Zion Lutheran Church Glen Rock, PA Seventh Sunday after Epiphany WOV Setting Five Sunday, February 20, 2022

*We stand as we are able.

Introduction to the day

Mercy. Mercy. Mercy. Joseph lives it in Egypt. Jesus preaches it in the gospel. The Spirit guides us into merciful lives with the power of forgiveness to reconcile what is fractured and divided. Such merciful living is the baptismal blessing of having put on Christ. It is the gift of the life-giving Spirit. It is a reflection of God's glory revealed in Christ.

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

*BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS (WOV p. 10)

In the name of the Father, and of the

→ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

God of all mercy and consolation, come to the aid of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that, attentive to your Word, we may confess our sins, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

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

Gracious God.

have mercy on us. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone. Uphold us by your Spirit so that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your holy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.

Amen

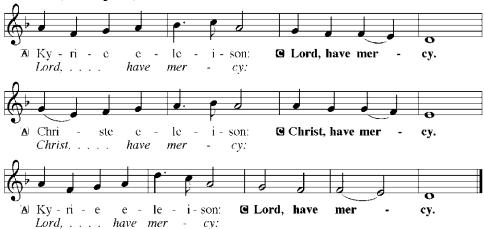
*ENTRANCE HYMN: "Blessing and Honor" LBW (green) 525 vs. 1, 2

*APOSTOLIC GREETING (WOV p. 28)

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.





*HYMN OF PRAISE (WOV p. 29)

G Glo-ry to God,



glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God in the high -





on

*PRAYER OF THE DAY (WOV p. 30)

peace

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

and

Let us pray.

God of compassion, keep before us the love you have revealed in your Son, who prayed even for his enemies; in our words and deeds help us to be like him through whom we pray, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

FIRST LESSON: Genesis 45:3-11, 15

³Joseph said to his brothers, "I am Joseph. Is my father still alive?" But his brothers could not answer him, so dismayed were they at his presence.

⁴Then Joseph said to his brothers, "Come closer to me." And they came closer. He said, "I am your brother, Joseph, whom you sold into Egypt. 5And now do not be distressed, or angry with yourselves, because you sold me here; for God sent me before you to preserve life. ⁶For the famine has been in the land these two years; and there are five more years in which there will be neither plowing nor harvest. ⁷God sent me before you to preserve for you a remnant on earth, and to keep alive for you many survivors. 8So it was not you who sent me here, but God; he has made me a father to Pharaoh, and lord of all his house and ruler over all the land of Egypt. ⁹Hurry and go up to my father and say to him, 'Thus says your son Joseph, God has made me lord of all Egypt; come down to me, do not delay. ¹⁰You shall settle in the land of Goshen, and you shall be near me, you and your children and your children's children, as well as your flocks, your herds, and all that you have. 11I will provide for you there—since there are five more years of famine to come—so that you and your household, and all that you have, will not come to poverty.' "15And he kissed all his brothers and wept upon them; and after that his brothers talked with him. The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 37:1-12, 41-42

¹Do not fret yourself because of evildoers;

do not be jealous of those who do wrong.

²For they shall soon wither like the grass, and like the green grass fade away.

³Put your trust in the LORD and do good; dwell in the land and feed on its riches.

⁴Take delight in the LORD, and he shall give you your heart's desire.

⁵Commit your way to the LORD and put your trust in him, and he will bring it to pass.

⁶He will make your righteousness as clear as the light and your just dealing as the noonday.

⁷Be still before the LORD and wait patiently for him.

⁸Do not fret yourself over the one who prospers, the one who succeeds in evil schemes.

⁹Refrain from anger, leave rage alone; do not fret yourself; it leads only to evil.

¹⁰For evildoers shall be cut off,

but those who wait upon the LORD shall possess the land.

¹¹In a little while the wicked shall be no more; you shall search out their place, but they will not be there.

¹²But the lowly shall possess the land; they will delight in abundance of peace.

⁴¹But the deliverance of the righteous comes from the LORD; he is their stronghold in time of trouble.

⁴²The LORD will help them and rescue them; he will rescue them from the wicked and deliver them, because they seek refuge in him.

