. ³⁴He went to him and bandaged his wounds, having poured oil and wine on them. Then he put him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him. ³⁵The next day he took out two denarii, gave them to the innkeeper, and said, 'Take care of him; and when I come back, I will repay you whatever more you spend.' ³⁶Which of these three, do you think, was a neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of the robbers?" ³⁷He said, "The one who showed him mercy." Jesus said to him, "Go and do likewise."

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

SERMON

Ray Dunn

HYMN OF THE DAY

Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service

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1 Lord, whose love in humble service
bore the weight of human need,
who upon the cross, forsaken,
worked your mercy's perfect deed:

we, your servants, bring the worship
not of voice alone, but heart;
consecrating to your purpose
ev'ry gift which you impart.

- 2 Still your children wander homeless;
 still the hungry cry for bread;
 still the captives long for freedom;
 still in grief we mourn our dead.
 As you, Lord, in deep compassion
 healed the sick and freed the soul,
 by your Spirit send your power
 to our world to make it whole.
- 3 As we worship, grant us vision,
 till your love's revealing light
 in its height and depth and greatness
 dawns upon our quickened sight,
 making known the needs and burdens
 your compassion bids us bear,
 stirring us to ardent service,
 your abundant life to share.
- 4 Called by worship to your service,
 forth in your dear name we go,
 to the child, the youth, the aged,
 love in living deeds to show;
 hope and health, good will and comfort,
 counsel, aid and peace we give,
 that your servants, Lord, in freedom
 may your mercy know and live.

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

United in Christ and guided by the Spirit, we pray for the church, the creation, and all in need.

Prayer response: God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

God of every time and place, in Jesus' name and filled with your Holy Spirit, we entrust these spoken prayers and those in our hearts into your holy keeping. **Amen.**

SHARING OF THE PEACE

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

OFFERING

We glorify God in our giving. Our offering is an act of worship that makes the ministries of this congregation possible. We encourage everyone to give. 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

Everybody's Got Something to Offer

Everybody's got something to offer;
Young and old, the prince and the pauper.
Everybody's got something to offer in the name of the Lord.

To the lost and lowly ones the message it is clear;
We have all got a gift to give, our hands, our hearts, our tears.

Everybody's got something to offer;
Young and old, the prince and the pauper.
Everybody's got something to offer in the name of the Lord.

To the believers gathered here the message it is true;
We have all got a gift to give in all we say and do.
Everybody's got something to offer;
Young and old, the prince and the pauper.
Everybody's got something to offer in the name of the Lord.

OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray together:

God of all goodness and grace, receive these gifts we offer, and grant that our whole life may give you glory and praise, 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.

BENEDICTION

The God of peace,
Father, ☩ Son, and Holy Spirit,
bless you, comfort you,
and show you the path of life
this day and always.
Amen.

SENDING SONG

Love the Lord

Love the Lord your God with all your heart,
With all your soul, with all your mind
And with all your strength.
Love the Lord your God with all your heart,
With all your soul, with all your mind
And with all your strength.

With all your heart, with all your soul,
With all your mind, with all your strength.
Love the Lord your God with all your heart,
With all your soul, with all your mind,
And with all your strength.

I will serve the Lord with all my heart,
With all my soul, with all my mind,
And with all my strength.
I will serve the Lord with all my heart,
With all my soul, with all my mind,
And with all my strength.

With all my heart, with all my soul,
With all my mind, with all my strength.
I will serve the Lord with all my heart,
With all my soul, with all my mind,
And with all my strength.

With all my heart, with all my soul,
With all my mind, with all my strength
With all my heart, with all my soul,
With all my mind, with all my strength.

I will love you Lord with all my heart,
With all my soul, with all my mind,
With all my strength.
I will love you Lord with all my heart,
With all my soul, with all my mind,
With all my strength.

SENDING WORDS

Go in peace. Love your neighbor.
Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Ode to Joy

Beethoven