Zion Lutheran Church Glen Rock, PA

Ninth Sunday after Pentecost WOV Holy Communion Setting Five Sunday, August 7, 2022

*We stand as we are able.

Introduction to the day

Jesus says, "It is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom." It is God's promise from the beginning—to Abraham, to the early church, and to the "little flock" of which we are a part in today's assembly. Faith, God's baptismal gift, trusts the promises of God. Have no fear.

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: "Blessed Assurance"

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*APOSTOLIC GREETING

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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.





The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Almighty and everlasting God, you are always more ready to hear than we are to pray, and to give more than we either desire or deserve. Pour upon us the abundance of your mercy, forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid, and giving us those good things for which we are not worthy to ask, except through the merit of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

FIRST LESSON: Genesis 15:1-6

¹After these things the word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision, "Do not be afraid, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great." ²But Abram said, "O Lord GOD, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?" ³And Abram said, "You have given me no offspring, and so a slave born in my house is to be my heir." ⁴But the word of the LORD came to him, "This man shall not be your heir; no one but your very own issue shall be your heir." ⁵He brought him outside and said, "Look toward heaven and count the stars, if you are able to count them." Then he said to him, "So shall your descendants be." ⁶And he believed the LORD; and the LORD reckoned it to him as righteousness.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 33:12-22

¹²Happy is the nation whose God is the LORD! Happy the people he has chosen to be his own!

¹³The LORD looks down from heaven, and beholds all the people in the world.

¹⁴From where he sits enthroned he turns his gaze on all who dwell on the earth.

¹⁵He fashions all the hearts of them and understands all their works.

¹⁶There is no king that can be saved by a mighty army; a strong man is not delivered by his great strength.

¹⁷The horse is a vain hope for deliverance; for all its strength it cannot save.

¹⁸Behold, the eye of the LORD is upon those who fear him, on those who wait upon his love,

- ¹⁹to pluck their lives from death, and to feed them in time of famine.
- ²⁰Our soul waits for the LORD; he is our help and our shield.
- ²¹Indeed, our heart rejoices in him, for in his holy name we put our trust.
- ²²Let your lovingkindness, O LORD, be upon us, as we have put our trust in you.

SECOND LESSON: Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16

¹Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. ²Indeed, by faith our ancestors received approval. ³By faith we understand that the worlds were prepared by the word of God, so that what is seen was made from things that are not visible.

⁸By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to set out for a place that he was to receive as an inheritance; and he set out, not knowing where he was going. ⁹By faith he stayed for a time in the land he had been promised, as in a foreign land, living in tents, as did Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise. ¹⁰For he looked forward to the city that has foundations, whose architect and builder is God. ¹¹By faith he received power of procreation, even though he was too old—and Sarah herself was barren—because he considered him faithful who had promised. ¹²Therefore from one person, and this one as good as dead, descendants were born, "as many as the stars of heaven and as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore."

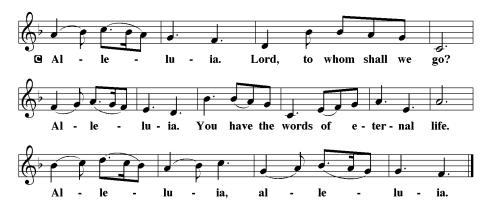
¹³All of these died in faith without having received the promises, but from a distance they saw and greeted them. They confessed that they were strangers and foreigners on the earth, ¹⁴for people who speak in this way make it clear that they are seeking a homeland. ¹⁵If they had been thinking of the land that they had left behind, they would have had opportunity to return. ¹⁶But as it is, they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God; indeed, he has prepared a city for them.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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*GOSPEL: Luke 12:32-40

The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 12th chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said:] ³²"Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. ³³Sell your possessions, and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. ³⁴For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

³⁵"Be dressed for action and have your lamps lit; ³⁶be like those who are waiting for their master to return from the wedding banquet, so that they may open the door for him as soon as he comes and knocks. ³⁷Blessed are those slaves whom the master finds alert when he comes; truly I tell you, he will fasten his belt and have them sit down to eat, and he will come and serve them. ³⁸If he comes during the middle of the night, or near dawn, and finds them so, blessed are those slaves.

³⁹"But know this: if the owner of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. ⁴⁰You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

CHILDREN'S TIME & SERMON

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

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*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

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Trusting in God's extraordinary love, let us come near to the Holy One in prayer. *A brief silence*.

Let your lovingkindness be upon your church. Fill all who proclaim the gospel with your Spirit. Equip your flock to speak your word of promise and hope in the midst of fear and uncertainty. Merciful God,

receive our prayer.

Let your lovingkindness be upon your creation. Dwell among us and sustain our earthly home. In places of famine, provide nourishment. In places of plenty, fashion us to be good stewards of your bounty. Merciful God,

receive our prayer.

Let your lovingkindness be upon your world. Be our helper and our shield in places torn by strife and violence. Raise up courageous leaders to govern with compassion and justice. Merciful God,

receive our prayer.

Let your lovingkindness be upon your children. Look upon all who wait for your steadfast love. Console those who grieve and embrace those who cry out to you. Help us to trust your promise and not be afraid. Merciful God,

receive our prayer.

