Zion Lutheran Church Glen Rock, PA

Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost WOV Holy Communion Setting Five Sunday, September 18, 2022

*We stand as we are able.

Introduction to the day

As we are invited today to consider what it means to be managers (rather than owners) of all that we have, it is crucial to recognize that we are bought with a price. "Christ Jesus, himself human, . . . gave himself a ransom for all." Apart from the generosity of God we have nothing—we are nothing. By God's gracious favor we have everything we need.

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: "Dearest Jesus, at Your Word" LBW (green) 248

*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.





The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lord God, you call us to work in your vineyard and leave no one standing idle. Set us to our tasks in the work of your kingdom, and help us to order our lives by your wisdom; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

FIRST LESSON: Amos 8:4-7

⁴Hear this, you that trample on the needy, and bring to ruin the poor of the land,
⁵saying, "When will the new moon be over so that we may sell grain; and the sabbath.

so that we may offer wheat for sale?

We will make the ephah small and the shekel great,

and practice deceit with false balances,

⁶buying the poor for silver

and the needy for a pair of sandals, and selling the sweepings of the wheat."

⁷The LORD has sworn by the pride of Jacob:

Surely I will never forget any of their deeds.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 113 -read responsively, whole verse by whole verse

¹Hallelujah! Give praise, you servants of the LORD; praise the name of the LORD.

²Let the name of the LORD be blessed, from this time forth forevermore.

³From the rising of the sun to its going down let the name of the LORD be praised.

⁴The LORD is high above all nations, and his glory above the heavens.

⁵Who is like the LORD our God, who sits enthroned on high, but stoops to behold the heavens and the earth?

⁶He takes up the weak out of the dust and lifts up the poor from the ashes.

⁷He sets them with the princes, with the princes of his people.

⁸He makes the woman of a childless house to be a joyful mother of children.

SECOND LESSON: 1 Timothy 2:1-7

¹First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for everyone, ²for kings and all who are in high positions, so that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and dignity. ³This is right and is acceptable in the sight of God our Savior, ⁴who desires everyone to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. ⁵For

there is one God;

there is also one mediator between God and humankind,

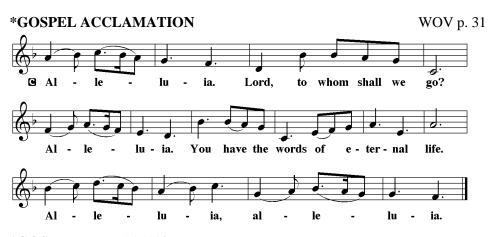
Christ Jesus, himself human,

⁶who gave himself a ransom for all

—this was attested at the right time. For this I was appointed a herald and an apostle (I am telling the truth, I am not lying), a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.



*GOSPEL: Luke 16:1-13

The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 16th chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

¹Then Jesus said to the disciples, "There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was squandering his property. ²So he summoned him and said to him, 'What is this that I hear about you? Give me an accounting of your management, because you cannot be my manager any longer.' ³Then the manager said to himself, 'What will I do, now that my master is taking the position away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to

beg. ⁴I have decided what to do so that, when I am dismissed as manager, people may welcome me into their homes.' ⁵So, summoning his master's debtors one by one, he asked the first, 'How much do you owe my master?' ⁶He answered, 'A hundred jugs of olive oil.' He said to him, 'Take your bill, sit down quickly, and make it fifty.' ⁷Then he asked another, 'And how much do you owe?' He replied, 'A hundred containers of wheat.' He said to him, 'Take your bill and make it eighty.' ⁸And his master commended the dishonest manager because he had acted shrewdly; for the children of this age are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than are the children of light. ⁹And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of dishonest wealth so that when it is gone, they may welcome you into the eternal homes.

¹⁰"Whoever is faithful in a very little is faithful also in much; and whoever is dishonest in a very little is dishonest also in much. ¹¹If then you have not been faithful with the dishonest wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches? ¹²And if you have not been faithful with what belongs to another, who will give you what is your own? ¹³No slave can serve two masters; for a slave will either hate the one and love the other, or be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

CHILDREN'S TIME & SERMON

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*HYMN OF THE DAY: "Draw Near and Take the Body of the Lord" LBW (green) 226

*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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As scattered grains of wheat are gathered together into one bread, so let us gather our prayers for the church, those in need, and all of God's good creation.

A brief silence.

God our Savior, you keep your church in faith and truth. Accompany those preparing for baptism or affirmation of baptism. Enlighten preachers, teachers, seminarians, and all those who share your good news with the world. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Divine teacher, you instruct your children to be responsible stewards of your creation. Show us how best to care for the earth and its resources, and guide those who work to develop sustainable practices. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Ruler of the nations, you direct those in authority. Give leaders wisdom and compassion so that all may live in peace. Inspire public servants to follow the example of courageous leaders and safeguard the dignity of each person. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Helper of the needy, you lift up those who are oppressed. Breathe justice into economic and social systems that perpetuate poverty and hunger. Sustain food ministries, clothing banks, and emergency shelters. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Sustainer and giver of life, you bless this congregation with abundance. Instruct us in the proper and faithful use of wealth and resources, that we share generously. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

God of glory, you gather your saints around your throne. Keep us thankful for the witness of those who have gone before us, and bring us with them to the heavenly feast that has no end. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Gathered together in the sweet communion of the Holy Spirit, gracious God, we offer these and all our prayers to you; through Jesus Christ, our Savior. **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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*OFFERTORY PRAYER

and

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come.

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.

