Zion Lutheran Church Glen Rock, PA Nineth Sunday after Pentecost WOV Setting Five - Bread of Life Sunday, July 21, 2024

*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:** "Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty" LBW (green) 250

*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.

*KYRIE (WOV p.28)





*PRAYER OF THE DAY (WOV p.30)

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

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 LESSON: Jeremiah 23:1-6

¹ Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! says the LORD. ² Therefore 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.³ Then 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, nor dismayed, shall any be missing, the LORD. or be says

⁵ The 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. ⁶ In 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 (spoken responsively)

¹ The LORD is my shepherd;

I shall not be in want.

² He 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.

⁴ Though 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.

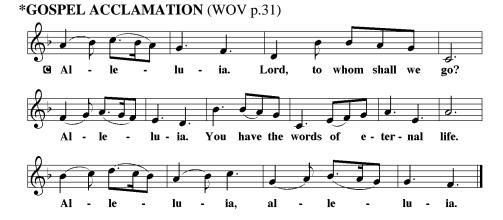
⁵ You spread a table before me in the presence of those who trouble me; you have anointed my head with oil, and my cup is running over.

⁶ Surely 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 LESSON: Ephesians 2:11-22

¹¹ Remember 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. ¹³ But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. ¹⁴ For 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, ¹⁶ and might reconcile both groups to God in one body through the cross, thus putting to death that hostility through it. ¹⁷ So 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. ¹⁹ So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God, ²⁰ built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone.²¹ In him the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord; ²² in whom you also are built together spiritually into a dwelling place for God.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.



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

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

Glory to you, O Lord.

³⁰ The apostles gathered around Jesus, and told him all that they had done and taught. ³¹ He 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. ³² And they went away in the boat to a deserted place by themselves. ³³ Now many saw them going and recognized them, and they hurried there on foot from all the towns and arrived ahead of them. ³⁴ As 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.

⁵³ When they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret and moored the boat. ⁵⁴ When they got out of the boat, people at once recognized him, ⁵⁵ and rushed about that whole region and began to bring the sick on mats to wherever they heard he was. ⁵⁶ And 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.

SERMON

*HYMN OF THE DAY: "I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say"

LBW (green) 497 alternate tune

*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)

One in the communion of saints and in the power of the Holy Spirit, we join our voices in prayer.

A brief silence.

For the church of Jesus Christ in this and every land: Through the One who is the cornerstone of a firm foundation, join us together and build us up as a temple of mercy and peace. In your mercy,

hear our prayer.

For the creation: Cause new trees to be planted. Restrain the melting of polar ice caps. Save land from destruction. Like a shepherd tends her sheep, raise up from among us caretakers of all you have made. In your mercy,

hear our prayer.

For the leaders of nations and heads of tribes: Where peace seems far off, bring it near. Where justice seems fleeting, bring it to light. Where discord seems relentless, bring harmony. In your mercy,

hear our prayer.

For the health and well-being of family, friends, and neighbors: Heal those who are sick (*especially*). Give courage to all who struggle with addiction. Touch with your tender care all who reach out to you in pain. In your mercy,

hear our prayer.

For this assembly and for the faith communities represented this week at the ELCA Youth Gathering: Nurture the faith of young people as they encounter new experiences and people. Break down dividing walls and inspire collaboration among people of every age. In your mercy,

hear our prayer.

In thanksgiving for those who have died: Make us certain that in Christ we are no longer strangers and aliens but citizens with the saints in the household of God. In your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Holy God, holy and merciful: into your outstretched arms we commend ourselves and all for whom we pray, trusting in the one who is the way, the truth, and the life, Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

*PEACE (WOV p. 34)

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

And also with you.

***PRESENTATION OF OFFERING**

*OFFERTORY RESPONSE (WOV p.35)



***OFFERTORY PRAYER** (WOV p.35)

Let us pray.

Merciful Father,

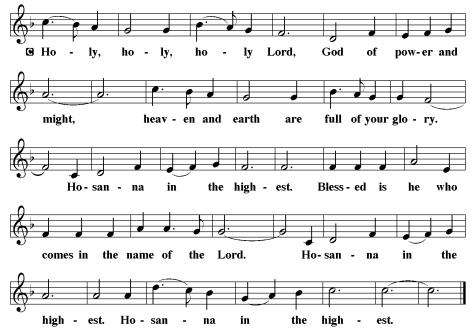
we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us—our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

*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.**

*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; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. 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)

Let us pray with confidence in the words our Savior gave us: **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.



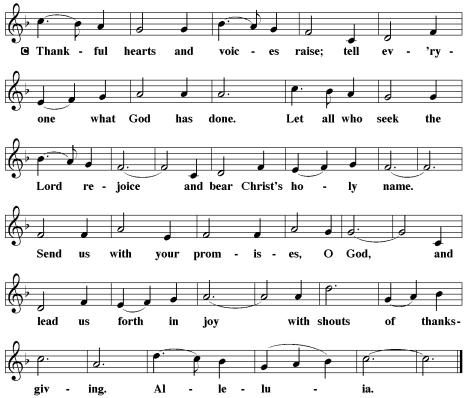
COMMUNION (WOV p.39)

The body of Christ, given for you. **Amen.** The blood of Christ, shed for you. **Amen.**

COMMUNION HYMN: "Break Now the Bread of Life" L

*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: "On Our Way Rejoicing"

LBW (green) 260

DISMISSAL (WOV p.41) Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Today's communion elements are presented to the Glory of God, by Brenda Gladfelter.

