

Zion Lutheran Church, Aberdeen, SD
Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost
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PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Blessed be the Holy Trinity, ☩ our provider, our healer, and our keeper. As we are gathered to hear your word,
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

God So Loved the World

God so loved the world that He gave.
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His only Son

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Worthy is the Lamb that was slain.
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He's risen from the dead. He is risen.
He's high and lifted up. Heaven and earth adore.

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OPENING DIALOGUE

Rejoice, people of God! A new day has dawned and God's gift of life is renewed in you and me.
Praise God for the abundant hope and provision of salvation through God's love.

Rejoice, people of God! Listen and respond to God, who meets us where we are and greets us with love and mercy.

Come, O Lord; we are ready. Speak to us the Word we need. Transform us to into your living grace.

A moment of silence.

God of mercy and forgiveness,
we speak truth concerning the broken realities we cling to. We have harmed your good creation with our quest for more. We grumble about the grace you offer to those we would condemn. Often our eyes are closed tight, and we fail to see the good we can do in your name. Turn us in a new direction. Show us the path that leads to life through your mercy and forgiveness. Amen.

Beloved of God, even when we are faithless, God remains faithful; greeting us in Jesus, the one who came into the world of brokenness to offer healing. Receive that healing and renewal. In the name of ✠ Jesus, you are forgiven! **Amen.**

SONG OF PRAISE

Glory Hallelujah

Glory, Glory, Glory Hallelujah!
Glory, Gloria
Oh..Glory, Glory, Glory Hallelujah.
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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: God of promise, **You stayed the hand of Abraham and fulfilled the promise you made to him, that he would father a great nation. Keep your promises to us, so that we become inheritors of eternal life. Amen.**

KIDS' TIME

SONG OF PREPARATION

The Lord Almighty Reigns

Hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah the Lord reigns.

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Hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah the Lord Almighty reigns.

FIRST READING

John 1:25-29

²⁵[Some pharisees asked John], "Why, then, are you baptizing if you are neither the Messiah, nor Elijah, nor the prophet?" ²⁶John answered them, "I baptize with water. Among you stands one whom you do not know, ²⁷the one who is coming after me; I am not worthy to untie the strap of his sandal." ²⁸This took place in Bethany across the Jordan where John was baptizing.

²⁹The next day he saw Jesus coming toward him and declared, "Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!"

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

PREPARING FOR THE WORD

FOCUS TEXT

Genesis 21:1-3; 22:1-14

¹The Lord dealt with Sarah as he had said, and the Lord did for Sarah as he had promised. ²Sarah conceived and bore Abraham a son in his old age, at the time of which God had spoken to him. ³Abraham gave the name Isaac to his son whom Sarah bore him.

¹After these things God tested Abraham. He said to him, "Abraham!" And he said, "Here I am." ²He said, "Take your son, your only son Isaac, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah and offer him there as a burnt offering on one of the mountains that I shall show you." ³So Abraham rose early in the morning, saddled his donkey, and took two of his young men with him and his son Isaac; he cut the wood for the burnt offering and set out and went to the place in the distance that God had shown him. ⁴On the third day Abraham looked up and saw the place far away. ⁵Then Abraham said to his young men, "Stay here with the donkey; the boy and I will go over there; we will worship, and then we will come back to you." ⁶Abraham took the wood of the burnt offering and laid it on his son Isaac, and he himself carried the fire and the knife. And the two of them walked on together. ⁷Isaac said to his father Abraham, "Father!" And he said, "Here I am, my son." He said, "The fire and the wood are here, but where is the lamb for a burnt offering?" ⁸Abraham said, "God himself will provide the lamb for a burnt offering, my son." And the two of them walked on together.

⁹When they came to the place that God had shown him, Abraham built an altar there and laid the wood in order. He bound his son Isaac and laid him on the altar on top of the wood. ¹⁰Then Abraham reached out his hand and took the knife to kill his son. ¹¹But the angel of the Lord called to him from heaven and said, "Abraham, Abraham!" And he said, "Here I am." ¹²He said, "Do not lay your hand on the boy or do anything to him, for now I know that you fear God, since you have not withheld your son, your only son, from me."

¹³ And Abraham looked up and saw a ram, caught in a thicket by its horns. Abraham went and took the ram and offered it up as a burnt offering instead of his son. ¹⁴ So Abraham called that place "The Lord will provide," as it is said to this day, "On the mount of the Lord it shall be provided."

