

Zion Lutheran Church

Sunday Worship

Organ Led 8:00 a.m.

Worship Band 9:30 a.m.

Tenth Sunday after Pentecost – August 9, 2020

Please observe a few minutes of quiet time as you prepare for worship. We invite you to **pray** and read the **Scriptures lessons** for the day.

Stand

Dear Christians, One and All, Rejoice

LSB 556 sts. 1, 5, 7, 10



1 Dear Chris-tians, one and all, re - joice, With ex - ul - ta - tion
5 God said to His be - lov - ed Son: "It's time to have com -
7 To me He said: "Stay close to Me, I am your rock and
10 "What I on earth have done and taught Guide all your life and



spring - ing, And with u - nit - ed heart and voice And ho - ly
pas - sion. Then go, bright jew - el of My crown, And bring to
cas - tle. Your ran - som I My - self will be; For you I
teach - ing; So shall the king - dom's work be wrought And hon - ored



rap - ture sing - ing, Pro - claim the won - ders God has done, How
all sal - va - tion. From sin and sor - row set them free; Slay
strive and wres - tle. For I am yours, and you are Mine, And
in your preach - ing. But watch lest foes with base al - loy The



His right arm the vic-t'ry won. What price our ran - som cost Him!
bit - ter death for them that they May live with You for - ev - er."
where I am you may re-main; The foe shall not di - vide us.
heav'n-ly trea - sure should de-destroy; This fi - nal word I leave you."

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

Invocation

P In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Confession and Absolution

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C who made heaven and earth.

P If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

C But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.

P Since we are gathered to hear God's Word and call upon Him in prayer and praise, 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.

Silence for reflection on our need for forgiveness

P We pray,

C 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 ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Service of the Word

Kyrie

LSB 204



C Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer - cy; Lord, have mer - cy.

Gloria in Excelsis

LSB 204



C 1 To God on high be glo - ry And peace to all the earth;
2 To You, O sole - be - got - ten, The Fa - ther's Son, we pray;
3 For You a - lone are ho - ly; You on - ly are the Lord.



Good-will from God in heav - en Pro - claimed at Je - sus' birth!
O Lamb of God, our Sav - ior, You take our sins a - way.
For - ev - er and for - ev - er, Be wor - shiped and a - dored;



We praise and bless You, Fa - ther; Your ho - ly name, we sing—
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus; Re - ceive our heart - felt cry,
You with the Ho - ly Spir - it A - lone are Lord Most High,



Our thanks for Your great glo - ry, Lord God, our heav'n - ly King.
Where You in pow'r are seat - ed At God's right hand on high—
In God the Fa - ther's glo - ry. "A - men!" our glad re - ply.

Holy Scripture

Matthew 5:2-3; 7:13-20

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the fifth chapter.

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

²And he opened his mouth and taught them, saying:

³“Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

¹³“Enter by the narrow gate. For the gate is wide and the way is easy that leads to destruction, and those who enter by it are many. ¹⁴For the gate is narrow and the way is hard that leads to life, and those who find it are few.

¹⁵“Beware of false prophets, who come to you in sheep’s clothing but inwardly are ravenous wolves. ¹⁶You will recognize them by their fruits. Are grapes gathered from thornbushes, or figs from thistles? ¹⁷So, every healthy tree bears good fruit, but the diseased tree bears bad fruit. ¹⁸A healthy tree cannot bear bad fruit, nor can a diseased tree bear good fruit. ¹⁹Every tree that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire. ²⁰Thus you will recognize them by their fruits.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

Sit

Children's Message

Stand

Apostles' Creed

C **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.**

Sit

Fruitful Trees, the Spirit's Sowing

LSB 691



1 Fruit - ful trees, the Spir - it's sow - ing, May we rip - en
2 Lad - en branch - es free - ly bear - ing Gifts the Giv - er
3 Root - ed deep in Christ our Mas - ter, Christ our pat - tern
4 Fruit - ful trees, the Spir - it's tend - ing, May we grow till



and in - crease, Fruit to life e - ter - nal grow - ing,
loves to bless; Here is fruit that grows by shar - ing,
and our goal, Teach us, as the years fly fast - er,
har - vests cease; Till we taste, in life un - end - ing,



Rich in love and joy and peace.
Pa - tience, kind - ness, gen - tle - ness.
Good - ness, faith, and self - con - trol.
Heav - en's love and joy and peace.

