

# Zion Lutheran Church



Fifteenth Sunday of Pentecost

September 12, 2020

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

## 5:00 P.M. SERVICE

### **WELCOME**

### **PRELUDE**

### **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.**

### **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✝ one God, who creates, redeems, and sustains us and all of creation. **Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

Faithful God,  
**have mercy on us. We confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We turn from your loving embrace and go our own ways. We pass judgment on one another before examining ourselves. We place our own needs before those of our neighbors. We keep your gift of salvation to ourselves. Make us humble, cast away our transgressions, and turn us again to life in you through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

God hears the cries of all who call out in need, and through his death and resurrection, Christ has made us his own. Hear the truth that God proclaims: Your sins are forgiven in the name of ✝ Jesus Christ. Led by the Holy Spirit, live in freedom and newness to do God's work in the world. **Amen.**

### **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

**FIRST READING**

Romans 14:1-12

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.****PSALM**

Psalm 103:8-13

<sup>8</sup>**LORD, you are full of compassion and mercy, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love;**

<sup>9</sup>you will not always accuse us, nor will you keep your anger forever.

<sup>10</sup>**You have not dealt with us according to our sins, nor repaid us according to our iniquities.**

<sup>11</sup>For as the heavens are high above the earth, so great is your steadfast love for those who fear you.

<sup>12</sup>**As far as the east is from the west, so far have you removed our transgressions from us.**

<sup>13</sup>As a father has compassion for his children, so you have compassion for those who fear you, O LORD

**GOSPEL**

Matthew 18:21-35

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.****SERMON****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.

**PEACE****PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

*...Lord, in your mercy.*

Congregational response after each petition: **Hear our prayer.**

**OFFERING** *(PLEASE PLACE OFFERING IN THE BOXES PROVIDED)* WENDI

**GREAT THANKSGIVING**

The Lord be with you.

Lift up your hearts.

**And also with you.**

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

**EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER AND WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

**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.**

**DISTRIBUTION**

**MUSICAL OFFERING**

**POST-COMMUNION BLESSING**

**POST-COMMUNION PRAYER**

God of the welcome table, in this meal we have feasted on your goodness and have been united by your presence among us. Empower us to go forth sustained by these gifts so that we may share your neighborly love with all, through Jesus Christ, the giver of abundant life. **Amen.**

**BENEDICTION**

May the Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace. **Amen.**

**DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. God is with you.  
Thanks be to God.

**POSTLUDE**



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

*Lord, Hear Our Prayer*  
Caroline Kishimoto, Charles Pearl, Walter Gordon, Trish Tollefson, Jackie Bello, Bill Williams, Paula Pearson, Ruth Davis, Ruby Pyles, Cindy Keller, Francis Moats, Randy Andersson, Jessica Catechis, Heidi Witmer, Diane Summers, Nancy Stroup, Sherri Myers, Fletcher Robinson, Janet Young, Glen Burris, Matthew Schaffert, Mike Mauro, Mike Lawrence, Naomi Hayes, Ray Murphy, Janice Wisner, Ricky Routzahn, Priscilla Hughes, Gene Appleby, Addison Hopson, Tristan Vail, Kira Wynne, Kevin Kinna, Marianna Bere, Amii Fritz, Mitchell Bidle, Doris Currier, David Shupe, Ashley Dixon, Deb Kahihikolo

*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.*



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