

ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH



*Service of Prayer and Preaching
The Holiness of God and the
Sinfulness of Man*



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 the weekend of June 14-15. 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 the weekend of 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, roughly, \$2,500 away from reaching our goal of \$45,000 for the project.)

The Service of Prayer and Preaching

Introduction to Worship

The Invocation

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

People: **Amen.**

Confession of Sins

Vicar: This evening, we will focus on the problem created by the holiness and righteousness of God coming into contact with the sinfulness of man. As you will see, God punishes sin and sinners alike, not letting the guilty go unpunished. Therefore, let us ask the Lord to remove our sins from us, not counting them against us, and declaring us righteous on account of Christ Jesus.

People: **Lord Jesus Christ, I confess to you that I have sinned. More than that, I confess that my nature has been so stained and warped by sin that I cannot help but do what is evil in your sight. You have given me the Holy Spirit, that I might walk in your ways. But I confess that I have ignored his prompting and have chosen to listen to the flesh instead. Forgive my sins by the blood of your cross, and teach me to live obediently to your will. Amen.**

Absolution Spoken by the Vicar

People: **Amen.**

(Please be seated)

The Reading: Isaiah 6:1-7

In the year that King Uzziah died I saw the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up; and the train of his robe filled the temple. Above him stood the

seraphim. Each had six wings: with two he covered his face, and with two he covered his feet, and with two he flew. And one called to another and said:

“Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts;
the whole earth is full of his glory!”

And the foundations of the thresholds shook at the voice of him who called, and the house was filled with smoke. And I said: “Woe is me! For I am lost; for I am a man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; for my eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts!”

Then one of the seraphim flew to me, having in his hand a burning coal that he had taken with tongs from the altar. And he touched my mouth and said: “Behold, this has touched your lips; your guilt is taken away, and your sin atoned for.”

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

Vicar: In peace let us pray to the Lord:

People: Lord, have mercy.

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

People: Lord, have mercy.

Vicar: 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.

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

People: Lord, have mercy.

Vicar: 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.

Vicar: For our sister congregations, especially: Concordia, First Trinity, Good Shepherd, Peace, Saint John, Saint Matthew, Saint Thomas, and Zion in Lawrenceville, that you would give them boldness to witness to your grace and mercy, be blessed to see you at work, unify them around your mission, and keep them in your Word.

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