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Sermon

(Pastor's sermon is available for listening later this week at ZionLutheranNH.org under Sermon Audio)

Offering

(You can also click on the Online Giving button at ZionLutheranNH.org to set up one-time or recurring payments when you are at home or even now in worship, which may take you only 2 minutes)

Prayers of the People

L Jesus Christ, the Lord of the Church, warns us of the ravenous wolves who would deceive us, but calls us through Holy Scripture to discern their false teachings and to seek refuge in Him, turning to Him in prayer and lifting the cares of our minds to Him.

For the Holy Spirit's ongoing work in our lives, that we may appreciate the Father's ways and know His Son, Jesus Christ, by faith, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

L For the wisdom to learn and to trust the words that the Lord has revealed, that we may be safely delivered from all danger of false teachings until Jesus returns for us, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

L For the grace to remain faithful in every circumstance and bold confess Jesus' saving name, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

L For wisdom and endurance for pastors, teachers, musicians, missionaries, church planters, and all servant-leaders within Jesus' Church, that they may serve and lead well in this difficult time and always, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

L For the Lord's blessing upon the schools with which our children learn and upon our church body's schools, universities, and seminaries, that they and we may see that the fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

L For all afflicted with the various tragedies around the world, especially this past week's explosion in Beirut, and for their loved ones, that they may know the peace of Christ in such devastation, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

L For the sick, for those who suffer, for those troubled in mind, for the grieving, and for the dying, especially for George, for Diane, for Maynard, for Lois, for Denny, for Darlene, for Joan, for Nick, and for Joe, that the Lord would deliver them and grant them the comfort of His Word in their afflictions, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

L O Lord, our God, we pray You to be our light in darkness, our strength in weakness, our courage in fear and our peace in distress. Speak to us by the voice of Your Scriptures, that we may call upon You in the day of trouble and confess the saving name of Jesus before all people. Hear us on behalf of ourselves and of those for whom we have prayed; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Stand

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.**

Benediction

P 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.

C Amen.

Sit

At the Name of Jesus

LSB 512 sts. 1, 3, 5-7



1 At the name of Je - sus Ev - 'ry knee shall bow,
3 Hum - bled for a sea - son, To re - ceive a name
5 In your hearts en - throne Him; There let Him sub - due
6 Chris - tians, this Lord Je - sus Shall re - turn a - gain
△ 7 Glo - ry then to Je - sus, Who, the Prince of light,



Ev - 'ry tongue con - fess Him King of glo - ry now.
From the lips of sin - ners Un - to whom He came,
All that is not ho - ly, All that is not true:
In His Fa - ther's glo - ry, With His an - gel train;
To a world in dark - ness Brought the gift of sight;



'Tis the Fa - ther's plea - sure We should call Him Lord,
Faith - ful - ly He bore it Spot - less to the last,
Crown Him as your cap - tain In temp - ta - tion's hour;
For all wreaths of em - pire Meet up - on His brow,
Praise to God the Fa - ther; In the Spir - it's love



Who from the be - gin - ning Was the might - y Word.
Brought it back vic - to - rious When from death He passed;
Let His will en - fold you In its light and pow'r.
And our hearts con - fess Him King of glo - ry now.
Praise we all to - geth - er Him who reigns a - bove.