SECOND LESSON: 1 Corinthians 15:35-38, 42-50

³⁵But someone will ask, "How are the dead raised? With what kind of body do they come?" ³⁶Fool! What you sow does not come to life unless it dies. ³⁷And as for what you sow, you do not sow the body that is to be, but a bare seed, perhaps of wheat or of some other grain. ³⁸But God gives it a body as he has chosen, and to each kind of seed its own body.

⁴²So it is with the resurrection of the dead. What is sown is perishable, what is raised is imperishable. ⁴³It is sown in dishonor, it is raised in glory. It is sown

in weakness, it is raised in power. ⁴⁴It is sown a physical body, it is raised a spiritual body. If there is a physical body, there is also a spiritual body. ⁴⁵Thus it is written, "The first man, Adam, became a living being"; the last Adam became a life-giving spirit. ⁴⁶But it is not the spiritual that is first, but the physical, and then the spiritual. ⁴⁷The first man was from the earth, a man of dust; the second man is from heaven. ⁴⁸As was the man of dust, so are those who are of the dust; and as is the man of heaven, so are those who are of heaven. ⁴⁹Just as we have borne the image of the man of dust, we will also bear the image of the man of heaven.

⁵⁰What I am saying, brothers and sisters, is this: flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God, nor does the perishable inherit the imperishable. The word of the Lord,

Thanks be to God.

*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (WOV p. 31)

Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? Alleluia. You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia, alleluia.

GOSPEL: Luke 6:27-38

The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 6th chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said:] ²⁷"But I say to you that listen, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, ²⁸bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. ²⁹If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also; and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. ³⁰Give to everyone who begs from you; and if anyone takes away your goods, do not ask for them again. ³¹Do to others as you would have them do to you.

³²"If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. ³³If you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners do the same. ³⁴If you lend to those from whom you hope to receive, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, to receive as much again. ³⁵But love your enemies, do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return. Your reward will be great, and you will be children of the Most High; for he is kind to the ungrateful and the wicked. ³⁶Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful.

³⁷"Do not judge, and you will not be judged; do not condemn, and you will not be condemned. Forgive, and you will be forgiven; ³⁸give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap; for the measure you give will be the measure you get back."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

CHILDREN'S TIME AND SERMON (WOV p. 32)

*HYMN OF THE DAY: "All Praise to You, O Lord"

LBW (green) 78 vs. 1, 2

*APOSTLES' CREED (WOV p. 33)

With the whole church, we confess our faith.

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

*THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH (WOV p. 34)

The Spirit of the Lord is poured out upon us in abundance; so we are bold to pray for the church, the world, and all that God has made.

A brief silence.

You teach us to love our neighbors and enemies alike. Encourage your church to follow the leading of your love, especially when it is risky or difficult. Help us to show mercy just as we have first received mercy. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Nurture fields that lie dormant, resting until it is time to bloom again. Bless farmers and all who cultivate fields and urban gardens. Give favorable weather for planting. Bring forth from buried seed an abundant harvest, and guard against famine and disease. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Look upon our world with mercy, that we delight in an abundance of peace. Protect all whose lives are marred by war and civil unrest. Release political prisoners and amplify the voices that challenge us to seek forgiveness and pursue nonviolence. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Your people cry out for mercy. Console hearts that long for forgiveness. Mend broken relationships. Heal bodies that suffer chronic pain or illness. Strengthen and deliver all whose spirits are troubled (*especially*). God of grace,

hear our prayer.

You bind us together into one family. Teach us to forgive one another and to resolve conflicts with humility and patience. Bless families of all shapes and sizes, and show love to those who are lonely or grieving. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

We praise you for the saints who have inherited the fullness of your kingdom. As you have raised them to imperishable and eternal life, sustain us in faith by the promise of resurrection. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Since we have such great hope in your promises, O God, we lift these and all of our prayers to you in confidence and faith; through Jesus Christ our Savior.

Amen.

*PEACE (LBW p. 66)

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

Staying in your pew, please exchange the peace with those around you as appropriate. Wave to folks in other pews.

