

"Unless one is born again he cannot see the kingdom of God."

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*Adoration + Confession + Thanksgiving + Supplication*

# ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH

**STANDING STRONG + GROWING TOGETHER + REACHING OUT**

**Sunday of The Holy Trinity**

**May 30, 2021**

## AS WE GATHER

On this Holy Trinity Sunday, we do not so much explain God as confess Him. We testify to Him who has revealed Himself to us. To the mind in search of reasonable answers, God will always be a question or riddle to be solved. But to the empty heart, the Holy Spirit leads us to see with faith the God whose majesty has worked for our salvation and whose mercy has rescued us sinners from sin and the grave. Like Nicodemus of old, we want to know how, yet our Lord gives us not the how, but the who; not the explanation, but the mystery of mercy big enough to save us. We come today confessing with our fathers in faith the Athanasian Creed, singing "Holy, Holy, Holy," and rejoicing in the God who is bigger than we are, but who becomes one of us to save us.



## PRE-SERVICE MUSIC

### WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION TO WORSHIP

David Garcia, organ  
Pastor Stephen Heimer

## OPENING HYMN

"Holy, Holy, Holy!" Lutheran Service Book 507



1 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!  
2 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! All the saints a - dore Thee,  
3 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Though the dark - ness hide Thee,  
4 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!



Ear - ly in the morn - ing our song shall rise to Thee;  
Cast - ing down their gold - en crowns a - round the glass - y sea;  
Though the eye of sin - ful man Thy glo - ry may not see,  
All Thy works shall praise Thy name in earth and sky and sea.



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, mer - ci - ful and might - y!  
Cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim fall - ing down be - fore Thee,  
On - ly Thou art ho - ly; there is none be - side Thee,  
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, mer - ci - ful and might - y!



God in three per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!  
Which wert and art and ev - er - more shalt be.  
Per - fect in pow'r, in love, and pu - ri - ty.  
God in three per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!

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## INVOCATION AND BAPTISMAL REMEMBRANCE

- P** In the Name of God,  
**C** **The Everlasting Father.**  
**P** In the Name of God,  
**C** **The Prince Of Peace.**  
**P** In the Name of God,  
**C** **The Wonderful Counselor.**  
**P** In the strong Name of the Holy Trinity,  
**C** **The Father, The Son, + And The Holy Spirit. Amen.**

*The sign of the Holy Cross may be made by all in remembrance and celebration of their baptism.*

## ADORATION

Psalm 29 with antiphon for Trinity Sunday

- C** **Blessèd be the Holy Trinity and the undivided Unity.**  
**Let us give glory to him because he has shown his mercy to us.**
- P** Ascribe to the LORD, O heavenly beings, ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.  
**C** **Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name; worship the LORD in the splendor of holiness.**  
**P** The voice of the LORD is over the waters; the God of glory thunders, the LORD, over many waters.  
**C** **The voice of the LORD is powerful; the voice of the LORD is full of majesty. The voice of the LORD breaks the cedars;**  
**P** the LORD breaks the cedars of Lebanon. He makes Lebanon to skip like a calf, and Sirion like a young wild ox.  
**C** **The voice of the LORD flashes forth flames of fire. The voice of the LORD shakes the wilderness;**  
**P** the LORD shakes the wilderness of Kadesh. The voice of the LORD makes the deer give birth and strips the forests bare, and in his temple all cry, "Glory!"  
**C** **The LORD sits enthroned over the flood; the LORD sits enthroned as king forever.**  
**P** May the LORD give strength to his people!  
**C** **May the LORD bless his people with peace!**  
**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever! Amen.**  
**Blessèd be the Holy Trinity and the undivided Unity.**  
**Let us give glory to him because he has shown his mercy to us.**

## + HOLY BAPTISM +

## BAPTISMAL ADDRESS

## BAPTISMAL HYMN

"Dearest Jesus, We Are Here" v.1-3 LSB 592

*The baptismal family comes forward to gather at the font as we all sing:*



1 Dear - est Je - sus, we are here, Glad - ly Your com -  
2 Your com - mand is clear and plain, And we would o -  
3 There - fore we have come to You, In our arms this



mand o - bey - ing; With this child we now draw near  
bey it du - ly: "You must all be born a - gain,  
in - fant bear - ing. Tru - ly here Your grace we view;



In re - sponse to Your own say - ing That to You it  
Heart and life re - new - ing tru - ly, Born of wa - ter  
May this child, Your mer - cy shar - ing, In Your arms be



shall be giv - en As a child and heir of heav - en.  
and the Spir - it, And My king - dom thus in - her - it.”  
shield-ed ev - er, Yours on earth and Yours for - ev - er.

