

Zion Lutheran Church



Seventeenth Sunday After Pentecost
October 1, 2022
5:00 p.m.

Welcome to worship on this holy day of celebration.

We are glad you are with us today for worship. If you have any questions, please see an usher.

As a people of God, we share Christ's love, grow in faith, and serve others.

Saturday 5:00 p.m. Worship Service

**Denotes Congregation is to stand, if able*

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

***CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, who is eager to forgive and who loves us beyond our days.

Amen.

Dear friends, together let us acknowledge our failure to love this world as Jesus does.

Silence is kept for reflection.

God of mercy and forgiveness,

we confess that sin still has a hold on us. We have harmed your good creation. We have failed to do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with you. Turn us in a new direction. Show us the path that leads to life. Be our refuge and strength on the journey, through Jesus Christ, our redeemer and friend. Amen.

Beloved of God:

Your sins are forgiven † and you are made whole. God points the way to new life in Christ, who meets us on the road. Journey now in God's abiding love through the power of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

***GATHERING HYMN**

Just As I Am, without One Plea

ELW 592

***APOSTOLIC 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**

FIRST READING

John 6:1-14

¹After this Jesus went to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, also called the Sea of Tiberias. ²A large crowd kept following him, because they saw the signs that he was doing for the sick. ³Jesus went up the mountain and sat down there with his disciples. ⁴Now the Passover, the festival of the Jews, was near. ⁵When he looked up and saw a large crowd coming towards him, Jesus said to Philip, 'Where are we to buy bread for these people to eat?' ⁶He said this to test him, for he himself knew what he was going to do. ⁷Philip answered him, 'Six months' wages would not buy enough bread for each of them to get a little.' ⁸One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said to him, ⁹'There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish. But what are they among so many people?' ¹⁰Jesus said, 'Make the people sit down.' Now there was a great deal of grass in the place; so they sat down, about five thousand in all. ¹¹Then Jesus took the loaves, and when he had given thanks, he distributed them to those who were seated; so also the fish, as much as they wanted. ¹²When they were satisfied, he told his disciples, 'Gather up the fragments left over, so that nothing may be lost.' ¹³So they gathered them up, and from the fragments of the five barley loaves, left by those who had eaten, they filled twelve baskets. ¹⁴When the people saw the sign that he had done, they began to say, 'This is indeed the prophet who is to come into the world.'

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.**SERMON***What a lunch.***HYMN***We All Are One in Mission*

ELW 576

APOSTLES' CREED**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.****I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again 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 INTERCESSION

Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you always.
And also with you.

Please take a moment to look around at your sisters and brothers and offer a sign of peace through a wave, a smile, or a message.

MUSICAL OFFERING

Thank you all for the gifts of time, talent, and treasures you give to support the mission at Zion. We cannot do our work without your participation in all three areas. To give financially, please give either online or in the offering plate that the ushers will pass in between pews. You can also scan the QR code to be taken to our online giving portal.



***OFFERTORY PRAYER**

***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.

The pastor will continue with the proper preface:

It is indeed...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

***SANCTUS**

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

***EUCHARISTIC PRAYER**

***THE LORD'S PRAYER**

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.

***FRACTION SENTENCE**

AGNUS DEI

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,
have mercy on us

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,
have mercy on us

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,
grant us peace.

DISTRIBUTION OF THE SACRAMENT

All baptized Christians are welcome to receive communion this day. During communion distribution, an usher will invite your pew row to come forward. Please be mindful of physical distancing as you come forward. If you need the pastor to bring you communion, please let an usher know. When you come forward for communion, the pastor or assisting minister will say similar words: "The body of Christ, given for you," and "The blood of Christ, shed for you." Your response to each is "Amen." There is a gluten free and grape juice option available if you need this. Know that Christ is fully present in the bread and the wine. If you are only able to receive one kind (such as only the host or only the wine), know that you will receive the same benefits as receiving both. Return your empty glass to trays in the windows. Children and those not ready to receive communion this day may receive a blessing.

***POST-COMMUNION BLESSING**

***POST-COMMUNION PRAYER**

***BENEDICTION**

***SENDING HYMN**

O Living Bread from Heaven

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***DISMISSAL**

The worship has ended, now the service begins. As we go out from this place, let us remember our mission.

As a people of God, we share Christ's love, grow in faith and serve others.

Go in peace. Christ is with you.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Zion Prayer List 9-26-2022

Requests remain on the prayer list for 30 days unless requested otherwise.



The family of Richard Summers, Pat Rudy, Ryan Kline, Lisa, Melvin Smith, Harold "Bubby" Webber, Tom & Bonnie Remsberg, Carson Triantos, Donna Musser, Matthew Schantz, Janet Young, John Bagent Jr., Evelyn Hawker, Dolores Para, Frances Eaves, Jackie Bello, Billy Poffenberger, Sarah Gladhill, Wayne Smith, Nancy Coppola, Kathy Gordon, Bob Guyton, Skippy Zimmerman, Anna Hough, Kathi Hayter, Shirley Smith, Anna Kepler, Marianna Bere, Marty Appleby, Ruby Pyles, Jessica Catechis, Gene Appleby, Addison Hopson, Kevin Kinna, Deb Kahihikolo, Janice Wisner

Please be sure the church is notified if you are hospitalized and if you wish to be placed on the prayer list or would like visitation.



Our Mission

As a people of God, we share Christ's love, grow in faith, and serve others

Our Vision

At Zion we strive to provide a sanctuary for prayerful and Joyous worship within a respectful and welcoming environment and to meet the spiritual needs of our intergenerational congregation and community, using Christian ideas and values.

Our Top Ministry Priorities for 2022

- **Engagement and Outreach**
- **Education**
- **Stewardship**

Welcome to worship. We are so happy you are here.. There are bathrooms located just outside the sanctuary or near the entrance. If you need any other assistance, ask a usher and she or he will be happy to assist you.

Servants in God's House

October 1, 2022

5 p.m.

Sharon Boyer (Greeter)
 Donna Jean Brandenburg (Lector)
 Donna Jean Brandenburg (Comm Asst)

Servants in God's House

October 8, 2022

5 p.m.

Sharon Boyer (Greeter)
 Fran Taylor (Lector)
 Paul Pearl (Comm Asst)



The altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in memory of our parents, Ellsworth and Margie Wiles and Ralph S. Ropp and Florence Ropp, by Linda and Larry Wiles.



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