

# Divine Service



Fifth Sunday After  
Pentecost

June 27, 2021

Zion Lutheran Church  
Kearney, Nebraska

## Welcome to Zion!

*All worshippers please fill out an attendance card in the pew rack and let us know how we might be of service to you.*

### Holy Communion at Zion

The Lord's Supper is celebrated at this congregation as Jesus has given it. As he says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but his very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with him and with one another. Our Lord invites to his table those who trust his words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as he forgives and loves us, that they may show forth his death until he comes. *All communicants* need to register in the narthex prior to the service.

Because those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood unworthily do great harm and because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, in doubt, or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, are asked not to commune until they are able to speak with our pastor first. He is happy to visit with you about the Christian faith and how to receive the Lord's Supper for your good and for the good of others. Those not communing are invited to come to the altar, cross your arms in front of you, and bow your head to receive a pastoral blessing.

### *The Lord Jesus Is Faithful, and in Mercy He Raises You Up from Death to Life*

The Lord is faithful. His steadfast love never ceases, and *"his mercies never come to an end"* (Lam. 3:22–23). To keep us in repentance and to make our faith grow, He causes grief for a while, but He does not cast off forever; in due time, *"he will have compassion"* (Lam. 3:31–33). Therefore, *"hope in him,"* and *"wait quietly for the salvation of the LORD,"* for *"the LORD is good to those who wait for him"* (Lam. 3:24–26). That is what the woman did who had *"a discharge of blood,"* and also the ruler whose daughter was *"at the point of death."* Each waited on the mercy of the Lord Jesus, and each received His saving help (Mark 5:21–28). The woman had suffered much for 12 years, and the ruler's daughter had already died before Jesus arrived. Yet at the right time, the woman was immediately *"healed of her disease,"* and the little girl *"got up and began walking"* (Mark 5:29, 42). Such is *"the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,"* who humbled Himself unto the extreme poverty of death *"so that you by his poverty might become rich,"* even unto life everlasting (2 Cor. 8:9)...

# 571 God Loved the World So That He Gave



1 God loved the world so that He gave His on - ly  
 2 Christ Je - sus is the ground of faith, Who was made  
 3 God would not have the sin - ner die; His Son with  
 4 Be of good cheer, for God's own Son For - gives all



Son the lost to save, That all who would in  
 flesh and suf - fered death; All then who trust in  
 sav - ing grace is nigh; His Spir - it in the  
 sins which you have done; And, jus - ti - fied by



Him be - lieve Should ev - er - last - ing life re - ceive.  
 Him a - lone Are built on this chief cor - ner - stone.  
 Word de - clares How we in Christ are heav - en's heirs.  
 Je - sus' blood, Your Bap - tism grants the high - est good.

5 If you are sick, if death is near,  
 This truth your troubled heart can cheer:  
 Christ Jesus saves your soul from death;  
 That is the firmest ground of faith.

△ 6 Glory to God the Father, Son,  
 And Holy Spirit, Three in One!  
 To You, O blessèd Trinity,  
 Be praise now and eternally!

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# Confession and Absolution

*Stand*

*The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.*

## Invocation

**P** In the name of the Father and of the  $\nabla$  Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

## Exhortation

*LSB 184*

**P** Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

**P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,

**C** **who made heaven and earth.**

**P** I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

**C** **and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

*Kneel/Stand*

*Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.*

## Confession of Sins

*LSB 184*

**P** O almighty God, merciful Father,

**C** **I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.**

## Absolution

*LSB 185*

**P** Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the  $\nabla$  Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

*Stand*

# Service of the Word

## Introit


I lift up my eyes | to the hills.\*  
From where does my | help come?  
My help comes | from the LORD,\*  
who made | heaven and earth.  
The LORD is your | keeper;\*  
the LORD is your shade on your | right hand.  
The sun shall not strike | you by day,\*  
nor the | moon by night.  
The LORD will keep you from all | evil;\*  
he will | keep your life.  
The LORD will keep your going out and your | coming in\*  
from this time forth and for- | evermore.

## Gloria Patri

LSB 186



**G** Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther and to the Son and to the Ho - ly Ghost;



as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and ev - er shall be, world with - out end. A - men.

