Divine Service



The Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

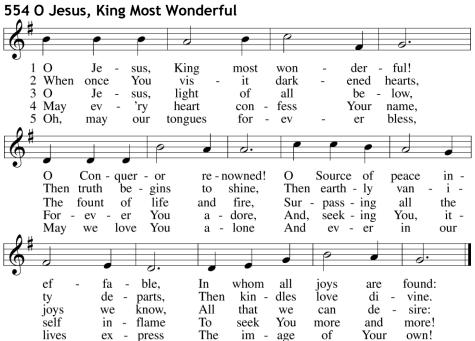
July 30th, 2023 Zion Lutheran Church Kearney, Nebraska

H Warm Welcome to Our Guests!

Please sign our guest book in the narthex or a pew card so we can know how we can best of serve. If you are a member in good standing of a sister LC-MS congregation, we invite you to commune with us. Members of other church bodies with whom we are not in confessional fellowship are asked to please refrain from communing. Our pastor will be happy to explain how our desire for Christian care and unity is shown in our communion practice. All communicants need to register in the narthex prior to the service. 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 Son of God Has Redeemed Us for Himself with His Holy and Precious Blood

The Lord our God has chosen us to be "his treasured possession," not because of any strength in us, but solely "because the LORD loves" us (Deut. 7:6-8). He is faithful, and He "keeps covenant and steadfast love with those who love him and keep his commandments" (Deut. 7:9). He has searched for us and found us in love, and He has bestowed on us "great value" by the great price that He has paid on the cross (Matt. 13:45-46). In His joy, He has redeemed us by His cross and gathered us into His kingdom by the Gospel. Now we are "hidden in a field," covered by the cross and subject to the persecution of the world (Matt. 13:44), not for destruction, but "to be conformed to the image of his Son" (Rom. 8:29). Since we "are called according to his purpose" (Rom. 8:28), and because Christ Jesus died, rose again and lives to intercede for us "at the right hand of God" (Rom. 8:34), there is nothing in all creation that can separate us from "the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord" (Rom. 8:39).



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

- **P** In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- **C** Amen.
- 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.

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

- **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.

- 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 + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- **C** Amen.

Introit

# Service of the Word

Psalm 105:2-6; antiphon: v. 1

Oh give thanks to the LORD; call up- | on his name;\* make known his deeds among the | peoples! Sing to him, sing prais- | es to him;\* tell of all his | wondrous works!

Glory in his | holy name;\*

let the hearts of those who seek the LORD rejoice!

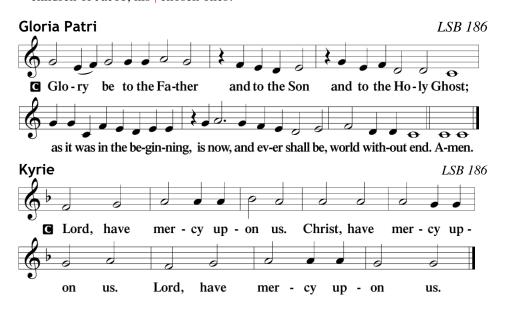
Seek the LORD | and his strength;\*

seek his presence con- | tinually!

Remember the wondrous works that | he has done,\*

his miracles, and the judgments he uttered,

O offspring of Abraham, his | servant,\* children of Jacob, his | chosen ones!



#### **Gloria in Excelsis**

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Glory be to God on high: P O **C** and on earth peace, good will toward ο O O -We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we wor-ship Thee, men. O O 0 0 we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory. Ο O 10 0 0 O O Lord God, heav'n-ly King, God the Fa-ther Al - mighty. 0 10 o the only begotten Son, O Lord, Je - sus Christ; O O θ 0 O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, O 0 O 0 0 that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy up-on us. θ O 0 Θ Thou that takest away the sin of the world, re-ceive our prayer. Θ O O Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy up -0 θ O For Thou only art holy; Thou | on - ly art the Lord. on us. 0 O O Thou only, O Christ, with the Ho - lv Ghost, Ø o 0 art most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

# Salutation and Collect of the Day



P Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, give us an increase of faith, hope, and love, that, receiving what You have promised, we may love what You have commanded; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



# **Old Testament Reading**

#### Deuteronomy 7:6-9

<sup>6</sup>"You are a people holy to the LORD your God. The LORD your God has chosen you to be a people for his treasured possession, out of all the peoples who are on the face of the earth. <sup>7</sup>It was not because you were more in number than any other people that the LORD set his love on you and chose you, for you were the fewest of all peoples, <sup>8</sup>but it is because the LORD loves you and is keeping the oath that he swore to your fathers, that the LORD has brought you out with a mighty hand and redeemed you from the house of slavery, from the hand of Pharaoh king of Egypt. 9Know therefore that the LORD your God is God, the faithful God who keeps covenant and steadfast love with those who love him and keep his commandments, to a thousand generations."

