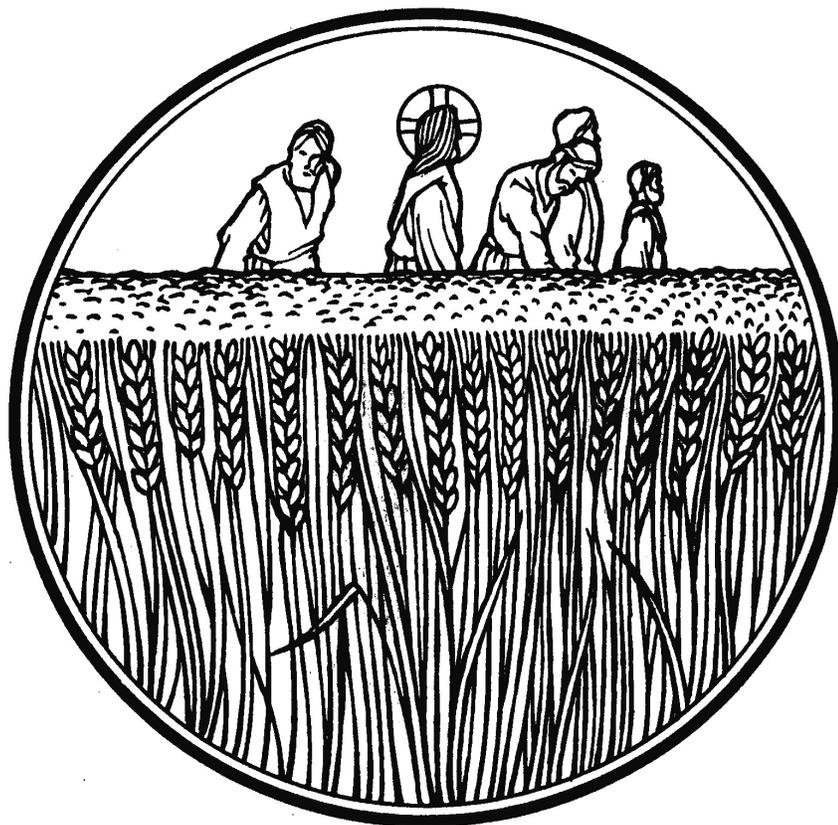


**A Prayer
Upon
Entering
Church**

O Lord eternal, the holy and blessed Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: by Your Holy Spirit grant that we may worship You this day in spirit and truth, and by this same worship secure in us the knowledge and joy of Your everlasting kingdom; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, Your Son. Amen



The Second Sunday after Pentecost

June 3, 2018 + 9:00 and 11:00 A.M.

Welcome to the Lord's Day. During the season of Pentecost, our Bible readings teach us about the kingdom of God. What is it? How does it grow? In today's Gospel, we learn first things first: the kingdom has a Lord, and all things were created for that Lord, Jesus Christ. No king, no kingdom; with the King, always the Kingdom. Our life in the kingdom begins with His life, His words, and His works, for He is the gracious giver of all things.

Sharing God's Blessings Today

- Sunday's Radio Broadcast is sponsored by Zion's Lenten Soup Meal Committee in thanksgiving to God.
- The flowers at the altar are sponsored by Richard and Dianne Ames in recognition of the high school graduations of their grandchildren: Emily Seanor, Alaina Goetsch, and Peter Deneen.
- The sponsor charts for 2018 for Broadcasts and Flowers are available for you to sign up. The charts are by the stairs by the northwest entry.

A Welcome for Those With Young Children

This house is your children's home, too. Relax and enjoy your time here:

- Jesus knows that children tend to wiggle and squawk, so please don't feel embarrassed by it. Your children are welcome at Zion.
- To make it a bit easier on your family, please consider sitting towards the front where your children can easily see the worship leaders, hear the words, note the colors, wonder about some of the images up there, and embrace the action at the altar.
- As we go along, softly explain the liturgy to your children, encouraging them to chime in with their parts: *Amen! Lord have mercy! And also with you! I believe! Our Father!* All of that belongs to them, too.
- Be sure to sing and pray your parts as you stand and kneel and sit. Your children learn by following your lead.
- If you and your child must leave, please hurry back. There is a nursery downstairs for those who would like to use it, but like Jesus, we want your children in the liturgy, not out. *Let the little children come unto me.* (Luke 18:16).

If you need help, just ask. There are lots of folks here who will lend a hand.

Announcements

Parish announcements may be found in the weekly newsletter, *For You*, provided by the ushers.



PRELUDE

“Liebster Jesu, Wir Sind Hier” (Dearest Jesus, at Your Word)
... Variations by J. S. Bach and Johann Gottfried Walther

RINGING OF THE BELLS

Please stand.

