Worship Service June 9, 2024

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

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

GATHERING SONG

Made to Worship

Before the day, before the light.
Before the world revolved around the sun.
God on high stepped down into time
And wrote the story of His love for everyone.
He has filled our hearts with wonder.
So that we always remember;

You and I were made to worship
You and I are called to love.
You and I are forgiven and free.
When you and I embrace surrender,
When you and I choose to believe
Then you and I will see, who we were meant to be.

All we are, and all we have.
Is all a gift from God that we receive.
Brought to life we open our eyes,
To see the majesty and glory of the king.
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So that we always remember;

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Even the rocks cry out,
Even the heavens shout,
At the sound of His Holy name.
So let every voice sing out
Let every knee bow down
He's worthy of all our praise



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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.

A 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 \oplus 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.

SONG OF PRAISE

How Majestic is Your Name

O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

O Lord, we praise your name!

O Lord, we magnify your name.

Prince of Peace, Mighty God, O Lord God Almighty!

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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: All-powerful God, in Jesus Christ you turned death into life and defeat into victory. Increase our faith and trust in him, that we may triumph over all evil in the strength of the same Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

KIDS' TIME Pastoral Assistant Saundra

FIRST READING

Genesis 3:8-15

⁸[Adam and Eve] heard the sound of the Lord God walking in the garden at the time of the evening breeze, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the Lord God among the trees of the garden. ⁹But the Lord God called to the man, and said to him, "Where are you?" ¹⁰He said, "I heard the sound of you in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked; and I hid myself." ¹¹He said, "Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?" ¹²The man said, "The woman whom you gave to be with me, she gave me fruit from the tree, and I ate." ¹³Then the Lord God said to the woman, "What is this that you have done?" The woman said, "The serpent tricked me, and I ate." ¹⁴The Lord God said to the serpent,

"Because you have done this,
cursed are you among all animals
and among all wild creatures;
upon your belly you shall go,
and dust you shall eat
all the days of your life.

15I will put enmity between you and the woman,
and between your offspring and hers;
he will strike your head,
and you will strike his heel."

Word of God. Word of life.

Thanks be to God.

¹Out of the depths I cry to you, O LORD.

²LORD, hear my voice!

Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my supplications!

³If you, O LORD, should mark iniquities, LORD, who could stand?

⁴But there is forgiveness with you, so that you may be revered.

⁵I wait for the LORD, my soul waits, and in his word I hope;

⁶my soul waits for the LORD

more than those who watch for the morning, more than those who watch for the morning.

⁷O Israel, hope in the LORD!

For with the LORD there is steadfast love, and with him is great power to redeem.

⁸It is he who will redeem Israel from all its iniquities.

SECOND READING

2 Corinthians 4:13—5:1

¹³Just as we have the same spirit of faith that is in accordance with scripture—"I believed, and so I spoke"—we also believe, and so we speak, ¹⁴because we know that the one who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus, and will bring us with you into his presence. ¹⁵Yes, everything is for your sake, so that grace, as it extends to more and more people, may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God.

¹⁶So we do not lose heart. Even though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed day by day. ¹⁷For this slight momentary affliction is preparing us for an eternal weight of glory beyond all measure, ¹⁸because we look not at what can be seen but at what cannot be seen; for what can be seen is temporary, but what cannot be seen is eternal.

^{5:1}For we know that if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

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

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Hear Our Praises

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

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, the third chapter. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

GOSPEL Mark 3:20-35

[Jesus went home;] ²⁰and the crowd came together again, so that [Jesus and the disciples] could not even eat. ²¹When his family heard it, they went out to restrain him, for people were saying, "He has gone out of his mind." ²²And the scribes who came down from Jerusalem said, "He has Beelzebul, and by the ruler of the demons he casts out demons." ²³And he called them to him, and spoke to them in parables, "How can Satan cast out Satan? ²⁴If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. ²⁵And if a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand. ²⁶And if Satan has risen up against himself and is divided, he cannot stand, but his end has come. ²⁷But no one can enter a strong man's house and plunder his property without first tying up the strong man; then indeed the house can be plundered.

 28 "Truly I tell you, people will be forgiven for their sins and whatever blasphemies they utter; 29 but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit can never have forgiveness, but is guilty of an eternal sin"— 30 for they had said, "He has an unclean spirit."

³¹Then his mother and his brothers came; and standing outside, they sent to him and called him. ³²A crowd was sitting around him; and they said to him, "Your mother and your brothers and sisters are outside, asking for you." ³³And he replied, "Who are my mother and my brothers?" ³⁴And looking at those who sat around him, he said, "Here are my mother and my brothers! ³⁵Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother."

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

SERMON Reverend Nicole Martin

SONG OF THE DAY

Lord, Have Mercy

Jesus I've forgotten the words that You have spoken.
Promises that burned within my heart have now grown dim.
With a doubting heart I follow the paths of earthly wisdom.
Forgive me for my unbelief, renew the fire again.

Lord, have mercy, Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy on me. Lord have mercy, Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy on me.

I have built an altar where I worship things of man.
I have taken journeys that have drawn me far from you.
Now I am returning to your mercies ever flowing.
Pardon my transgressions, help me love You again.

Lord, have mercy, Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy on me. Lord have mercy, Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy on me.

I have longed to know You and all Your tender mercies. Like a river of forgiveness, ever flowing without end. So I bow my heart before You in the goodness of Your presence. Your grace forever shining like a beacon in the night.

Lord, have mercy, Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy on me. Lord have mercy, Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy on me.

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

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 SONG

Create in Me a Clean Heart

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.
Create in me a clean heart, O God.
And renew a right spirit within me.

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OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray together: Jesus, 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

Gathered into one by the works of the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught 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.

COMMUNION HYMN

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.

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.

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: Jesus, 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 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. He's my provider. His overflowing mercies are brand new evr'yday.

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SENDING WORDS

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

POSTLUDE

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