Worship Service June 2, 2024

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

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

GATHERING HYMN My God, How Wonderful Thou Art



- My God, how wonderful thou art, thy majesty how bright!
 How beautiful thy mercy seat in depths of burning light!
- 2 How wonderful, how beautiful the sight of thee must be-- thine endless wisdom, boundless pow'r, and awesome purity!
- 3 No earthly father loves like thee; no mother, e'er so mild, bears and forbears as thou hast done with me, thy sinful child.
- 4 Yet I may love thee too, O Lord, almighty as thou art, for thou hast stooped to ask of me the love of my poor heart.
- My God, how wonderful thou art, thou everlasting friend!On thee I stay my trusting heart till faith in vision end.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Bless this place and these people, God of manna, God of miracles, and God of mercy as we are gathered to hear your word, dwell in your peace, and partake in your life-giving presence. **Amen.**

Mighty wind has blown, And tongues of fire have danced!

The presence of the Spirit is with us, Just as Jesus the Christ promised.

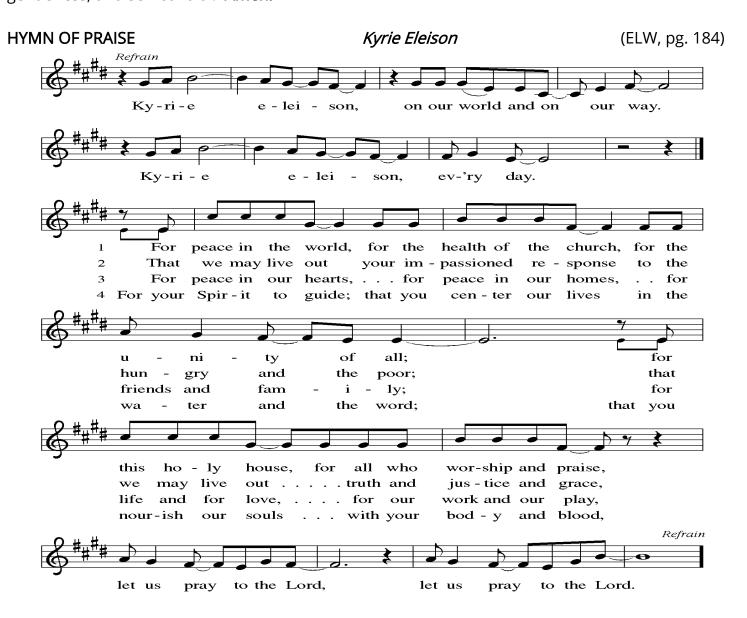
The presence of the Spirit moves and gathers us into community, The Spirit moves us to lives of nurturing and challenging one another, celebrating and witnessing.

Let us marvel and the power of God, God's power at work in and through us.

A moment of silence.

God who gives freely of himself for our well-being, we confess the struggles we have to trust you, share what you provide, and learn from your teachings. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us. Empower us to follow the call of the Holy Spirit in our lives. Amen.

By God's grace, you are saved. In the name of Christ + your sins are forgiven. The Spirit is upon you to live with the fruits of love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. **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.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray together: Almighty and ever-living God, throughout time you free the oppressed, heal the sick, and make whole all that you have made. Look with compassion on the world wounded by sin, and by your power, restore us to wholeness of life, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

KIDS' TIME

Pastoral Assistant Saundra

FIRST READING

Deuteronomy 5:12-15

¹²Observe the sabbath day and keep it holy, as the LORD your God commanded you. ¹³Six days you shall labor and do all your work. ¹⁴But the seventh day is a sabbath to the LORD your God; you shall not do any work — you, or your son or your daughter, or your male or female slave, or your ox or your donkey, or any of your livestock, or the resident alien in your towns, so that your male and female slave may rest as well as you. ¹⁵Remember that you were a slave in the land of Egypt, and the LORD your God brought you out from there with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm; therefore the LORD your God commanded you to keep the sabbath day.

Word of God. Word of life.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM Psalm 81:1-10 (read responsively)

¹Sing aloud to God our strength; shout for joy to the God of Jacob.

²Raise a song, sound the tambourine, the sweet lyre with the harp.

³Blow the trumpet at the new moon, at the full moon, on our festal day.

⁴For it is a statute for Israel,

an ordinance of the God of Jacob.

⁵He made it a decree in Joseph,

when he went out over the land of Egypt.

I hear a voice I had not known:

⁶"I relieved your shoulder of the burden;

your hands were freed from the basket.

⁷In distress you called, and I rescued you;

I answered you in the secret place of thunder;

I tested you at the waters of Meribah.

⁸Hear, O my people, while I admonish you;

O Israel, if you would but listen to me!

 ⁹There shall be no strange god among you; you shall not bow down to a foreign god.
 ¹⁰I am the LORD your God, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt. Open your mouth wide and I will fill it.

SECOND READING

2 Corinthians 4:5-12

⁵For we do not proclaim ourselves; we proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord and ourselves as your slaves for Jesus' sake. ⁶For it is the God who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

⁷But we have this treasure in clay jars, so that it may be made clear that this extraordinary power belongs to God and does not come from us. ⁸We are afflicted in every way, but not crushed; perplexed, but not driven to despair; ⁹persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed; ¹⁰always carrying in the body the death of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be made visible in our bodies. ¹¹For while we live, we are always being given up to death for Jesus' sake, so that the life of Jesus may be made visible in our mortal flesh. ¹²So death is at work in us, but life in you.

