

Announcements

WAYS TO GIVE AT ZION: Along with your offering envelope with cheque or cash inside, we accept e-transfers to zion.office@sasktel.net. (Please fill out the ‘message’ field so we know where your donation should go. Thank you!) We can also set up monthly withdrawals from your bank account or you can donate to Zion through canadahelps.ca. There are Redeemer offering envelopes on one of the little tables at the back of the sanctuary.

EMERGENCY FOOD BINS: Please donate when you can. (Sometimes there is also a need for “feminine hygiene products”.)

LUMINHOS WALKATHON: Saturday, Sept 20, 10 am. Meet at Zion. Pledge sheets are available on a table in the narthex and online at luminhos.org. (Select ‘upcoming events’ in the top menu bar.)

INFORMATION FROM LUMINHOS: Saskatoon hospital authorities have changed their practice of recording patient religious preferences. Unless a patient declares their religious preference as Lutheran when admitted to hospital, our Hospital Chaplain, Pastor Richard Engel, will not know. Lutheran patients must clearly ask for the Lutheran Chaplain to visit them. Or, families may let Pastor Engel know. You can inform him by phone/text at 306-229 1663 or email chaplain@luminhos.org.

LUTHERAN CAMPUS MINISTRY FUNDRAISER SUPPER: Saturday, September 27, with reception at 5 pm & supper at 6 pm at Smiley’s Buffet in Saskatoon. Keep an eye out for tickets to be made available at Summer’s end.

PASTOR REBECCA GRAHAM will be available Monday - Thursday this week. This will be Pastor Rebecca’s last week with us, though she will preside at the service next Sunday at Redeemer. Thank you, Pastor Rebecca!

AUGUST SERVICES: In August, we will worship at Redeemer Lutheran Church, 812 Preston Ave. S. The service is at 10:00 am. We’ll return to Zion (and 10:30 services) on Sept. 7. Zion offering envelopes will be available at Redeemer on the table by the entrance and by the offering plate upstairs.

WELCOME TO ZION! If you would like more information about us, please fill in the communion card and give it to an usher. All baptized Christians are welcome to commune. If you do not commune, please come forward to receive the Lord’s Blessing. If you receive communion in your pew, notify the usher. Grape juice is available in the middle of the tray. Gluten free wafers are available on request. Ushers will direct you to the altar.

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OFFICE HOURS: Mon – Fri, 9:00 am – 3:00 pm

IN OUR PRAYERS

ZION: Derwin; Andrea; Nandari; Mallory; Don; Louise; Mary; Linda & Steven; Jennifer; Gloria; Kaye; Doreen; Clara; Connie; Marilyn; Fred; Lorna; Walter; Betsy; Anne; Maureen; Susan; Ron; Lara, for justice; Carolyn; Alice; Neal; Helen; WWK as they seek funding; Jeff and Joanne and their families as they grieve for Joe; Ron; Brenda; Mary; Marie; Phyllis.

REDEEMER: Anna; Gordon; Laura; Joan O.; Joan W.; Joahn H.; Olaf; Shirley; Erika; Virginia; Eric; Myrna; Mike; Larissa; Eric, Kendall; Donald; Ken; Gaby; Crystal; Anthony; Ursula; Wendy; Kinasao staff and campers.

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THE CHILDREN’S CORNER is a space inside the worship area stocked with art supplies. You are welcome to move between the pews and this space. Share your creativity with everyone by posting to the bulletin board, take it home to cherish, or leave it to finish next Sunday!

EVERYONE IS WELCOME TO THE POTLUCK LUNCH THAT WILL FOLLOW THE SERVICE TODAY.

Order of Service

GATHERING

Prelude

Welcome

Confession and Absolution (see screen)

Gathering Hymn: “Great Is Thy Faithfulness”

– ELW #733

Prayer of the Day: (see front of bulletin)

WORD

First Lesson: Genesis 18:20-32

Psalm 138

Second Lesson: Colossians 2:6-19

Gospel Lesson: Luke 11:1-13

Sermon

Hymn of the Day: “Forgive Our Sins As We Forgive”

– ELW #605

Apostles’ Creed – ELW, p.105

Prayers of Intercession (P: God of grace,

C: hear our prayer.)

