Zion Lutheran Church, Aberdeen, SD Seventh 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

Days of Elijah

These are the days of Elijah, declaring the Word of the Lord, And these are the days of your servant Moses, righteousness being restored. And though these are days of great trial, of famine and darkness and sword, And we are a voice in the desert crying, prepare ye the Way of the Lord.

Behold He comes, riding on the clouds, Shining like the sun, at the trumpet call. Lift your voice, in the year of Jubilee, And out of Zion's hill salvation comes.

These are the days of Ezekiel, the dry bones becoming as flesh, And these are the days of your servant David, rebuilding the temple of praise. And these are the days of the harvest, the fields are as white in the world. And we are the laborers in the vineyard, declaring the Word of the Lord.

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There's no God like Jehovah There's no God like Jehovah



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OPENING DIALOGUE

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, the fountain of living water, the meal that sustains us, the hospitality that comforts us, the generosity that empowers us, our nourishment and our salvation. **Amen.**

A moment of silence.

We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning you created us in your image and placed us in a well-watered garden, with vegetation aplenty to fill us. In the desert, your cracked open rock to quench parched mouths and provided manna from heaven for sustenance. When your people were in great darkness, you revealed yourself as the Good Shepherd, guiding them to still waters and banquets of generosity. At the cross, you washed us from Jesus' wounded side, and gave up your body for our well-being.

We praise you for your salvation through water, for the water in this font, and for all water everywhere. We praise you for your promise of nourishment, from the bread of life that greets us at the welcome table and in our daily bread. Bathe us in your mercy and forgiveness; fill us up with your grace and love. Satisfy all who hunger and thirst, and give us the life only you can give. Amen.

To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ, our living water and bread of life, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever. **Amen.**

SONG OF PRAISE

1

Blessed Be the Name

Blessed be the name, blessed be the name, blessed be the name, Jesus' name. Blessed be the name, blessed be the name, blessed be the name, Jesus' name.

Alleluia, alleluia. Blessed be the name, Jesus' name. Alleluia, alleluia. Blessed be the name, Jesus' name. Let us go to Jesus, let us go to Jesus, let us go to Jesus in heav'n. Let us go to Jesus, let us go to Jesus, let us go to Jesus in heav'n. Alleluia, alleluia. Let us go to Jesus in heav'n. Alleluia, alleluia. Let us go to Jesus in heav'n.

GREETING

2

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, you are always more ready to give than we are ready to receive. We like to do things ourselves and claim our own glory. Help us to live into the abundance you provide, trusting you to multiply what we need for the work of your kingdom here on earth. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

KIDS' TIME

SONG OF PREPARATION

Halle, halle, hallelujah. Halle, halle, hallelujah. Halle, halle, hallelujah. Hallelujah. Hallelujah.

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FIRST READING

Exodus 16:13-21

¹³ In the evening quails came up and covered the camp, and in the morning there was a layer of dew around the camp. ¹⁴ When the layer of dew lifted, there on the surface of the wilderness was a fine flaky substance, as fine as frost on the ground. ¹⁵ When the Israelites saw it, they said to one another, "What is it?" For they did not know what it was. Moses said to them, "It is the bread that the Lord has given you to eat. ¹⁶ This is what the Lord has commanded: Gather as much of it as each of you needs, an omer per person according to the number of persons, all providing for those in their own tents." ¹⁷ The Israelites did so, some gathering more, some less. ¹⁸ But when they measured it with an omer, those who gathered much had nothing over, and those who gathered little had no shortage; they gathered as much as each of them.

Halle, Halle, Hallelujah

needed. ¹⁹ And Moses said to them, "Let no one leave any of it over until morning." ²⁰ But they did not listen to Moses; some left part of it until morning, and it became wormy and rotten. And Moses was angry with them. ²¹ Morning by morning they gathered it, as much as each needed, but when the sun grew hot, it melted.

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

PREPARING FOR THE WORD

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

FOCUS TEXT

Luke 9:7-17

⁷Now Herod the ruler heard about all that had taken place, and he was perplexed because it was said by some that John had been raised from the dead, ⁸ by some that Elijah had appeared, and by others that one of the ancient prophets had arisen. ⁹Herod said, "John I beheaded, but who is this about whom I hear such things?" And he tried to see him.

