DIVINE SERVICE SETTING FOUR

ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH

STANDING STRONG + GROWING TOGETHER + REACHING OUT

The Eighth Sunday After Pentecost

July 18, 2021

AS WE GATHER

We enjoy lives of liberty and freedom—freedom especially from any oppressive or tyrannic political government. Spiritually, however, we are not free, but slaves to sin and death. Spiritually, we need a deliverer, a Savior, a benevolent king. Paul reminds us of how, because of sin, being apart from God we had no hope. But he points us to Christ Jesus, who came to bring us near to the one hope of salvation by His blood. Jesus is the saving King who takes away your sin and delivers you through death. The Shepherd's compassion is for all and is for you. The title "King" was placed above His head on the cross. Now by His victory, all earthly sovereigns cast their crowns before Him. Receive His compassionate rule today as He brings us near to Himself by His Word and Sacraments and calls you blessed.

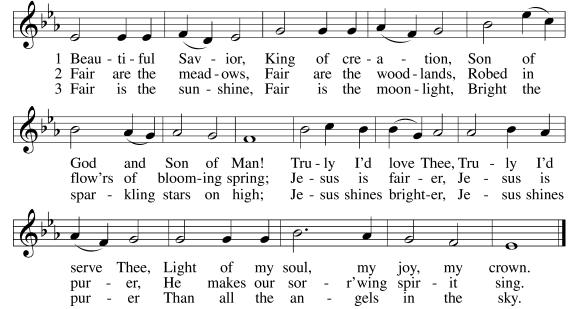


PRE-SERVICE MUSIC WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION TO WORSHIP

David Garcia, organ Rev. Stephen Heimer

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

"Beautiful Savior" v.1-3 Lutheran Service Book 537



INVOCATION Matt 28:19

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

- \mathbf{P} In the name of the Father and of the \mathbf{H} Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- Amen.

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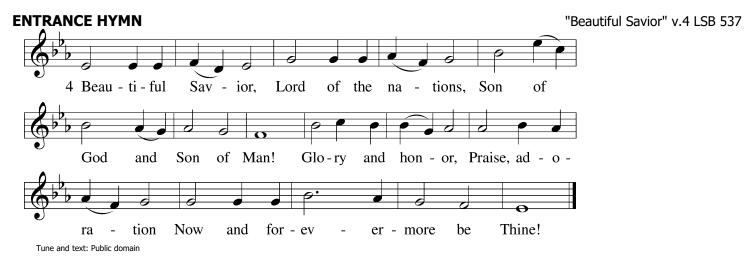
CONFESSION OF SINS AND FORGIVENESS

LSB 203

- P Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- **@** who made heaven and earth.
- **P** If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?
- **B**ut with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.

- P Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.
- Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. 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 ⅓ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

+ SERVICE OF THE WORD +





- A For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.
- (Sung) Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.
- A 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.
- **O** Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.
- A For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.
- **O** Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.
- A Help, save, comfort and defend us, gracious Lord.
- **O** Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.



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SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

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2 Tim 4:22

The Lord be with you.

Re - ceive

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With

- C And also with you.
- Let us pray. Blessed are You, O Lord our God, King of the universe, for You have not abandoned Your creation but have sent Your Son to be our Shepherd and our righteousness. Give us the strength of faith to follow Him who calls us by name that we may dwell in safety as Your redeemed people now and forever; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, and our eternal King, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- Amen. C

OLD TESTAMENT READING

(The righteous Branch)

Jeremiah 23:1-6

1"Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture!" declares the LORD. 2Therefore thus says the LORD, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who care for my people: "You have scattered my flock and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. Behold, I will attend to you for your evil deeds, declares the LORD. ³Then I will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the countries where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. 4I will set shepherds over them who will care for them, and they shall fear no more, nor be dismayed, neither shall any be missing, declares the LORD. 5"Behold, the days are coming, declares the LORD, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. ⁶In his days Judah will be saved, and Israel will dwell securely. And this is the name by which he will be called: 'The LORD is our righteousness."

- This is the Word of the Lord. \mathbf{A}
- Thanks be to God.

