



Sunday, June 18, 2023 (8:00 / 10:00a.m.)  
Zion Lutheran Church  
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**You are always WELCOME at Zion. May God bless your time with us!**

Please fill out a visitor card (by bulletin table) for mailing list or to request information. If you are baptized, believe Christ is miraculously present in Holy Communion, and believe this meal offers forgiveness and nourishment for daily lives of faith, you are invited to join in this joyful meal of the Church! Red grape juice is available for those allergic to alcohol.

Liturgy (page numbers) in front of hymnals, hymns (#'s) are in back of hymnal.

Children are welcome in worship!!! If parents need to step out during worship, feel free to utilize the Gathering Space behind the sanctuary.

Restrooms are in the main hallway. Baby changing tables available.

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Monday – Thursday 9:00am – 4:00pm

Prelude:

**PREPARATION**

**(Psalm 100)**

L: Shout for joy to the Lord, all the earth.

**R: Worship the Lord with gladness;**

L: come before him with joyful songs.

**R: Know that the Lord is God.**

L: It is he who made us, and we are his;

**R: we are his people, the sheep of his pasture.**

L: Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise;

**R: give thanks to him and praise his name.**

L: For the Lord is good and his love endures forever;

**R: his faithfulness continues through all generations.**

**INVOCATION**

L: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**R: Amen.**

**CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION**

L: O God our Father, since You have set forth the way of life for us in Your beloved Son, we confess with shame our slowness to learn of Him, our failure to follow Him, and our reluctance to bear the cross.

**R: Have mercy on us and forgive us, O Lord.**

L: Forgive us the poverty of our worship, our neglect of fellowship and of the Means of Grace, our hesitating witness for Christ, or evasion of responsibility in Your service, and our imperfect stewardship of Your gifts.

**R: Have mercy on us and forgive us, O Lord.**

L: Forgive us that we have been thoughtless in our judgments, hasty in condemnation, grudging in forgiveness, slow to seek reconciliation, and unwilling to help our neighbors as we ought.

**R: Have mercy on us, O God, according to Your steadfast love. Create in us clean hearts, O God, and put a new and right spirit within us.**

L.: Upon this your confession and by the command of our Lord, I, a called and ordained servant of Christ and by His authority, forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**R: Amen.**

**Hymn #128** Christ the Lord is Risen Today; Alleluia (v1,2,4)

1 Christ the Lord is ris'n today; Alleluia!

Christians, hasten on your way; Alleluia!

Offer praise with love replete, Alleluia!

At the paschal victim's feet. Alleluia!

2 For the sheep the Lamb has bled, Alleluia!

Sinless in the sinner's stead. Alleluia!

Christ the Lord is ris'n on high; Alleluia!

Now he lives, no more to die. Alleluia!

4 Christians, on this holy day, Alleluia!

All your grateful homage pay; Alleluia!

Christ the Lord is ris'n on high; Alleluia!

Now he lives, no more to die. Alleluia!

**KYRIE**

L: In peace, let us pray to the Lord

**R: Lord, have mercy.**

L: For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

**R: Lord, have mercy.**

L: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

**R: Lord, have mercy.**

L: For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

**R: Lord, have mercy.**

L: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

**R: Amen**

**SALUTATION**

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L: The Lord be with you.

**R: And also with you.**

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

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Let us pray. Almighty, eternal God, in the Word of Your apostles and prophets, You have proclaimed to us Your saving will. Grant us faith to believe Your promises that we may receive eternal salvation; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**R: Amen.**

**Exodus 19:2-8**

<sup>2</sup> After they set out from Rephidim, they entered the Desert of Sinai, and Israel camped there in the desert in front of the mountain. <sup>3</sup> Then Moses went up to God, and the Lord called to him from the mountain and said, "This is what you are to say to the descendants of Jacob and what you are to tell the people of Israel: <sup>4</sup> 'You yourselves have seen what I did to Egypt, and how I carried you on eagles' wings and brought you to myself. <sup>5</sup> Now if you obey me fully and keep my covenant, then out of all nations you will be my treasured possession. Although the whole earth is mine, <sup>6</sup> you will be for me a kingdom of priests and a holy nation.' These are the words you are to speak to the Israelites." <sup>7</sup> So Moses went back and summoned the elders of the people and set before them all the words the Lord had commanded him to speak. <sup>8</sup> The people all responded together, "We will do everything the Lord has said." So Moses brought their answer back to the Lord.

**Romans 5:1-8**

Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, <sup>2</sup> through whom we have gained access by faith into this grace in which we now stand. And we boast in the hope of the glory of God. <sup>3</sup> Not only so, but we also glory in our sufferings, because we know that suffering produces perseverance; <sup>4</sup> perseverance, character; and character, hope. <sup>5</sup> And hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit, who has been given to us. <sup>6</sup> You see, at just the right time, when we were still powerless, Christ died for the ungodly. <sup>7</sup> Very rarely will anyone die for a righteous person, though for a good person someone might possibly dare to die. <sup>8</sup> But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us. This is the Word of the Lord.