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

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Listen, God is Calling

ELW #513

Refrain:

Listen, listen, God is calling, through the Word inviting, offering forgiveness, comfort and joy.

- 1 Jesus gave his mandate: share the good news that he came to save us and set us free. *Refrain*
- Let none be forgotten throughout the world.In the triune name of God go and baptize. *Refrain*
- 3 Help us to be faithful, standing steadfast, walking in your precepts, led by your Word. *Refrain*

The holy gospel according to Mark, the second chapter. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

GOSPEL Mark 2:23—3:6

²³One sabbath [Jesus] was going through the grainfields; and as they made their way his disciples began to pluck heads of grain. ²⁴The Pharisees said to him, "Look, why are they doing what is not lawful on the sabbath?" ²⁵And he said to them, "Have you never read what David did when he and his companions were hungry and in need of food? ²⁶He entered the house of God, when Abiathar was high priest, and ate the bread of the Presence, which it is not lawful for any but the priests to eat, and he gave some to his companions." ²⁷Then he said to them, "The sabbath was made for humankind, and not humankind for the sabbath; ²⁸so the Son of Man is lord even of the sabbath."

^{3:1}Again he entered the synagogue, and a man was there who had a withered hand. ²They watched him to see whether he would cure him on the sabbath, so that they might accuse him. ³And he said to the man who had the withered hand, "Come forward." ⁴Then he said to them, "Is it lawful to do good or to do harm on the sabbath, to save life or to kill?" But they were silent. ⁵He looked around at them with anger; he was grieved at their hardness of heart and said to the man, "Stretch out your hand." He stretched it out, and his hand was restored. ⁶The Pharisees went out and immediately conspired with the Herodians against him, how to destroy him.

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

SERMON Reverend Nicole Martin

HYMN OF THE DAY

O Day of Rest and Gladness

ELW #521

- O day of rest and gladness,
 O day of joy and light,
 O balm for care and sadness,
 most beautiful, most bright:
 on you the high and lowly,
 through ages joined in tune,
 sing, "Holy, holy, holy,"
 to the great God triune.
- On you, at earth's creation, the light first had its birth; on you, for our salvation, Christ rose from depths of earth; on you, our Lord victorious the Spirit sent from heav'n; and thus on you, most glorious, a threefold light was giv'n.

- Today on weary nations the heav'nly manna falls; to holy convocations the silver trumpet calls, where gospel light is glowing with pure and radiant beams and living water flowing with soul-refreshing streams.
- 4 New graces ever gaining from this our day of rest, we reach the rest remaining to spirits of the blest.
 We sing to you our praises, O Father, Spirit, Son; the church its voice upraises to you, blest Three in One.

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

We come before the triune God to pray for our communities, ourselves, and our world.

Prayer response: Merciful God, receive our prayer.

Receive our prayers, O God, and come quickly to our aid, through the power of the Spirit and the love 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 HYMN Create in Me a Clean Heart ELW #188

Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.
Cast me not away from your presence, and take not your Holy Spirit from me.
Restore unto me the joy of your salvation, and uphold me with your free Spirit.

OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray together: Bread of life, you have set this table with your very self and called us to the feast of plenty. Gather what has been sown among us, and strengthen us in this meal. Make us to be what we receive here, your body for the life of the world. 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

We come to the table of the Lord called by the Holy Spirit.

We come to the table ready to receive what God provides.

We come to the table as a community, one body with many members.

We come to the table ready for realtionship with God and others.

We come to the table hungry for the bread of Life.

We come to the table ready to receive God's generosity.

We come to the table for healing.

We come to the table knowing we will be restored and blessed to serve others.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

LORD'S PRAYER

Let us pray in confidence 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.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Christ has set the table with more than enough for all. Come and eat at God's table.

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.



Variations on "Picardy" Sonya Kempf, organ

BLESSING

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray together: Bread of life, we have received from your table more than we could ever ask. As you have nourished us in this meal, now strengthen us to love the world with your own life. In your name we pray. Amen.

MINISTRY MOMENT

BLESSING

The blessing of God, that provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us, \pm be upon you now and forever.

Amen.

SENDING HYMN

The Church of Christ in Every Age

ELW #729

- The church of Christ, in ev'ry age beset by change, but Spirit-led, must claim and test its heritage and keep on rising from the dead.
- Across the world, across the street, the victims of injustice cry for shelter and for bread to eat, and never live before they die.
- Then let the servant church arise, a caring church that longs to be a partner in Christ's sacrifice, and clothed in Christ's humanity.
- 4 For he alone, whose blood was shed, can cure the fever in our blood, and teach us how to share our bread and feed the starving multitude.
- We have no mission but to serve in full obedience to our Lord; to care for all, without reserve, and spread his liberating word.

SENDING WORDS

Go into the world as champions of gospel living. Thanks be to God, and we will.

POSTLUDE

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