PSALM OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

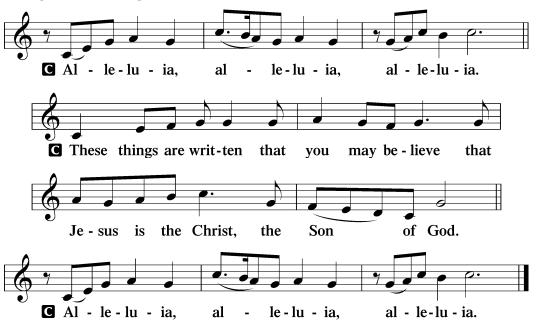
The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want. He makes me lie down in green pastures. He leads me beside still waters. He restores my soul. He leads me in paths of righteousness for his name's sake. Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me. You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD forever.

EPISTLE (One in Christ) Ephesians 2:11–22

¹¹Remember that at one time you Gentiles in the flesh, called "the uncircumcision" by what is called the circumcision, which is made in the flesh by hands— ¹²remember that you were at that time separated from Christ, alienated from the commonwealth of Israel and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. ¹³But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. ¹⁴For he himself is our peace, who has made us both one and has broken down in his flesh the dividing wall of hostility ¹⁵by abolishing the law of commandments and ordinances, that he might create in himself one new man in place of the two, so making peace, ¹⁶and might reconcile us both to God in one body through the cross, thereby killing the hostility. ¹⁷And he came and preached peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near. ¹⁸For through him we both have access in one Spirit to the Father. ¹⁹So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God, ²⁰built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Christ Jesus himself being the cornerstone, ²¹in whom the whole structure, being joined together, grows into a holy temple in the Lord. ²²In him you also are being built together into a dwelling place for God by the Spirit.

- A This is the Word of the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

ALLELUIA AND VERSE John 20:31



HOLY GOSPEL (Jesus feeds the five thousand.) Mark 6:30–44

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the sixth chapter.

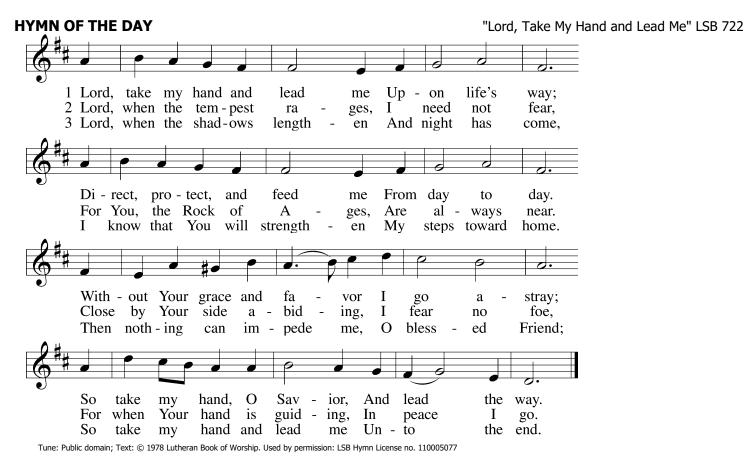
G Glory to You, O Lord.

³⁰The apostles returned to Jesus and told him all that they had done and taught. ³¹And he said to them, "Come away by yourselves to a desolate place and rest a while." For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat. ³²And they went away in the boat to a desolate place by themselves. ³³Now many saw them going and recognized them, and they ran there on foot from all the towns and got there ahead of them. ³⁴When he went ashore he saw a great crowd, and he had compassion on them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd. And he began to teach them many things. ³⁵And when it grew late, his disciples came to him and said, "This is a desolate place, and the hour is now late. ³⁶Send them away to go into the surrounding countryside and villages and buy themselves something to eat." ³⁷But he answered them, "You give them something to eat." And they said to him, "Shall we go and buy two hundred denarii worth of bread and give it to them to eat?" ³⁸And he said to them, "How many loaves do you have? Go and see." And when they had found out, they said, "Five, and

two fish." ³⁹Then he commanded them all to sit down in groups on the green grass. ⁴⁰So they sat down in groups, by hundreds and by fifties. ⁴¹And taking the five loaves and the two fish he looked up to heaven and said a blessing and broke the loaves and gave them to the disciples to set before the people. And he divided the two fish among them all. ⁴²And they all ate and were satisfied. ⁴³And they took up twelve baskets full of broken pieces and of the fish. ⁴⁴And those who ate the loaves were five thousand men.