COMMUNION

The Peace

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

The Great Thanksgiving – ELW p.144

Holy Lord – ELW p.144

The Lord’s Prayer

Lamb of God – ELW p.146

Communion: “What a Friend We Have in Jesus”

– ELW #742; “Children of the Heavenly Father”

– ELW #781

Communion Prayer

SENDING

Benediction

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Sending Song: “On Our Way Rejoicing” – ELW #537

Go in peace. Live by the Spirit. **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

Genesis 18:20-32

Then the Lord said, “The outcry against Sodom and Gomorrah is so great and their sin so grievous that I will go down and see if what they have done is as bad as the outcry that has reached me. If not, I will know.”

The men turned away and went toward Sodom, but Abraham remained standing before the Lord. Then Abraham approached him and said: “Will you sweep away the righteous with the wicked? What if there are fifty righteous people in the city? Will you really sweep it away and not spare the place for the sake of the fifty righteous people in it? Far be it from you to do such a thing—to kill the righteous with the wicked, treating the righteous and the wicked alike. Far be it from you! Will not the Judge of all the earth do right?” The Lord said, “If I find fifty righteous people in the city of Sodom, I will spare the whole place for their sake.” Then Abraham spoke up again: “Now that I have been so bold as to speak to the Lord, though I am nothing but dust and ashes, what if the number of the righteous is five less than fifty? Will you destroy the whole city for lack of five people?” “If I find forty-five there,” he said, “I will not destroy it.” Once again he spoke to him, “What if only forty are found there?” He said, “For the sake of forty, I will not do it.” Then he said, “May the Lord not be angry, but let me speak. What if only thirty can be found there?” He answered, “I will not do it if I find thirty there.” Abraham said, “Now that I have been so bold as to speak to the Lord, what if only twenty can be found there?” He said, “For the sake of twenty, I will not destroy it.” Then he said, “May the Lord not be angry, but let me speak just once more. What if only ten can be found there?” He answered, “For the sake of ten, I will not destroy it.”

Colossians 2:6-15

So then, just as you received Christ Jesus as Lord, continue to live your lives in him, rooted and built up in him, strengthened in the faith as you were taught, and overflowing with thankfulness. See to it that no one takes you captive through hollow and deceptive philosophy, which depends on human tradition and the elemental spiritual forces of this world rather than on Christ. For in Christ all the fullness of the Deity lives in bodily form, and in Christ you have been brought to fullness. He is the head over every power and authority. In him you were also circumcised with a circumcision not performed by human hands. Your whole self ruled by the flesh was put off when you were circumcised by Christ, having been buried

with him in baptism, in which you were also raised with him through your faith in the working of God, who raised him from the dead. When you were dead in your sins and in the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made you alive with Christ. He forgave us all our sins, having canceled the charge of our legal indebtedness, which stood against us and condemned us; he has taken it away, nailing it to the cross. And having disarmed the powers and authorities, he made a public spectacle of them, triumphing over them by the cross.

Luke 11:1-13

One day Jesus was praying in a certain place. When he finished, one of his disciples said to him, “Lord, teach us to pray, just as John taught his disciples.” He said to them, “When you pray, say: ‘Father, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come. Give us each day our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, for we also forgive everyone who sins against us. And lead us not into temptation.’”

Then Jesus said to them, “Suppose you have a friend, and you go to him at midnight and say, ‘Friend, lend me three loaves of bread; a friend of mine on a journey has come to me, and I have no food to offer him.’ And suppose the one inside answers, ‘Don’t bother me. The door is already locked, and my children and I are in bed. I can’t get up and give you anything.’ I tell you, even though he will not get up and give you the bread because of friendship, yet because of your shameless audacity he will surely get up and give you as much as you need.

So I say to you: Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. For everyone who asks receives; the one who seeks finds; and to the one who knocks, the door will be opened. Which of you fathers, if your son asks for a fish, will give him a snake instead? Or if he asks for an egg, will give him a scorpion? If you then, though you are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father in heaven give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!”

Seventh Sunday after Pentecost
July 27, 2025
10:00 am
Evangelical Lutheran Worship

Prayer of the Day:
Almighty and ever-living God, you are always more ready to hear than we are to pray, and you gladly give more than we either desire or deserve. Pour upon us your abundant mercy. Forgive us those things that weigh on our conscience, and give us those good things that come only through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Lord.



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