Zion Lutheran Church, Glen Rock, PA Eighth Sunday after Pentecost WOV Holy Communion Setting Five Sunday, July 18, 2021

*We stand as we are able.

Introduction to the day

Mark's gospel makes clear how great is the press of the crowd, with its countless needs to be met, on Jesus and his disciples. Yet in today's gospel Jesus advises his disciples to get away and rest, to take care of themselves. Sometimes we think that when others are in great need we shouldn't think of ourselves at all; but Jesus also honors the caregivers' need. We are sent from Christ's table to care for others and for ourselves.

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: "God Is Here!" WOV #719 vs. 1,3

*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.

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

WOV p.30

Let us pray.

O Lord, pour out upon us the spirit to think and do what is right, that we, who cannot even exist without you, may have the strength to live according to your will; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

FIRST READING: Jeremiah 23:1-6

¹Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! says the LORD. ²Therefore thus says the LORD, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who shepherd my people: It is you who have scattered my flock, and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. So I will attend to you for your evil doings, says the LORD. ³Then I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the lands where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. ⁴I will raise up shepherds over them who will shepherd them, and they shall not fear any longer, or be dismayed, nor shall any be missing, says the LORD.

⁵The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. ⁶In his days Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety. And this is the name by which he will be called: "The LORD is our righteousness."

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 23

¹The LORD is my shepherd;

I shall not be in want.

²He makes me lie down in green pastures and leads me beside still waters.

³He revives my soul

and guides me along right pathways for his name's sake.

⁴Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall fear no evil:

for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

⁵You spread a table before me in the presence of those who trouble me; you have anointed my head with oil, and my cup is running over.

⁶Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever.

SECOND READING: Ephesians 2:11-22

¹¹Remember that at one time you Gentiles by birth, called "the uncircumcision" by those who are called "the circumcision"—a physical circumcision made in the flesh by human hands—12 remember that you were at that time without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. ¹³But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. ¹⁴For he is our peace; in his flesh he has made both groups into one and has broken down the dividing wall, that is, the hostility between us. 15He has abolished the law with its commandments and ordinances, that he might create in himself one new humanity in place of the two, thus making peace, ¹⁶and might reconcile both groups to God in one body through the cross, thus putting to death that hostility through it. ¹⁷So he came and proclaimed peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near; ¹⁸ for through him both of us have access in one Spirit to the Father. 19So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God, ²⁰built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone. ²¹In him the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord; ²²in whom you also are built together spiritually into a dwelling place for God.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?

Alleluia. You have the words of eternal life.

Alleluia, alleluia.

GOSPEL: Mark 6:30-34, 53-56

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

Glory to you, O Lord.

³⁰The apostles gathered around Jesus, and told him all that they had done and taught. ³¹He said to them, "Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while." For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat. ³²And they went away in the boat to a deserted place by themselves. ³³Now many saw them going and recognized them, and they hurried there on foot from

all the towns and arrived ahead of them. ³⁴As he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things.

⁵³When they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret and moored the boat. ⁵⁴When they got out of the boat, people at once recognized him, ⁵⁵and rushed about that whole region and began to bring the sick on mats to wherever they heard he was. ⁵⁶And wherever he went, into villages or cities or farms, they laid the sick in the marketplaces, and begged him that they might touch even the fringe of his cloak; and all who touched it were healed.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

CHILDREN'S TIME AND SERMON

*HYMN OF THE DAY: "My Lord of Light"

WOV #796 vs. 1, 4

*APOSTLES' CREED

WOV p.33

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.

*PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Rooted in Christ and sustained by the Spirit, we offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all of creation.

A brief silence.

Tend your church, O God. Encourage bishops, pastors, and deacons in their proclamation of the gospel. Raise up new leaders and encourage those pursuing a call to ministry. Embolden all the baptized to embody your love and justice. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Restore your creation, O God. Sustain croplands and pastures and safeguard all farm animals and livestock. Preserve lakes, rivers, and streams that offer refreshment. Revive lands recovering from natural disasters and protect coastlands threatened by rising oceans. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Reconcile the nations, O God. Break down the dividing walls that make us strangers to one another and unite us as one human family. Equip leaders to deal wisely with conflict and guide diplomats who seek peaceful solutions. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Heal your people, O God. Look with compassion on immigrants, exiles, and all who are afraid or feel lost. Give rest to those who are weary, comfort to those who are grieving, and recovery to those who are ill (*especially*). Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Nourish this congregation, O God. Prepare a table where we receive food for our hungering spirits. Renew our commitment to provide for one another and revitalize our ministries of feeding and nurturing hungry neighbors. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

You lead us home, O God. We give thanks for all who have died, now citizens with the saints. As you have received them into your heavenly home, so welcome all of us to dwell in your house forever. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

We lift these and all our prayers to you, O God, confident in the promise of your saving love; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

*PEACE WOV p.34

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.



*OFFERTORY PRAYER

WOV p.35

Let us pray.