- P This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- Praise to You, O Christ.

SERMON "Fear No Evil"



NICENE CREED

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible. + And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end. + And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life + of the world to come. Amen.

OFFERING David Garcia, organ

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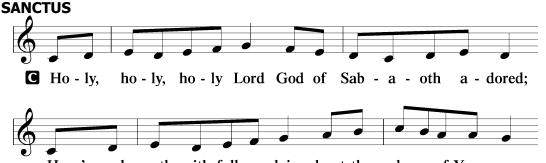
PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

1 Tim 2:1-4

+ SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT +

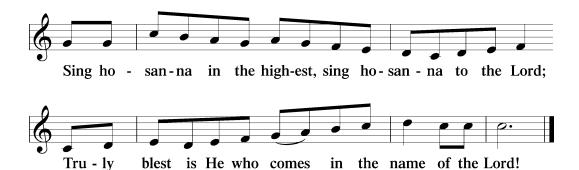
PREFACE

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- And also with you. C
- \mathbf{P} Lift up your hearts.
- We lift them to the Lord. C
- **P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- It is right to give Him thanks and praise.
- It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who comes to us as our Good Shepherd to lead and guide us and feed us with His own precious body and blood in this Sacrament. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:



Heav'n and earth with full ac-claim shout the glo-ry of Your name.

Isaiah 6:3, Matthew 21:9

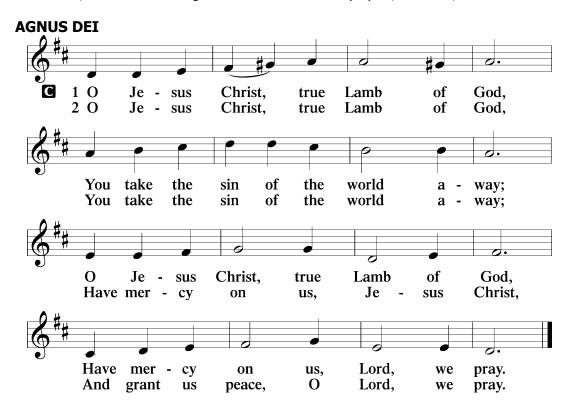


LORD'S PRAYER

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.

COLLECT FOR PEACE

O God, from whom come all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works, give to us, Your servants, that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts may be set to obey Your commandments and also that we, being defended from the fear of our enemies, may live in peace and quietness; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen**



BENEDICTION

- The grace of our Lord

 → Jesus Christ and the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS





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The Livestream comes to an end and the service of the sacrament continues.

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Today we celebrate the Sacrament of Holy Communion.

Here our Heavenly Father promises anew His unconditional love, renews His pledge of forgiveness in Christ, and offers His Holy Spirit as strength for daily faith and life. If you are a visitor to Zion, we invite you in the Name of Jesus to commune with us. However, since God reminds us that thoughtless or faithless reception of the Sacrament can incur His judgment (1 Corinthians 11:27-32), the Scriptures call those who commune to personally examine themselves and in their communing publicly confess:

- + I am a baptized Christian and I trust in Jesus Christ as my Lord and Savior.
- **⅓** I am a sinner in need of God's forgiveness.
- **→** I believe that Christ is truly present with His body and blood under the bread and wine offering me forgiveness of sins, life, and salvation.
- Through His grace and strength, I will live to God's glory, in ministry with His people, in mission to His world.

Children are invited to accompany parents to the altar for the blessing. A non-alcoholic wine for the sacrament is available upon request when you come forward. We trust that your communion with Christ and His people will strengthen your faith, increase your love, and empower your witness to Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. If you have questions about your communing, please speak with the Pastor.