## Kyrie

LSB 186



**G** Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -



on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

# Gloria in Excelsis

LSB 187

Glory be to God on high: and on earth peace, good - will toward  
men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we wor - ship Thee,  
we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.  
O Lord God, heav'n-ly King, God the Fa - ther Al - mighty.  
O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je - sus Christ;  
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,  
that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy up-on us.  
Thou that takest away the sin of the world, re-ceive our prayer.  
Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy up -  
on us. For Thou only art holy; Thou on - ly art the Lord.  
Thou only, O Christ, with the Ho - ly Ghost,  
art most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

## Salutation and Collect of the Day

**P** The Lord be with you.



**C** And with thy spir - it.

**P** Let us pray.

Heavenly Father, during His earthly ministry Your Son Jesus healed the sick and raised the dead. By the healing medicine of the Word and Sacraments pour into our hearts such love toward You that we may live eternally; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



**C** A - men.

*Sit*

## Old Testament Reading

*Lamentations 3:22–33*

- <sup>22</sup>The steadfast love of the LORD never ceases;  
his mercies never come to an end;  
<sup>23</sup>they are new every morning;  
great is your faithfulness.  
<sup>24</sup>“The LORD is my portion,” says my soul,  
“therefore I will hope in him.”  
<sup>25</sup>The LORD is good to those who wait for him,  
to the soul who seeks him.  
<sup>26</sup>It is good that one should wait quietly  
for the salvation of the LORD.  
<sup>27</sup>It is good for a man that he bear  
the yoke in his youth.  
<sup>28</sup>Let him sit alone in silence  
when it is laid on him;  
<sup>29</sup>let him put his mouth in the dust—  
there may yet be hope;  
<sup>30</sup>let him give his cheek to the one who strikes,  
and let him be filled with insults.  
<sup>31</sup>For the Lord will not  
cast off forever,  
<sup>32</sup>but, though he cause grief, he will have compassion  
according to the abundance of his steadfast love;  
<sup>33</sup>for he does not willingly afflict  
or grieve the children of men.

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**G** Thanks be to God.

## Gradual

*Romans 11:33, 36*

Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowl- | edge of God!\*

How unsearchable are his judgments and how inscrutable | his ways!

For from him and through him and to him are | all things.\*

To him be glory forever. | Amen.

## Epistle

*2 Corinthians 8:1–9, 13–15*

### Encouragement to Give Generously

<sup>1</sup>We want you to know, brothers, about the grace of God that has been given among the churches of Macedonia, <sup>2</sup>for in a severe test of affliction, their abundance of joy and their extreme poverty have overflowed in a wealth of generosity on their part. <sup>3</sup>For they gave according to their means, as I can testify, and beyond their means, of their own free will, <sup>4</sup>begging us earnestly for the favor of taking part in the relief of the saints— <sup>5</sup>and this, not as we expected, but they gave themselves first to the Lord and then by the will of God to us. <sup>6</sup>Accordingly, we urged Titus that as he had started, so he should complete among you this act of grace. <sup>7</sup>But as you excel in everything—in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in all earnestness, and in our love for you—see that you excel in this act of grace also.

<sup>8</sup>I say this not as a command, but to prove by the earnestness of others that your love also is genuine. <sup>9</sup>For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sake he became poor, so that you by his poverty might become rich. . . .

<sup>13</sup>I do not mean that others should be eased and you burdened, but that as a matter of fairness <sup>14</sup>your abundance at the present time should supply their need, so that their abundance may supply your need, that there may be fairness. <sup>15</sup>As it is written, “Whoever gathered much had nothing left over, and whoever gathered little had no lack.”

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**G** Thanks be to God.

*Stand*

## Alleluia

*LSB 190*



**G** Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia.



**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the fifth chapter.

**G** Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

### **Jesus Heals a Woman and Jairus's Daughter**

<sup>21</sup>When Jesus had crossed again in the boat to the other side, a great crowd gathered about him, and he was beside the sea. <sup>22</sup>Then came one of the rulers of the synagogue, Jairus by name, and seeing him, he fell at his feet <sup>23</sup>and implored him earnestly, saying, "My little daughter is at the point of death. Come and lay your hands on her, so that she may be made well and live." <sup>24</sup>And he went with him.

