

Seventh Sunday of Easter

May 21, 2023



*In these days between Ascension and Pentecost, we gather with the disciples in the upper room, waiting for the Spirit to transform the church around the world. In today's gospel Jesus prays for his followers and for their mission in his name.*

*\*You may find offering plates near each door at the entrance of the sanctuary.*

*\*Please sign the attendance book, this helps the church staff acknowledge visitors & care for members*

*\*Enlarged bulletins are available on the table outside of the sanctuary.*

### WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

THE PRELUDE (Silent Prayer and Meditation)

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Please Stand if able*

### THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

*\*All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.*

**P:** Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God,  
by whose hand we are given new birth,  
by whose speaking we are given new life.

**C: Amen.**

**P:** Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism,  
we are welcomed, restored, and supported  
as citizens of the new creation.  
Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

Holy God,  
holy and merciful, holy and mighty,  
you are the river of life,  
you are the everlasting wellspring.

**C: In mercy and might you have freed us from death  
and raised us with Jesus, the firstborn of the dead.  
In baptismal waters our old life is washed away,  
and in them we are born anew.**

*\*Water may be poured into the font as the presiding minister continues.*

P: Glory to you for oceans and lakes,  
for rivers and streams.  
Honor to you for waters that wash us clean,  
quench our thirst, and nurture both crops and creatures.  
Praise to you for the life-giving water of baptism,  
the outpouring of the Spirit of the new creation.

**C: Wash away our sin and all that separates us from you.  
Empower our witness to your resurrection.  
Strengthen our resolve in seeking justice for all.**

P: Satisfy the world's need through this living water.  
Where drought dries the earth, bring refreshment.  
Where despair prevails, grant hope.  
Where chaos reigns, bring peace.  
We ask this through Christ,  
who with you and the Spirit reigns forever.

**C: Amen.**

OPENING HYMN

*"What a Fellowship, What a Joy Divine"*

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GREETING

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the  
Holy Spirit be  
with you all.

**C: And also with you.**

# KYRIE

P: In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

C:



Lord, have mer - cy.

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

C:



Lord, have mer - cy.

P: 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.

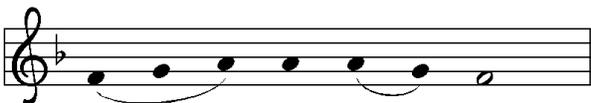
C:



Lord, have mer - cy.

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

C:



Lord, have mer - cy.

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

C:



A - men.

# This Is the Feast

*Refrain*

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,

al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb

who was slain, whose blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.

*Refrain*

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,

al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 2 Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and

strength, and hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his.

*Refrain*

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,

al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 3 Sing with all the peo - ple of

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God, and join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless - ing, hon-or,

glo - ry, and might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

*Refrain*

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,

al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 4 For the Lamb who was

slain has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.

*Final refrain*

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.

Al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



## THE PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us Pray.

C: **O God of glory, your Son Jesus Christ suffered for us and ascended to your right hand. Unite us with Christ and each other in suffering and in joy, that all the world may be drawn into your bountiful presence, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

*Please be seated*

## SPECIAL MUSIC

*“Blades of Grass and Pure White Stones”*

*Out of respect for those who prefer to silently reflect on today’s special music, please refrain from applause at the conclusion of the musical offering.*

## CHILDREN’S SERMON

### THE FIRST READING

L: A reading from Acts the 1<sup>st</sup> Chapter

L: (After the reading) The word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God**

### THE PSALM 68 (read responsively)

L: 1 Let God rise up, let his enemies be scattered; let those who hate him flee before him.

C: **2 As smoke is driven away, so drive them away; as wax melts before the fire, let the wicked perish before God.**

L: 3 But let the righteous be joyful; let them exult before God; let them be jubilant with joy.

C: **4 Sing to God, sing praises to his name; lift up a song to him who rides upon the clouds — his name is the Lord— be exultant before him.**

L: 5 Father of orphans and protector of widows is God in his holy habitation.

C: **6 God gives the desolate a home to live in; he leads out the prisoners to prosperity, but the rebellious live in a parched land.**

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- L: 7 O God, when you went out before your people, when you marched through the wilderness,
- C: **8 the earth quaked, the heavens poured down rain at the presence of God, the God of Sinai, at the presence of God, the God of Israel.**
- L: 9 Rain in abundance, O God, you showered abroad; you restored your heritage when it languished;
- C: **10 your flock found a dwelling in it; in your goodness, O God, you provided for the needy.**
- L: 32 Sing to God, O kingdoms of the earth; sing praises to the Lord,
- C: **33 O rider in the heavens, the ancient heavens; listen, he sends out his voice, his mighty voice.**
- L: 34 Ascribe power to God, whose majesty is over Israel; and whose power is in the skies.
- C: **35 Awesome is God in his sanctuary, the God of Israel; he gives power and strength to his people. Blessed be God!**

THE SECOND READING

- L: A reading from 1 Peter the 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Chapter
- L: (After the reading) The word of the Lord.
- C: **Thanks be to God**

Gospel Acclamation

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the

words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

THE GOSPEL

L: The Holy Gospel according to John, the 17<sup>th</sup> chapter

C: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

L: (After the reading) "The Gospel of the Lord."