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## NAMING AND SIGN OF THE CROSS

## THE FLOOD PRAYER

## PROMISES OF THE PARENTS AND GODPARENTS

- P** From ancient times the Church has observed the custom of appointing sponsors for baptismal candidates and catechumens. In the Evangelical Lutheran Church sponsors are to confess the faith expressed in the Apostles’ Creed and taught in the Small Catechism. They are, whenever possible, to witness the Baptism of those they sponsor. They are to pray for them, support them in their ongoing instruction and nurture in the Christian faith, and encourage them toward the faithful reception of the Lord’s Supper. They are at all times to be examples to them of the holy life of faith in Christ and love for the neighbor.
- P** Is it your intention to serve this child as sponsors in the Christian faith?
- R** *Yes, with the help of God.*
- P** God enable you both to will and to do this faithful and loving work and with His grace fulfill what we are unable to do.
- C** **Amen.**

## HOLY GOSPEL FOR BAPTISM

Mark 10:13-16

- P** Hear the Holy Gospel according to St. Mark.  
They brought young children to [Jesus] that He might touch them; but the disciples rebuked those who brought them. But when Jesus saw it, He was greatly displeased and said to them, “Let the little children come to Me, and do not forbid them; for of such is the kingdom of God. Assuredly, I say to you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will by no means enter it.” And He took them up in His arms, put His hands on them, and blessed them.
- P** This is the Word of the Lord.
- C** **Thanks be to God.**

## LORD’S PRAYER

- C** **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.**

## PROFESSION OF FAITH

- P** Do you renounce the devil?
- R** *Yes, I renounce him.*
- P** Do you renounce all his works?
- R** *Yes, I renounce them.*
- P** Do you renounce all his ways?
- R** *Yes, I renounce them.*
- P** Do you believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth?
- R** *Yes, I believe.*
- P** Do you believe 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?
- R** *Yes, I believe.*

**P** Do you 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?

**R** *Yes, I believe.*

**P** Do you desire to be baptized?

**R** *Yes, I do.*

## THE BAPTISM

**P** I baptize you in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** **Amen.**

## BLESSING OF THE NEWLY BAPTIZED

## PRESENTATION OF THE WHITE GARMENT & BAPTISMAL CANDLE

## THE WELCOME AND PRAYERS OF ZION

**A** In Holy Baptism God the Father has made you a member of His Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, and an heir with us of all the treasures of heaven in the one holy Christian and apostolic Church. We receive you in Jesus' name as our brother in Christ, that together we might hear His Word, receive His gifts, and proclaim the praises of Him who called us out of darkness into His marvelous light.

**C** **Amen. We welcome you in the name of the Lord.**

**C** **Almighty and most merciful God and Father, we thank and praise You that You graciously preserve and enlarge Your family and have granted Donovan the new birth in Holy Baptism and made him a member of Your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, and an heir of Your heavenly kingdom. We humbly implore You that, as he has now become Your child, You would keep him in his baptismal grace, that according to Your good pleasure he may faithfully grow to lead a godly life to the praise and honor of Your holy name and finally, with all Your saints, obtain the promised inheritance in heaven; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

**P** Lord and Giver of life, look with kindness upon Andrew & Martha, the father and mother of this child, and upon all our parents. Let them ever rejoice in the gift You have given them. Enable them to be teachers and examples of righteousness for their children. Strengthen them in their own Baptism that they may share eternally with their children the salvation You have given them.

**P** Almighty and everlasting God, since You govern and sanctify the whole Christian Church by Your Holy Spirit, hear our prayers for all her members, and mercifully grant that by Your grace we may serve You in true faith; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**C** **Amen**

## THE PEACE

## HYMN OF BAPTISMAL WELCOME

"Father Welcomes" LSB 605

*The baptismal family may return to their seats as we all sing:*

*Refrain*

Fa - ther wel-comes all His chil - dren To His fam - 'ly  
through His Son. Fa - ther giv - ing His sal - va - tion,  
Life for - ev - er has been won.