INVOCATION

P: In the name of the Father, and of the ✠ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
C: **Amen**

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

P: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.
C: **Amen**
P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Please kneel. Silence for reflection.

*If you see
love, you see
the Trinity.
~ Augustine
De Trini-
tate (early
400s A.D.)*

P: Most merciful God,

C: we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen

P: Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church, and by the authority of Christ, I therefore forgive you all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the ☩ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen

Please stand.

ENTRANCE HYMN

“Dearest Jesus, at Your Word” green hymnal #248

THE APOSTOLIC GREETING

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

KYRIE

P: In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



☩ Lord, have mer - cy.

P: For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.

P: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the holy Church, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.

P: For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.

P: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.



A - men

GLORIA

P: Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.



Lord God, heav-en - ly king, al-might-y God and Fa - ther:



We wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your

People without the Holy Spirit look at the cross and see an abominable execution. We look at the cross and see that in the horror of it all God was in Christ reconciling the world to Himself.

~ Pr. David
P. Scaer
In Christ

glo - ry. Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther,
Lord God, Lamb of God: You take a - way the sin of the world;
have mer - cy on us. You are seat - ed at the right hand of the
Fa - ther; re - ceive our prayer. For you a -
lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,
you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it,
in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men

SALUTATION and PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: The Lord be with you.

☒ And al - so with you.

P: Let us pray . . . Eternal God, your Son Jesus Christ is our true Sabbath rest. Help us to keep each day holy by receiving His Word of comfort that we may find our rest in him, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: **Amen**

Please be seated.

OLD TESTAMENT Deuteronomy 5:12-15

¹²“Observe the Sabbath day, to keep it holy, as the LORD your God commanded you. ¹³Six days you shall labor and do all your work, ¹⁴but the seventh day is a Sabbath to the LORD your God. On it you shall not do any work, you or your son or your daughter or your male servant or your female servant, or your ox or your donkey or any of your livestock, or the sojourner who is within your gates, that your male servant and your female servant may rest as well as you. ¹⁵You shall remember that you were a slave in the land of Egypt, and the LORD your God brought you out from there with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm. Therefore the LORD your God commanded you to keep the Sabbath day.”

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 81:1-10

L: Sing with joy to 'God our strength*
and raise a loud shout to the 'God of Jacob.

C: **Raise a song and 'sound the timbrel,*
the merry harp, 'and the lyre.**

*All Scripture
is inspired by
God for our
benefit; it was
composed by
the Spirit for
this reason . .
. . . Now the
Prophets
teach certain
things, the
Historians
and the Law
teach others,
and Proverbs
provides still
a different
sort of advice,
but the Book
of Psalms
encompasses
the benefit of
them all. It
foretells what
is to come
and memori-
alizes his-
tory*

L: Blow the ram's horn at 'the new moon,*
and at the full moon, the day 'of our feast;

**C: for this is a stat'ute for Israel,*
a law of the 'God of Jacob.**

L: He laid it as a solemn charge 'upon Joseph,*
when he came out of the 'land of Egypt.

**C: I heard an unfamil'iar voice saying,*
"I eased his shoulder from the burden; |
his hands were set free from bear'ing the load."**

L: You called on me in trouble, 'and I saved you;*
I answered you from the secret place of thunder |
and tested you at the wa'ters of Meribah.

**C: Hear, O my people, and I will ad'monish you:*
O Israel, if you would but lis'ten to me!**

L: There shall be no strange 'god among you;
you shall not worship a 'foreign god.

**C: I am the LORD your God, |
who brought you out of the land of E'gypt and said,*
"Open your mouth wide, and 'I will fill it."**

**All: Glory to the Father, and 'to the Son,*
and to the 'Holy Spirit;
as it was in 'the beginning,*
is now, and will be forever. 'Amen**

EPISTLE 2 Corinthians 4:5-12

⁵For what we proclaim is not ourselves, but Jesus Christ as Lord, with ourselves as your servants for Jesus' sake. ⁶For God, who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ. ⁷But we have this treasure in jars of clay, to show that the surpassing power belongs to God and not to us. ⁸We are afflicted in every way, but not crushed; perplexed, but not driven to despair; ⁹persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed; ¹⁰always carrying in the body the death of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be manifested in our bodies. ¹¹For we who live are always being given over to death for Jesus' sake, so that the life of Jesus also may be manifested in our mortal flesh. ¹²So death is at work in us, but life in you.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand.

VERSE



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

*... it legis-
lates for life,
gives advice
on practical
matters, and
serves in gen-
eral as a re-
pository of
good teach-
ings, care-
fully search-
ing out what
is suitable for
each individ-
ual.*

*~ Basil the
Great,
330-379
A.D.*

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

Please be seated.

HYMN OF THE DAY

“O Day of Rest and Gladness” green hymnal #251

SERMON

“To Begin at the Beginning”

Please kneel.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

P: Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs.