And a great crowd followed him and thronged about him. <sup>25</sup>And there was a woman who had had a discharge of blood for twelve years, <sup>26</sup>and who had suffered much under many physicians, and had spent all that she had, and was no better but rather grew worse. <sup>27</sup>She had heard the reports about Jesus and came up behind him in the crowd and touched his garment. <sup>28</sup>For she said, "If I touch even his garments, I will be made well." <sup>29</sup>And immediately the flow of blood dried up, and she felt in her body that she was healed of her disease. <sup>30</sup>And Jesus, perceiving in himself that power had gone out from him, immediately turned about in the crowd and said, "Who touched my garments?" <sup>31</sup>And his disciples said to him, "You see the crowd pressing around you, and yet you say, 'Who touched me?'" <sup>32</sup>And he looked around to see who had done it. <sup>33</sup>But the woman, knowing what had happened to her, came in fear and trembling and fell down before him and told him the whole truth. <sup>34</sup>And he said to her, "Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace, and be healed of your disease."

<sup>35</sup>While he was still speaking, there came from the ruler's house some who said, "Your daughter is dead. Why trouble the Teacher any further?" <sup>36</sup>But overhearing what they said, Jesus said to the ruler of the synagogue, "Do not fear, only believe." <sup>37</sup>And he allowed no one to follow him except Peter and James and John the brother of James. <sup>38</sup>They came to the house of the ruler of the synagogue, and Jesus saw a commotion, people weeping and wailing loudly. <sup>39</sup>And when he had entered, he said to them, "Why are you making a commotion and weeping? The child is not dead but sleeping." <sup>40</sup>And they laughed at him. But he put them all outside and took the child's father and mother and those who were with him and went in where the child was. <sup>41</sup>Taking her by the hand he said to her, "Talitha cumi," which means, "Little girl, I say to you, arise." <sup>42</sup>And immediately the girl got up and began walking (for she was twelve years of age), and they were immediately overcome with amazement. <sup>43</sup>And he strictly charged them that no one should know this, and told them to give her something to eat.

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**G** Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

## Nicene Creed

***C*** I believe in one God,  
the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth  
and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ,  
the only-begotten Son of God,  
begotten of His Father before all worlds,  
God of God, Light of Light,  
very God of very God,  
begotten, not made,  
being of one substance with the Father,  
by whom all things were made;  
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven  
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary  
and was made man;  
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.  
He suffered and was buried.  
And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures  
and ascended into heaven  
and sits at the right hand of the Father.  
And He will come again with glory to judge both the living  
and the dead,  
whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the Lord and giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and  
glorified,  
who spoke by the prophets.  
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,  
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,  
and I look for the resurrection of the dead  
and the life *✠* of the world to come. Amen.

## 755 In the Very Midst of Life



1 In the ver - y midst of life    Snares of death sur - round us;  
 2 In the midst of death's dark vale    Pow'rs of hell o'er - take us.  
 3 In the midst of ut - ter woe    When our sins op - press us,



Who shall help us in the strife    Lest the foe con - found us?  
 Who will help when they as - sail,    Who se - cure will make us?  
 Where shall we for ref - uge go,    Where for grace to bless us?



Thou on - ly, Lord, Thou on - ly!    We mourn that we have great - ly  
 Thou on - ly, Lord, Thou on - ly!    Thy heart is moved with ten - der -  
 To Thee, Lord Je - sus, on - ly!    Thy pre - cious blood was shed to



erred, That our sins Thy wrath have stirred.    Ho - ly and righ - teous God!  
 ness, Pit - ies us in our dis - tress.    Ho - ly and righ - teous God!  
 win Full a - tone - ment for our sin.    Ho - ly and righ - teous God!



Ho - ly and might - y God!    Ho - ly and all - mer - ci - ful  
 Ho - ly and might - y God!    Ho - ly and all - mer - ci - ful  
 Ho - ly and might - y God!    Ho - ly and all - mer - ci - ful



Sav - ior!    E - ter - nal Lord God!    Save us lest we per - ish  
 Sav - ior!    E - ter - nal Lord God!    Save us from the ter - ror  
 Sav - ior!    E - ter - nal Lord God!    Lord, pre - serve and keep us



In the bit - ter pangs of death.    Have mer - cy, O Lord!  
 Of the fi - ery pit of hell.    Have mer - cy, O Lord!  
 In the peace that faith can give.    Have mer - cy, O Lord!

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## Sermon

Stand

## Offertory

LSB 192

**C** Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -  
new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -  
way from Thy pres-ence, and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it  
from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va -  
tion, and up - hold me with Thy free spir-it. A - men.

