

Zion Lutheran Church



4th Sunday After Pentecost
June 21st, 2015



ANNOUNCEMENTS

ALTAR FLOWERS are given by Megan Richards in Memory of her husband, Harry Richards & Paul & Theresa Hayes in Memory of Paul Hayes & Bob Johnson.

ETERNAL LIGHT is given by The Lemonovich Family in Honor of John, Elizabeth, Claire & Kate's 7th Birthday!

VOTERS MEETING: Will be next Sunday, June 28th between services. Please join us as we review and vote on the budget.

EVANGELII YOUTH CHOIR: Will be performing at Zion on 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@zlcg.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!

FAMILY COOKOUT! Come on out to Zion on June 27th for fun with fire, a guitar, and plenty of food. The fun starts at 5:00pm out back by the pavilion. We hope to see you there!

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.

VBS: Consider volunteering to be a crew leader, help in the nursery or kitchen, or help in a station (Storytelling, Games, Imagination Station). Volunteer forms are in the narthex. Visit Zion's website for VBS details and forms! www.zlcb.org/vbs

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

Welcome to worship!

What do you hope for in the future? Do you think about high school or college? Do you want to play for a really good sports team? Do you have dreams of making lots of money, seeing the world, or living a long and healthy life? What do you hope for in the future?

As Christians, our hope for the future is radically different than it is for people who either have no hope for a blessed future, or who have let their imagination plot a course for their destiny. Our hope is in the resurrection of the body.

This morning our “Back to Basics” focus is centered on the Resurrection: what it is, what it is not, when it will happen and why it will happen. Our belief in the resurrection of the body is not built on some vague hope we have that good things will happen to us down the road, but is rooted firmly in the historical reality of the resurrection of Jesus. We believe that we will be raised from the dead because he was raised from the dead. We believe we will never die again because he has not died again. We believe that we will live with him because he has promised that we will.

Far better than the soul’s existence in heaven apart from the body, the resurrection allows for a blessed existence for both body and soul; and you will see this morning that the resurrection has always been the hope for those who are allegiance with Christ.

God bless your time in worship this morning!
-Pastor Duncan

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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!)

Prelude: This is My Father's World
God of Our Fathers

Diane Bish

Introduction to Worship and Announcements

Opening Hymn: God of Our Fathers

God of our Fathers, whose almighty hand leads forth in beauty all the starry band of shining worlds in splendor through the skies, our grateful songs before thy throne arise.

Thy love divine hath led us in the past; in this free land with thee our lot is cast; be thou our ruler, guardian, guide, and stay, thy Word our law, thy paths our chosen way.

From war's alarms, from deadly pestilence, be thy strong arm our ever sure defense; thy true religion in our hearts increase; thy bounteous goodness nourish us in peace.

Refresh thy people on their toilsome way; lead us from night to never ending day; fill all our lives with love and grace divine, and glory, laud, and praise be ever thine.

The Invocation

Pastor: 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.

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

People: **Amen.**

Hymn of Praise: This Is the Feast

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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

Pastor: ... Lord, in your mercy.

People: Hear our prayer.

(Please be seated)

The Service of the Word

The Old Testament Reading: Job 19-23-27

“Oh that my words were written! Oh that they were inscribed in a book! Oh that with an iron pen and lead they were engraved in the rock forever! For I know that my Redeemer lives, and at the last he will stand upon the earth. And after my skin has been thus destroyed, yet in my flesh I shall see God, whom I shall see for myself, and my eyes shall behold, and not another. My heart faints within me!

The New Testament Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:12-28

Now if Christ is proclaimed as raised from the dead, how can some of you say that there is no resurrection of the dead? But if there is no resurrection of the dead, then not even Christ has been raised. And if Christ has not been raised, then our preaching is in vain and your faith is in vain. We are even found to be misrepresenting God, because we testified about God that he raised Christ, whom he did not raise if it is true that the dead are not raised. For if the dead are not raised, not even Christ has been raised. And if Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile and you are still in your sins. Then those also who have fallen asleep in Christ have perished. If in Christ we have hope in this life only, we are of all people most to be pitied.

But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep. For as by a man came death, by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead. For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ shall all be made alive. But each in his own order: Christ the first fruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ. Then comes the end, when he delivers the kingdom to God

the Father after destroying every rule and every authority and power. For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. The last enemy to be destroyed is death. For “God has put all things in subjection under his feet.” But when it says, “all things are put in subjection,” it is plain that he is excepted who put all things in subjection under him. When all things are subjected to him, then the Son himself will also be subjected to him who put all things in subjection under him, that God may be all in all.

Pastor: In honor of our Lord Jesus Christ, we rise for the reading of the Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 6th chapter.

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

The Gospel Reading: John 6:35-54

Jesus said to them, “I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me shall not hunger, and whoever believes in me shall never thirst. But I said to you that you have seen me and yet do not believe. All that the Father gives me will come to me, and whoever comes to me I will never cast out. For I have come down from heaven, not to do my own will but the will of him who sent me. And this is the will of him who sent me, that I should lose nothing of all that he has given me, but raise it up on the last day. For this is the will of my Father, that everyone who looks on the Son and believes in him should have eternal life, and I will raise him up on the last day.”