1 Lit - tle chil-dren, come to Me, For My king - dom  
 2 In the wa - ter, in the Word, In His prom - ise,  
 3 Let us dai - ly die to sin; Let us dai - ly



is of these. Life and love I have to give,  
 be as - sured: Those who are bap - tized and be - lieve  
 rise with Him, Walk in the love of Christ our Lord,



Mer - cy for your sin.  
 Shall be born a - gain.  
 Live in the peace of God.

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## READINGS FROM HOLY SCRIPTURE

### INTRODUCTION TO THE LESSONS

**A** Today is Holy Trinity, the First Sunday after Pentecost. The festival half of the Church Year, which has confessed the saving events in the life of our Lord, now gives way to that part of the Church Year in which we hear His teaching. From the Old Testament Reading from Isaiah, we witness a glimpse of the glory of the Lord, the God of Sabaoth, whose power is chiefly known in showing mercy. In the Epistle from the Acts of the Apostles, we hear another part of the Pentecost sermon of Peter attesting to the revelation of Jesus as both Lord and Christ. In the Gospel according to John, we hear Jesus' conversation with Nicodemus and within this we hear the most beloved and familiar verse of Scripture.

### OLD TESTAMENT READING

(We have seen the Lord of hosts.)

Isaiah 6:1–8

<sup>1</sup>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. <sup>2</sup>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. <sup>3</sup>And one called to another and said: "Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory!" <sup>4</sup>And the foundations of the thresholds shook at the voice of him who called, and the house was filled with smoke. <sup>5</sup>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!" <sup>6</sup>Then one of the seraphim flew to me, having in his hand a burning coal that he had taken with tongs from the altar. <sup>7</sup>And he touched my mouth and said: "Behold, this has touched your lips; your guilt is taken away, and your sin atoned for." <sup>8</sup>And I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" Then I said, "Here am I! Send me."

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

### EPISTLE READING

(Let all know that God has made Jesus both Lord and Christ.)

Acts 2:14a, 22–36

<sup>14</sup>Peter, standing with the eleven, lifted up his voice and addressed them, . . . <sup>22</sup>"Men of Israel, hear these words: Jesus of Nazareth, a man attested to you by God with mighty works and wonders and signs that God did through him in your midst, as you yourselves know— <sup>23</sup>this Jesus, delivered up according to the definite plan and foreknowledge of God, you crucified and killed by the hands of lawless men. <sup>24</sup>God raised him up, loosing the pangs of death, because it was not possible for him to be held by it. <sup>25</sup>For David says concerning him, "I saw the Lord always before me, for he is at my right hand that I may not be shaken; <sup>26</sup>therefore my heart was glad, and my tongue rejoiced; my flesh also will dwell in hope. <sup>27</sup>For you will not abandon my soul to Hades, or let your Holy One see corruption. <sup>28</sup>You have made known to me the paths of life; you will make me full of gladness with your presence." <sup>29</sup>"Brothers, I may say to you with confidence about the patriarch David that he both died and

was buried, and his tomb is with us to this day. <sup>30</sup>Being therefore a prophet, and knowing that God had sworn with an oath to him that he would set one of his descendants on his throne, <sup>31</sup>he foresaw and spoke about the resurrection of the Christ, that he was not abandoned to Hades, nor did his flesh see corruption. <sup>32</sup>This Jesus God raised up, and of that we all are witnesses. <sup>33</sup>Being therefore exalted at the right hand of God, and having received from the Father the promise of the Holy Spirit, he has poured out this that you yourselves are seeing and hearing. <sup>34</sup>For David did not ascend into the heavens, but he himself says, "The Lord said to my Lord, Sit at my right hand, <sup>35</sup>until I make your enemies your footstool." <sup>36</sup>Let all the house of Israel therefore know for certain that God has made him both Lord and Christ, this Jesus whom you crucified."

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

**GOSPEL**

("For God so loved the world, that He gave His only Son.")

John 3:1-17

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the third chapter.

