

ZION EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH - Saskatoon

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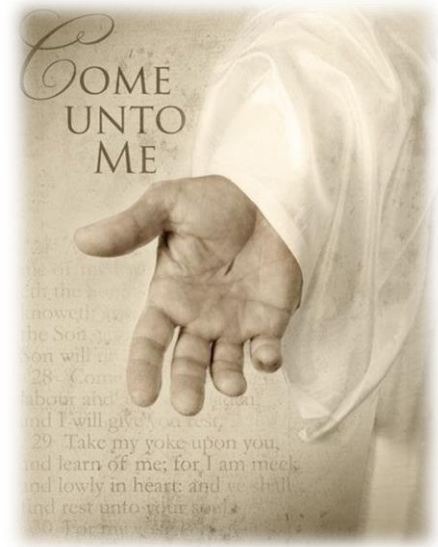
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Order of Service

Prelude

Confession and Absolution – pg. 94

Gathering Song: “Like the Murmur of the Dove’s Song” – ELW 403

Prayer of the Day - **You are great, O God, and greatly to be praised. You have made us for yourself, and our hearts are restless until they rest in you. Grant that we may believe in you, call upon you, know you, and serve you, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

First Lesson: Zechariah 9:9-12 Rejoice greatly, O daughter Zion! Shout aloud, O daughter Jerusalem! Lo, your king comes to you; triumphant and victorious is he, humble and riding on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey. He will cut off the chariot from Ephraim and the war-horse from Jerusalem; and the battle bow shall be cut off, and he shall command peace to the nations; his dominion shall be from sea to sea, and from the River to the ends of the earth. As for you also, because of the blood of my covenant with you, I will set your prisoners free from the waterless pit. Return to your stronghold, O prisoners of hope; today I declare that I will restore to you double.

Psalm 145:8-14

8 The LORD is gracious and full of compassion, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. LORD, you are good to all, and your compassion is over all your works. All your works shall praise you, O LORD, and your faithful ones shall bless you. They shall tell of the glory of your kingdom and speak of your power, that all people may know of your power and the glorious splendor of your kingdom. Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom; your dominion endures through-out all ages. You, LORD, are faithful in all your words, and loving in all your works. The Lord upholds all those who fall and lifts up those who are bowed down.

Second Reading: Romans 7:15-25 I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate. Now if I do what I do not want, I agree that the law is good. But in fact it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me. For I know that nothing good dwells within me, that is, in my flesh. I can will what is right, but I cannot do it. For I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do not want is what I do. Now if I do what I do not want, it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me. So I find it to be a law that when I want to do what is good, evil lies close at hand. For I delight in the law of God in my inmost self, but I see in my members another law at war with the law of my mind, making me captive to the law of sin that dwells in my members. Wretched man that I am! Who will rescue me from this body of death? Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord!

The Gospel Acclamation: “They That Wait Upon the Lord”

The Holy Gospel: Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30 “To what will I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the marketplaces and calling to one another, ‘We played the flute for you, and you did not dance; we wailed, and you did not mourn.’ For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, ‘He has a demon’; the Son of Man came eating and

drinking, and they say, ‘Look, a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!’ Yet wisdom is vindicated by her deeds.” At that time Jesus said, “I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the intelligent and have revealed them to infants; yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. All things have been handed over to me by my Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him. “Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.”

Homily

Hymn of the Day: “I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say”

Apostles’ Creed

Prayers of Intercession:

The Lord’s Prayer

Benediction

Sending Song: “Light Dawns on a Weary World” – ELW 726

Announcements:

PASTOR RON continues on a summer holiday until July 13. Remember Ron and family in your prayers, asking for refreshment and renewal so as to be ready for the next stage of Re-Opening Zion. While Pastor Ron is away, please call Rev. Michael Diegel, our Hospital Chaplain, for pastoral support. Pastor Michael can be reached at 306-229-1663 or chaplain@luminhos.org

Thanks to Terry’s diligence and Dean’s quick action, no damage resulted when the gymnasium sump pump malfunctioned late in June. Terry was away on a summer break last week. Thanks to the Trustees for doing the daily checks of our building while he was away with his family. Welcome back Terry! We hope the fishing was good!