*PRESENTATION OF OFFERING

*OFFERTORY RESPONSE: (WOV p. 35)





*OFFERTORY PRAYER (WOV p. 35)

Let us pray.

Blessed are you,

O Lord our God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts. With them we offer ourselves to your service and dedicate our lives to the care and redemption of all that you have made, for the sake of him who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

*DIALOGUE (WOV p. 36)

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

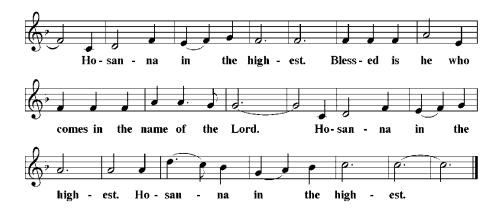
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

* PREFACE (WOV p. 36)

It is indeed right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to you, O Lord, holy Father, through Christ our Lord. Sharing our life, he lived among us to reveal your glory and love, that our darkness should give way to his own brilliant light. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:





*THANKSGIVING (WOV p. 37)

Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord,

heaven and earth are full of your glory.

In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son,

who reached out to heal the sick and suffering,

who preached good news to the poor,

and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.

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.

Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension,

we await his coming in glory.

Pour out your Holy Spirit,

that by this Holy Communion we may know

the unity we share with all your people

in the body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through him, with him, in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

all glory and honor is yours, almighty Father, now and forever.

Amen

*LORD'S PRAYER (WOV p. 39)

Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

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,

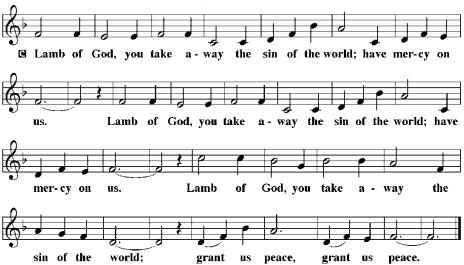
but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom,

and the power, and the glory,

forever and ever. Amen.

*COMMUNION HYMN (WOV p. 39)



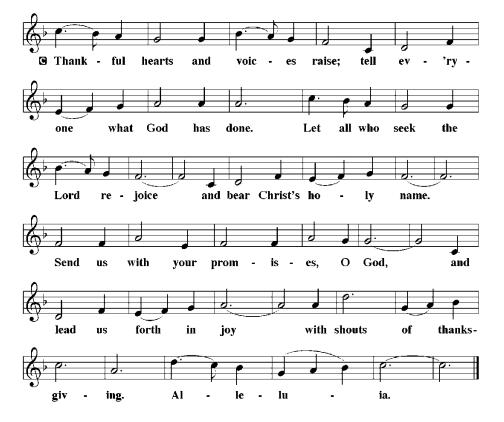
COMMUNION (WOV p. 39)

The body of Christ, given for you. Amen.

The blood of Christ, shed for you. Amen.

*POST-COMMUNION BLESSING AND CANTICLE (WOV p. 40)

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **Amen**



POST-COMMUNION PRAYER (WOV p. 41)

Let us pray.

Almighty God, you provide the true bread from heaven, your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Grant that we who have received the Sacrament of his body and blood may abide in him and he in us, that we may be filled with the power of his endless life, now and forever.

Amen

*BLESSING (WOV p. 41)

Almighty God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

Amen

*SENDING HYMN: "Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word" LBW (green) 230, vs. 1, 2

POSTLUDE

*DISMISSAL (WOV p. 41)

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Today's communion bread and wine are presented to the Glory of God, by Evie Roser.

Today's altar flowers are presented to the Glory of God and in honor of Travis King's 18th birthday, by Clay and Linda Beegle.

SCRIPTURE TEXT FOR SUNDAY 2/27/2022

Exod 34:29-35, Ps 99, 2 Cor 3:12-4:2, Luke 9:28-36 [37-43a]

PRAYER REQUESTS

Kelly Allen, Kristi McCullough King, Warren Laughman, Randy McCullough, Don Miller, Brian Phelps, Gloria & Jim Ream,

LeMos & Susette Stallard, Karl & Annette Steger, Mary Wiglesworth

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Services are videotaped and streamed live each week on Zion Lutheran Church's Facebook page. It is possible during recording that people attending the service will be filmed. If you have any concern about being filmed, please contact the office at 717-235-3276.