**C** Glory to You, O Lord.

<sup>1</sup>Now there was a man of the Pharisees named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews. <sup>2</sup>This man came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher come from God, for no one can do these signs that you do unless God is with him." <sup>3</sup>Jesus answered him, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born again he cannot see the kingdom of God." <sup>4</sup>Nicodemus said to him, "How can a man be born when he is old? Can he enter a second time into his mother's womb and be born?" <sup>5</sup>Jesus answered, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God. <sup>6</sup>That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. <sup>7</sup>Do not marvel that I said to you, 'You must be born again.' <sup>8</sup>The wind blows where it wishes, and you hear its sound, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit." <sup>9</sup>Nicodemus said to him, "How can these things be?" <sup>10</sup>Jesus answered him, "Are you the teacher of Israel and yet you do not understand these things? <sup>11</sup>Truly, truly, I say to you, we speak of what we know, and bear witness to what we have seen, but you do not receive our testimony. <sup>12</sup>If I have told you earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you heavenly things? <sup>13</sup>No one has ascended into heaven except he who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. <sup>14</sup>And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, <sup>15</sup>that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. <sup>16</sup>For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. <sup>17</sup>For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him."

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C** Praise to You, O Christ.

**+ TRINITY SUNDAY CONFESSION OF FAITH +**

**HYMN OF THE DAY**

"I Bind Unto Myself Today" (by St. Patrick) LSB 604

I I bind un - to my - self to - day The  
 strong name of the Trin - i - ty By  
 in - vo - ca - tion of the same, The  
 Three in One and One in Three.

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## ATHANASIAN CREED - PART 1

*The Athanasian Creed, like the Apostle's Creed and Nicene Creed, is a statement of faith used by the historic Church to express Christian agreement concerning the identity of the one true God. The word "catholic" in this statement means 'general' or 'universal', referring to the universal Church, all people known to God to be saved by His grace through faith in Jesus Christ, as distinct from any particular local Christian community or Christian denomination.*

**Whoever desires to be saved must, above all, hold the catholic faith. Whoever does not keep it whole and undefiled will without doubt perish eternally. And the catholic faith is this, that we worship one God in Trinity and Trinity in Unity, neither confusing the persons nor dividing the substance. For the Father is one person, the Son is another, and the Holy Spirit is another.**

**But the Godhead of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit is one: the glory equal, the majesty coeternal. Such as the Father is, such is the Son, and such is the Holy Spirit: the Father uncreated, the Son uncreated, the Holy Spirit uncreated; the Father infinite, the Son infinite, the Holy Spirit infinite; the Father eternal, the Son eternal, the Holy Spirit eternal. And yet there are not three Eternals, but one Eternal, just as there are not three Uncreated or three Infinities, but one Uncreated and one Infinite.**

**In the same way, the Father is almighty, the Son almighty, the Holy Spirit almighty; and yet there are not three Almightyes, but one Almighty. So the Father is God, the Son is God, the Holy Spirit is God; and yet there are not three Gods, but one God. So the Father is Lord, the Son is Lord, the Holy Spirit is Lord; and yet there are not three Lords, but one Lord.**

**Just as we are compelled by the Christian truth to acknowledge each distinct person as God and Lord, so also are we prohibited by the catholic religion to say that there are three Gods or Lords. The Father is not made nor created nor begotten by anyone. The Son is neither made nor created, but begotten of the Father alone. The Holy Spirit is of the Father and of the Son, neither made nor created nor begotten, but proceeding. Thus, there is one Father, not three Fathers; one Son, not three Sons; one Holy Spirit, not three Holy Spirits.**

**And in this Trinity none is before or after another; none is greater or less than another; but the whole three persons are coeternal with each other and coequal, so that in all things, as has been stated above, the Trinity in Unity and Unity in Trinity is to be worshiped. Therefore, whoever desires to be saved must think thus about the Trinity.**

△ 5 I bind un - to my - self the name, The  
strong name of the Trin - i - ty By  
in - vo - ca - tion of the same, The  
Three in One and One in Three, *Repeat after st. 1 only.*

(5) Of whom all na - ture has cre - a - tion, E -  
 ter - nal Fa - ther, Spir - it, Word. Praise  
 to the Lord of my sal - va - tion;  
 Sal - va - tion is of Christ the Lord!

