EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST August 3, 2025



ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH

Cultivating communities of caring and belonging as champions of the gospel by being rooted in faith, growing in spirit, and reaching out to those in need

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Welcome to Zion Lutheran Church

We are grateful you chose to worship with us. Your participation is an honor to our community, and we invite you to immerse yourself into the unique expression of Lutheran flavored faith. We love Christ deeply and believe it is He alone that saves, freeing us to respond with joy for all the creator has done, guided by the Advocate to serve the neighbor.

Whether you are a visitor or a long-time member, we invite you to fill out the "Welcome to Zion" connection card, especially if you have any pastoral needs, interests in ministry, or wish to communicate with the office for support.

Small guests are invited to take and utilize the worship toolboxes and bags in the pews or immerse themselves in the Prayground at the rear of the sanctuary. There is also a nursery located next to the restrooms in the hallway between the Sanctuary and the Fellowship Hall, along with changing stations in both restrooms for your convenience.

Your siblings in Christ, Zion Lutheran Church

ORDER OF WORSHIP

PRELUDE
WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

GATHERING

GATHERING SONG Lord Jesus Christ... ELW #527

OPENING DIALOGUE (please stand)

SONG OF PRAISE **Blessed Be the Name ELW #797**GREETING

PRAYER OF THE DAY

WORD

KIDS' TIME (please be seated)

SONG OF PREPARATION Halle, Halle, Hallelujah ELW #172

FIRST READING Isaiah 52:6-8 Pew Bible OT, pg. 758

PREPARING FOR THE WORD

GOSPEL Luke 10:1-9 Pew Bible NT, pg. 72

MESSAGE (please be seated)

SONG OF THE DAY Lord, Whose Love in... ELW #712

(please stand on last verse)

OFFERING

APOSTLES' CREED

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE God of grace, hear our prayer.

SHARING OF THE PEACE

OFFERING (please be seated)

OFFERING SONG Sing to the Lord of Harvest ELW #694

OFFERING PRAYER (please stand)

MEAL

GIVING THANKS FOR THE MEAL & Hosanna

BLESSING OF THE MEAL

LORD'S PRAYER

INVITATION TO COMMUNION (please be seated)

COMMUNION SONG Lamb of God ELW, pg. 154

COMMUNION SONG Lord, Speak to Us... ELW #676

BLESSING & PRAYER AFTER THE MEAL

MINISTRY MOMENT

<u>SENDING</u>

SENDING BLESSING (please stand)

SENDING SONG *Oh, For a Thousand..* ELW #415 Vs. 1,3,5

SENDING WORDS & POSTLUDE

IN OUR PRAYERS

As a community of faith, we are connected through joy, sorrow, and worship and called to pray without ceasing. Please pray with us for: Delbert Rohrbach, Lois Leicht, Lyle Johnsen, Janice Grieben. Magdalen Rohrbach, Sidney Beitelspacher

And for those with long-term care needs:

Jerry Gab, Barb Gardner, Sharon Paranto, Esther Ottenbacher, Norma Nielsen, Sharon Wagemann, Kent Edson, Susan Edson, Alyssa Weber, Kari Brown, Dal Golz

ZIONS' RADIO BROADCAST

Today's broadcast is sponsored by Lenny and Betty Berger in celebration of their August 5th wedding anniversary.

If you are interested in sponsoring a broadcast, please call the church office or sign up on the bulletin board in the narthex. You can listen along on KSDN radio (930 AM & 102.1 FM) at 9:00 AM each Sunday.

AUGUST STEWARDSHIP LOVE OFFERINGS

Theme for the month: Being in God's Presence at the Table

Special & Noisy Offering: Supporting nutritional needs of school children

Zion Afternoon at the Pool August 3 from 2-4 PM Special Activities:

Lutherans at the Pool (MS&HS) August 6 Casserole Sales through August 16

Cup of Blessing August 31 during worship

For support of Zion ministries please consider electronic **GIVEPLUS** giving. If you have a smart phone, you can simply scan the code, and it will take you directly to our "Giving"

page on the Zion website. You can also take advantage of the GivePlus mobile app for your smart phone to make giving even more convenient. Just download the GivePlus app, find Zion Lutheran Church, and choose your amount!



Do you need an easy way to contribute to the church? Text giving is a powerful way to give in a matter of seconds. Send a text with your offering amount to (844-771-9038). It's simple and secure.

THIS WEEK AT ZION

SUNDAY—August 3

9:00 AM Worship 10:15 AM Fellowship time 2:00 PM Afternoon at the Pool

MONDAY—August 4

10:00 AM Staff meeting 1:00 PM Quilters

WEDNESDAY—August 6

1:00 PM Cardmakers 1:30 PM Lutherans at the Pool 8:00 PM AA meeting

THURSDAY—August 7

1:00 PM Quilters

SUNDAY—August 10

9:00 AM Worship 10:15 AM Fellowship time

FALL RUMMAGE

SALE—The date for the youth fall rummage sale has been set for Saturday, November 8. As rummage sale season starts to wrap up, keep us in mind for a place to donate those leftover items! Donations will be accepted starting in late October.