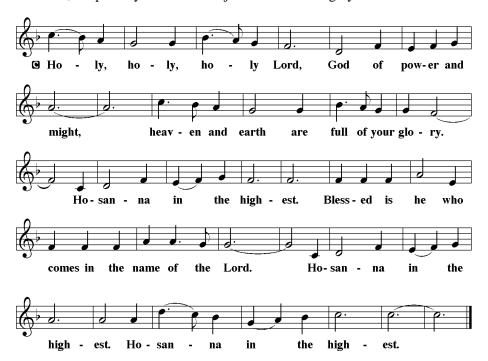
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

*PREFACE

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.

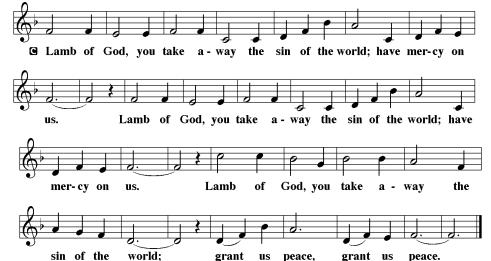
For thine is the kingdom,

and the power, and the glory,

forever and ever. Amen.

*COMMUNION HYMN

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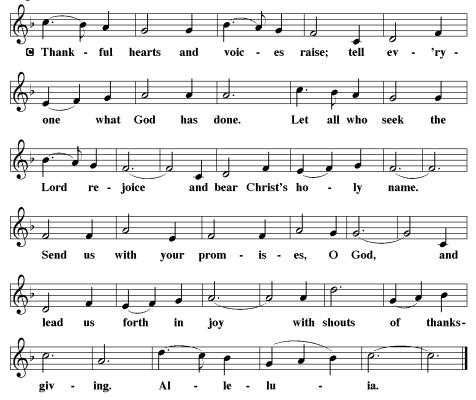
*COMMUNION (WOV p. 39)

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

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 of Glory, You Have Bought Us" LBW 424

*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 Evie Roser.

SCRIPTURE TEXT FOR SUNDAY 9/25/2022

Amos 6:1a, 4-7, Ps 146, 1 Tim 6:6-19, Luke 16:19-31

PRAYER REQUESTS

George Brown, Andrew Gilroy, Butch Hengst, Joann King, Linda Kowalewski, Karen & Randy McCullough, Don Miller, Tom & Pam Prowell, Bill Ream Sr., Gloria Ream, 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.

Next Sunday is Loose Change Sunday. September's collection will benefit Olivia's House. Olivia's House began with a concept of "Hearts can Heal", a program designed by Family and Bereavement Specialist Leslie Delp M.A. Leslie, a psychologist specializing in bereavement therapy, recognizing the need children and families had during difficult times with the death of a loved one. Olivia's House has grown to offer year-round programs and services.

The Well located at 32 Water St., Glen Rock, is looking for volunteers to help with Grab 'N Go lunches on Wednesdays, and after school on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Reach out to Judy Flemmens at 717-235-3071 if you would be able to assist with these crucial community ministries.

Starting next week, we will begin to collect non-perishable food items for Harvest Home on Sunday, October 9th.

There is a Crop Walk on Sunday, October 9th starting at 1pm at the Glen Rock Library. Zion is looking for someone to be the contact for a group of participants for the church. If you are interested, contact Brenda in the office at 717-235-3276 or office@zionglenrock.org.

Zion received an invitation to help celebrate Pastor Keith Fair's 12 years as Associate Pastor at St. Matthew's, York, and 22 years since his ordination.

A surprise celebration will take place on Sunday, October 2nd during the 8:30am worship service at St. Matthew Lutheran Church, 839 W. Market St., York, PA, or folks can send congratulatory cards to St. Matthew's office marked with "Pastor Fair's surprise" marked on the outside envelope. If you are planning to attend the surprise celebration, please contact St. Matthew's office at 717-845-2721 to indicate how many will be attending.

Upcoming dates to mark on your calendar:

Sunday, September 25^{th} – non-perishable food item collection begins for Harvest Home Sunday

Sunday, October 2nd – Zion will resume regular communion distribution at the front altar, individual communion kits will also be available

Sunday, October 9th – Harvest Home Sunday

Crop Walk starts at 1pm at Glen Rock Library

Sunday, October 16th – Homecoming and Blanket Sunday

Sunday, October 30^{th} – Trunk or Treat in Zion's parking lot

(set up -11 am, trick or treating -11:30am -1pm)

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

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SUNDAY SERVANTS

Assisting Ministers:

Sept. 18: Butch Hengst

Sept. 25: Diane Bortner

Oct. 2: George Brown

Oct 9: Linda Beegle

Oct 16: Butch Hengs

Oct 23: Donna Price

Oct 30: Shirley Seitz

Lectors:

Sept. 18: Sandy Fair

Sept. 25: Chad Fisher

Oct. 2: Diane Bortner

Oct 9: George Brown

Oct 16: Donna Price

Oct 23: Susie Hengst

Oct 30: Linda Beegle

Council Offering Duty:

September – Linda Beegle and Susie Hengst

October – Jeff Brown and Chad Fisher

Social Time Hosts:

Sept. 18: Sheree Sidler

Sept. 25: Beegle Family

Oct. 2: Bev Reindollar

Oct 9: Fisher Family

Oct 16: Jeff & Pam Hoffman

Oct 23: Rick Freda & Michael Warns

Oct 30: Becki McCullough

Altar Care:

September - Sandy Fair

October - Donna Price