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## ATHANASIAN CREED - PART 2

**But it is also necessary for everlasting salvation that one faithfully believe the incarnation of our Lord Jesus Christ. Therefore, it is the right faith that we believe and confess that our Lord Jesus Christ, the Son of God, is at the same time both God and man. He is God, begotten from the substance of the Father before all ages; and He is man, born from the substance of His mother in this age: perfect God and perfect man, composed of a rational soul and human flesh; equal to the Father with respect to His divinity, less than the Father with respect to His humanity.**

**Although He is God and man, He is not two, but one Christ: one, however, not by the conversion of the divinity into flesh, but by the assumption of the humanity into God; one altogether, not by confusion of substance, but by unity of person. For as the rational soul and flesh is one man, so God and man is one Christ, who suffered for our salvation, descended into hell, rose again the third day from the dead, ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father, God Almighty, from whence He will come to judge the living and the dead. At His coming all people will rise again with their bodies and give an account concerning their own deeds. And those who have done good will enter into eternal life, and those who have done evil into eternal fire.**

**This is the catholic faith; whoever does not believe it faithfully and firmly cannot be saved.**

2 I - bind this day to me for - ev - er, By  
 4 A - gainst the de - mon snares of sin, The  
 Δ 5 I - bind un - to my - self the name, The  
 pow'r of faith, Christ's in - car - na - tion, His  
 vice that gives temp - ta - tion force, The  
 strong name of the Trin - i - ty By



Bap - tism in the Jor - dan Riv - er, His  
 nat - ural lusts that war with in, The  
 in - vo - ca - tion of the same, The

cross of death for my sal - va - tion,  
 hos - tile foes that mar my course;  
 Three in One and One in Three,

(2) His burst - ing from the spic - ed tomb, His  
 (4) Or few or man - y, far or nigh, In  
 (5) Of whom all na - ture has cre - a - tion, E -

rid - ing up the heav'n - ly way, His  
 ev - 'ry place and in all hours, A -  
 ter - nal Fa - ther, Spir - it, Word. Praise

com - ing at the day of doom,  
 gainst their fierce hos - til - i - ty,  
 to the Lord of my sal - va - tion;

I bind un - to my - self to - day.  
 I bind to me those ho - ly pow'rs.  
 Sal - va - tion is of Christ the Lord!

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**HOMILY**

"Created, Saved, Sanctified"

**OFFERING**

"Great is Thy Faithfulness"

David Garcia, organ

**OFFERTORY**

"We Praise You, O God" LSB 785

1 We praise You, O God, our Re - deem - er, Cre - a - tor;  
 2 We wor - ship You, God of our fa - thers, we bless You;

In grate - ful de - vo - tion our trib - ute we bring.  
 Through tri - al and tem - pest our guide You have been.



We lay it be - fore You, we kneel and a - dore You;  
When per - ils o'er - take us, You will not for - sake us,  
We bless Your ho - ly name, glad prais - es we sing.  
And with Your help, O Lord, our strug - gles we win.

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## CONFESSION OF SIN AND ABSOLUTION

- P** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
- C** **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

*Silence for meditation and reflection.*

- P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
- C** **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**
- P** Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the  $\text{†}$  Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C** **Amen.**

## PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING

- L** Lord God, Heavenly Father we lift up our hearts in gratitude to you, and for all your Loving kindness we bless your holy Name.
- L** For life and health, for love and friendship, and for the goodness and mercy with which you have guided us all the days of our life...
- C** **we thank you!**
- L** For the wonder and beauty of your creation, and for all things true and honorable, just and pure, lovely and gracious...
- C** **we praise you!**
- L** For the gift of Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord; for the grace and truth that have come by Him; and for his obedience unto death, even death on a cross...
- C** **we worship you!**
- L** For His glorious resurrection and ascension to your right hand, and for His kingdom and glory and everlasting dominion...
- C** **we glorify you!**
- L** For the Holy Spirit, the Counselor, the Lord and Giver of life; for your holy Church throughout the world; for all the means of grace; and for the fellowship of the redeemed in heaven and on earth...
- C** **we thank you!**
- L** For the early leadership gifts to Your Church of Apostles, Prophets, Evangelists, Pastors, Teachers, Deacons, Saints, Martyrs ... and for their lives of service to You and mission to a dying world we bless Your grace and thank You for their example to us as Servant Leaders...
- C** **we thank you!**

**L** For the Servant Leaders and the leadership gifts You have breathed so abundantly into this congregation in the past, now in the present, and toward a promising future...

