

Zion Lutheran Church



6th Sunday After Pentecost
July 5th, 2015



ANNOUNCEMENTS

ALTAR FLOWERS are given by The Klemash Family in Memory of Loved Ones & Lillian Dalla Piazza in Memory of her husband Armando.

ETERNAL LIGHT is given by Lois Sauro in Memory of her mother.

EVANGELII YOUTH CHOIR: Will be performing at Zion this Tuesday, July 7th @ 7:00 PM. Come hear these children proclaim the joy of the Gospel through their music. We are also looking for volunteers to help make them a warm meal! Please contact the church secretaries at secretary@zlc.org if you are able to help!

ORANGE OUT is coming again, July 19th. If you didn't get to order your tee-shirts for the last Orange Out, there is a sign-up sheet for "Because of their faith" tee-shirts in the church entryway. We will be wearing orange once again to show our support and to raise awareness for the persecuted church.

MISSION TRIP: Mark your calendar for this Summer's mission trip. August 2nd-August 7th @ Camp Pioneer. This trip is open to all age groups. Look for more information coming soon! See Andrea Vogel with any questions.

CHURCH NURSERY: With all of our new little members we are starting a nursery during church! We are looking for volunteers for this ministry. Please sign up in the narthex if you are interested in helping. We hope to start offering a nursery as soon as next month!

THEY'RE BACK! Midweek Service of Prayer and Preaching, Thursday Morning Bible Study, and Saturday Men's Bible Study are all back and in action this week! Hope you can make it.

THE PREGNANCY RESOURCE CENTER of the South Hills will accept resumes through July 17th, 2015 for the full-time position of Development Director. This position would support the Executive Director with Donor Development. A detailed job description will be provided upon request. If you would like more information, contact Lori Szala, Executive Director, at 412-833-6048 or lszala@prcsh.org.

NEED PRAYER? Stephen Ministers and Elders will be available to pray with or for you following the Service in the Chancel area.

TODAY'S GOSPEL READING AND SERMON will be posted to the ZLCB.org website later today. For an archive of older sermons, visit www.zlcb.org/sermons

The Divine Service

(Please take a moment to fill out the Attendance books. If you are visiting us this morning, please indicate so in the Attendance Book. We are glad you chose to worship at Zion this morning!)

Introduction to Worship and Announcements

Opening Hymn: *I Love Your Kingdom, Lord*

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The Invocation

Vicar: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

Confession of Sins

As you prepare to confess your sins, think back over the last week. The hurtful words, the loveless deeds, and the unhealthy thought you have had and done; and leave them all at the foot of the cross.

Vicar: I confess to God Almighty, before the whole company of heaven and to you, my brothers and sisters in Christ, that I have sinned in thought, word, and deed by my fault, by my own fault, by my own my most grievous fault; wherefore I pray God Almighty to have mercy on me, forgive me all my sins, and bring me to everlasting life. Amen.

People: The almighty and merciful Lord grant you pardon, forgiveness, and remission of all your sins. Amen.

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Vicar: The almighty and merciful Lord grant you pardon, forgiveness, and remission of all your sins.

People: Amen.

Refrain:

This is the feast of victory of our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God.

[REFRAIN]

Power, riches, wisdom, and strength, and honor, blessing and glory are His.

[REFRAIN]

Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation:

Blessing, honor, glory, and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen.

[REFRAIN]

For the Lamb who was slain has begun His reign. Alleluia.

[REFRAIN]

The Prayer of the Church

Elder: ... Lord, in your mercy.

People: Hear our prayer.

(Please be seated)

The Service of the Word

The Old Testament Reading: Ezekiel 2:1-5

And he said to me, "Son of man, stand on your feet, and I will speak with you." And as he spoke to me, the Spirit entered into me and set me on my feet, and I heard him speaking to me. And he said to me, "Son of man, I send you to the people of Israel, to nations of rebels, who have rebelled against me. They and their fathers have transgressed against me to this very day. The descendants also are impudent and stubborn: I send you to them, and you shall say to them, 'Thus says the Lord God.' And whether they hear or refuse to hear (for they are a rebellious house) they will know that a prophet has been among them.

The New Testament Reading: 2 Corinthians 12:1-10

I must go on boasting. Though there is nothing to be gained by it, I will go on to visions and revelations of the Lord. I know a man in Christ who fourteen years ago was caught up to the third heaven—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know, God knows. And I know that this man was caught up into paradise—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know, God knows—and he heard things that cannot be told, which man may not utter. On behalf of this man I will boast, but on my own behalf I will not boast, except of my weaknesses— though if I should wish to boast, I would not be a fool, for I would be speaking the truth; but I refrain from it, so that no one may think more of me than he sees in me or hears from me. So to keep me from becoming conceited because of the surpassing greatness of the revelations, a thorn was given me in the flesh, a messenger of Satan to harass me, to keep me from becoming conceited. Three times I pleaded with the Lord about this, that it should leave me. But he said to me, “My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness.” Therefore I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may rest upon me. For the sake of Christ, then, I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and calamities. For when I am weak, then I am strong.

Vicar: In honor of our Lord Jesus Christ, we rise for the reading of the Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 15th chapter.