- P This is the Word of the Lord.
- С Thanks be to God.

### Gradual

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.

Romans 11:33. 36

#### Epistle

#### Romans 8:28-39

<sup>28</sup>We know that for those who love God all things work together for good, for those who are called according to his purpose. <sup>29</sup>For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn among many brothers. <sup>30</sup>And those whom he predestined he also called, and those whom he called he also justified, and those whom he justified he also glorified.

<sup>31</sup>What then shall we say to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us? <sup>32</sup>He who did not spare his own Son but gave him up for us all, how will he not also with him graciously give us all things? <sup>33</sup>Who shall bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. <sup>34</sup>Who is to condemn? Christ Jesus is the one who died—more than that, who was raised—who is at the right hand of God, who indeed is interceding for us. <sup>35</sup>Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or danger, or sword? <sup>36</sup>As it is written,

"For your sake we are being killed all the day long; we are regarded as sheep to be slaughtered."

<sup>37</sup>No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. <sup>38</sup>For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, <sup>39</sup>nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

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





Holy Gospel

Matthew 13:44-52

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the thirteenth chapter.

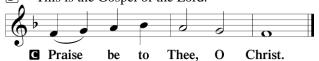


<sup>44</sup>[Jesus said:] "The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which a man found and covered up. Then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field.

<sup>45</sup>"Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls, <sup>46</sup>who, on finding one pearl of great value, went and sold all that he had and bought it.

<sup>47</sup>"Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net that was thrown into the sea and gathered fish of every kind. <sup>48</sup>When it was full, men drew it ashore and sat down and sorted the good into containers but threw away the bad. <sup>49</sup>So it will be at the close of the age. The angels will come out and separate the evil from the righteous <sup>50</sup>and throw them into the fiery furnace. In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

<sup>51</sup>"Have you understood all these things?" They said to him, "Yes." <sup>52</sup>And he said to them, "Therefore every scribe who has been trained for the kingdom of heaven is like a master of a house, who brings out of his treasure what is new and what is old."  $\mathbf{P}$  This is the Gospel of the Lord.



#### **Nicene Creed**

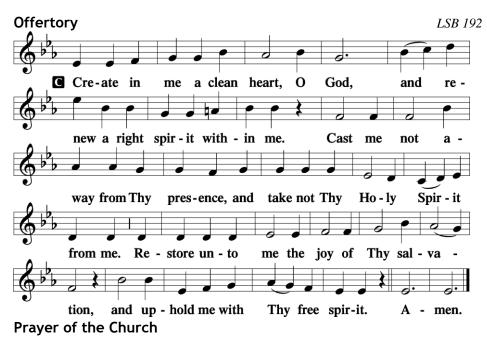
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I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible. And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God 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.



#### Sermon

Stand

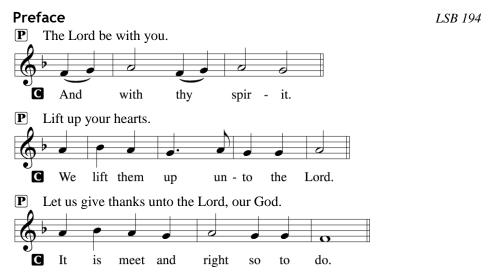


Sit

### Consecration of the Offering

Please be seated. The altar is set for the Lord's Supper and the offering is consecrated. You may use the prayers in the front of the hymnal or meditate on a communion hymn as you prepare to receive the sacrament.

Stand



 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 on this day overcame death and the grave and by His glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:



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

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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 + 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 + blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."



Sit

Distribution

624 The Infant Priest Was Holy Born
1 The in - fant Priest was ho - ly born For us un - 2 This great High Priest in hu - man flesh Was i - con
3 The ho - ly Lamb un - daunt - ed came To God's own
4 But death would not the vic - tor be Of Him who
ho - ly and for - lorn; of God's righ - teous - ness. al - tar lit with flame; hung up - on the tree. From flesh - ly tem - ple His hal - lowed touch brought While weep - ing an - gels He leads us to the
forth came He, A - noint - ed from e - ter - ni - ty. sanc - ti - ty; His hand re - moved im - pu - ri - ty. hid their eyes, This Priest be - came a sac - ri - fice. Ho - ly Place With - in the veil, be - fore God's face.
5 The veil is torn, our Priest we see,
As at the rail on bended knee

Our hungry mouths from Him receive The bread of immortality.

- 6 The body of God's Lamb we eat, A priestly food and priestly meat; On sin-parched lips the chalice pours His quenching blood that life restores.
- With cherubim and seraphim
   Our voices join the endless hymn,
   And "Holy, holy, holy" sing
   To Christ, God's Lamb, our Priest and King.