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

MESSAGE

Pastor Nicole Martin

SONG OF THE DAY

Worthy is the Lamb

Thank you for the cross, Lord.
Thank you for the price You paid.
Bearing all my sin and shame,
In love You came and gave amazing grace.
Thank you for this love, Lord.
Thank You for the nail-pierced hands.
Wash me in Your cleansing flow;
Now all I know, Your forgiveness and embrace.

Worthy is the Lamb
Seated on the throne.
Crown You now with many crowns;
You reign victorious high and lifted up.
Jesus, Son of God, the darling of heaven crucified.
Worthy is the Lamb, worthy is the Lamb.

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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

Gracious God, we come to you in prayer for the church, the world, and all in need.

Prayer response: God of grace, **receive our prayer.**

We entrust these prayers to you, O God, in the name of Jesus Christ, our redeemer and friend.
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

Shout to the Lord

My Jesus, my Savior, Lord, there is none like you.
All of my days I want to praise the wonders of your mighty love.
My comfort, my shelter, tower of refuge and strength;
Let ev'ry breath, all that I am never cease to worship you.

Shout to the Lord, all the earth let us sing
Power and majesty, praise to the King.
Mountains bow down and the seas will roar at the sound of your name.
I sing for joy at the work of your hands;
Forever I'll love you, forever I'll stand.
Nothing compares to the promise I have in you.

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OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray together: God of provision, **we return to you a portion of what you have given to us. Turn us to set our hope not on the uncertainty of riches, but on you, who richly provides for us. Multiply what we have gathered to bless all who are suffering and in need, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

GIVING THANKS FOR THE MEAL

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.

It is our duty and our joy to celebrate, giving thanks and praise to the almighty and merciful God,
celebrating the provision God has bestowed upon us.

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;
celebrating the action of God to heal our wounded hearts and renew our spirit.

With all the witnesses of the resurrection, with the earth, sea and stars, and all the creatures, angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim,
we celebrate with joy-filled hearts to be storytellers of God's mercy, forgiveness, and love.

Let us give great thanks and praise, singing:
**Bread of life from heaven,
your blood and body given,
we eat this bread and drink this cup
until you come again.**

**Seek not the food that will pass away;
set your hearts on the food that endures.
Come, learn the true and the living way,
that the fullness of life may be yours.**

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your blood and body given,
we eat this bread and drink this cup
until you come again.**

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 Table is rich with the provision of God. Come, 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

You Are My All in All

Jesus, Lamb of God, worthy is Your name.
Jesus, Lamb of God, worthy is Your name.

You are my strength when I am weak
You are the treasure that I seek.
You are my all in all.

Seeking You as a precious jewel.
Lord to give up I'd be a fool.
You are my all in all.

Jesus, Lamb of God, worthy is Your name.
Jesus, Lamb of God, worthy is Your name.

Taking my sin, my cross, my shame,
Rising again, I bless your name.
You are my all in all.
When I fall down You pick me up.
When I am dry You fill my cup.
You are my all in all.

Jesus, Lamb of God, worthy is Your name.
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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, **through this meal you have strengthened us and appointed us to be your servants. Send us to do good and to share our possessions with all in need. We ask this in Jesus' name. Amen.**

MINISTRY MOMENT

SENDING BLESSING

The God of wonder, who creates life out of darkness, who provides food to the hungry, who sets the captive free, ✠ bless you now and forever to live and share abundantly the good news you have received. **Amen.**

SENDING SONG

How Great is Our God

The splendor of the King, clothed in majesty;
Let all the earth rejoice, all the earth rejoice.
He wraps Himself in light, and darkness tries to hide;
And trembles at His voice, and trembles at His voice.

How great is our God!
Sing with me, how great is our God!
And all will see how great, how great is our God.

And age to age He stands, and time is in His hands;
Beginning and the End, Beginning and the End.
The Godhead, Three In One, Father, Spirit, Son;
The Lion and the Lamb, the Lion and the Lamb.

How great is our God!
Sing with me, how great is our God!
And all will see how great, how great is our God.

Name above all names, worthy of all praise.
My heart will sing how great is our God.
Name above all names, worthy of all praise.
My heart will sing how great is our God.

How great is our God!
Sing with me, how great is our God!
And all will see how great, how great is our God.
How great, how great is our God.

SENDING WORDS

Go into the world with bold hearts for generous living.

Thanks be to God, and we will.

POSTLUDE

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