People: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

The Gospel Reading: Luke 15:11-32

And he said, “There was a man who had two sons. And the younger of them said to his father, ‘Father, give me the share of property that is coming to me.’ And he divided his property between them. Not many days later, the younger son gathered all he had and took a journey into a far country, and there he squandered his property in reckless living. And when he had spent everything, a severe famine

arose in that country, and he began to be in need. So he went and hired himself out to one of the citizens of that country, who sent him into his fields to feed pigs. And he was longing to be fed with the pods that the pigs ate, and no one gave him anything.

“But when he came to himself, he said, ‘How many of my father’s hired servants have more than enough bread, but I perish here with hunger! I will arise and go to my father, and I will say to him, “Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you. I am no longer worthy to be called your son. Treat me as one of your hired servants.”’ And he arose and came to his father. But while he was still a long way off, his father saw him and felt compassion, and ran and embraced him and kissed him. And the son said to him, ‘Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you. I am no longer worthy to be called your son.’ But the father said to his servants, ‘Bring quickly the best robe, and put it on him, and put a ring on his hand, and shoes on his feet. And bring the fattened calf and kill it, and let us eat and celebrate. For this my son was dead, and is alive again; he was lost, and is found.’ And they began to celebrate.

“Now his older son was in the field, and as he came and drew near to the house, he heard music and dancing. And he called one of the servants and asked what these things meant. And he said to him, ‘Your brother has come, and your father has killed the fattened calf, because he has received him back safe and sound.’ But he was angry and refused to go in. His father came out and entreated him, but he answered his father, ‘Look, these many years I have served you, and I never disobeyed your command, yet you never gave me a young goat, that I might celebrate with my friends. But when this son of yours came, who has devoured your property with prostitutes, you killed the fattened calf for him!’ And he said to him, ‘Son, you are always with me, and all that is mine is yours. It was fitting to celebrate and be glad, for this your brother was dead, and is alive; he was lost, and is found.’”

RESCHEDULED!

JOIN US AS WE CELEBRATE
SUMMER AT ZION WITH A



FAMILY COOKOUT



we'll bring the food

...and the guitar



KICK BACK, UNWIND, AND JOIN US FOR A GOOD,
OLD FASHIONED COOKOUT & SING-A-LONG!

*Just bring your appetite and
a voice to praise our Savior!*



**WE'LL SEE YOU
OUT BACK!**

JULY 18TH AT 5:00PM

Mark your calendars for Tuesday,
July 7th at 7:00 pm for the

Evangelii Youth Choir

The youth choir of Trinity Lutheran Church is stopping here at Zion during their week long choir tour. Come out and show your support and enjoy the free show as they share the gospel with us through classic Christian songs!





Join us for a Family Mission trip to Camp Pioneer. We will be going to Camp Pioneer for our Annual Mission trip on August 2nd - 8th. If you have never gone you are missing out on the fun!

If you are interested or have any questions contact Andrea Vogel at andrea@hiredemand.com or 412-496-8766 .



Orange Out Sunday is Back in July!



Orange Out Sunday is returning on July 19th so get your shirts ready as we show our support for our persecuted brothers and sisters.

If you ordered a shirt recently, they are available for pick up following the service on July 12th.

Vicar: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, O Christ.

(Please be seated)

Sermon Hymn: Faith and Truth and Life Bestowing

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Sermon

(Please stand)

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,

who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried.

He descended into hell.

The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.

From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

(Please be seated)

The Collection of the Offering

If you are visiting with us this morning, know that your presence here means far more to us than any gift of money you could make; please do not hesitate to let the plate pass you by.

(Please stand)

Benediction

People: Amen

The Recessional: All People That on Earth Do Dwell

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† *Service Participants* †

Vicar:	Brian Stecker
Music Director:	Mark Killinger
The Organist:	Sandra Quinlan
The Elders:	Paul Klemash & Ken Wuerthele
The Acolyte:	Augie Bishop (8:00) Anna Gresh (10:30)
The Greeters:	Gene & Sharon Koop (8:00) Rose Steranko (10:30)
The Ushers:	Josh Gielarowski, Dale Miller Barb & Wayne Oechslein(8:00) Ross Chilcott, Sam Dragan Dan Harris & Chuck LaJeunesse (10:30)
Altar Guild:	Penney Miller & Clara Hayes

Last Week in Worship

Sunday Worship Attendance (6/28) – 198

Sunday Offering (6/21) - \$4,164.00

Sunday Offering (6/28) – \$5,070.00

~Online giving is now available by going to the Zion web site: www.zlcb.org~

Week of July 5th – July 12th

SUNDAY 7/5	8:00 AM – Worship 9:15 AM – Adult Bible Class 10:30 AM–Worship
MONDAY 7/6	7:00 PM – Trustees Meeting
TUESDAY 7/7	7:00 PM – Evangelii Youth Choir Performance 7:15 PM – Board of Education Meeting
WEDNESDAY 7/8	7:00 PM – Prayer & Preaching Service
THURSDAY 7/9	10:00 AM – Bible Study 7:00 PM – Zion Lions Softball Game
FRIDAY 7/10	
SATURDAY 7/11	8:00 AM – Men’s Bible Breakfast
SUNDAY 7/12	8:00 AM – Worship w/Communion 9:15 AM – Reception for Pastor’s 10 Year Anniversary 10:30 AM – Worship w/Communion