C: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

*Please be seated*

THE SERMON

Rev. Scott Torkko

SPECIAL MUSIC

*"Love Consecrates the Humblest Act"*

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please refrain from applause at the conclusion of the musical offering.*

BAPTISM

*Cooper Jacob Geeseman*

Hymnal p. 227

(9:00 service)

BAPTISM HYMN

"Baptized in Water"

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THE APOSTLES' CREED (10:30)

P: We profess our faith, saying:

**C: 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.**

THE PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

P: Lord in your mercy,

**C: Hear our prayer.**

THE SHARING OF THE PEACE

P: The Peace of the Lord be with you always

**C: And also with you**

P: Let us share the peace of the Lord.

THE OFFERTORY

*"Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful"*

(Hymn 184)

*The offering will be brought forward during the singing of*

*"Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful"*

Let the vineyards be fruitful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of blessing. Gather a harvest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life. Gather the hopes and dreams of all; unite them with the prayers we offer. Grace our table with your presence, and give us a foretaste of the feast to come.

## OFFERING PRAYER

P: Generous God,  
in this meal you offer your very self. We give thanks for these gifts of the earth.  
In the breaking of this bread reveal to us the Risen One. In the pouring of this wine  
pour us out in service to the world; through Christ our Lord.

C: **Amen.**

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

P: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: **We lift them to the Lord.**

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

## THE PROPER PREFACE

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy....we praise your name and join their  
unending Hymn:

C:

### Holy, Holy, Holy

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,  
heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na. Ho -  
san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless-ed is he who  
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san - na in the high - est.

## WORDS OF INSTITUTION

P: In the night in which he was betrayed, Our Lord Jesus 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.

Again, 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

P: Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray:

C:

**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.**



**This is the Lord's Table: All who believe Jesus is present  
in this meal are welcome to commune.**

**Please reach out to Pastor Scott after worship if you are  
new to communion or have not yet been baptized.**

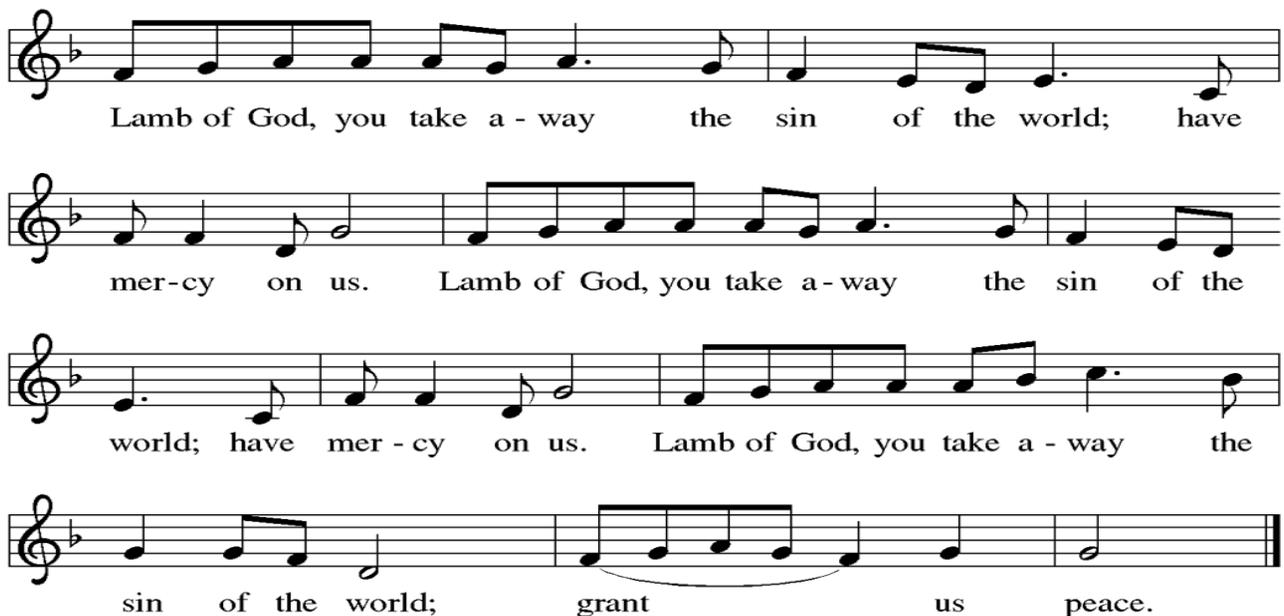
**For those who prefer grape juice, you can find  
white grape juice in the center of the trays.**