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Prayer Requests – Aug. 9, 2020

“Do not be anxious about anything, but in every- thing, by prayer and petition with thanksgiving, present your requests to God.” Philippians 4:6

(Prayer requests are removed after 2 weeks unless resubmitted)

Prayers of Thanksgiving:

- ★ Janie-thankful that only two lymph nodes were removed during lumpectomy, Julene Cornejo’s co-worker.
- ★ Stacy Sparks-found a new home, prayers for easy move.
- ★ Carol Kwolek-her pacemaker surgery went well.
- ★ Cavele Brunston-recovered from the virus and back at work.

For those who need healing:

- ★ *Those with cancer:* Austin Creech, Maynard Johnson, Molly Everett, Anna, Nick Everett, Richard, Janice Binks, Kathy Gardner, Neil Erdahl, Shirley Pelfry, Bob Ladd, Barbara Smith, Lorrie Powers, Patricia Calderia, Coby Harris, Ellen Paar, Ray Cooper, Brian Fandrich, Michael Phelps, Tiffany Oreglia, Joann Barklage, Lisa, Donna Gans, Gary, Craig Hubbard, Steve, Tammy, Nickie Loya, Conni Morrison, Lloyd Miller, Libby Ingerham, Kathleen Bechtel, Christy Stanard, Jamie Manalo, Susan, Natika, Elbert Parris, George Crispin, Stan, Elliott Ross, Kristi, Mike Grmoyles, Monica Bennett, Jeff Crepps, Erinn Schutte and all those suffering from this disease.
- ★ *Those with health concerns:* Denny Wolf, Carla Trujillo, Eileen Hanebutt, Trevor Cooper, Robert Hansen, Buzz Osterli, Pastor Ellis, Steven Giese, Arline Judish, Doug Thennis, Carol Kwolek, Cindy Fry, Bob Mountjoy, Cheryl Scherer, Joyce Cooper, Danny Stone, Jan Silva, Mary
- ★ Lois Brauer-for good test results from her mammogram.
- ★ Reece Gobbell-healing of broken ankle.
- ★ Joe Zabenko-healing from scrapes, bruises, and dislocated shoulder received in a fall, Dianne Zabenko’s husband.
- ★ Clif-recovering from COVID-19, friend of Linda Cruz.
- ★ Joan Turner-healing from breathing issues.
- ★ Spencer Haggard’s friend—severely injured leg in rock climbing accident.
- ★ Kenny May-back in the hospital, facing surgery to amputate toe, Danny Wolf’s friend.
- ★ Cathe-healing and pain management following knee replacement surgery.
- ★ Julene Cornejo’s friend’s father-in a coma.
- ★ Steve-for good CT scan results, LaRue Wolf’s friend.
- ★ Maynard Johnson-that broken arm will heal, Carol Neiman’s brother.
- ★ Diane Petrofsky-unknown illness, Lois Brauer’s cousin.
- ★ Laura Wolf-healing from precancerous spots on her face and a cyst on her knee.

For those facing or recovering from surgery:

- ★ Janie-recovering from lumpectomy, Julene Cornejo’s co-worker.
- ★ Darlene Owen-recovering from knee replacement surgery.
- ★ Carol Kwolek-recovering from pacemaker surgery.
- ★ Mitch-recovering from surgery to repair his lung, friend of the Kuk, Cornejo, Stone family.

- ★ Lois Brauer-recovering from skin cancer surgery.

For those homebound because of health issues:

Marion Pratt, Kay Alvis, Laurel Johns, Mattie Mae King, JoAnne Schramm, Jack Potratz, Lloyd Miller

For those who have lost a loved one:

- ★ Family & friends of Evelyn, Lois Brauer's cousin.
- ★ Family & friends of Frank Charles, Jackie Carbaugh's friend.
- ★ Family & friends of Charles Gray, relative of Judy Christian, LaRue Wolf's friend.