So the Jews grumbled about him, because he said, “I am the bread that came down from heaven.” They said, “Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How does he now say, ‘I have come down from heaven?’” Jesus answered them, “Do not grumble among yourselves. No one can come to me unless the Father who sent me draws him. And I will raise him up on the last day. It is written in the Prophets, ‘And they will all be taught by God.’ Everyone who has heard and learned from the Father comes to me— not that anyone has seen the Father except he who is from God; he has seen the Father. Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever believes has eternal life. I am the bread

of life. Your fathers ate the manna in the wilderness, and they died. This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that one may eat of it and not die. I am the living bread that came down from heaven. If anyone eats of this bread, he will live forever. And the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh.”

The Jews then disputed among themselves, saying, “How can this man give us his flesh to eat?” So Jesus said to them, “Truly, truly, I say to you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. Whoever feeds on my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life, and I will raise him up on the last day.”

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, O Christ.

(Please be seated)

Sermon Hymn: This Is My Father's World

This is my Father's world, and to my list'ning ears all nature sings, and round me rings the music of the spheres. This is my Father's world; I rest me in the thought of rocks and trees, of skies and seas; his hand the wonders wrought

This is my Father's world; the birds their carols raise; the morning light, the lily white, declare their maker's praise. This is my Father's world; he shines in all that's fair. In the rustling grass I hear him pass; he speaks to me everywhere.

This is my Father's world; oh, let me not forget that, though the wrong seems oft so strong, God is the ruler yet. This is my Father's world; why should my heart be sad? The Lord is king, let heaven ring; God reigns, let earth be glad.

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)

Offeratory: Now Thank We All Our God *8:00Am – Organ*
Now Thank We All Our God *10:30 AM - Men's Chorus*

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)

The Service of the Sacrament

Pastor: 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."

Pastor: As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

People: **Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

People: **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.

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

People: **And also with you.**

The Sharing of the Peace

The Agnus Dei (Lamb of God)

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Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

(Please be seated until it is your time to commune.)

The Distribution

We welcome to the Lord's Table all who have been baptized in the name of the Triune God, can examine themselves spiritually and believe they receive the true body and blood of the Lord Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of sins and as a profession of their faith. If you hold a profession of faith that differs from that of our congregation, please speak to the Pastor before the start of the service before communing.

- We believe the body and blood of Christ are truly present in the bread and wine.
- We believe Christ offers the forgiveness of sins in the Lord's Supper, but that the Lord's Supper is not necessary for salvation.
- We believe the Lord's Supper remembers the death of Christ and proclaims his death until he returns.
- We believe the Lord's Supper is a statement of unity in the body of Christ; we do not believe it creates that unity.

During the distribution, you are encouraged to sing the Distribution Hymns, pray, or meditate on the words "this is my body... this is my blood, given for you."

The cups at the center of the Individual Communion tray contain diluted wine for those with alcohol sensitivities.

Distribution Hymns

O Lord, We Praise Thee

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Great Is Thy Faithfulness (Organ)

Diane Bish

Be Still, My Soul

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(Please stand)

Benediction

People: **Amen**

The Recessional: Great Is Thy Faithfulness

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† Service Participants †

Pastor:	The Rev. Duncan McLellan
Music Director:	Mark Killinger
The Organist:	Mrs. Diana R. Schott
The Elders:	Peter Fisher & Rob Oelschlager
The Acolyte:	Josiah Ackerman (8:00) Anna Gresh (10:30)
The Greeters:	Bill & Carole Schrag (8:00) Ken & Carol Wuerthele (10:30)
The Ushers:	Melanie & Bill Becker Shane Bryant & Michael Kozak(8:00) Michael Kroeger, Vince Kimberland, Lois Sauro & Richard Quinlan (10:30)
Altar Guild:	Elsie DallaPiazza, Bernice DeBoe & Mary Hutula

Last Week in Worship

Sunday Worship Attendance (6/14) – 156

Wednesday Attendance (6/17) – 14

Sunday Offering (6/14) – \$3,680.22

Week of June 21st – June 28th

<p>SUNDAY 6/21</p>  <p>Happy Father's Day</p>	<p>8:00 AM – Worship w/Communion 9:15 AM – Bible Class & Sunday School 10:30 AM–Worship w/Communion</p>
<p>MONDAY 6/22</p>	<p>9:00AM – VBS</p>
<p>TUESDAY 6/23</p>	<p>9:00AM – VBS</p>
<p>WEDNESDAY 6/24</p>	<p>9:00AM – VBS 7:00 PM – Prayer & Preaching Service</p>
<p>THURSDAY 6/25</p>	<p>9:00AM – VBS</p>
<p>FRIDAY 6/26</p>	<p>7:00 AM – Free Coffee Friday 9:00AM – VBS</p>
<p>SATURDAY 6/27</p>	<p>8:00 AM – Men’s Bible Breakfast 5:00PM – Family Cook Out @ Zion</p>
<p>SUNDAY 6/28</p>	<p>8:00 AM – Worship w/ Communion 9:15 AM – Sunday School 9:15 AM – Voters Meeting 10:30 AM – Worship w/ Communion</p>