**G we thank you!**

**L** We lift up our thanksgiving, praise, adoration and love to You, Heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, Who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God forever and ever.

**G Amen!**

## **PRAYERS OF SUPPLICATION**

**P** Almighty God, because you have committed to your people the ministry of intercession hear us as we pray for others, and fill our spirits with your grace:

**P** For your holy Church throughout all the world, that you would pour out upon Your ministers of Word and Sacrament the abundance of your grace and truth and that you would create in all your people a hunger for your Word, a love for your church, a passion for your mission and a compassion for those in need, Lord in your mercy,

**G Hear our prayer**

**P** For the nations and for our nation, especially our president Joe Biden, Congress, our state, city, and county leaders that you would breathe on them the spirit of peace and understanding: For those in authority, that you would inspire in them a true desire for peace, a zeal for Justice, a heart for the weak, and a love of concord, Lord in your mercy,

**G Hear our prayer**

**P** For all the schools and colleges of our nation and world; for all who teach in them and all who learn, that in humility of heart they may ever look to you, the fountain of all wisdom, Lord in your mercy,

**G Hear our prayer**

**P** For all in sickness and distress that you would give strength to the weary, relief to the suffering, and comfort to the dying ... today heavenly Father we remember before your throne of grace particularly ..... Lord in your mercy,

**G Hear our prayer**

**P** (Here other supplications may be offered)

**P** For all your servants who have departed this life in your faith and fear we give you our highest thanks, and we pray you to give us grace to follow them as they followed Christ. Bring us, with them, into your eternal kingdom of peace and life and "to those things which eye has not seen, nor ear heard, through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord.

**G Amen**

## **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

**Almighty and everlasting God, You have given us grace to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity by the confession of a true faith and to worship the Unity in the power of the Divine Majesty. Keep us steadfast in this faith and defend us from all adversities; for You, O Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, live and reign, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

## **MORNING PRAYER**

**I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have kept me this night from all harm and danger; and I pray that You would keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings and life may please You. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.**

## **BLESSING**

**P** Go out into the world in Christ's peace; have courage; hold to what is good; return no one evil for evil; strengthen the faint-hearted; support the weak; help the suffering; honor all people; love and serve the Lord, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit. And Almighty God the Father, the + Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless you. (Romans 12:9-12)

**G Amen.**

## CLOSING HYMN

"Alleluia! Let Praises Ring" v.1,4 LSB 822



1 Al - le - lu - ia! Let prais - es ring! To God the Fa -  
4 Al - le - lu - ia! Let prais - es ring! Un - to our tri -



ther let us bring Our songs of ad - o - ra - tion.  
une God we sing; Blest be His name for - ev - er!



To Him through ev - er - last - ing days Be wor - ship, hon -  
With an - gel hosts let us a - dore And sing His prais -



or, pow'r, and praise, Whose hand sus - tains cre - a - tion.  
es ev - er - more For all His grace and fa - vor!



Sing - ing, ring - ing: Ho - ly, ho - ly, God is ho - ly;  
Sing - ing, ring - ing: Ho - ly, ho - ly, God is ho - ly;



Spread the sto - ry Of our God, the Lord of glo - ry.  
Spread the sto - ry Of our God, the Lord of glo - ry!

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

## POSTLUDE

David Garcia, organ

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## Offerings

*You can contribute offerings using four methods:*

**In-Person donations:** You can place your donation in the offering plate as you enter the sanctuary or in the secure box as you exit after the service.

**Online donations:** You can make a secure contribution from your credit card or bank account at [www.zionelpaso.org](http://www.zionelpaso.org). We use Vanco, a reputable agency which specializes in donations to churches and nonprofits. Your contribution can be set up to be recurring, such as each week or month, or as a one-time donation.

**Mail donations:** Mail your check to the Zion church office at 2808 Pershing Drive, El Paso, TX 79903. The mail is checked every day.