Let your lovingkindness be upon this community. Fashion our hearts to strive for the way of peace. Strengthen the outreach ministries of this congregation and all who care for those in need. Merciful God,

receive our prayer.

With thanksgiving we remember all who have died in faith and now rest in you. As they placed their hope in you, so strengthen us to trust in your promise of new life. Merciful God,

receive our prayer.

Receive the prayers of your children, merciful God, and hold us forever in your steadfast love; through Jesus Christ, our holy Wisdom.

Amen.

*PEACE WOV p.34

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

And also with you.

*PRESENTATION OF OFFERING

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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

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The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

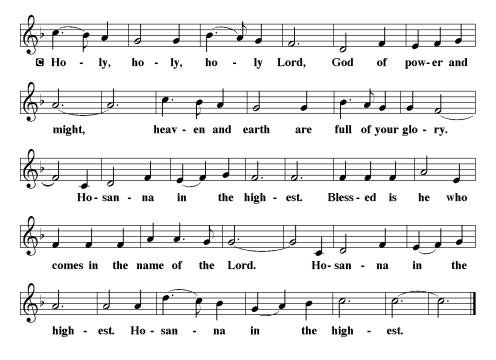
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

*PREFACE

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:



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

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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.

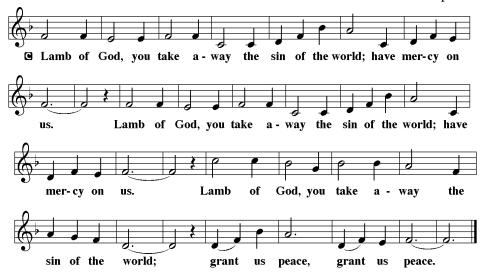
For thine is the kingdom,

and the power, and the glory,

forever and ever. Amen.



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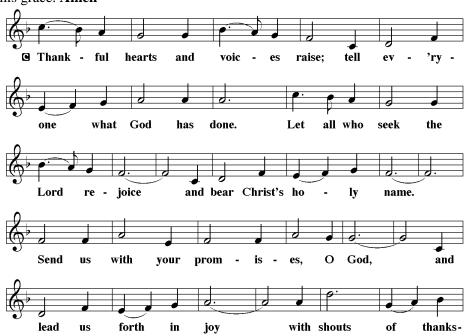
*COMMUNION (WOV p. 39)

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

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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: "The Spirit Sends Us Forth to Serve" WOV (blue) 723

*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 Michael Warns & Rick Freda.

SCRIPTURE TEXT FOR SUNDAY 8/14/2022

Jer. 23:23-29, Ps 82, Heb 11:29-12:2, Luke 12:49-56

PRAYER REQUESTS

George Brown, Joann King, Linda Kowalewski, Randy McCullough, Don Miller, Tom & Pam Prowell, Bill Ream Sr., Gloria Ream, Jim Ream Jr., Bev Reindollar, Mike & Janet Schriver, LeMos Stallard, Ron Stein, 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 concerns about being filmed, please contact the office at 717-235-3276.

Christian Education meeting, Tuesday, August 16, 6:30pm.

It's that time of year again. The stores have started putting out "Back to School" supplies. Southern York Community Services is doing a back-to-school drive for local grade school and middle school students. They need backpacks and all other types of school supplies. Anyone wanting to contribute, please have your donations to Zion by Sunday, 8/14. Zion will also be collecting gas and store gift cards to pass on to Southern Community Services and/or to the SYCSD Social Services Coordinator because Southern Community Services and the school district are often resources for families struggling to make ends meet. School supplies can be placed on the stage in the Fellowship Area. Gift cards can be placed in the offering plate. Monetary donations will also be accepted. Please make checks payable to "Zion Lutheran Church" and indicate on the memo line "Back to School".

The memorial service for Rev. Dr. David Stewart will be held at New Hope Fissel's UCC Church on Saturday, August 13th. Visitation will begin at 9am, service will begin at 10am, followed by a light luncheon.

If you desire pastoral care or conversation, please contact Vicar David Hoth at 720-855-8878.

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Aug. 7: Butch Hengst

Aug. 14: Diane Bortner

Aug. 21: George Brown

Aug. 28: Donna Price

Sept. 4: Linda Beegle

Sept. 11: Shirley Seitz

Sept. 18: Butch Hengst

Sept. 25: Diane Bortner

Lectors:

Aug. 7: Linda Beegle

Aug. 14: Shirley Seitz

Aug. 21: Kelley Fisher

Aug. 28: Jenn Webb

Sept. 4: Sandy Fair

Sept. 11: Diane Bortner

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Sept. 25: Chad Fisher

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August - Rick Freda and Donna Price

September – Linda Beegle and Susie Hengst

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Aug. 7: Becki McCullough

Aug. 14: Rick Freda and Michael Warns

Aug. 21: Jeff and Pam Hoffman

Aug. 28: Kay and Jim Hoffman

Sept. 4: Tom and Pam Spangler

Sept. 11: Jen and Eric Webb

Sept. 18: Sheree Sidler

Sept. 25: Beegle Family

Altar Care:

August - Diane Bortner

September – Sandy Fair

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