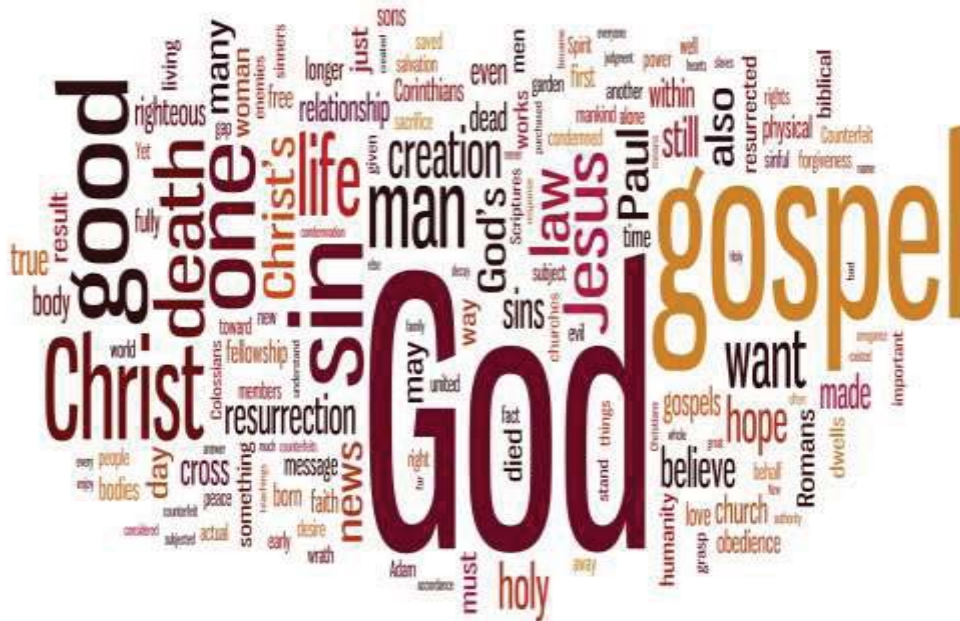


ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH



Service of Prayer and Preaching
God's Solution



ANNOUNCEMENTS

MIDWEEK SERMON SERIES! Our midweek series continues! The topics for the five week series are:

1. The Nature of God.
2. The Nature of Man.
3. The Problem.
4. What God Did.
5. Your New Life in Christ.

If you missed our messages on the Nature of God and the Nature of Man, you can listen to it online @ zlcb.org.

J@CK! July at Camp for the Kingdom is the name of our Mission Trip for this summer. Mark your calendars for July 27 – August 3rd. We will be going to Camp Pioneer for a week of work, spiritual growth and fellowship. All are welcome and invited to come on this trip! We will have details (including pricing information) in the April Newsletter and in these announcements.

GOT SHOWERS? Kingdom's Kind, a youth choir from Lincoln, Nebraska, will be coming to Zion to sing for us this weekend. They will also be staying at the church until Thursday of the following week as they do a number of service projects in our community. The thing is, they will need places to shower at the end (or start) of the day. This is where you come in! We need people from Zion to donate their bathrooms. Contact Pastor Duncan or the church office if you "got showers."

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY is on Mondays @ 7:30pm in the Fellowship Hall. They are studying the book **IDOL LIES**. It's not too late to start coming; if you are interested in attending, please contact Alissa McLellan or the Church Office.

ZION IS HOSTING a creation seminar this weekend, June 13-15th. We will listen to experts explain the science behind the Creation and explain why contemporary theories about the origins of life are flawed. Invite your friends!

AIR CONDITIONING! Last month, a family that wishes to remain anonymous came forward to offer up to \$20,000 in matching funds toward the purchase of air conditioning for the sanctuary. Please prayerfully consider supporting this project. We would like to have the air conditioning installed before the heat of the summer gets here. (We are less than \$2000 away from reaching our goal of \$45,000 for the project.)

The Service of Prayer and Preaching

Introduction to Worship

The Invocation

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

People: **Amen.**

Confession of Sins

Pastor: This evening, after listening to messages on the nature of God and man, and the problem created by our sin with God's holiness, we come to the message of what God did to solve our problem. Sending His Son into the world, God provided atonement through faith in His blood. Therefore, let us confess our sins to God, trusting in His Son, our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

People: **Father in heaven, thank you for sending Your Son. I ask that you would have his death be the atoning sacrifice for my sins. Look on me with your favor and grace. Do not raise your hand in anger against me, but save me from sin, death and the devil. I ask all of this confidently because Jesus has conquered death and sits at your right hand.**

Amen!

Absolution Spoken by the Pastor

People: **Amen.**

(Please be seated)

The Reading: Romans 3:21-31

But now the righteousness of God has been manifested apart from the law, although the Law and the Prophets bear witness to it—the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction: for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, and are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, whom God put forward as a

propitiation by his blood, to be received by faith. This was to show God's righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over former sins. It was to show his righteousness at the present time, so that he might be just and the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus.

Then what becomes of our boasting? It is excluded. By what kind of law? By a law of works? No, but by the law of faith. For we hold that one is justified by faith apart from works of the law. Or is God the God of Jews only? Is he not the God of Gentiles also? Yes, of Gentiles also, since God is one—who will justify the circumcised by faith and the uncircumcised through faith. Do we then overthrow the law by this faith? By no means! On the contrary, we uphold the law.

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.

The Prayers

Pastor: In peace let us pray to the Lord:

People: Lord, have mercy.

Pastor: For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Pastor: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Pastor: For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Pastor: For our brothers and sisters in Christ who labor under adverse conditions, that their faithful witness to the truth of the Gospel would bear the fruit of repentance and faith in the lives of their family, friends and those who persecute them, let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Pastor: For the members of Kingdom's Kind who will be traveling here from Nebraska to sing for us and to serve the community, that they would be arrive safely and be a blessing to us and those they serve, let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Pastor: For those who work to bring justice, peace, health, and protection in this and every place, let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Pastor: For those who work to bring the gospel of Jesus Christ to the nations, especially in places where the Gospel is forbidden, that they would be blessed to see Christ at work through them, let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Pastor: For patience in affliction, wisdom in difficult situations, faithfulness in moments of despair, and steadfastness amidst trials and temptations, let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Pastor: For... let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Pastor: For the faithful who have gone before us and are with Christ, let us give thanks to the Lord:

People: Alleluia! Amen.

Pastor: Taught by our Lord, and trusting in his promises, we are bold to pray:

People: Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed by 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 Benediction