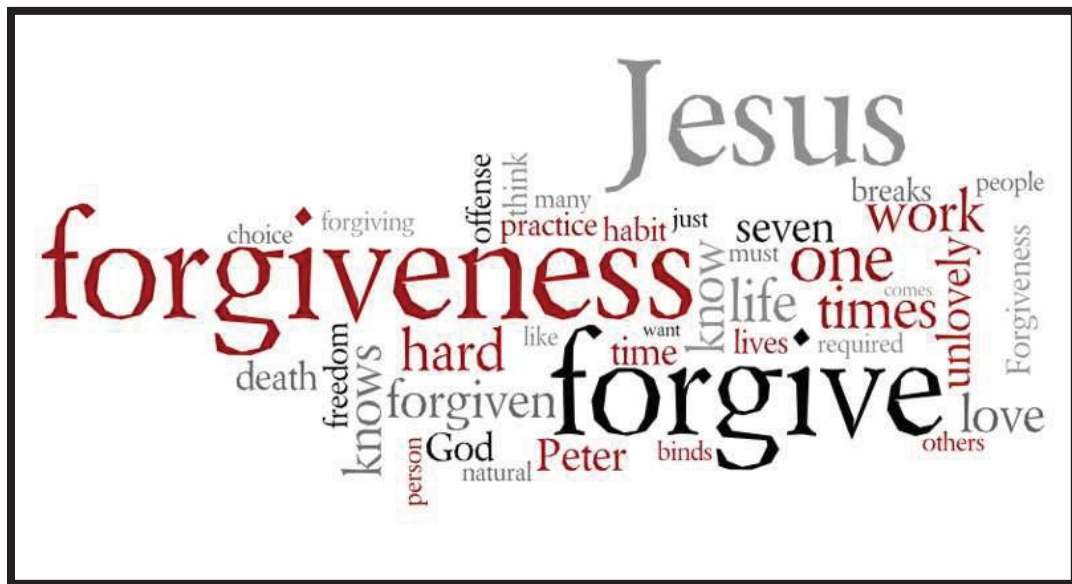


Zion Lutheran Church



3rd Sunday After Pentecost
Sunday June 14, 2015



ANNOUNCEMENTS

ALTAR FLOWERS are given by Brad & Jessica Boyle in Memory of Jessica's grandparents, Patsy & Henrietta Pirro and Grandpa Meier & MeMaw in Honor of their grandtwins Meadow & Brandon's 5th Birthday.

ETERNAL LIGHT is given by Bernice DeBoe in Memory of her nieces Amy & Anastasia.

ZION LIONS are on a roll! 2 in a row!! They will go for their 3rd win this Thursday @ 7:00pm at (where else?) McLaughlin Run Park. Come on out and cheer on your recently undefeated Zion Lions!

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.

SPECIAL FATHER'S DAY MUSIC: In honor of all fathers in our congregation we are performing special arrangement of "Now Thank We All Our God" on Sunday June 21st. We are looking for any male who is interested in singing in our all male choir that day. No choir experience necessary for this event! We will have our first rehearsal Thursday June 11 at 7:00pm in the choir loft. Sign-up sheet is located on the bulletin board.

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.

SERVICE EVENT: We will be doing a service project to Jubilee Soup Kitchen again on June 20th from 9:00am – 1:00pm. We need 8-10 volunteers per session to serve food to the homeless & Speak the name of Jesus to those we serve. Please sign up in the narthex. Any questions can be directed to Alissa McLellan.

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!

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!

A Christian is someone who _____.

What did you put? "Keeps the 10 Commandments." "Goes to church."

"Believes in Jesus." "Loves God."

What defines you as a Christian? Is it something you do, or even something you believe; or is it what God has done for you in Jesus Christ? A Christian is someone who IS FORGIVEN.

This morning, we continue our "Back to Basics" study by taking a look at what we mean when we profess our faith in the "forgiveness of sins." Central to our identity as Christians is our belief in the forgiveness of sins. But how does a God who by nature is righteous, just and holy not deal with us as our sins deserve? If he were to let sin go unpunished, would he not be guilty of being unjust? When we claim to believe in the forgiveness of sins, we are not saying that God simply sweeps our sins under the rug or chooses to ignore them; what we are saying is that God does not count our sins against us, he counted them against Christ Jesus or Lord. In saying that we believe in the forgiveness of sins we are also saying that we believe Jesus took on himself the punishment our sins deserve when he went to the cross, suffered and died.

