

Zion Lutheran Church, Aberdeen, SD
Healing Sunday
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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.

INVOCATION

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

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

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

Silence is kept for reflection.

Most merciful God,
**we confess that we are captive to sin
and cannot free ourselves.**
**We have sinned against you 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 lead us,
so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your holy name.
Amen.

God, who is rich in mercy, loved us
even when we were dead in sin,
and made us alive together with Christ.
In the name of ☩ Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven.
Almighty God strengthen you with power
through the Holy Spirit,
that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.
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

Forever

Give thanks to the Lord our God and King.
His love endures forever.
For He is good, He is above all things.
His love endures forever.
Sing praise, sing praise.

With a mighty hand and outstretched arm,
His love endures forever.
For the life that's been reborn,
His love endures forever.
Sing praise, sing praise.
Sing praise, sing praise.

Forever God is faithful,
Forever God is strong.
Forever God is with us,
Forever, forever.

From the rising to the setting sun
His love endures forever.
And by the grace of God we will carry on.
His love endures forever.
Sing praise, sing praise.
Sing praise, sing praise.

Forever God is faithful,
Forever God is strong.
Forever God is with us,
Forever, forever.

Forever God is faithful,
Forever God is strong.
Forever God is with us,
Forever, forever.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray together: O God our shepherd, you know your sheep by name and lead us to safety through the valleys of death. Guide us by your voice, that we may walk in certainty and security to the joyous feast prepared in your house, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

KIDS' TIME

Pastor Jim

FIRST READING

Isaiah 40:28-31

²⁸Have you not known? Have you not heard?

The LORD is the everlasting God,
the Creator of the ends of the earth.
He does not faint or grow weary;
his understanding is unsearchable.

²⁹He gives power to the faint,
and strengthens the powerless.

³⁰Even youths will faint and be weary,
and the young will fall exhausted;

³¹but those who wait for the LORD shall renew their strength,
they shall mount up with wings like eagles,
they shall run and not be weary,
they shall walk and not faint.

Word of God. Word of life.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM

Psalm 103:1-4

(read responsively)

¹Bless the LORD, O my soul,
and all that is within me,
bless his holy name.

²Bless the LORD, O my soul,
and do not forget all his benefits —

³who forgives all your iniquity,
who heals all your diseases,

⁴who redeems your life from the Pit,
who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy,

SECOND READING

Romans 8:18-30

¹⁸I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory about to be revealed to us. ¹⁹For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the children of God; ²⁰for the creation was subjected to futility, not of its own will but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope ²¹that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to decay and will obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God. ²²We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labor pains until now; ²³and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. ²⁴For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? ²⁵But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

²⁶Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words. ²⁷And God, who searches the heart, knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.

²⁸We know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose. ²⁹For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn within a large family. ³⁰And those whom he predestined he also called; and those whom he called he also justified; and those whom he justified he also glorified.

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GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, Alleluia, Give Thanks

Alleluia, alleluia, give thanks to the risen Lord;

Alleluia, alleluia, give praise to his name.

Alleluia, alleluia, give thanks to the risen Lord;

Alleluia, alleluia, give praise to his name.

The holy gospel according to Mark, the eighth chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

GOSPEL

Mark 8:22-26

²²They came to Bethsaida. Some people brought a blind man to him and begged him to touch him. ²³He took the blind man by the hand and led him out of the village; and when he had put saliva on his eyes and laid his hands on him, he asked him, "Can you see anything?" ²⁴And the man looked up and said, "I can see people, but they look like trees, walking." ²⁵Then Jesus laid his hands on his eyes again; and he looked intently and his sight was restored, and he saw everything clearly. ²⁶Then he sent him away to his home, saying, "Do not even go into the village."

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

Pastor Jim Holthus

SONG OF THE DAY

Hope of the Nations

Jesus, hope of the nations.

Jesus comfort for all who mourn.

You are the source of Heaven's hope on earth.

Jesus light in the darkness.

Jesus truth in each circumstance.

You are the source of Heaven's light on earth.

In History, You live and died.

You broke the chains, You rose to life

You are the hope living in us.

You are the rock in whom we trust.

You are the light shining for all the world to see.
You rose from the dead, conquering fear,
Our Prince of Peace drawing us near.
Jesus our hope
Living for all who will receive. Lord we believe!!

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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 PEOPLE

United in the hope and joy of the resurrection, let us pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

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

Rejoicing in the victory of Christ's resurrection, we lift our prayers and praise to you, almighty and eternal God; through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord. **Amen.**

SHARING OF THE PEACE

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

All are invited to greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace saying, "God's peace be with you" or similar words.

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

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.

OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray together:

Generous God, in this meal you offer your very self. We give thanks for these gifts of the earth.
In the breaking of this bread reveal to us the Risen One. In the pouring of this wine pour us out
in service to the world; through Christ our Lord. 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.

LITANY

Each of us is broken by sin and less than God has created us to be, but this does not disqualify
us from being touched by God and serving God in any capacity, large or small, broken as we are.

God uses broken things. It takes broken clouds to give rain, broken ground to give grain, broken
grain to give bread, broken bread to give strength.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

LORD'S PRAYER

Lord, remember us in Your kingdom, and teach us to pray:

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

Come and know Christ, broken and poured out for you.

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

All who believe that our Lord Jesus Christ is truly present in the bread and wine of The Lord's Supper bringing to us the gift of forgiveness and the promise of eternal life, are welcome to gather at the Lord's Table.

COMMUNION SONG

Let the River Flow

Let the poor man say I am rich in Him, let the lost man say I am found in Him,
Oh, let the river flow.
Let the blind man say I can see again. Let the dead man say I am born again.
Oh, let the river flow. Let the river flow.

Let the river flow, let the river flow.
Holy Spirit come, move in power.
Let the river flow.

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BLESSING

And now may the body and blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, which you have received, strengthen you and keep you unto eternal life. **Amen.**

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray together: Gracious God, in you we live and move and have our being. With your word and this meal of grace, you have nourished our life together. Strengthen us to show your love and serve the world in Jesus' name. Amen.

BENEDICTION

The God of all, who raised † Jesus from the dead, bless you by the power of the Holy Spirit to live in the new creation. **Amen.**

SENDING SONG

Everlasting God

Strength will rise as we wait upon the Lord
We will wait upon the Lord, we will wait upon the Lord.
Strength will rise as we wait upon the Lord
We will wait upon the Lord, we will wait upon the Lord.
Our God, You reign forever. Our hope, our strong Deliv'rer.

You are the everlasting God,
The everlasting God,
You do not faint,
You won't grow weary.
You're the defender of the weak,
You comfort those in need
You lift us up on wings, like eagles.

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SENDING WORDS

Go in peace. Serve the Risen One. **Thanks be to God!**