## Prayer of the Church

## Service of the Sacrament

### Preface

LSB 194

**P** The Lord be with you.  
**C** And with thy spir - it.  
**P** Lift up your hearts.  
**C** We lift them up un - to the Lord.



**P** Let us give thanks un - to the Lord, our God.



**C** It is meet and right so to do.

## Proper Preface

**P** It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who, out of love for His fallen creation, humbled Himself by taking on the form of a servant, becoming obedient unto death, even death upon a cross. Risen from the dead, He has freed us from eternal death and given us life everlasting. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

## Sanctus

*LSB 195*



**C** Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth;



heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na,



ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless-ed is He,



bles - ed is He, bles - ed is He that com - eth in the name of the Lord.



Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

## Lord's Prayer

LSB 196

**G** 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.

## The Words of Our Lord

LSB 197

**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  $\nabla$  body, which is given for you. This do in  
remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after 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  $\nabla$  blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness  
of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

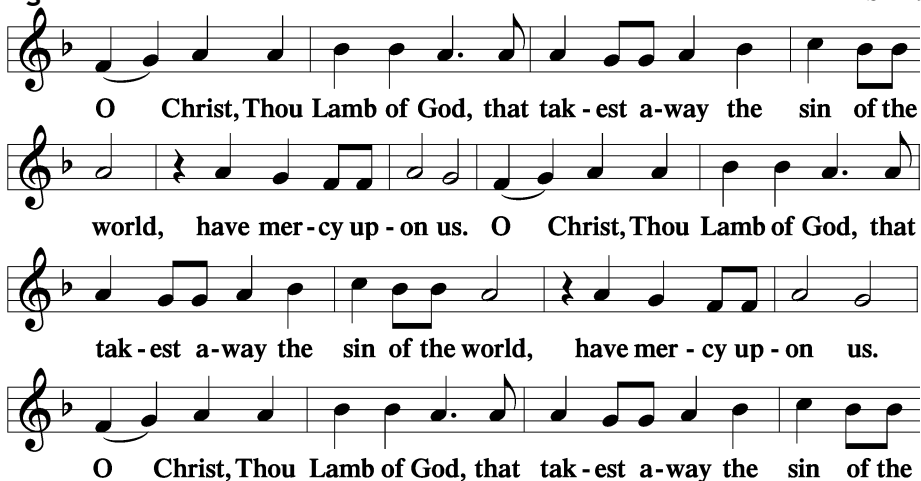
## Pax Domini

LSB 197

**P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.  
**G** Amen.

## Agnus Dei

LSB 198



O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the  
world, have mer - cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that  
tak - est a-way the sin of the world, have mer - cy up - on us.  
O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the



*Sit*

## 618 I Come, O Savior, to Thy Table



2 Thy heart is filled with fer - vent yearn - ing That sin - ners  
3 Un - wor - thy though I am, O Sav - ior, Be - cause I  
4 Wea - ry am I and heav - y lad - en; With sin my  
5 What high - er gift can we in - her - it? It is faith's



may sal - va - tion see Who, Lord, to Thee in  
have a sin - ful heart, Yet Thou Thy lamb wilt  
soul is sore op - pressed; Re - ceive me gra - cious -  
bond and sol - id base; It is the strength of



faith are turn - ing; So I, a sin - ner, come to Thee.  
ban - ish nev - er, For Thou my faith - ful shep - herd art:  
ly and glad - den My heart, for I am now Thy guest.  
heart and spir - it, The cov - e - nant of hope and grace.

*Refrain*



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# 461 I Know That My Redeemer Lives

sts. 1-3, 5, 7-8



1 I know that my Re - deem - er lives; What com - fort  
 2 He lives tri - um - phant from the grave; He lives e -  
 3 He lives to bless me with His love; He lives to  
 5 He lives to si - lence all my fears; He lives to



this sweet sen - tence gives! He lives, He lives, who  
 ter - nal - ly to save; He lives all - glo - rious  
 plead for me a - bove; He lives my hun - gry  
 wipe a - way my tears; He lives to calm my



once was dead; He lives, my ev - er - liv - ing head.  
 in the sky; He lives ex - alt - ed there on high.  
 soul to feed; He lives to help in time of need.  
 trou - bled heart; He lives all bless - ings to im - part.

7 He lives and grants me daily breath;  
 He lives, and I shall conquer death;  
 He lives my mansion to prepare;  
 He lives to bring me safely there.

8 He lives, all glory to His name!  
 He lives, my Jesus, still the same;  
 Oh, the sweet joy this sentence gives:  
 I know that my Redeemer lives!

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# 750 If Thou But Trust in God to Guide Thee

sts. 1, 3, 5, 7



1 If thou but trust in God to guide thee And hope in  
3 Be pa - tient and a - wait His lei - sure In cheer-ful  
5 Nor think a - mid the fi - ery tri - al That God hath  
7 Sing, pray, and keep His ways un - swerv-ing, Per - form thy



Him through all thy ways, He'll give thee strength, what-e'er be -  
hope, with heart con - tent To take what - e'er thy Fa - ther's  
cast thee off un - heard, That he whose hopes meet no de -  
du - ties faith - ful - ly, And trust His Word; though un - de -



tide thee, And bear thee through the e - vil days. Who trusts in  
plea - sure And His dis - cern - ing love hath sent, Nor doubt our  
ni - al Must sure - ly be of God pre - ferred. Time pass - es  
serv - ing, Thou yet shalt find it true for thee. God nev - er



God's un - chang - ing love Builds on the rock that naught can move.  
in - most wants are known To Him who chose us for His own.  
and much change doth bring And sets a bound to ev - 'ry - thing.  
yet for - sook in need The soul that trust - ed Him in - deed.

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*In dismissing the communicants, the following is said:*

## The Dismissal

LSB 199

**P** The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart ✠ in peace.

**G** Amen.

*Stand*

# Nunc Dimittis

LSB 199

Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de - part in peace ac -

cord - ing to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation,

which Thou hast pre - pared be - fore the face of all people,

a light to light - en the Gen - tiles and the glo - ry of Thy

peo - ple Is - ra - el. Glo - ry be to the Father and

to the Son and to the Ho - ly Ghost; as it was in the beginning,

is now, and ev - er shall be, world with - out end. A - men.

# Thanksgiving

LSB 200

O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,

and His mercy endureth for - ev - er.

## Post-Communion Collect

**A** Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**G** Amen.

## Salutation

*LSB 201*



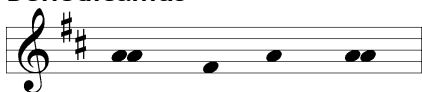
**P** The Lord be with you.



**G** And with thy spir - it.

## Benedicamus

*LSB 202*



**A** Bless we the Lord.



**G** Thanks be to God.

## Benediction

*LSB 202*

**P** The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.

The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and ✠ give you peace.

**G** Amen, amen, amen.

## 849 Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness



1 Praise the One who breaks the dark - ness With a lib - er -  
 2 Praise the One who blessed the chil - dren With a strong, yet  
 3 Let us praise the Word In - car - nate, Christ, who suf - fered



at - ing light; Praise the One who frees the pris - 'ners,  
 gen - tle, word; Praise the One who drove out de - mons  
 in our place. Je - sus died and rose vic - to - rious



Turn - ing blind - ness in - to sight. Praise the One who preached the  
 With the pierc - ing, two-edged sword. Praise the One who brings cool  
 That we may know God by grace. Let us sing for joy and



Gos - pel, Heal - ing ev - 'ry dread dis - ease, Calm - ing  
 wa - ter, To the des - ert's burn - ing sand; From this  
 glad - ness, See - ing what our God has done; Let us



storms, and feed - ing thou - sands With the ver - y Bread of peace.  
 Well comes liv - ing wa - ter, Quench - ing thirst in ev - 'ry land.  
 praise the true Re - deem - er, Praise the One who makes us one.

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## Prayers for Our Members

Monique Pohlman	Expectant Mother
Norman Abels ( <i>Brookestone Meadows - Elkhorn</i> )	Healing
Judy Ahrens	Healing
Vaughn Albrecht ( <i>Mount Carmel</i> )	Healing
Tom & DyAnn Altwine	Healing
Lyle Colsden ( <i>Mother Hull</i> )	Healing
Pat Flodine ( <i>Cambridge Court</i> )	Healing
Vi Fox ( <i>Prairie View</i> )	Healing
Verleen Gentry	Healing
Ruby Hatfield	Healing
Boyd Millsap	Healing
Michelle Millsap	Healing
Roger Riekenberg	Healing
Don Richmond	Healing
Marion Richmond	Healing
Ivan Bombeck	Cancer
Fran Junge	Cancer
Bertha Marienau	Cancer
Bev Nuttelman	Cancer
Kim Vos	Cancer

### ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH AND SCHOOL

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## Prayers for Our Members' Family & Friends

Nicole Teten ( <i>Chris &amp; Sarah Hoehner's daughter</i> )	Expecting
Naomi Wollberg ( <i>Andy &amp; Jeanne Wollberg's daughter-in-law</i> )	Expecting
Reg Duke ( <i>Westman's brother-in-law</i> )	Healing
James Gentry ( <i>Verleen Gentry's son</i> )	Healing
Roger Hoffman ( <i>Marc's father</i> )	Healing
Sharon Kreutzer ( <i>Richard's mother</i> )	Healing
Lyra Mais ( <i>Zion student</i> )	Healing
Bailey Markowski ( <i>Steve &amp; Fran Junge's great niece</i> )	Healing
Mary Ann Mertz ( <i>Pam's Uhlir's friend</i> )	Healing
Tim Powers ( <i>Kim Wilken's brother</i> )	Healing
Roy Reynolds ( <i>Verleen Gentry's son-in-law</i> )	Healing
Lynne Saathoff ( <i>Verleen Gentry's sister-in-law</i> )	Healing
Randy Solomon ( <i>Beth Rosenthal's father</i> )	Healing
Spellman Family ( <i>Quentin &amp; Janel friend</i> )	Healing
Angela Well ( <i>Charles Marineau's granddaughter</i> )	Healing
D.D. Dugger ( <i>Sue Kaiser's brother</i> )	Cancer
Stuart Gronewoller ( <i>Lonna's brother-in-law</i> )	Cancer
Ron Halvorsen ( <i>Jeff's dad</i> )	Cancer
Randy Jochum ( <i>Ken Hockemeier's brother-in-law</i> )	Cancer
Fred Koch ( <i>Pam Uhlir's cousin</i> )	Cancer
Lynda Kreutzer ( <i>Rich &amp; Carol's sister-in-law</i> )	Cancer
John Moore ( <i>family of Susan Tonniges</i> )	Cancer
Sharon Mulhair ( <i>Pam Uhlir's cousin</i> )	Cancer
Kolby Shiers ( <i>Jessica's cousin</i> )	Cancer
Tyrone Uhlir ( <i>Pam's nephew</i> )	Cancer

Today's Radio Broadcast is given to the Glory of the Lord by  
Robin & Flynn Baker

Today's Altar Flowers is given to the Glory of the Lord by  
Steve & Fran Junge

## **Worship Assistants**

**Sunday, June 27 ~ 9:00am**

Elder: Bruce Brooks  
Usher: Mike Wilens & Jeff Strong  
Engineer: Shawn Starkey  
Announcer: Jesse Florang  
Altar Guild: Linda Johnson

**Sunday, July 4 ~ 9:00am**

Elder: Dan Oertwig  
Usher: Fled Flessner & Lennis Hodgson  
Engineer: Jamie Nikodym  
Announcer: Lonna Gronewoller  
Altar Guild: Becky Thornton & Carol Herron

### **Our Response to the Gospel**

Date: 06/20/2021

Offering: \$4,723.75

Weekly Need: \$7,542.37

## **This Week at Zion**

<b>Sun</b> <b>06/27</b>	<b>9:00a</b> <b>10:30a</b>	<b>Divine Service</b> <b>Radio Broadcast 1460am</b>
<b>Mon</b> <b>06/28</b>	<i>Birthdays</i> <i>Anniversaries</i>	--- ---
<b>Tues</b> <b>06/29</b>	<b>1:30p</b> <i>Birthdays</i>  <i>Anniversaries</i>	<b>Sleeping Mats</b> <i>Elijah Burger</i> <i>Paul Burger</i> <i>Dana Daniels</i> <i>Susan Tonniges</i> <i>Blake Wilbur</i> ---
<b>Wed</b> <b>06/30</b>	<i>Birthdays</i> <i>Anniversaries</i>	--- <i>Alfred &amp; Carolyn Westman</i>
<b>Thurs</b> <b>07/01</b>	<i>Birthdays</i> <i>Anniversaries</i>	--- ----
<b>Fri</b> <b>07/02</b>	<i>Birthdays</i> <i>Anniversaries</i>	--- ---
<b>Sat</b> <b>07/03</b>	<b>5:00p</b> <i>Birthdays</i> <i>Anniversaries</i>	<b>Divine Service</b> --- ---
<b>Sun</b> <b>07/04</b>	<b>9:00a</b> <b>10:30a</b> <i>Birthdays</i> <i>Anniversaries</i>	<b>Independence Day</b> <b>Divine Service</b> <b>Radio Broadcast 1460am</b> --- ---



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Where our Triune God strengthens us  
through His mercy in faith toward Him and  
in fervent love toward one another.



## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Thank You** - I would like to thank everyone who sent cards for my 103<sup>rd</sup> birthday. The messages in the cards were very beautiful. Thank you all again.

May God bless each and every one of you.

Vi Fox

**VBS Supplies** - Can you help provide craft supplies or money for this year's Mystery Island VBS? Please check out the display in the hallway, grab a fish indicating what you wish to provide, and return the item or money to the office by Thursday, July 15. **THANK YOU** for helping! Questions? Call/text/email Carol DeLoach: 308/627-2279, carol.deloach@gmail.com

**Peaches** - Zion will once again be selling peaches the first three weeks of August. The first weekend of August will be the Board of Education, the second weekend will be Mary Martha, the third/final weekend will be the Zion Youth.

**Volunteers Needed** - The Board of Education has offered to help our new teacher, Mrs. Joy Barefoot, make the move from Lincoln to Kearney. We are looking at moving Joy around July 17. If you are able to help load and/or unload please contact the school office or Mr. Splittgerber at 308-293-0168. Many hands make light work, so help if you can! More details will be forthcoming, so stay tuned!

### **Offering Options:**

- 1) Place your offering in the basket as you leave
- 2) Go to [zionkearney.churchtrac.com/give](http://zionkearney.churchtrac.com/give)
- 3) Go to [zionkearney.com](http://zionkearney.com) and click on the ChurchTrac icon
- 4) Mail your gift to Zion Lutheran Church, 2421 C Ave, Kearney, NE 68847 or place it in the mail slot on the south side of the building.

**A Bible Study** - is prerecorded and available each Sunday, along with a study guide you can use to follow along. We are studying the three lessons for the day—the Old Testament, the Epistle, and the Gospel. Go to Zion's website [www.zionkearney.com](http://www.zionkearney.com) to access the video and study guide.

**Church Management System** - Zion has switched to a web-based church management system called ChurchTrac. Please pick-up a yellow sheet in the narthex to get setup today to view all of the benefits and features.

**Radio Broadcast** - Please help Zion spread the Gospel, signup to sponsor a radio broadcast! There are several open dates.

**Mission Offerings** - The second quarter missions will support Higher Things and Issues Etc. If you would like to donate to these missions, please use the mission envelopes located in the narthex. Thank you for your support. To learn more about these organizations please visit:

<https://higherthings.org/about>

<https://issuesetc.org/support/>

## Vacation Bible School at Zion Mystery Island

Vacation Bible School will be held July 18-22 from 6:00-8:00pm . It will be for preschool to 5<sup>th</sup> grade. We also need volunteers for anyone from 6<sup>th</sup> grade up to help out. There is a sign-up sheet in the narthex for those that are willing to volunteer and for those that would like to participate.

### JOIN THE FUN IN THE SUN WITH THIS UNIQUE VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL PROGRAM.

Is there just one God? . . . Who is God? . . . What is God like? . . . Does God love me? . . . Can I know God?

Our kids grapple with questions like these every day. At Mystery Island, we'll uncover the truth about our Creator God! There's a sea of confusion about who God is and what he's like, so we'll track down the one true God and learn how amazing he is through the pages of Scripture.

Mystery Island VBS is packed with teaching that connects the Bible to the real world and gives kids a better understanding of our awe-inspiring Creator and the salvation he offers through Jesus Christ.

Each day, kids will learn more about one of God's amazing attributes (great, almighty, ruler, Emmanuel, trustworthy) and how that applies to their lives.



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# **SCHOOL NEWS**

**Summer Office Hours** - Summer office hours will be Monday-Friday from 9:00am-1:00pm.

**Best of Kearney** - Congratulations to the Zion preschool for being voted Best of Kearney by the Kearney Hub readers seventh year in a row.

**Registration Open** - Registration is now open for the 2021-2022. There are limited preschool spots available. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the office. Please tell your family and friends about Zion. Enroll early to make sure you have a spot.