Today, we welcome Vicar Leanne Elliott as Zion's new intern. Leanne will be working at Zion under the supervision of Pastor Katie Brantner and an Intern Committee including members from Zion.

Next Sunday, February 27, there will be a brief Congregational meeting after worship to allocate additional funds to the 2022 Pastoral Care Team Budget line.

Next Sunday is Loose Change Sunday. February's loose change will benefit the Glen Rock Ambulance Club.

Upcoming Glen Rock Ministerium Lenten Services at 7:00 pm

Mar 2 – Ash Wednesday, Christ Lutheran, 105 S. Main St., Shrewsbury

Mar 9 - New Hope Fissels

Mar 16 - Zion Lutheran

Mar 23 - Immanuel UMC

Mar 30 - Trinity UCC

Apr 6 - New Hope Fissels

Apr 15 - Good Friday - Zion Lutheran

Easter Sunrise - 6:15 am Immanuel Cemetery, 350 Church St, Glen Rock

A local community member is crocheting bed mats for Love in Action Worldwide Ministries. The bed mats are made from plarn, which is "plastic yarn". The plarn is made from grocery bags. It takes hundreds of groceries bags to make one bed mat. If you would like to support this effort, please bring your plastic groceries bags to church and place them in the large basket at the back of the sanctuary. Thank you in advance.

The office would like to update and print a new edition of the Friends and Family of Zion directory. If you have changes to your contact information or household since last year, please contact Brenda in the office to update your information. Likewise, if there is anyone who should be added to the directory, contact Brenda in the office. The new directory will be printed at the end of February, after everyone has had time to make updates.

The Council is continuing to strongly recommend wearing masks the whole time you are in the church building and decided to continue the suspension of social time until at least Sunday, 3/6. These measures will be reevaluated at the next Council meeting on Monday, 3/7.

If you desire pastoral care or conversation, please contact Pastor Katie Brantner at 717-420-0779.

SUNDAY SERVANTS

Assisting Ministers:

February 20: Leanne Elliott

March 6: Diane Bortner

March 20: George Brown

Upcoming Lectors:

February 20: Shirley Seitz

February 27: Kelley Fisher

March 6: Jen Webb

March 13: Sandy Fair

March 20: George Brown

March 27: Nola Webb

Council Offering Duty:

February – George Brown, Carrie Miller

March - Tom Bailey, Joy Keller-Brown

Altar Care:

February – Linda Beegle

March - Diane Bortner

PERSONNEL here at ZION

Pastor Paul Haack, Stated Sunday Supply Pastor	
Vicar Leanne Elliott, Intern	610-733-6354
Pastor Katie Brantner, Interim Pastoral Care Coordinator	717-420-0779
Darryl Engler, Organist	
Brenda Davis, Administrative Assistant	
Natalie Walker, Custodian	
Chad Fisher, Sexton	717-891-5327
Donna Price, Council President	717-235-5465

COUNCIL MEMBERS

Donna Price, Joy Keller-Brown, Tom Bailey, Susan Hengst, George Brown, Carrie Miller, Edgar Davis and Gevene Harden, Rick Freda

2022 FINANCIAL Information for YOU

Weekly Contributions and Expenses

2022 Weekly contribution goal to cover budget expenses: \$2,476.56

 $02/13/2022 \ Regular \ Contributions \ \$ \ 825.00$

Other Contributions/Gifts +\$ 0.00

-\$ 25.00 Dedicated Dollars

\$ 800.00 Contributions to cover Expenses

Weekly Expenses: \$ 0.00

Cumulative Contributions and Expenses for 2022

Regular Contributions \$21,754.56 Other Contributions/Gifts + \$4252.64 Dedicated Dollars - \$5,321.56 Contributions to cover Expenses \$20,685.64

Expenses to date: \$ 17,515.40

**At the beginning of 2022, Zion received a few large contributions which were directed to budget expenses. Additionally, Zion pays several large insurance premiums in January and February each year.



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