General Concerns:

- ★ Government Leaders
- ★ *For our military people & those serving abroad:* Howie Filbert
- ★ Peace between all nations.
- ★ Persecuted Christians throughout the world.
- ★ All believers in Christ would be bold to share their faith.
- ★ For all those in the US and around the world affected by the virus - frightened, worried, lonely, loss of loved ones, loss of jobs, ill with the virus or something else.
- ★ *For those that are traveling:* The Fischer family
- ★ *Healthy Pregnancy & Babies:* Krystal Mendez, Elizabeth Hintz, Val Brauer
- ★ *For God's peace, guidance and/or strength:* Cheyenne, Trevor, Rosemary Charles & family, Thelma Gray & family
- ★ *For those needing a job or getting promotion, etc.:* Joe Silva, Sharon Pellegal

Zion In Action

August 9, 2020

GIVE GOD THE GLORY FOR . . .

Worship Attendance Last Week: / Communion: **30**

8:00 am - **32** / 9:30 am - **34**

Sunday Morning Christian Education: Cancelled

Sunday School: / Adult Classes:

Budget receipts: **\$4,510.35**

Weekly Average year to date: **\$5,059.27**

Designated Offering: **\$322.23**

ALTAR FLOWERS today are given by Meatta Koenig for her birthday and thanksgiving for God's blessings.

LARGE PRINT BULLETINS are available from the ushers upon request.

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS — Except for holidays, the church office is open from 8:30am-4:30pm Monday through Friday. If you want an appointment with Pastor, please call the office to make an appointment.



BIRTHDAYS this week: **9** – Meatta Koenig, **11** – Ken Fischer, **12** – Joan Turner, **13** – Genivay Rubens, **14** – Rosie Kuk, **15** – Ali Bohnhof, Laurel Johns

Portals of Prayer are out! If you would like one they will be available at church on Sunday or you can stop by the office or call, 916-332-4001 and we will mail you a copy.

We will continue **WORSHIPING TOGETHER** on Sunday mornings to receive the life-giving gifts of Jesus. We will gather outside in the cool of the morning at 8 and 9:30. *Please cover your mouth and nose, practice physical distancing, and check in at the welcome table upon arrival out of consideration for everyone gathered.* Indeed, Zion Lutheran's shared life continues even as we intentionally pivot in the weeks ahead, and we are asking you to please still **INTENTIONALLY SUPPORT YOUR CHURCH** in her collective mission. You can always give online at ZionLutheranNH.org or by mailing it to:

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3644 Bolivar Ave.
North Highlands, CA 95660

While we have been part of the COVID pandemic disaster for five months now, the residents of The Ridge above Chico, CA, have been part of the **CAMP FIRE DISASTER** for 20 months and are now living through two disasters. Their first disaster began at 6:30AM, 11/08/18. As soon as COVID related issues can be resolved, volunteers with construction and certified tree removal skills will be needed. If you, or a team of which you are a part, can travel to The Ridge with the ability to be self-contained (provide your own food, shelter, and equipment), contact me and I will help you coordinate where your skills might be employed and dates when they might be put into use. Rev (em) Phil Zabell, pzcard@yahoo.com.

Board of Directors Minutes and Voters' Minutes – Since we are mostly homebound, it was suggested that we offer to email the approved Board of Directors Minutes and the draft Voters' Minutes. If you would like to receive these in your email, please let the office know by calling 916-332-4001 or emailing zionnhsec@gmail.com and we will be happy to send those to you as they are available.

