Worship Service June 11, 2023

Zion Lutheran Church, Aberdeen, SD Second Sunday after Pentecost zionlutheranaberdeen.org

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

GATHERING SONG Come, Now is the Time to Worship

Come, now is the time to worship;

Come, now is the time to give your heart.

Come, just as you are to worship;

Come, just as you are before your God, come.

One day ev'ry tongue will confess You are God,

One day ev'ry knee will bow;

Still the greatest treasure remains for those who gladly choose You now.

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INVOCATION

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who greets us in this and every season, whose word never fails, whose promise is sure.

Amen.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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

Silence is kept for reflection.



Righteous God,

we confess that we have sinned.
We have failed to be honest.
We have lacked the courage to speak.
We have spoken falsely.
In the name of Jesus,
forgive us and grant us your mercy.

God is a cup of cold water when we thirst. God offers boundless grace when we fail. Claim the gift of God's mercy: you are freed and forgiven in the name of \pm Jesus Christ. **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

Great and Mighty is He

Great and mighty is He, Great and mighty is He. Clothed in glory, arrayed in splendor, Great and mighty is He.

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Let us lift His name up high, Celebrate His grace. For He has redeemed our lives, And He reigns on high.

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray together: O God, you are the source of life and the ground of our being. By the power of your Spirit bring healing to this wounded world, and raise us to the new life of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

KIDS' TIME & NOISY OFFERING

Pastoral Assistant Saundra

FIRST READING

Genesis 12:1-9

¹The Lord said to Abram, "Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you. ²I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you, and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. ³I will bless those who bless you, and the one who curses you I will curse; and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed."

⁴So Abram went, as the Lord had told him; and Lot went with him. Abram was seventy-five years old when he departed from Haran. ⁵Abram took his wife Sarai and his brother's son Lot, and all the possessions that they had gathered, and the persons whom they had acquired in Haran; and they set forth to go to the land of Canaan. When they had come to the land of Canaan, ⁶Abram passed through the land to the place at Shechem, to the oak of Moreh. At that time the Canaanites were in the land. ⁷Then the Lord appeared to Abram, and said, "To your offspring I will give this land." So he built there an altar to the Lord, who had appeared to him. ⁸From there he moved on to the hill country on the east of Bethel, and pitched his tent, with Bethel on the west and Ai on the east; and there he built an altar to the Lord and invoked the name of the Lord. ⁹And Abram journeyed on by stages toward the Negeb.

Word of God. Word of life.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM Psalm 50:7-15 (read responsively)

I am God, your God.

⁸Not for your sacrifices do I rebuke you; your burnt offerings are continually before me.

⁹I will not accept a bull from your house, or goats from your folds.

¹⁰For every wild animal of the forest is mine, the cattle on a thousand hills.

¹¹I know all the birds of the air, and all that moves in the field is mine.

¹²"If I were hungry, I would not tell you, for the world and all that is in it is mine.

¹³Do I eat the flesh of bulls, or drink the blood of goats?

¹⁴Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving, and pay your vows to the Most High.

¹⁵Call on me in the day of trouble; I will deliver you, and you shall glorify me."

ALLELUIA

The Lord Almighty Reigns

Hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah the Lord reigns. Hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah the Lord Almighty reigns.

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The holy gospel according to Matthew, the ninth chapter. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

GOSPEL

Matthew 9:9-13, 18-26

⁹As Jesus was walking along, he saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax booth; and he said to him, "Follow me." And he got up and followed him.

¹⁰And as he sat at dinner in the house, many tax collectors and sinners came and were sitting with him and his disciples. ¹¹When the Pharisees saw this, they said to his disciples, "Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?" ¹²But when he heard this, he said, "Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. ¹³Go and learn what this means, 'I desire mercy, not sacrifice.' For I have come to call not the righteous but sinners."

¹⁸While he was saying these things to them, suddenly a leader of the synagogue came in and knelt before him, saying, "My daughter has just died; but come and lay your hand on her, and she will live." ¹⁹And Jesus got up and followed him, with his disciples. ²⁰Then suddenly a woman who had been suffering from hemorrhages for twelve years came up behind him and touched the fringe of his cloak, ²¹for she said to herself, "If I only touch his cloak, I will be made well." ²²Jesus turned, and seeing her he said, "Take heart, daughter; your faith has made you well." And instantly the woman was made well. ²³When Jesus came to the leader's house and saw the flute players and the crowd making a commotion, ²⁴he said, "Go away; for the girl is not

dead but sleeping." And they laughed at him. ²⁵But when the crowd had been put outside, he went in and took her by the hand, and the girl got up. ²⁶And the report of this spread throughout that district.

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

Trusting in God's abundant mercy, let us offer our prayers for a world in need.

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

Receive our prayers and answer us, O God, in the name of Jesus Christ. 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

God Will Make a Way

God will make a way, where there seems to be no way, He works in ways we cannot see, He will make a way for me. He will be my guide, hold me closely to His side With love and strength for each new day, He will make a way, He will make a way.

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By a roadway in the wilderness, He'll lead me, And rivers in the desert will I see. Heaven and earth will fade But His Word will still remain. He will do something new today.

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OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray together:

God of field and forest, sea and sky, you are the giver of all good things. Sustain us with these gifts of your creation, and multiply your graciousness in us, that the world may be fed with your love, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and 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

All people are called to Christ's table. Come, eat what is good.

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.

SPECIAL MUSIC Holy, Holy, Holy Lani Smith

Piano Duet: Sonya Kempf & Sue Gates

COMMUNION SONG

Come Just as You Are

Come just as you are; hear the Spirit call.

Come just as you are; come and see, come receive.

Come and live forever.

Come just as you are; hear the Spirit call.

Come just as you are; come receive Christ the King.

Come and live forever.

Life everlasting and strength for today. Taste the living water, and never thirst again.

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Come and live forever.

Come just as you are; hear the Spirit call. Come just as you are; come receive Christ the King. Come and live forever.

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: We thank you, generous God, for the refreshment we have received at your banquet table. Send us now to spread your generosity into all the world, through the one who is our dearest treasure, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

BENEDICTION

The God who calls across the cosmos and speaks in the smallest seed \pm bless, keep, and sustain you now and to the end of the age.

Amen.

SENDING SONG

This is the Day

This is the day that the Lord has made. I will rejoice and celebrate.
This is the day that the Lord has made. I will rejoice. I will rejoice and celebrate.

He goes before me. He goes before me. He walks beside me. He walks beside me. He lives within me. He's the lover of my soul. He's my defender. He's my defender. He's my provider. His overflowing mercies are brand new evr'yday.

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SENDING WORDS

Go in peace. Share the harvest.

Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE

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