**For those who prefer intinction, you may dip your wafer  
in the chalice connected to the dish that holds the wafers.**

### INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P: Come and know Christ, broken and poured out for you.

### Lamb of God



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have  
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the  
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the  
sin of the world; grant us peace.

### DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION

*After all have returned to their seats*

P: The body and blood of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C: Amen.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

P: Gracious God,  
in you we live and move and have our being. With your word and this meal of  
grace, you have nourished our life together. Strengthen us to show your love and  
serve the world in Jesus' name.

C: **Amen.**

*Please be seated*

WE ARE SENT INTO THE WORLD

THE BLESSING

P: The God of all,  
who raised ☩ Jesus from the dead, bless you by the power of the Holy Spirit  
to live in the new creation.

C: **Amen.**

THE CLOSING HYMN

*"When Peace Like a River"*

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THE SENDING

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

THE POSTLUDE

**SERVING IN WORSHIP – May 21, 2023**

Ministers:	People of Zion
Pastor:	Rev. Scott Torkko
Organist/Pianist:	Joanne Carlson
Cantor:	Don Van Dyke
Communion Assistants:	9:00 Sue Anderson, Scott Swanson & Cindy Evarts
	10:30 Harvey James, Gareth James & Lee Jones
Lector:	9:00 Dave Koenig
	10:30 Jeanette Baumgras
Sound Tech:	9:00 Joe Baumann
	10:30 Anne Koschmider
Ushers:	9:00 Carol Neverth & Bob Shumway
	10:30 George & Karolyn Lackey
Special Music:	Zion Ensemble
Coffee Hour Hosts:	9:00 Roger & Rhonda Pitts
	10:30 Marie Mercier & Barb Taylor
Helping with Communion	Charles & Teresa Raab
Clean Up following 10:30 worship service	

*\*Zion Lutheran Church is fitted with a LOOP HEARING SYSTEM:  
Switch to T-coil for hearing assistance.*

**Last Sunday's Attendance**

9:00 service:	73
10:30 service:	91
Online service:	31
Total:	195

## READINGS

### First Reading: Acts 1:6-14

<sup>6</sup>When [the apostles] had come together, they asked [Jesus], "Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?" <sup>7</sup>He replied, "It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. <sup>8</sup>But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." <sup>9</sup>When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. <sup>10</sup>While he was going and they were gazing up toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. <sup>11</sup>They said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up toward heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven." <sup>12</sup>Then they returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a sabbath day's journey away. <sup>13</sup>When they had entered the city, they went to the room upstairs where they were staying, Peter, and John, and James, and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James son of Alphaeus, and Simon the Zealot, and Judas son of James. <sup>14</sup>All these were constantly devoting themselves to prayer, together with certain women, including Mary the mother of Jesus, as well as his brothers.

### Second Reading: 1 Peter 4:12-14; 5:6-11

<sup>12</sup>Beloved, do not be surprised at the fiery ordeal that is taking place among you to test you, as though something strange were happening to you. <sup>13</sup>But rejoice insofar as you are sharing Christ's sufferings, so that you may also be glad and shout for joy when his glory is revealed. <sup>14</sup>If you are reviled for the name of Christ, you are blessed, because the spirit of glory, which is the Spirit of God, is resting on you.

<sup>5:6</sup>Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, so that he may exalt you in due time. <sup>7</sup>Cast all your anxiety on him, because he cares for you. <sup>8</sup>Discipline yourselves, keep alert. Like a roaring lion your adversary the devil prowls around, looking for someone to devour. <sup>9</sup>Resist him, steadfast in your faith, for you know that your brothers and sisters in all the world are undergoing the same kinds of suffering. <sup>10</sup>And after you have suffered for a little while, the God of all grace, who has called you to his eternal glory in Christ, will himself restore, support, strengthen, and establish you. <sup>11</sup>To him be the power forever and ever. Amen.