P: . . . Lord in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen

Please be seated.

OFFERING

While the offerings are received, please pass in your row the *Friendship Register*, and add your name(s). If you are a guest or visitor, please include your address.

VOLUNTARY

"O Day of Rest and Gladness"

... Allan Mahnke

Please stand.

OFFERTORY



☒ Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our



cup of bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the seeds that were



sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life. Gath - er the



hopes and the dreams of all; u - nite them with the prayers we



of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with your pres - ence, and



give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

P: Let us pray . . . Merciful Lord,

C: **we do not come to your table trusting in our own righteousness but in your manifold and great mercies. Grant us so to eat the flesh of your dear Son, Jesus Christ, and so to drink his blood that we may ever dwell in him, and he in us. Amen**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

P: The Lord be with you.



☐ And al - so with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.



☐ We lift them to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



☐ It is right to give him thanks and praise.

P: It is indeed right and salutary . . . we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

SANCTUS ("Holy")



☐ Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:

A man suffering from a wound needs a remedy. The wound is our being slaves to sin; and the remedy? The sacrament.
~ Gregory VII, 1015-1085 A.D., letter to his daughter, Matilda

The eucharist is already a meal, and the Bible's favourite picture for the final kingdom is that of feasting. At the eucharist Christ is present to the eyes of faith: at His table in the final kingdom we shall see Him face to face (see First Corinthians 13:12a). The eucharist is a periodic celebration: in the final kingdom the worship and rejoicing, as in the life of heaven will be perpetual . . .

Heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na. Ho -
 san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless-ed is he who
 comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san - na in the high - est.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

P: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is my body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of me."

In the same way also he took the cup after the supper, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in my blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink of it, in remembrance of me.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

P: Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray:

C: 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

ACCLAMATION

P: As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup,

C: we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

AGNUS DEI ("Lamb of God")

☐ Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sin of the world; grant us peace.

Please be seated.

The congregation is ushered forward for Communion. If you cannot use the steps to the altar, you may either ask an usher to have Communion brought to you, or you may go to the altar in the side (west) chapel. Those not communing may cross their arms over their chest for a blessing.

Holy Communion is the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ which He joyfully gives to His Church to eat and to drink. This gift bestows tremendous benefits. His body and blood forgives ours sins, strengthens our faith, binds us to the Lord, and unites us with each other. In this is life and salvation.

The Lord therefore invites to His altar baptized Christians who trust that they will receive in Holy Communion all that He promises there: His body

... In the eucharist a part of... the world serves the glory of God: in the final kingdom God will be all in all ... Eucharistic joy is marred by our persistence in sin for now, but the joy of the final kingdom will be full.

~ Geoffrey Wainwright, Eucharist and Eschatology

and blood, the forgiveness of sins, union with Christ and His Church, life, and salvation. Know that He gives it to you with great joy.

COMMUNION HYMNS

“Oh, Worship the King” green hymnal #548

“Now the Silence” green hymnal #205

Please stand after all have received the sacrament.

POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE



C Thank the Lord and sing his praise; tell ev-ry-one what he has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re - jice and proud - ly bear his name.



He re-calls his prom - is - es and leads his peo-ple forth in joy with



shouts of thanks-giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

P: We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life; and we pray that in your mercy you would strengthen us, through this gift, in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

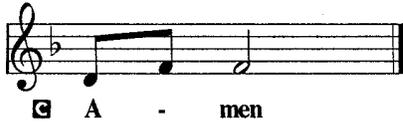
C: Amen

BENEDICTION

P: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine upon you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.



SILENT PRAYER

POSTLUDE

"Oh, Worship the King"

... David Cherwien and Robert A. Hobby

+ Soli Deo Gloria +

To God alone be glory

A Prayer As You Go

*Holy God,
Holy and
Mighty,
Holy and
Immortal,
have mercy
on us.
Amen.*

~ Trisagion

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Assisting: Vicar Joseph Pinzl

Organist: Kantor Irene Beethe

Lector: (9:00) Jan Gaugush

(11:00) Carl Boettcher

Radio Announcer: (9:00) Dick Ames

Acolyte: (9:00) Olivia Fernstaedt

(11:00) Nathan Contreras

Elder: (9:00) Ken Rodemeier

(11:00) Donna Nuernberg

Ushers: (9:00) Adele Blair; Donald Budnik;

Fred Fenhaus; Robb Halverson

(11:00) Al Lippert; Wayne Reuter; Herbert Zahrt

Communion Assistants:

(9:00) Ted Gulhaugen; Joe Pinzl; Steve Zeinemann

(11:00) Gary Gisselman; Joe Pinzl; Cheryl Plautz

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which cannot be moved, but abides forever. (Psalm 125:1)

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