SCRIPTURE TEXT FOR SUNDAY 7/28/2024

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

PRAYER REQUESTS

Alysha Fassnacht, Connie Vanasdale, Nolan Williams, Ruth Shearer, Linda Beegle, Carter Todd, Norma Innerst, Earl "Stan" Thoman, Shirley Seitz, Sandy Fair, Alysha Fassnacht, Diane Moul, Pam Prowell, LeMos Stallard

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome to Zion! We are glad you are here today. After worship, you are invited to a time of fellowship with coffee and snacks in the social hall directly beside the sanctuary.

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

Today we welcome Rev. Arthur Grahe back to lead us in worship.

LAST CALL! The **ANNUAL CHURCH PICNIC** will be held next Sunday, July 28, 2024, at Goodling Park. The congregations of Christ Lutheran in Loganville and Friedensaal Lutheran will be joining us. Worship will be held outside (weather permitting) and will begin at 11AM, followed by lunch at noon. The menu will include chicken BBQ, baked potatoes, pepper slaw, applesauce, rolls and butter. Hot dogs will be available for those indicating those as their preference. Water and coffee will be provided, as well as children's drinks. Desserts will be by donation. Ice cream will be served around 2:30, after bingo. Please bring a place setting for each person in your group (plate, knife, fork, spoon, napkins) for this event. Additionally, a fold up chair is suggested for outdoor seating. 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. Please consider bringing a wrapped gift, indicating whether it is for man, woman, or child. There will be limited games for children ages 1-10.

FINAL SIGNUP for this event is today, Sunday, July 21. Questions may be directed to any member of the Christian Education Committee ~ Bev Reindollar

(Chair), Jeff Hoffman, Pam Hoffman, Evelyn Roser, Pam Spangler. We look forward to seeing you there!

GOODLING PARK has been renovated, including the kitchen and bathroom. Central air conditioning and central heating have been installed. The entrance into the building is handicap accessible. There is also a small area for handicap parking. The park grounds have had some lawn work. It is not nearly as root bound and the overgrowth has been trimmed. We believe you will be pleased!! **REMINDER FROM LOGANVILLE BORO**

- Absolutely no alcohol on site
 - At no time will the use of tape, thumb tacks, or staples be allowed in the walls or ceilings **PERIOD**!

Shhh...don't tell the kids, but it's time to gather back to school supplies for the upcoming school year. Donations needed include binders, tab dividers, loose leaf notebook paper, notebooks, #2 pencils, crayons, markers, glue sticks, folders, highlighters, pencil cases, erasers, rulers, scissors, sharpeners, back packs, lunch boxes, and water bottles. Please place your donations on the stage in the social hall. Donations are due by Sunday, 7/28. (You can bring your donations to the church picnic and give them to Brenda.)

Thank you for all the cards, prayers, and phone calls since Dave was sick, and most recently after his passing. It has been overwhelming at times, but very much appreciated. – Shirley Seitz and family

Zion has a brand-new website. Just as before, you can reach it at ZIONGLENROCK.ORG. We hope you'll visit and use the website to access bulletins, view recorded worship services, and much more. Please free to share the link with friends, neighbors and others who might benefit from learning about our church, our activities, and our missions. If you have something to contribute or have questions, please reach out to Zion's Contact Person, Brenda Davis. Brenda is working with us at Hoffman Web Solutions to make this website a viable and productive tool for all to use. Thanks for allowing us to design and manage Zion's web presence – Pam & Jeff Hoffman.

Announcements for the weekly bulletin are due to the office by early Tuesday morning so bulletin work can be completed by the end of the day on Tuesday. This schedule allows time for the bulletin to be sent to the presiding pastor for the upcoming week, and allows the website committee time to post the bulletin on Zion's website. Announcements can be emailed to Brenda at office@zionglenrock.org. **Contribution counting volunteers are going to be helping Brenda on Thursdays, twice a month, to record and deposit contributions.** If you would like to help with counting, please contact Brenda in the office at 717-235-3276.

Recently, Zion's email list, typically used to send out announcements and weekly bulletins, was used to send out prayer requests. A discussion with leadership at Zion and Pastor Doug led to this suggestion. If you are not currently receiving the weekly bulletin emails and you would like to be added to the email list, contact Brenda in the office at office@zionglenrock.org or 717-235-3276. Additionally, if you do not use email but would like to be notified when prayer requests are sent out, contact the office. We want to lift in prayer our friends, neighbors, and family whenever there is a need, not just Sunday mornings. If you feel this is a ministry opportunity you would like to help with, let Brenda know.

The Loose Change offering plate is available every Sunday. At the end of the month, the total collected for that month will be sent to the chosen organization. Our loose change collection for July will benefit the Arthur Hufnagel Public Library.

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July 21: Donna Price

July 28: Church Picnic - Jeff Hoffman

Aug. 4: George Brown

Aug. 11: Pam Hoffman

Aug. 18: Joy Keller-Brown

Aug. 25: Butch Hengst

Lectors:

July 21: Jake Gilroy

July 28: Church Picnic – Linda Beegle

Aug. 4: Jen Webb

Aug. 11: Kelley Fisher

Aug. 18: Nola Webb

Aug. 25: Chad Fisher

Council Offering Duty:

July – Edgar Davis and Jen Webb

August - Pam Hoffman and Jeff Brown

Altar Care:

July – Linda Beegle August – Diane Bortner



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