¹⁰ On their return the apostles told Jesus all they had done. Then, taking them along, he slipped quietly into a city called Bethsaida. ¹¹ When the crowds found out about it, they followed him, and he welcomed them and spoke to them about the kingdom of God and healed those who needed to be cured.

¹² The day was drawing to a close, and the twelve came to him and said, "Send the crowd away, so that they may go into the surrounding villages and countryside to lodge and get provisions, for we are here in a deserted place." ¹³ But he said to them, "You give them something to eat." They said, "We have no more than five loaves and two fish—unless we are to go and buy food for all these people." ¹⁴ For there were about five thousand men. And he said to his disciples, "Have them sit down in groups of about fifty each." ¹⁵ They did so and had them all sit down. ¹⁶ And taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven and blessed and broke them and gave them to the disciples to set before the crowd. ¹⁷ And all ate and were filled, and what was left over was gathered up, twelve baskets of broken pieces.

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

MESSAGE

Pastor Nicole Martin

SONG OF THE DAY

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. 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.

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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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

In solidarity with all creation, we join our voice to the voice of the whole church and pray for the needs of the world.

Prayer response: God of grace, hear our prayer.

Trusting in your lovingkindness, we place our prayer and hope in you, 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

Freely, Freely

God forgave my sin in Jesus' name, I've been born again in Jesus' name; And in Jesus' name I come to you To share His love as He told me to.

"He said, "Freely, freely you have received, Freely, freely give; Go in my name and, because you believe, Others will know that I live."

All pow'r is giv'n in Jesus' name, In earth and heav'n in Jesus name; And in Jesus name I come to you To share His pow'r as He told me to.

"He said, "Freely, freely you have received, Freely, freely give; Go in my name and, because you believe, Others will know that I 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.**

THANKSGIVING FOR THE MEAL The Lord be with you. And also with you. Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**

It is good that we come to the welcome table.

It is our duty and our joy to give thanks and praise to the almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ.

It is good that we come to the welcome table.

We come under the promise of the resurrection, confident that the Holy Spirit is poured out, uniting us as one body—many nations, yet one people.

It is good that we come to the welcome table with all the earth, sea and stars, all the creatures, angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim.

It is good that we come to the welcome table praising God. Holy, holy, holy God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest. Blessed is the one who comes in the name of our God. Hosanna in the highest!

BLESSING OF THE MEAL

LORD'S PRAYER Gathered together by the work 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

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

Great is Thy Faithfulness

Great is Thy faithfulness, O God my Father. There is no shadow of turning with Thee. Thou changest not, Thy compassions, they fail not; As Thou has been Thou forever will be.

Great it Thy faithfulness, great is thy faithfulness, Morning by morning new mercies I see. All I have needed Thy hand has provided. Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord unto me.

Summer and winter and springtime and harvest, Sun, moon and stars in their courses above. Join with all nature in manifold witness. To Thy great faithfulness, mercy and love.

Great it Thy faithfulness, great is thy faithfulness, Morning by morning new mercies I see. All I have needed Thy hand has provided. Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord unto me.

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth, Thy own dear presence to cheer and to guide. Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow, Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside.

Great it Thy faithfulness, great is thy faithfulness, Morning by morning new mercies I see. All I have needed Thy hand has provided. Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord unto me.

BLESSING AFTER THE MEAL

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

PRAYER AFTER THE MEAL

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

SENDING BLESSING

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

SENDING SONG

For the Lord is Good

For the Lord is good, and His love endures forever. He's a faithful God, to all generations. For the Lord is good, and His mercies will not fail us. They are new each day. O lift your voice and say, the Lord is good.

Great is Your faithfulness O Lord, Your loving kindness fills our hearts to overflowing. Songs of rejoicing and sweet praise. They fill our hearts. They fill our days.

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SENDING WORDS

Go into the world with boldness to dine with others in any need. **Thanks be to God, and we will.**

POSTLUDE

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