“LIFE QUOTES” from Lutherans For Life - “[W]hen a child is adopted into a family, there is a real family formed there. Our entire Gospel is at stake in that recognition because there is no such thing as an ‘adopted child,’ only children who were adopted. Adopted in the New Testament is a past-tense verb, not an adjective.” *Dr. Russell D. Moore, author of “Adopted for Life: The Priority of Adoption for Christian Families” and chair of the Ethics and Religious Liberty Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention.*

STEWARDSHIP - Matthew 14:30 – **“But when he saw the wind, he was afraid, and beginning to sink he cried out, ‘Lord, save me.’ ”** The world really is a scary place – natural disasters, disease, terrorism, and a hundred other things. But where do we place our hope, our trust, and our vision? Where do we look for aid and comfort? When Peter’s eyes were on the Lord, he had confidence. When he turned to look at his problems and took his eyes off the Lord, he fell apart. Sometimes God’s call to support the work of His Church with our offerings makes us nervous. But put your eyes back on your Lord, trust Him, follow His Word, and all will be well.

The **2020 FLOWER CHART** - If you would like to sign up for flowers please call the church office. If you have a special occasion or in memory of someone, we can put that down as well. Cost is \$40 per week if the florist provides (split between if multiple sign-ups for one Sunday) or you can provide your own flowers no later than 7:45 am on that Sunday, but you must sign up and let the office know so we can cancel our florist delivery.

HELP WANTED!

The **FELLOWSHIP COMMITTEE** is in need of people. They work hard to make sure that our special events go off without a hitch. If you are interested in being on the Fellowship Committee please contact Fran Ahles at 419-3145 or just show up at a meeting the second Monday of each month at 6:00 pm in the new kitchen.

BE AN USHER FOR THE 8 AM OR 10:45 AM SERVICE - Anyone (men, women and youth) can be an usher. There are no special requirements or skills needed other than to show up and serve. Please contact Nick Everett at 696-2750 for early service and the office for late service if you are interested.

SMOKING AREA - Zion has designated an area for smoking. The smoking area is on the South entrance of Zion Center where there is an appropriate “butt container” to dispose of your cigarette butts. ***Smoking anywhere else, at any time, on this campus is prohibited.***

You can find **VOTER’S MINUTES** and **approved BOARD OF DIRECTORS MINUTES** in the rack outside the church office. If they are not the final approved minutes, it will say DRAFT on them.

This Week at Zion Aug. 9 – Aug. 16, 2020

SUNDAY – AUG. 9

Organ Led	8:00 am
Worship Band	9:30 am

MONDAY – AUG. 10

TUESDAY – AUG. 11

WEDNESDAY – AUG. 12

THURSDAY – AUG. 13

Thursday Bible Study – Zoom	10:00 am
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FRIDAY – AUG. 14

SATURDAY – AUG. 15

SUNDAY – AUG. 16

Organ Led	8:00 am
Worship Band	9:30 am

If you would like to join one of the Bible study sessions via Zoom and you do not have access, please contact the office.

Small Groups

Following Jesus together

Small Groups offer an ideal opportunity for...

- ... exploring the Scriptures with friends in the Faith
- ... emboldening one another for life's journey
- ... inviting unchurched friends into a welcome gathering

Need some ideas?

Check out a lineup of recommended discussion options to explore with your group at:



www.ZionLutheranNH.org/Resources/For-Groups

Connecting even during a pandemic

While groups are not meeting in person for now, we have helped a few groups adapt to continue connecting weekly over Zoom or Google Meet, and we can help you do the same

Not yet in a Small Group?

You can form one this fall by following the straightforward steps on the other side of this flier...

How to form your **Small Group**:

- 1) *Talk with 2-8 other people about a time to connect*
- 2) *Write each person's name in the spaces below*
- 3) *Designate the group's Point Person (at the bottom)*
- 4) *Get this form to Pastor Colter in the Zion Lutheran Church office*

- (From there, Pastor Colter will collaborate with your Point Person)

Name: _____ Phone#: _____

Name: _____ Phone#: _____

Name: _____ Phone#: _____

Name: _____ Phone#: _____

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Name: _____ Phone#: _____

Point Person: _____ Phone#: _____

Questions? Or want help connecting with folk?

Talk with your elder or with Pastor Colter at 916-332-4001 or KnippaC@ZionLutheranNH.org