Announcements

WAYS TO GIVE AT ZION – there are many ways to give financially to Zion - along with your offering envelope with cheque or cash inside, we accept e-transfer (sent to zion.office@sasktel.net – it is set up for auto-deposit) and we can set up monthly withdrawals from your bank account. You can also donate to Zion through canadahelps.ca.

Summer Worship Schedule: Zion and Redeemer are participating in a joint summer ministry this year! Zion's services for July will be at Redeemer and back at Zion for August. These joint summer worship services will be held at 10 am for the months of July and August.

Thank you to Dr. Darren Dahl, our gospel preacher, and Rev Michael Diegel, our presider today. Dr. Dahl is Associate Professor of Philosophy at Briercrest College and Pastor Diegel is Chaplain at Regional Psychiatric Centre. Pastoral emergencies or support until June 26th can be reached through the office at 306-653-2442.

LuMinHoS Volunteer Recruitment - Looking for a flexible and impactful volunteer opportunity in the wider church? Do you have experience or a desire to lift up those who are not feeling well? Then, prayerfully consider becoming a lay visitor with LuMinHoS – Lutheran Ministry in Hospitals of Saskatoon! LuMinHoS needs volunteers to visit patients in Saskatoon hospitals and residents of Parkridge Center. Previous experience with hospital/care home visitation would be an asset. However, a willingness to learn the ministry of presence, and a desire to share the comfort of Christ with others, are the only prerequisites! For more information, please contact Pastor Richard Engel, Hospital Chaplain, at 306-229-1663 (call or text) or email at chaplain@luminhos.org



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OFFICE HOURS: Mon – Fri 9:00 am – 4:00 pm

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WELCOME VISITORS! If you would like more information about us, please fill out a communion card (found in the pew) and give it to an usher. Communing members of Zion are encouraged to fill out a communion card each time they commune. We invite all who are baptized in the Christian faith to commune. If you do not commune, we invite you to come forward to receive our Lord's Blessing from our Pastor. If you wish to receive communion in your pew, please notify your usher. Grape juice (in the middle of the tray) and red wine are available. Gluten free available on request.

Ushers will guide congregants to the front for communion. Please follow the directions of the ushers when proceeding to the front.

May Financial Update:

Offering

YTD Actual YTD Budget Difference \$160875 \$153,536 (\$7339) Line of Credit Balance as of May 1, 2023 - \$2588.35

In Our Prayers: Derwin, Andrea, Nandari, Weldeyesus family, Mallory, Cecelia, Betty, Aaron, Glenn, Borgny, Samhara & Saraq, Thor, Ivar, Don, Louise, Mary, Linda and Steven, Jennifer, Bereket and family, Alice, Paul, Glori, Kaye, Maxine, Ione, Keri, Ron & Doreen, Paul, Clara, Connie, Marilyn, Georgia, Fred, Lorna, Connie, Shirley, Walter, Georgia

GATHERING

Prelude

Welcome

Confession & Absolution – ELW pg. 94

Gathering Hymn: "Beautiful Savior" - ELW #838

Kyrie – ELW pg. 147

Prayer of the Day: (see front of bulletin)

WORD

First Lesson: Exodus 19:2-8a

Psalm 100

Second Lesson: Romans 5:1-8 Gospel Acclamation: ELW pg. 151 Gospel Lesson: Matthew 9:35-10:23

Homily

Hymn of the Day: "In Christ Called to Baptize"

- ELW #575 **Apostles' Creed**

Prayers of Intercession (P: Lord, in your mercy

C: Hear our prayer)

COMMUNION

The Peace

Offering: "We Give Thee but Thine Own"

- ELW #686

The Great Thanksgiving – ELW pg. 152

Holy Lord – ELW pg. 153

The Lord's Prayer

Lamb of God

Communion: "I Love to Tell the Story" - ELW #661

Communion Blessing

SENDING

Blessings & Announcements

Sending Song: "Great is Thy Faithfulness"

- ELW #733

Go in peace. Share the harvest.

"Thanks be to God!"

Postlude

Exodus 19:2-8a

They had journeyed from Rephidim, entered the wilderness of Sinai, and camped in the wilderness; Israel camped there in front of the mountain. Then Moses went up to God; the LORD called to him from the mountain, saying, 'Thus you shall say to the house of Jacob, and tell the Israelites: You have seen what I did to the Egyptians, and how I bore you on eagles' wings and brought you to myself. Now therefore, if you obey my voice and keep my covenant, you shall be my treasured possession out of all the peoples. Indeed, the whole earth is mine. but you shall be for me a priestly kingdom and a holy nation. These are the words that you shall speak to the Israelites.'

So Moses came, summoned the elders of the people, and set before them all these words that the LORD had commanded him. The people all answered as one: 'Everything that the LORD has spoken we will do.' Moses reported the words of the people to the LORD.

Romans 5:1-8

Therefore, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.

For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person someone might actually dare to die. But God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us.

Matthew 9:35-10:23

Then Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom, and curing every disease and every sickness. When he saw the crowds, he had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. Then he said to his disciples, 'The harvest is plentiful, but the labourers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out labourers into his harvest.'

Then Jesus summoned his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to cure every disease and every sickness. These are the names of the twelve apostles: first, Simon, also known as Peter, and his brother Andrew; James son of Zebedee, and his brother John; Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax-collector; James son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; Simon the Cananaean, and Judas Iscariot, the one who betrayed him. These twelve Jesus sent out with the following instructions: 'Go nowhere among the Gentiles, and enter no town of the Samaritans, but go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. As you go, proclaim the good news, "The kingdom of heaven has come near." Cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse the lepers, cast out demons. You received without payment; give without payment. Take no gold, or silver, or copper in your belts, no bag for your journey, or two tunics, or sandals, or a staff; for labourers deserve their food. Whatever town or village you enter, find out who in it is worthy, and stay there until you leave. As you enter the house, greet it. If the house is worthy, let your peace come upon it; but if it is not worthy, let your peace return to you. If anyone will not welcome you or listen to your words, shake off the dust from your feet as you leave that house or town. Truly I tell you, it will be more tolerable for the land of Sodom and Gomorrah on the day of judgement than for that town.

'See, I am sending you out like sheep into the midst of wolves; so be wise as serpents and innocent as doves. Beware of them, for they will hand you over to councils and flog you in their synagogues; and you will be dragged before governors and kings because of me, as a testimony to them and the Gentiles. When they hand you over, do not worry about how you are to speak or what you are to say; for what you are to say will be given to you at that time; for it is not you who speak, but the Spirit of your Father speaking through you. Brother will betray brother to death, and a father his child, and children will rise against parents and have them put to death; and you will be hated by all because of my name. But the one who endures to the end will be saved. When they persecute you in one town, flee to the next; for truly I tell you, you will not have gone through all the towns of Israel before the Son of Man comes.

Third Sunday after Pentecost June 18, 2023 10:30 am Evangelical Lutheran Worship

Prayer of the Day: God of compassion, you have opened the way for us and brought us to yourself. Pour out your love into our hearts, that, overflowing with joy, we may freely share the blessings of your realm and faithfully proclaim the good news of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.



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