## Holy Gospel: John 17:1-11

<sup>1</sup>After Jesus had spoken these words [to his disciples], he looked up to heaven and said, "Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son so that the Son may glorify you, <sup>2</sup>since you have given him authority over all people, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. <sup>3</sup>And this is eternal life, that they may know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent. <sup>4</sup>I glorified you on earth by finishing the work that you gave me to do. <sup>5</sup>So now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had in your presence before the world existed. <sup>6</sup>I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. <sup>7</sup>Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; <sup>8</sup>for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. <sup>9</sup>I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. <sup>10</sup>All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. <sup>11</sup>And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one."



**TODAY** (5-21) 7th Sunday of Easter  
9:00 Worship Service & communion (also online)  
10:30 Worship Service & communion

**MONDAY** (5-22)  
9:30 Stitchery  
5:00 TOPS  
6:45 Cadillac Community Chorus

**TUESDAY** (5-23)  
1:00 Staff Meeting

**WEDNESDAY** (5-24)  
1:00 Bulletin deadline

**THURSDAY** (5-25)

**FRIDAY** (5-26)

**SATURDAY** (5-27)

**NEXT SUNDAY** (5-28) Day of Pentecost - Memorial Day  
9:00 Worship Service (also online)  
10:30 Worship Service

# PRAYER list

## **New prayer requests or updates as of May 21:**

- \*Marty Dahlstrom, hip surgery 5-22
- \*Karen Walsh, Rhonda Pitt's Sister, recovering from a stroke
- \*Natalie Tapio, Phil & Dar Kuusisto's niece, recovering from brain surgery
- \*Victoria West, Heather Dixon's niece, recovery from car accident
- \*Joyce Johnson, health concerns
- \*Tim Samardich, Peggy & Lee Jones' son in law, brain tumor

***Please note ... Friends and family members will be listed for one month. Please contact the church office after the one month period if you wish them to be included another month.***

## **Continuing prayer requests:**

- \* Deb Barney
- \* Linda Carlson
- \* Nancy Grumm
- \* Dick Myers
- \* Jan Myers
- \* Wendy Monson
- \* Jerry Pratt
- \* Janet Steinbach
- \* Dennis Traviss
- \* Fatima, Nailya Cederstrom's sister, lives in Ukraine

To add a prayer request to our list, please contact Pastor Scott at (231) 942-4052 or email at [zionlutheran Cadillac@gmail.com](mailto:zionlutheran Cadillac@gmail.com)



Zion's Prayer Chain is happy to pray for requests that you have throughout the week. To request prayer, contact Linda Carlson @ 231-846-1461.

# Announcements

5-21-23

**Baptism:** Today, we celebrate with Jacob & Hayley Geeseman on the baptism of their son, Cooper Jacob at the 9 o'clock service.

**Zion Softball team:** The Zion Softball team is still looking for a few more people who would like to play softball. You can call the church to sign up.

**Recital at Zion:** On May 21 at 3 PM here at Zion, Nailya's graduate students will have a Recital. Program includes piano solos, duets, trios, duets with the string instruments and vocal/ piano performances. Refreshments and finger food will be served after the concert. Everybody is welcome!

**The May Noisy Offering** will benefit the ministry of New Hope Shelter.

The New Hope Shelter's mission is "Extending the hope and love of Christ to the homeless in our Wexford/Missaukee communities." They provide emergency temporary shelter; providing a safe place to live where people can take steps to improve their circumstances and to move onto supporting themselves and live independently again. So please save up your loose change and help us make a "loud noise" of caring for our local community on Sunday, May 28th.

**Food Pantry:** Just a reminder, the last Sunday of the month is designated as "Food Pantry Sunday"(along with the Noisy Offering). Donations of non-perishable food items can be left in the Food Pantry on the east side of the Fellowship Hall (new location). The next Food Pantry Collection date is Sunday, May 28.

**Experimenting with Music:** The Worship and Music Committee is creating a group to make recommendations for engaging different styles of music on Sunday morning. The group is tasked with defining what "contemporary" music means here at Zion, to access this type of music that will "fit" us, to find those gifted with the ability to help introduce it, and to figure out where it might fit best in the service. If these tasks sound energizing to you, please consider coming to the first meeting on Wednesday, May 31 at 6:30 pm to learn more.

**Summer Concert Series:** 10 weeks of music on the front lawn. Every Saturday @ 6pm from June 3 through August 5. Concert Series lineup is available on the table outside of the sanctuary.

**The book club** will meet Tuesday, June 13 th at 4:00 p.m. They will be discussing the book With Love from London by Sarah Jio. The discussion leader is Karen Carson; her phone number is 231-920-8550.

**The AMEN Chorus** will be presenting a program on Sunday, May 21 at 3:00 at the United Methodist Church in Cadillac. We invite you to attend this afternoon of worship and praise as we sing about the life of Jesus. A free will offering will be collected.