## **Matthew 9:35-10:8**

<sup>35</sup> Jesus went through all the towns and villages, teaching in their synagogues, proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and healing every disease and sickness. <sup>36</sup> When he saw the crowds, he had compassion on them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. <sup>37</sup> Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few. <sup>38</sup> Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field."  
10 Jesus called his twelve disciples to him and gave them authority to drive out impure spirits and to heal every disease and sickness. <sup>2</sup> These are the names of the twelve apostles: first, Simon (who is called Peter) and his brother Andrew; James son of Zebedee, and his brother John; <sup>3</sup> Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax collector; James son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; <sup>4</sup> Simon the Zealot and Judas Iscariot, who betrayed him. <sup>5</sup> These twelve Jesus sent out with the following instructions: "Do not go among the Gentiles or enter any town of the Samaritans. <sup>6</sup> Go rather to the lost sheep of Israel. <sup>7</sup> As you go, proclaim this message: 'The kingdom of heaven has come near.' <sup>8</sup> Heal the sick, raise the dead, cleanse those who have leprosy, drive out demons. Freely you have received; freely give.

### **HYMN #189** "We Know That Christ is Raised" (v1, 3-4)

1 We know that Christ is raised and dies no more.  
Embraced by death, he broke its fearful hold,  
And our despair he turned to blazing joy. Hallelujah!

3 The Father's splendor clothes the Son with life.  
The Spirit's fission shakes the Church of God.  
Baptized, we live with God the Three in One. Hallelujah!

4 A new creation comes to life and grows  
As Christ's new body takes on flesh and blood.  
The universe restore and whole will sing: Hallelujah!

## **SERMON**

### **HYMN #429** Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life (v1, 3-4)

1 Where cross the crowded ways of life,  
Where sound the cries of race and clan,  
Above the noise of selfish strife,  
We hear your voice, O Son of Man.

3 From tender childhood's helplessness,  
From human grief and burdened toil,  
From famished souls, from sorrow's stress,  
Your heart has never known recoil.

4 The cup of water giv'n for you  
Still holds the freshness of your grace;  
Yet long these multitudes to view  
The strong compassion in your face.

## NICENE CREED

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**R: We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of His Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven; by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the virgin Mary, and was made man; For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

## PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

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**L: Let us pray for the world, the Church, and for all people ...**

*(each petition ends)* **L: Lord in your mercy R: Hear our prayer**

**L; Into your hands we commend all for whom we pray,**

**R: trusting in your mercy for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## SHARING OF PEACE

## WORDS OF INSTITUTION

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**L: In the night that our Lord Jesus Christ was betrayed, he took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: "Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." After supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: "This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me."**

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

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**R: 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.**

*(for those allergic to wine, grape juice is in the red cups)*

## DISMISSAL

## POST COMMUNION PRAYER

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## BENEDICTION

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**L: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face shine upon you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and grant you peace! R: Amen.**

**L: Go in peace! Serve the Lord!**

**R: Thanks be to God. Amen!**

**HYMN #526** Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

1 Immortal, invisible, God only wise,  
In light inaccessible hid from our eyes,  
Most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,  
Almighty, victorious, thy great name we praise!  
2 Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light,  
Nor wanting, nor wasting, thou rulest in might;  
Thy justice like mountains high soaring above  
Thy clouds which are fountains of goodness and love.

3 To all, life thou givest, to both great and small;  
In all life thou livest, the true life of all;  
We blossom and flourish as leaves on the tree,  
And wither and perish, but naught changeth thee.

4 Thou reignest in glory; thou dwellest in light;  
Thine angels adore thee, all veiling their sight;  
All laud we would render; oh, help us to see  
'Tis only the splendor of light hideth thee

POSTLUDE

Worship Leader . . . . . Pastor Mike Saylor  
Musician . . . . . (8)Rebecca McLaren Craft (10) Aedan McCauley  
Lector . . . . . (8) Andrew Niedbala (10) Rollie Preuss  
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Prelude: 8:00a.m. Service  
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**Weekly Ministry: Social Ministry (Wellspring / Samaritas)** - Just as a wellspring bubbles up from deep within the earth, bringing life-giving water, **Wellspring Lutheran Services** will bring life-giving solutions to nourish, grow and sustain individuals offering Assisted Living, Family Preservation, Family Services, Foster Care, Hospice, and Long-Term Care services. **Samaritas Senior Living of Grand Rapids** offers the full spectrum of care: Independent living, catered living plus assisted living, memory care, short-term rehab, and skilled nursing care.

**Coming Events: Monday, 6/19 6:30p** BOD, **Tuesday, 6/20 2:00p** Women's Book Group, **Wednesday, 6/21 6:30p** Pastor Mike Bible Study