SAVE THE DATE

Directory Pictures August 12 & 13

Book Club
 August 12 @ 11:30 AM

Summer Youth Group August 13 @ 3:00 PMEducation Meeting August 17

Worship Life meeting
 August 19 @ 5:30 PM

2 Year Old Faith Milestone August 24

Table of Plenty August 25 from 5:30-7:00 PM

Properties Meeting August 26 @ 6:00 PM

Men's Fellowship August 27 @ 8:00 PM

Fall Kickoff Sunday September 7

OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

CASSEROLE SALES— Are you looking for a way to simplify the back-to-school busyness? We've got you covered! The Zion Youth Committee will be selling pre-made casseroles in August. All you have to do is pop them in the oven to bake, and supper is ready! Cost is \$10 for an 8x8 pan and \$20 for a 9x13 pan; cost includes garlic bread. To preorder, please stop at the table in the narthex on Sunday mornings. Casseroles will be ready to pick up on Sunday, August 17. All proceeds will benefit the Nashville 2026 mission trip.

LUTHERANS AT THE POOL— On Wednesday, August 6, we will be joining with our area ELCA congregations for an afternoon at the pool. Come anytime between 1:30-4:30 PM for the event; you can let them know at the door which church you are with. Cost is \$5 or free if you bring your family pass. Check in with us at the covered picnic shelter before you head off to swim, and join us during breaks for snacks, drinks, and a couple activities! This event is open to middle and high school youth.

CUP OF BLESSING— A blessing of cups will be held on Sunday, August 31 during worship. To remember Labor Day and the labor of your hands, we invite you to bring your favorite cup. It could be a coffee cup, a yeti mug, a thermos—any drink container of your choice to represent you and how you identify yourself as a child of God. We will bless these cups and you for the goodness of your discipleship, being God's love in the world.

AFTERNOON AT THE POOL— All Zion members are invited to share in an afternoon of sun and fellowship at the Aberdeen Aquatic Center **today from 2-4 PM**. We'll meet together during the breaks for some fun and games. Plan to meet in the grassy area next to the lazy river.

CORNER OF CARING—Donations of diapers (NB-size 6 and pull ups), socks (adult), underwear (adult), blankets, hats, gloves, bug spray, sunscreen, and feminine hygiene products will be collected to be distributed to those in need in our community through our ministry services and partnerships. Items can be left in the corresponding labeled bins in the Corner of Caring in the fellowship hall. There is also a bin to collect children's books for our Books in the Laundromat ministry.

THANKS AND PRAISE FOR TODAY'S SUPPORT TEAM

Worship Assistant: Saundra Anderson Van Driver: Lester Harty
Sound: Steve Ottenbacher Lector: Marcie Andersh

PowerPoint: Judy Albl

Communion: Marcie Andersh; Andrea Morehouse

Ushers: Lenny & Monica Tietz

Greeters: Lyle & Lois Chapin; Marje Kaiser; Stacy Geffre

Organ: Sonya Kempf Flute: Sue Gates

Altar Guild: Kari Harrison: Rose Wiedrich

Dwelling in the Word

Dwelling in the Word is an opportunity for us to speak as one voice with shared prayers for the church, the world, and all those in need. For this practice, you are invited to meditate on the associated scripture, creating room for divine encounter with God through God's word for us. Stay with this text all week, being bold to let it speak to you in new ways each day.

As you dwell with the text, give yourself permission to ask: What caught your attention? What brought you joy/comfort? What did you struggle with or made you uncomfortable? What questions arise from the reading? What part of this scripture will you carry with you today? As you dwell with God this week may the angels surround you as companions in the journey.

Meditation Text: Dear Lord, as I engage **Luke 10:1-9** today, please allow your words to wash over me. Let them be a gateway into understanding you more fully. Amen.

Luke 10:1-9

¹After this the Lord appointed seventy others and sent them on ahead of him in pairs to every town and place where he himself intended to go. ²He said to them, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest. ³Go on your way. See, I am sending you out like lambs into the midst of wolves.

⁴Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals; and greet no one on the road. ⁵Whatever house you enter, first say,

'Peace to this house!' ⁶And if anyone is there who shares in peace, your peace will rest on that person; but if not, it will return to you. ⁷Remain in the same house, eating and drinking whatever they provide, for the laborer deserves to be paid. Do not move about from house to house.

⁸Whenever you enter a town and its people welcome you, eat what is set before you; ⁹cure the sick who are there, and say to them, 'The kingdom of God has come near to you.'''

Prayer of the Week: Lord of the Good News, help us to be bearers of the good news with swift feet to carry us to places for that good news to be heard. Let us not be afraid to speak your peace with all those we encounter as living evidence that the kingdom of God has come near. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.