

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 also set up monthly withdrawals from your bank account. You can also donate to Zion through canadahelps.ca.

Has your birthday been missing from the Birthday Sunday list? Have you moved recently? Has your primary phone number changed? Some of the records in the office are missing or out of date. Please contact Kaylyn in the office with any possible updates to your personal files.

We have started organizing the Sunday School storage room and have found some items the Sunday School no longer needs. There are various music books and a few pictures on a table in the narthex. Please help yourself if you see anything you would like. We may add to it in the future. Thanks.

Augustana Lutheran Church invites you to a Jazz Service on Sunday, June 30 at 10:30 a.m. at 1201 Broadway Avenue South.

The *Hosanna* Jazz Liturgy composed by Pastors David Hunter and Dennis Hendricksen is a summer tradition at Augustana.

This year features musicians Glenn Ens (drums), Barrie Redford (trumpet), Kim Salkeld (piano) and Bruce Wilkinson (bass).

There is no admission charge, but you are welcome to contribute to a free-will offering at the door.

ELCIC Churches Summer Schedule:

Zion & Redeemer –
July at Zion at 10 am
August at Redeemer at 10 am

Trinity, Resurrection and King of Glory (Vine and Branches) –
July 7 & 14 at Trinity at 10:30 am
July 21 & 28 at King of Glory at 10:30 am
August 4, 11 & 18 at Resurrection at 10:00 am
August 25 at Trinity at 10:30 am

Augustana at 10:30 am

Good Shepherd at 10:30 am

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OFFICE HOURS: Mon – Fri 9:00 am – 3:00 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. **Members of Zion are encouraged to fill out a communion card each time they commune. All who are baptized in the Christian faith are invited 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 communion wafers available on request.

Please follow the directions of the ushers when proceeding to the altar.

Today is Birthday Sunday! If you celebrate a birthday in June, stay for coffee so we can celebrate with you!

In Our Prayers: Derwin, Andrea, Nandari, Weldeyesus family, Mallory, Aaron, Samhara & Saraq, Thor, Ivar, Don, Louise, Mary, Linda & Steven, Jennifer, Bereket & family, Alice, Gloria, Kaye, Maxine, Ron & Doreen, Clara, Connie, Marilyn, Fred, Lorna, Walter, Betsy, Anne, Maureen, Illa & Gordon, Susan, Lara, Luana, Terry & Marie and her family, Al, Deanna & her family



Order of Service

GATHERING

Prelude

Welcome

Confession & Absolution – ELW pg. 94

Gathering Hymn: “Almighty God, Your Word is Cast”
– **ELW #516**

Kyrie – ELW pg. 138

Hymn of Praise – ELW pg. 140

Prayer of the Day: (see front of bulletin)

WORD

First Lesson: Ezekiel 17:22-24

Psalm 92:1-4, 12-15

Second Lesson: 2 Corinthians 5:6-10, 14-17

Gospel Acclamation – ELW pg. 142

Gospel Lesson: Mark 4:26-34

Sermon

Hymn of the Day: “As Rain from the Clouds”
– **ELW #508**

Apostles’ Creed

Prayers of Intercession (P: God of grace
C: receive our prayer)

COMMUNION

The Peace

Offering: “For the Fruit of All Creation” – **ELW #679**

The Great Thanksgiving – ELW pg. 144

Holy Lord – ELW pg. 144

The Lord’s Prayer

Lamb of God – ELW pg. 146

Communion: “Accept, O Lord, the Gifts we Bring”
– **ELW #691; “Rain Down”**

Communion Blessing

SENDING

Benediction

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Sending Song: “The Spirit Sends us Forth to Serve”
– **ELW #551**

Go in peace. You are the body of Christ
“Thanks be to God!”

Postlude

Ezekiel 17:22-24

Thus says the Lord God:
I myself will take a sprig
from the lofty top of a
cedar;

I will set it out.
I will break off a tender one
from the topmost of its
young twigs;
I myself will plant it
on a high and lofty
mountain.

On the mountain height of
Israel

I will plant it,
in order that it may produce
boughs and bear fruit,
and become a noble
cedar.

Under it every kind of bird
will live;
in the shade of its
branches will nest
winged creatures of every
kind.

All the trees of the field
shall know

that I am the LORD.
I bring low the high tree,
I make high the low tree;
I dry up the green tree
and make the dry tree
flourish.
I the LORD have spoken;
I will accomplish it.

2 Corinthians 5:6-10, 14-17

So we are always confident; even though we know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord— for we walk by faith, not by sight. Yes, we do have confidence, and we would rather be away from the body and at home with the Lord. So whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to please him. For all of us must appear before the judgement seat of Christ, so that each may receive recompense for what has been done in the body, whether good or evil. For the love of Christ urges us on, because we are convinced that one has died for all; therefore all have died. And he died for all, so that those who live might live no longer for themselves, but for him who died and was raised for them.

From now on, therefore, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way. So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new!

Mark 4:26-34

He also said, ‘The kingdom of God is as if someone would scatter seed on the ground, and would sleep and rise night and day, and the seed would sprout and grow, he does not know how. The earth produces of itself, first the stalk, then the head, then the full grain in the head. But when the grain is ripe, at once he goes in with his sickle, because the harvest has come.’

He also said, ‘With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable will we use for it? It is like a mustard seed, which, when sown upon the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes the greatest of all shrubs, and puts forth large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade.’

With many such parables he spoke the word to them, as they were able to hear it; he did not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything in private to his disciples.

Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

June 16, 2024

10:30 am

Evangelical Lutheran Worship

Prayer of the Day:

O God, you are the tree of life,
offering shelter to all the world.

Graft us into yourself and nurture our growth,
that we may bear your truth and love to those in need,
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.



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