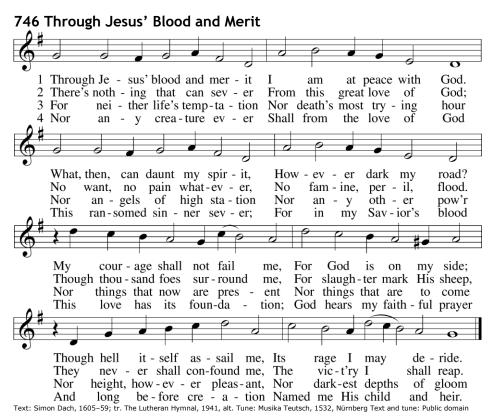
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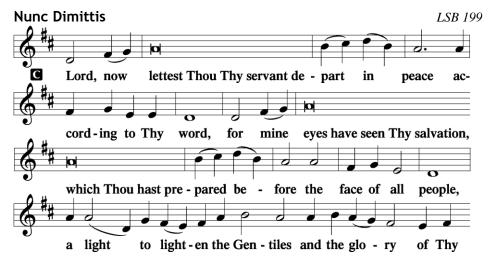


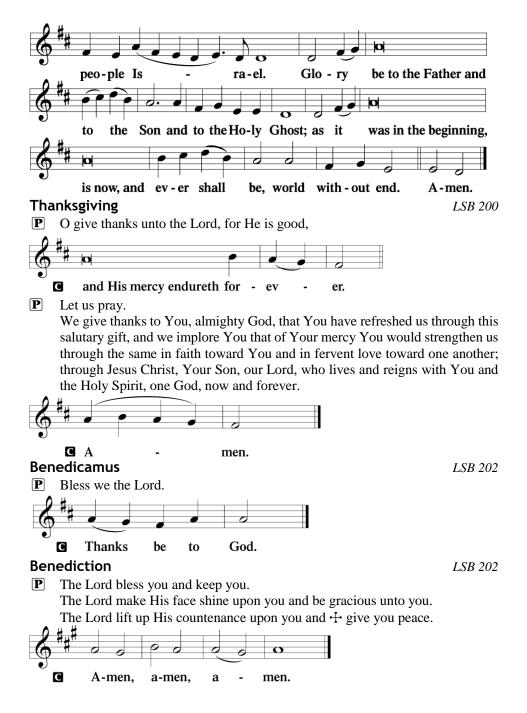
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#### The Dismissal

- **C** Amen.





644 The Church's One Foundation sts. 1–5
1 The Church's one foun - da - tion Is Je - sus Christ, her Lord; 2 E - lect from ev - 'ry na - tion, Yet one o'er all the earth; 3 Though with a scorn - ful won - der The world sees her op - pressed, 4 Through toil and trib - u - la - tion And tu - mult of her war 5 Yet she on earth has u - nion With God, the Three in One,
She is His new cre - a - tion Her char - ter of sal - va - tion: By schisms rent a - sun - der, She waits the con - sum - ma - tion And mys - tic sweet com - mu - nion Her char - ter of sal - va - tion By wa - ter and the Word. One Lord, one faith, one birth. By her - e - sies dis-tressed, Of peace for - ev - er - more With those whose rest is won.
From heav'n He came and sought her To be His ho - ly bride; One ho - ly name she bless - es, Par - takes one ho - ly food, Yet saints their watch are keep - ing; Their cry goes up, "How long?" Till with the vi - sion glo - rious Her long - ing eyes are blest, bless - ed heav'n-ly cho - rus! Lord, save us by Your grace
With His own blood He bought her, And for her life He died. And to one hope she press - es With ev - 'ry grace en - dued. And soon the night of weep - ing Shall be the morn of song. And the great Church vic - to - rious Shall be the Church at rest. That we, like saints be - fore us, May see You face to face.

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<u>This Week at Zion</u>				
Sun 7/30	9:00a	Divine Service		
	10:30a	-		
	10:30a	Radio Broadcast		
		1460AM & 92.1FM		
	5:00p	Divine Service		
Mon 7/31	Birthdays	Judy Ahrens		
		Todd Junge		
Tues 8/1	1:30p	Sleeping Mats		
Wed 8/2	Anniversaries	Norbert & Margaret Smith		
	Birthdays	Keith Nuttelman		
	-	Ava Peeples		
Thurs 8/3				
Fri 8/4	4:00p-5:00p	Hoehner Wedding Rehearsal		
	Anniversaries	Andy & Jeanne Wollberg		
Sat 8/5	4:00p	Hoehner Wedding Ceremony		
	Birthdays			
Sun 8/6	9:00a	Divine Service		
	10:30a	Adult Bible Study		
	10:30a	Radio Broadcast		
		1460AM & 92.1FM		
	5:00p	Divine Service		
	Anniversaries	Seth & Christina Long		
Prayers for Our Members				
Madisen Skaggs		Expecting Healing		
Judy Ahrens DyAnn Altwine		Healing		
Jim Catterson		Healing		
Lyle Colsden (M	other Hull)	Healing		
Pat Flodine (Ca		Healing		
Jade Florang		Healing		
Vi Fox (Mother	Hull)	Healing		
Marilyn Fuqua		Healing		
Jan Hatfield		Healing		
Ruby Hatfield		Healing		
Evelyn Heiden (	Mother Hull)	Healing		
Teresa Leising		Healing		
Linda Luhn		Healing		
Diane Plummer Debra Schinkel		Healing		
Don Trampe		Healing Healing		
Ivan Bombeck		Cancer		
Bertha Marienau	J	Cancer		