**Scrip Cards** - Scrip cards are still available during this time. Visit the office during office hours to purchase your gift cards.

## **Employment Opportunities:**

### **Lunchroom Helper:**

We are looking for someone that could work from 10:30-12:30 Monday thru Friday, helping in the lunchroom. Daily tasks would include table setup, assistance with lunch distribution, table wipe down and put-away, and floor cleaning. If interested please call the school office at (308)-234-3410. Please share with anyone looking for part-time hours in great school environment.

### **Church & School Custodian:**

Zion is looking for a custodian for the new school year. The position is for 29 hours a week. This is an important and valued position! If you or someone you know takes pride in making a clean and safe workspace, consider working with our wonderful staff at Zion Lutheran. In interested, please call the school office at (308) 234-3410.



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## Two Concerns for the Church:

**1 The Equality Act**  
currently before  
Congress in  
Washington D.C

**2 K-12 Health Education  
Standards** proposed by  
the Nebraska Department  
of Education

### What is it?

The Equality Act that is being considered by Congress sounds innocent. All Americans should enjoy equality and the protections of the U.S. Constitution. But in elevating sexual orientation to a protected class, the Equality Act will bring sweeping changes to current laws, to the great detriment of the religious and constitutional freedoms of biblically faithful churches, institutions, Christian schools and individuals.

In fact, those churches and institutions that are bound by the Word of God to the truth of marriage between a man and a woman could be punished for simply standing on our consistent beliefs. The Equality Act effectively outlaws the words of Christ and our free exercise of religion.

The Equality Act expands the definition of "public accommodation" and puts an ultimatum to individuals, religious non-profits, food banks, schools, charities, adoption agencies and others: "Change your faith-based practices or face government punishment."

\*Read a letter from Rev. Dr. Matthew Harrison and find additional information and resources at the link provided.

The Nebraska Department of Education (NDE) recently released a **first draft of K-12 Health Standards**. These standards are meant to guide curriculum for all Nebraska schools, including public and non-public schools.

The Health Standards are a deeply flawed, ideologically driven document. Should such standards be adopted by schools, children will be placed in peril, many educators will find their professional judgment and conscience under attack, and the culture will move toward a further normalization of child sexualization.

Read the proposed Health Standards and take special note of the "Human Growth and Development" section in each grade. Here are a few highlights:

- In Kindergarten, students will "discuss different kinds of family structures (e.g. single parent, blended, intergenerational, cohabitating, adoptive, foster, same-gender, interracial). Note that traditional marriage between a man and woman is not mentioned.
- In 1st grade, students "define gender, gender identity, and gender-role stereotypes."
- In 4th grade, students "distinguish between sex assigned at birth and gender identity and explain how they may or may not differ."
- In 8th grade, students would be taught that abortion is "reproductive care" and how to develop a plan to eliminate an unplanned pregnancy.

\*Find the proposed Health Standards and additional information and resources at the link provided.

# What can you do?

## The Equality Act

1. Treat all people with kindness and respect ("You shall love your neighbor as yourself" Mark 12:31).
2. Become informed about the **Equality Act** and the issues of gender dysphoria.
3. Consider your role as Christian citizens and make your voice known to your elected officials. Our friends at Association of Christian Schools International (ASCI) have created a **simple web tool** to allow you to reach out to your congressperson.
4. Pray for our officials, government, and the church in these challenging days.

Additional resources regarding the Equality Act:

• **Lutheran Center for Religious Liberty**

• **Alliance Defending Freedom** — The True Impact of the "Equality Act"

• **Heritage Foundation** — 11 Myths About H.R. 5, the Equality Act of 2021

## K-12 Health Education Standards

1. Pray for Christian teachers and staff serving in our public schools, that they may find opportunities to freely share their faith.
2. Double down on your commitment to Christian education for your own family.
3. Talk about your concern for the new health education standards with your friends. Make sure that they are aware of the educational standards being proposed for every public school in Nebraska.
4. The Nebraska Department of Education is seeking feedback about these standards. Please take some time to fill out the **NDE online survey** and speak up for all Nebraska kids!
5. Watch for local Health Education Standards.

## Looking for more information?

\* Full details and all resources mentioned can be found on the Nebraska District LCMS website at [www.ndlcms.org/action-alert](http://www.ndlcms.org/action-alert)



## How Sweet is the Fruit of the Spirit Bible Maze