A Christian is someone who IS FORGIVEN. Forgiven on account of the sacrifice of Christ. Forgiven to live in true freedom. Forgiven to live forever!

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: Praise to the Lord

Jan Bender

Introduction to Worship and Announcements

Opening Hymn: Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

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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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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: Genesis 18:1-19

And the Lord appeared to him by the oaks of Mamre, as he sat at the door of his tent in the heat of the day. He lifted up his eyes and looked, and behold, three men were standing in front of him. When he saw them, he ran from the tent door to meet them and bowed himself to the earth and said, "O Lord, if I have found favor in your sight, do not pass by your servant. Let a little water be brought, and wash your feet, and rest yourselves under the tree, while I bring a morsel of bread, that you may refresh yourselves, and after that you may pass on—since you have come to your servant." So they said, "Do as you have said." And Abraham went quickly into the tent to Sarah and said, "Quick! Three seahs of

fine flour! Knead it, and make cakes.”⁷ And Abraham ran to the herd and took a calf, tender and good, and gave it to a young man, who prepared it quickly. Then he took curds and milk and the calf that he had prepared, and set it before them. And he stood by them under the tree while they ate. They said to him, “Where is Sarah your wife?” And he said, “She is in the tent.” The Lord said, “I will surely return to you about this time next year, and Sarah your wife shall have a son.” And Sarah was listening at the tent door behind him. Now Abraham and Sarah were old, advanced in years. The way of women had ceased to be with Sarah. So Sarah laughed to herself, saying, “After I am worn out, and my lord is old, shall I have pleasure?” The Lord said to Abraham, “Why did Sarah laugh and say, ‘Shall I indeed bear a child, now that I am old?’ Is anything too hard for the Lord? At the appointed time I will return to you, about this time next year, and Sarah shall have a son.” But Sarah denied it, saying, “I did not laugh,” for she was afraid. He said, “No, but you did laugh.” Then the men set out from there, and they looked down toward Sodom. And Abraham went with them to set them on their way. The Lord said, “Shall I hide from Abraham what I am about to do, seeing that Abraham shall surely become a great and mighty nation, and all the nations of the earth shall be blessed in him? For I have chosen him, that he may command his children and his household after him to keep the way of the Lord by doing righteousness and justice, so that the Lord may bring to Abraham what he has promised him.”

The New Testament Reading: Colossians 3:5-17

Put to death therefore what is earthly in you: sexual immorality, impurity, passion, evil desire, and covetousness, which is idolatry. On account of these the wrath of God is coming. In these you too once walked, when you were living in them. But now you must put them all away: anger, wrath, malice, slander, and

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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!**

JUNE 27TH AT 5:00PM





Earlier this year, we did a survey to determine whether there was any interest in Zion offering Online Giving. Based on the survey results we have decided to begin offering an electronic option for those members who would like to use this service.

Therefore, we are pleased to announce the introduction of an electronic option for making regular and special offerings. Contributions can now be transferred automatically from your checking or savings account. The secured service provider is Vanco Payment Service, which is used by most LCMS churches throughout the country. As you know weekly offerings can fluctuate significantly from week to week due to vacation, travel, illness and other circumstances, but when contributions are automated there tends to be less fluctuation in giving throughout the year. For those individuals who are interested in signing up for the Online Giving just follow the instructions below.

To set up your electronic donation on our web site:

Go to www.zlcb.org

Click on the *Online Giving button*

Click on the *Create Profile button*, then

Follow the onscreen instructions to create an online profile and to schedule your recurring contributions.

If you have any questions about the process, please contact Bob Schmidt.

Chairman

Decorations Needed!

The VBS decorating committee is gearing up for this year's "Everest" adventure, which highlights a snowy mountain hiking and camping theme. The fun all begins in just a few short weeks and we need your help! We are looking to borrow a few items from the congregation to make the facility look awesome for this year's attendees.