Merciful God, we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us—our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

*GREAT THANKSGIVING

WOV p.36

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

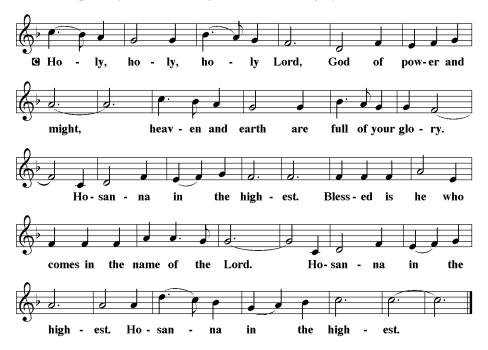
Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

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; who rose beyond the bounds of death and, as he had promised, poured out your Spirit of life and power upon the chosen disciples. At this the whole earth exults in boundless joy. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



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, 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.

*INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Come to the banquet, for all is now ready.

*COMMUNION

As the pastor says the following words, please take a piece of bread.

The body of Christ, given for you.

Amen.

As the pastor says the following words, please take a drink of wine or grape juice.

The blood of Christ, shed for you.

Amen.

After all have communed, the minister says:

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: "All Things Bright and Beautiful" WOV #767 vs. 1, 4

POSTLUDE

DISMISSAL WOV p. 41

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Today's altar flower arrangement is presented in celebration of the life of gratitude and kindness of Helen E. Myers, by Rebecca Myers.

SCRIPTURE TEXT FOR SUNDAY 07/25/21

2 Kings 4:42-44, Ps 145:10-18, Eph 3:14-21, John 6:1-21

PRAYER REQUESTS

Helen Hoffman, Don Miller, Brian Phelps, Gloria & Jim Ream, Eli Runkle, David Seitz, LeMos & Susette Stallard, Karl & Annette Steger

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Services are videotaped and streamed live each week. 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.

The council respectfully requests that anyone who is unvaccinated wear a mask.

Today we welcome Rev. Edgar Reed to lead us in worship.

All Choir and Worship and Music committee members, please plan to attend a brief meeting after worship today.

Mark your calendars to attend the annual church picnic on Sunday, July 25, 2021 at Goodling Park in Loganville. Worship service will begin at 11AM followed by lunch at noon. The menu will include Ream's famous chicken BBQ, baked potatoes, pepper slaw, applesauce and rolls. Hot dogs will also be available. Sheet cake and drinks will be provided*, and Carman's ice cream will be served around 2:30. Remember to bring a place setting for each person in your group, i.e. plate, knife, fork, spoon, napkins. Donation boxes will be available in the building to help defray the cost of the food.

Bingo will begin at 1:00 and conclude at 2:00. We ask that you bring a wrapped gift, indicating whether it is for a man, woman or child. There will be limited games for the younger children.

The sign-up sheet for this annual event is available in the back of the sanctuary. Questions may be directed to any member of the Christian Education Committee – Lois Goodling, Jeff Hoffman, Pam Hoffman, Bill Ream, Gloria Ream, Jim Ream, Bev Reindollar- Chair, Evelyn Roser, Pam Spangler. We look forward to seeing you there!

REMINDER: Please bring a lawn chair for seating at the outdoor worship. *There will be certain changes due to COVID. All food handlers will be gloved. Please reach out with any concerns.

There will not be a 9am service at Zion on this day.

Upcoming Lectors:

July 18 – Sandy Fair

July 25 – Diane Bortner

Aug. 1 – Shirley Seitz

Aug. 8 – George Brown

Aug. 15 – Donna Price

Aug. 22 - Bill Ream

Aug. 29 – Carrie Miller

We welcome volunteers that would like to be added to the lector list. See Donna Price.

Council Offering Duty:

July - Gevene Harden and Susie Hengst

August - Donna Price and Edgar Davis

Altar Care:

July – Linda Beegle

August – Shirley Seitz

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

PERSONNEL here at **ZION**

Pastor Paul Haack, Stated Sunday Supply Pastor

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, Gevene Harden, Rick Freda

FINANCIAL Information for YOU

Weekly Contributions and Expenses

2021 Weekly contribution goal to cover budget expenses: \$2,471.00

7/11/2021 Regular Contributions \$ 2,310.00

Other Contributions/Gifts + \$ 0.00

<u>-\$ 25.00 Dedicated Dollars</u>

\$ 2,285.00 Contributions to cover Expenses

Weekly Expenses: \$1,130.53

Cumulative Contributions and Expenses for 2021

Regular Contributions \$49, 379.75

Other Contributions/Gifts + \$ 9,796.97

Dedicated Dollars - \$ 11,370.14 Contributions to cover Expenses \$ 47,806.58

Expenses to date: \$ 60,240.87

Zion Lutheran Church

47 Hanover Street Glen Rock, PA 17327

Office Phone: 717-235-3276

Website: www.zionglenrock.org Email: office@zionglenrock.org



Copyright © 2021 Augsburg Fortress. All rights reserved. Reprinted by permission under Augsburg Fortress Liturgies Annual License #SB131854. New Revised Standard Version Bible, copyright © 1989, Division of Christian Education of the National Council of the Churches of Christ in the United States of America. Used by permission. All rights reserved.