**Donations via an app:** If you prefer using your phone or tablet, you can download the Vanco Give Plus app. You can easily set up an account and donation through the app.

*Your offerings and support are crucial to our congregation and we are very grateful for your support!*

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### ZION STEWARDSHIP OF + TIME + TALENT + TREASURE

<b>Preacher &amp; Liturgist:</b>	Pastor Stephen Heimer
<b>Organist:</b>	David Garcia
<b>Elder:</b>	Tim Eyerman
<b>Reader:</b>	Sharon Amastae
<b>Acolyte:</b>	Victoria Ochoa
<b>Camera Operator:</b>	Jaden Heimer
<b>Sound Director:</b>	Brenna Rodriguez
<b>Offering Counter:</b>	Sharon Amastae

### THIS WEEK AT ZION

6/1	Tuesday	5:00 PM	Confirmation Class
		7:00 PM	Eastside Bible Study
6/2	Wednesday	10:30 AM	Worship Service in Anapra
6/3	Thursday	6:00 PM	New Member Class
		7:00 PM	"Acts" Bible Study
6/5	Saturday	10:30 AM	Funeral Service of Bob Geyer
6/6	Sunday	9:15 AM	"Exodus" Bible Study
		10:30 AM	Worship Service with Communion

**Altar Flowers** today are given by John & Lucille Williamson in celebration of their 60<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary on May 27<sup>th</sup>, and by David & Lydia Williams in celebration of their 8<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary on June 1<sup>st</sup>. Thanks be to God for his many blessings!

**Outdoor Worship Service at Zion!** On **Sunday, June 6, 2021, at 8:00am**, we will have an outdoor communion service in the Zion courtyard. We hope this service can allow more of our Zion family and friends to join us for in-person worship!

**Funeral Service for Bob Geyer.** The funeral service for Bob will be at **10:30am on Saturday, June 5, 2021**. If you plan to attend in-person, we encourage you to fill out an RSVP form on our website: <https://zionelpaso.org/bobgeyer/>.

**Offering Envelopes.** If you would like a box of weekly offering envelopes for 2021, please call Shirley Batts at (915) 497-2494 or the church office at (915) 566-4667.



### Collecting Backpacks and School Supplies for YLM's Back-to-School

**Distribution:** LWML is inviting all the members and friends of Zion to join us in collecting backpacks and school supplies to assist The Ysleta Lutheran Mission in their annual distribution to children and families in need. With the help of a Thrivent Action Grant, we will be collecting items beginning in mid-May and continue through the month of June, and into mid-July. Items needed for this collection are: **backpacks, notebook paper, spiral notebooks, pencils, pens, crayons, watercolor markers, colored pencils, glue sticks, and/or bottles of glue.** Items may be placed on the designated table in the Auditorium or maybe dropped off at the church office during office hours. Thanks, in advance, for supporting this outreach project!

**CPH Reads Summer Reading Program.** CPH Reads is a summer reading program through Concordia Publishing House. From June 1 to August 13, 2021, children of all ages can keep track of the books they read to earn points and possibly win prizes! If you would like some inspiration on what your children could read, you can find reading lists for all age ranges at [cph.org/reads](http://cph.org/reads). To find more information on CPH Reads, create a family account, and log your points, visit [cph.org/reads](http://cph.org/reads). If you would like a physical card to track your points, you can pick them up in the Zion office. If you log 1,000 points by August 13, your family will be entered to win an Amazon Fire HD Tablet!



### Interested in Volunteering?

Each week we aim to thoughtfully spread the Word of God and keep all members of our Zion family connected to our church. Our volunteer opportunities include:

- Updating our marquee sign with the weekly Bible verse
- Preparing candles for worship services
- Putting up and taking down the outdoor flags
- Designing posters and graphics
- Maintaining and beautifying church grounds
- Making trips to the post office
- Folding monthly newsletters
- And more!



No matter your skillset, we are happy to welcome anyone interested in stewardship opportunities at Zion. If you are interested, please call the church office at (915) 566-4667. You can also let us know in our worship service RSVP form, found on the weekly worship service post at [www.zionelpaso.org](http://www.zionelpaso.org). We would love to have you help in any way you can!



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