Please see the list below and consider donating any of the following items your family might be willing to share for the week:

- Long coils of rope
- Lanterns (it doesn't necessarily need to work, simply for decoration)
- Flameless candles
- Pairs of skis (either children or adult skis)
- Ski poles
- Wooden crates
- Easy to assemble tents
- Snowshoes (I know it's a long shot, but someone might have a pair! :)
- Solid colored sleeping bags
- Hiking backpacks

Any items that are donated should be clearly labeled with your name and phone number so that we can be sure to return everything that was borrowed! There will be a table downstairs in the undercroft labeled "VBS donations". **The items can be left at any time through Sunday, June 21st.** The items will be available for pickup upon the completion of VBS on Sunday, June 29th. Have any questions? Feel free to contact Carrie Lemonovich at lemonovich7@verizon.net or (412)319-7267.

obscene talk from your mouth. Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have put off the old self with its practice and have put on the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge after the image of its creator. Here there is not Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave, free; but Christ is all, and in all. Put on then, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, compassionate hearts, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience, bearing with one another and, if one has a complaint against another, forgiving each other; as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. And above all these put on love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in one body. And be thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, teaching and admonishing one another in all wisdom, singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, with thankfulness in your hearts to God. And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

Pastor: In honor of our Lord Jesus Christ, we rise for the reading of the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 18th chapter.

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

The Gospel Reading: Matthew 18:21-36

Then Peter came up and said to him, "Lord, how often will my brother sin against me, and I forgive him? As many as seven times?" Jesus said to him, "I do not say to you seven times, but seventy-seven times. "Therefore the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his servants. When he began to settle, one was brought to him who owed him ten thousand talents. And since he could not pay, his master ordered him to be sold, with his wife and children and all that he had, and payment to be made. So the

servant fell on his knees, imploring him, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.' And out of pity for him, the master of that servant released him and forgave him the debt. But when that same servant went out, he found one of his fellow servants who owed him a hundred denarii, and seizing him, he began to choke him, saying, 'Pay what you owe.' So his fellow servant fell down and pleaded with him, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you.' He refused and went and put him in prison until he should pay the debt. When his fellow servants saw what had taken place, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their master all that had taken place. Then his master summoned him and said to him, 'You wicked servant! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. And should not you have had mercy on your fellow servant, as I had mercy on you?' And in anger his master delivered him to the jailers, until he should pay all his debt. So also my heavenly Father will do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother from your heart."

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, O Christ.

(Please be seated)

Sermon Hymn: Forgive Our Sins as We Forgive

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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)

Offeratory: Forgive Our Sins as We Forgive

Wilbur Held

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

You Satisfy the Hungry Heart

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Let Us Break Together - Organ

Dale Wood

Take My Life and Let it Be

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(Please stand)

Benediction

People: Amen

The Recessional: God of Grace and God of Glory

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Postlude: God of Grace

Paul Manz

† 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:	Matthew Liberatore (8:00) Carley Rockovich (10:30)
The Greeters:	Bernie & Jean Blanco (8:00) Jay & Kim Anderson (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

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**Attention Parents with Small Children**

Sunday Worship is a time when we can gather together in fellowship to hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ. What a wonderful freedom we have. For all to hear the word, we have a nursery located downstairs for children who become inattentive during the service, where the sermon can be heard. Please see an usher if you need assistance finding the nursery!

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Last Week in Worship

Sunday Worship Attendance (6/7) - 176

Wednesday Attendance (6/10) - 20

Sunday Offering (6/7) - \$5,601.56

Week of June 14th – June 21st

<p>SUNDAY 6/14</p>	<p>8:00 AM – Worship w/Communion 9:15 AM – Bible Class & Sunday School 10:30 AM–Worship w/Communion FOOD BANK</p>
<p>MONDAY 6/15</p>	
<p>TUESDAY 6/16</p>	
<p>WEDNESDAY 6/17</p>	<p>7:00 PM – Prayer & Preaching Service</p>
<p>THURSDAY 6/18</p>	<p>10:00AM – Bible Class (Conference Room) 7:00 PM – Choir Practice</p>
<p>FRIDAY 6/19</p>	<p>7:00 AM – Free Coffee Friday</p>
<p>SATURDAY 6/20</p>	<p>9:00 AM – Jubilee Soup Kitchen</p>
<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>