Maybe Scandinavians who believe in gnomes have it right—someone or something has been sneaking into our locked building and reorganizing our storage rooms! Check out the Sunday School Supply Room and the Youth Room Storage Closet sometime! But you don’t have to sneak in—we know you have a key!

ETERNITY FOR TODAY – July/August/September devotionals are now available. Contact the office for a copy.

THE 7 CONGREGATION PARTNERSHIP the schedule for this week for the 7 congregations of the ELCIC and the upcoming Sundays is as follows:

July 12 Lect. 15 – TRINITY

July 19 Lect. 13 – Home Congregation

July 26 Lect. 14 – Home Congregation

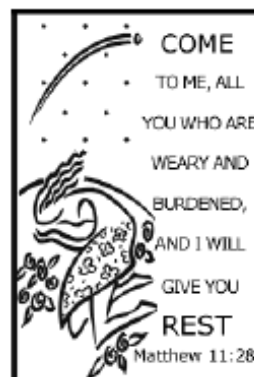
Check out saskatoonelcic.com where you can find all 7 church websites and resource links.

In Our Prayers: Derwin Hall, Andrea Nostbakken, Nandari Swamy, Martin, Weldeyesus family, Gene Grant, Mallory Jess Ken Finnestad, Wally Cubbon, Cecelia Jurgens, Dorothy Magnell, family of Rita Verma, Vibs Paulsen, Neil Taylor, Vi Stalwick Elaine Lindgren family, Joan Wacker, Robert Lamon, Dale Stalwick, Gloria Hamp, Shirley & her sister Lena & their family, Allan Grundahl, Adam

Rest for the Weary

"For my yoke is easy and my burden is light." Matthew 11:30 (NIV)

Based on Matthew 11:28-30 (NIV)



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“Like the Murmur of the Dove’s Song”

Like the murmur of the dove’s song,
like the challenge of her flight,
like the vigor of the wind’s rush,
like the new flame’s eager might:
Come, Holy Spirit, come.

To the members of Christ’s body,
to the branches of the vine,
to the church in faith assembled,
to our midst as gift and sign:
Come, Holy Spirit, come.

With the healing of division,
with the ceaseless voice of prayer,
with the power to love and witness,
with the peace beyond compare:
Come, Holy Spirit, come.

“They That Wait Upon the Lord”

Ho, reapers in the whitened harvest!
Oft feeble, faint and few;
Come, wait upon the blessed Master,
Our strength He will renew.

Refrain:

***For “they that wait upon the Lord
shall renew their strength,
they shall mount up with wings,
they shall mount up with wings as eagles,
They shall run and not be weary;
they shall walk and not faint;
They shall run and not be weary;
they shall walk and not faint;
They shall run and not be weary,
shall walk and not faint.”***

Too oft a weary and discouraged,
We pour a sad complaint;
Believing in a living Saviour,
Why should we ever faint? [Refrain]

Rejoice, for He is with us always,
Lo, even to the end!
Look up, take courage and go forward,
All needed grace He’ll send! [Refrain]

“I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say”

I heard the voice of Jesus say,
"Come unto me and rest;
lay down, O weary one, lay down
your head upon my breast."
I came to Jesus as I was,
weary and worn and sad;
I found in him a resting place,
and he has made me glad.

I heard the voice of Jesus say,
"Behold, I freely give
the living water; thirsty one,
stoop down and drink, and live."
I came to Jesus, and I drank
of that life-giving stream;
my thirst was quenched, my soul revived,
and now I live in him.

I heard the voice of Jesus say,
"I am this dark world's Light;
look unto me, your morn shall rise,
and all your days be bright."
I looked to Jesus and I found
in him my Star, my Sun;
and in that light of life I'll walk,
'til traveling days are done.

“Light Dawns on a Weary World”

Light dawns on a weary world
when eyes begin to see all people's dignity.
Light dawn on a weary world:
the promised day to justice comes.

Refrain:

***The trees shall clap their hands;
The dry lands, gush with spring;
The hills and mountains
shall break forth with singing!
We shall go out with joy,
And be led forth in peace,
As all the world in wonder echoes shalom.***

Love grows in a weary world
when hungry hearts find bread
and children's dreams are fed.
Love grows in a weary world;
The promised feast of plenty comes.

Hope blooms in a weary world
when creatures, once forlorn,
find wilderness reborn.
Hope booms in a weary world:
The promised green of Eden comes.