Prayers for Our Members' Family & Frie	nds
Makenzie Brooks (Bruce and Joni's daughter-in-law)	Expecting
Nicole Teten (Chris and Sarah Hoehner's daughter)	Expecting
Roger Young (Tiffany Davis' father)	Parkinson's
Andrew Powers (Kim Wilkens' brother)	Deployment
Joan Bentley (Family friend of the Kreutzer's)	Healing
Elaine de la Motte (Carol Herron's sister-in-law)	Healing
Norm Erickson (Jackie Zehendner's father)	Healing
Jerry Foote (Carol Herron's friend)	Healing
Robert Haubold (Don Helmbrecht's brother-in-law)	Healing
Roger Hoffman (Marc's father)	Healing
Luetta Lammers (Ruby Hatfield's sister)	Healing
Tim Powers (Kim Wilkens' brother)	Healing
Howard Quandt (Don & Shirley Helmbrecht's family)	Healing
David & Carol Shiers (Jessica's parents)	Healing
Randy Solomon (Beth Rosenthal's father)	Healing
Virginia Vest (Sue Bartels' cousin)	Healing
Jonah (Jase & Jarren Blattner's friend)	Cancer
Diane Brandt (Friend of Junge's and Helmbrecht's)	Cancer
Glenda Fichtner (Ruby Hatfield's niece)	Cancer
Sarah Forinash (Richmond's daughter)	Cancer
Ron Halvorsen (Jeff's dad)	Cancer
Ann Koopman (Todd's sister-in-law)	Cancer
Gay Koopman (Todd Koopman's sister)	Cancer
Lynda Kreutzer (Rich & Carol's sister-in-law)	Cancer
Helen Lange (friend of the Bartels')	Cancer
Sharon Mulhair (Pam Uhlir's cousin)	Cancer
Milton Naprstek (Marilyn Fuqua's brother)	Cancer
Don Todd, Jr. (Marilyn Fuqua's nephew)	Cancer
Tyrone Uhlir (Pam's nephew)	Cancer
Ray Vang (Don & Shirley Helmbrecht's brother-in-law)	Cancer

# Response to the Gospel

Date: 7/23/2023 Offering: \$ 5,572 Weekly Need: \$7,500

# **Offering Options:**

To worship the Lord with your offering:

- 1) Place your offering in the offering plate as you enter or leave.
- 2) Go to zionkearney.churchtrac.com/give
- 3) Go to 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.

Today's Radio Broadcast is sponsored by the Welcott Family, All glory to God.

Today's Altar Flowers are sponsored by Steve & Fran Junge.

Sunday, July 30 <sup>th</sup> - 9:00a				
Elder: Ken Hockemeier	Usher: Andy Wollberg			
Acolyte: Isaiah Gaunt	Engineer: Jared Nuttelman			
Announcer: Lonna Gronewoller				
Sunday, August 6 <sup>th</sup> - 9:00a				
Elder: Nathan Gaunt	Usher: Fred Flessner			
Acolyte: Amy Tonniges	Engineer: Eric Rosenthal			
Announcer: Carol Kreutzer	Altar Guild: Beth Rosenthal & Shirley			

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# Announcements for July 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2023

<u>3rd Quarter Missions:</u> All mission offering from July-September will help Rev. Jonathan Clausing and his family, who are serving in Tanzania. To access more information about the Clausing family and their mission, go to: <u>www.lcms.org/clausing</u>.

<u>Peach Sales:</u> Here are the tentative dates for the Peach Sales: August 10<sup>th</sup>/11<sup>th</sup> - Mary Martha August 28<sup>th</sup>/29<sup>th</sup> - Board of Education September 13<sup>th</sup>/14th - Youth Board

# SCHOOL NEWS

**<u>Final Registration:</u>** If you did not attend Final Registration, please contact the office to set up a time to bring in all necessary paperwork.

<u>Cross Country Practice:</u> Next week on August 1<sup>st</sup>, practices will start for Cross Country. You'll meet at Cottonmill Park at 7:30am. Open to any student 5<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade!