Worship Service June 22, 2025

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

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS



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.

Make our ears receptive to your calling and our eyes keen to see you at work. Make this a place where your mission is lived, empowering us to cultivate communities of caring and belonging as champions of the gospel. Amen.

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.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Father, Creator, truth and source of all justice: you spoke life into being, and we stand in your creation.

Guide us to steward all the gifts you have given to us.

Son of God, Savior, goodness, and source of kindness: you carved out a pathway for us to be reconciled to the Father through yourself.

Guide us in paths of healing so we may know the power of living as fully transformed children of God.

Holy Spirit, Advocate, beauty, and source of companionship: you call us, gather us, and enlighten us to the ways of the Father and the Son.

Guide us as we inch closer to the Father and the Son each day of our lives.

A moment of silence.

God of grace and glory,

we confess your power to guide us as Father, Son, and Holy Spirit and our ability to turn away from your authority. When we neglect to trust your creative ability to make goodness come from confusion, forgive us. When we neglect the importance of kindness and seek judgement, forgive us. When we deny the presence of your companionship and seek our own solutions, forgive us. 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.

SONG OF PRAISE

Famous One

You are the Lord,

The Famous One, Famous One.

Great is Your Name in all the earth.

The Heavens declare

You're Glorious, Glorious;

Great is Your fame beyond the earth.

For all You've done and yet to do With every breath, I'm praising You. Desire of Nations and every heart. You alone are God, You alone are God.

You are the Lord,
The Famous One, Famous One.
Great is Your Name in all the earth.
The Heavens declare
You're Glorious, Glorious;
Great is Your fame beyond the earth.

The morning star is shining through, And every eye is watching You. Reveal thy nature and miracles. You are beautiful, You are beautiful.

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The Famous One, Famous One.
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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: O Lord God, we bring before you the cries of a sorrowing world that insists on its own way. Allow us to be searched and molded by you so that Your will may be lived out in our lives. Use us as examples of your love to all. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

KIDS' TIME

FIRST READING

Jeremiah 18:1-11

¹The word that came to Jeremiah from the LORD: ²Come, go down to the potter's house, and there I will let you hear my words. ³So I went down to the potter's house, and there he was working at his wheel. ⁴The vessel he was making of clay was spoiled in the potter's hand, and he reworked it into another vessel, as seemed good to him.

⁵Then the word of the LORD came to me: ⁶Can I not do with you, O house of Israel, just as this potter has done? says the LORD. Just like the clay in the potter's hand, so are you in my hand, O house of Israel. ⁷At one moment I may declare concerning a nation or a kingdom, that I will pluck up and break down and destroy it, ⁸but if that nation, concerning which I have spoken, turns from its evil, I will change my mind about the disaster that I intended to bring on it. ⁹And at another moment I may declare concerning a nation or a kingdom that I will build and plant it, ¹⁰but if it does evil in my sight, not listening to my voice, then I will change my mind about the good that I had intended to do to it. ¹¹Now, therefore, say to the people of Judah and the inhabitants of Jerusalem: Thus says the LORD: Look, I am a potter shaping evil against you and devising a plan against you. Turn now, all of you from your evil way, and amend your ways and your doings.

Word of God. Word of life.

Thanks be to God.

PREPARING FOR THE WORD

SONG OF PREPARATION

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 Luke, the twenty-second chapter. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

FOCUS TEXT

Luke 22:24-28, 39-43

²⁴A dispute also arose among them as to which one of them was to be regarded as the greatest. ²⁵But he said to them, "The kings of the Gentiles lord it over them; and those in authority over them are called benefactors. ²⁶But not so with you; rather the greatest among you must become like the youngest, and the leader like one who serves. ²⁷For who is greater, the one who is at the table or the one who serves? Is it not the one at the table? But I am among you as one who serves.

³⁹Jesus came out and went, as was his custom, to the Mount of Olives; and the disciples followed him. ⁴⁰When he reached the place, he said to them, "Pray that you may not come into the time of trial." ⁴¹Then he withdrew from them about a stone's throw, knelt down, and prayed, ⁴²Father, if you are willing, remove this cup from me; yet, not my will but yours be done. [⁴³Then an angel from heaven appeared to him and gave him strength.]

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

MESSAGE Ann Fortin

SONG OF THE DAY

The Potter's Hand

Beautiful Lord, Wonderful Savior,
I know for sure all of my days are
Held in Your hand crafted into Your perfect plan.
You gently call me, into your presence
Guiding me by Your Holy Spirit
Teach me dear Lord to live all of my life
Through Your eyes.
I'm captured by Your holy calling,
Set me apart, I know Your drawing,
Me to Yourself, Lead me, Lord, I pray.

Take me, mold me
Use me, fill me.
I give my life to the Potter's Hand.
Call me, guide me
Lead me, walk beside me.
I give my life to the Potter's Hand.

You gently call me, into your presence Guiding me by Your Holy Spirit Teach me dear Lord to live all of my life Through Your eyes. I'm captured by Your holy calling, Set me apart, I know Your drawing, Me to Yourself, Lead me, Lord, I pray. Take me, mold me
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I give my life to the Potter's Hand.

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

Drawn into the embrace of the Holy Trinity by the work of the Spirit, we lift our prayers for the wholeness of the church, the world, and all creation.

Prayer response: God of grace, hear our prayer.

Gather all our prayers in your mercy, O God, through Jesus Christ, our Savior. 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

What Have We to Offer?

What have we to offer? What have we to share? Coins from the coffer, hearts filled with care. God will not falter; so let us dare Lay it at the altar there.

What have we to offer? What have we to bring? Love, ripe with laughter; hope that we can sing; Dreams of what we're after; promises of when. Lay it at the altar then.

What have we to offer? What have we to give? Eyes that are wide open; lies that we won't live; Truth that must be spoken; justice somehow. Lay it at the altar now.

What have we to offer? What have we to give? Lives we will live.

OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray together: Creator God, in your wisdom you bring forth all that is good, and the harvest is plentiful. Strengthen us at your table with these gifts of the earth and our labor, that we may work for the good of all; through Jesus Christ, our Savior. 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 relationship with God and others.

We come to the table 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

The Kingdom of God is set before you. Eat and rejoice.

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

Breathe

This is the air I breathe, this is the air I breathe, Your holy presence living in me. This is my daily bread, this is my daily bread, Your very word, spoken to me. And I, I'm desperate for You. And I, I'm lost without You.

This is the air I breathe, this is the air I breathe, Your holy presence living in me.
This is my daily bread, this is my daily bread, Your very word, spoken to me.

And I, I'm desperate for You. And I, I'm lost without You. And I, I'm desperate for You. And I, I'm lost without You. This is the air I breathe.

This is the air I breathe.

BLESSING AFTER COMMUNION

Now may the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in God's grace. **Amen.**

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray together: Abundant God, You gathered us to your table, and we drank deeply of your grace. Send us out by your Spirit to love our neighbors as ourselves, and proclaim your love in Jesus' name. Amen.

MINISTRY MOMENT

BENEDICTION

The love of God abound in you; the grace of our Savior Jesus Christ fill your hearts; and the life of the Spirit \oplus bless you and give you peace. **Amen.**

SENDING SONG

Trading My Sorrows

I'm trading my sorrows.

I'm trading my shame.

I'm laying them down for the joy of the Lord.

I'm trading my sickness.

I'm trading my pain.

I'm laying them down for the joy of the Lord.

Yes Lord, yes Lord, yes, yes Lord

Yes Lord, yes Lord, yes, yes Lord.

Yes Lord, yes Lord, yes, yes Lord. Amen.

I'm trading my sorrows.

I'm trading my shame.

I'm laying them down for the joy of the Lord.

I'm trading my sickness.

I'm trading my pain.

I'm laying them down for the joy of the Lord.

We say Yes Lord, yes Lord, yes, yes Lord Yes Lord, yes Lord, yes, yes Lord. Yes Lord, yes Lord, yes, yes Lord. Amen.

We say Yes Lord, yes Lord, yes, yes Lord Yes Lord, yes Lord, yes, yes Lord. Yes Lord, yes Lord, yes, yes Lord. Amen.

SENDING WORDS

Go into the world bravely allowing God to use you and all resources at your disposal for the work of God's kingdom.

Thanks be to God, and we will.

POSTLUDE

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