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PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

P Blessed are You, O Lord our God, King of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life. By Your own will of mercy for us, Jesus came as our Shepherd-King and was enthroned on a cross that we may be raised to reign with Him who is now seated at Your right hand of power. Grant us faithfully to eat and drink this Holy Supper, trusting our reigning King Jesus, who is here, present, to save by His body and blood.

C Amen.

WORDS OF OUR LORD

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

If you will be receiving the Lord's Supper today, please wait as ushers guide each household forward. Remain standing and the pastor will serve you the sacrament in plastic cups. Take those cups with you as you return to your seat, placing them in one of the baskets located at either side of the sanctuary.

Luke 2:29-32

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

"Draw Near and Take the Body of the Lord" LSB 637

"You Satisfy the Hungry Heart" LSB 641

"I Am Trusting Thee, Lord Jesus" LSB 729

"The King of Love My Shepherd Is" LSB 709

POST COMMUNION BLESSING



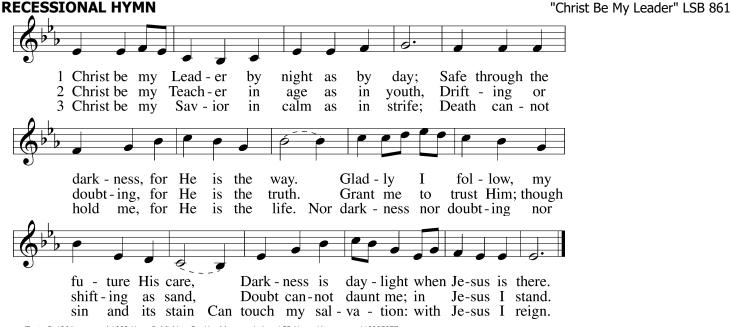
PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

BENEDICTION

- The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and

 → give you peace.
- Amen.



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POSTLUDE David Garcia, organ



THIS WEEK AT ZION

7/20	Tuesday	6:30 PM	Mariachi Practice
7/21	Wednesday	10:30 AM	Worship Service in Mexico
		6:00 PM	Zion Council Meeting
7/22	Thursday	10:00 AM	Children's Story Time
		6:00 PM	New Member Class
		7:00 PM	"Ephesians" Bible Study
7/24	Saturday	9:30 AM	Handbell Choir Practice
7/25	Sunday	9:15 AM	"Exodus" Bible Study
	•	10:30 AM	Worship Service w/ Communion
		1:00 PM	Karma Smith Art Show

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You can contribute offerings using four methods:

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Online donations: You can make a secure contribution from your credit card or bank account at 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!

Altar Flowers today are given to the glory of God and in thanks for His many blessings on our congregation!



Story Time: Thursday, July 22nd at 10:00am

We invite all Zion families with children in third grade or younger to join us for Story Time! **Join** us at **10:00am in the Zion Fellowship Hall for songs, stories, and crafts!** You can also browse and take home books from our lending library! Please contact Krysia Heimer for more information.

Thank You, Zion! A big THANK YOU, from LWML goes out to everyone who contributed to the Backpacks and School Supplies Collection for YLM! All the items collected were delivered to YLM last Friday, July 9th, to assist with their upcoming "Back to School Distribution" to families in need. Thanks, again for being a part of this special outreach!

CPH Reads & Zion Lending Library. CPH Reads is a summer reading program through Concordia Publishing House. Up until August 13, 2021, children of all ages can keep track of the books they read to earn points to 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* or **browse the children's books in our lending library located in the Fellowship Hall.** To find more information on CPH Reads, create a family account, and log your points, visit *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!





Karma Smith Art Show. The family of Karma Smith invites you to join us in celebrating the love and passion Karma had for painting! **After the worship service on Sunday, July 25th, Karma's art will be on display at the International Museum of Art**, located at 1211 Montana Avenue, El Paso, TX 79902. A catered reception will begin at 1:00pm. Admission is free! Karma's art will remain on display at the following times:

 Sunday, July 25
 1:00pm - 5:00pm

 Wednesday, July 28
 10:00am - 5:00pm

 Thursday, July 29
 10:00am - 5:00pm

 Friday, July 30
 10:00am - 5:00pm

 Saturday, July 31
 10:00am - 3:00pm