

Zion Lutheran Church

Sunday Worship

Organ Led 8:00 a.m.

Worship Band 9:30 a.m.

Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost – September 13, 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

Before You, Lord, We Bow

LSB 966



1 Be - fore You, Lord, we bow, Our God who reigns a - bove
2 The na - tion You have blest May well Your love de - clare,
3 May ev - 'ry moun - tain height, Each vale and for - est green,
4 Earth, hear your Mak - er's voice; Your great Re - deem - er own;
5 And when in pow'r He comes, Oh, may our na - tive land



And rules the world be - low, Bound - less in pow'r and love. Our thanks
From foes and fears at rest, Pro - tect - ed by Your care. For this
Shine in Your Word's pure light, And its rich fruits be seen! May ev -
Be - lieve, o - bey, re - joice, And wor - ship Him a - lone. Cast down
From all its rend - ing tombs Send forth a glo - rious band, A count -



we bring In joy and praise, Our hearts we raise To You, our King!
bright day, For this fair land—Gifts of Your hand—Our thanks we pay.
'ry tongue Be tuned to praise And join to raise A grate - ful song.
your pride, Your sin de - plore, And bow be - fore The Cru - ci - fied.
less throng, With joy to sing To heav'n's high King Sal - va - tion's song!

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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

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- 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 - shi - ped 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 22:15–22

- P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-second chapter.
C **Glorify to You, O Lord.**

¹⁵Then the Pharisees went and plotted how to entangle [Jesus] in his talk. ¹⁶And they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, "Teacher, we know that you are true and teach the way of God truthfully, and you do not care about anyone's opinion, for you are not swayed by appearances. ¹⁷Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to Caesar, or not?" ¹⁸But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, "Why put me to the test, you hypocrites? ¹⁹Show me the coin for the tax." And they brought him a denarius. ²⁰And Jesus said to them, "Whose

likeness and inscription is this?" ²¹They said, "Caesar's." Then he said to them, "Therefore render to Caesar the things that are Caesar's, and to God the things that are God's." ²²When they heard it, they marveled. And they left him and went away.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

Sit

Children's Message

Children please remain standing to better see what is happening up front.

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

Prayers of the People

- L** Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

That the Lord would give His peace to the troubled in mind, relief to the suffering, healing to the sick, comfort to the grieving, especially for Kathy, Neil, Trevor, Jared, David, Mattie-Mae, Jack, Lloyd, and the friends and family of Jill, and that He would deliver the dying into everlasting life, let us pray to the Lord:

- C Lord, have mercy.**

- L** That we would show compassion to others, welcome the stranger, love our neighbor in need, and be attentive to those new to the faith or vulnerable to temptation, just as Christ has shown compassion to us, let us pray to the Lord:

- C Lord, have mercy.**

- L** That our King would give wisdom and courage to our elected and appointed leaders, that they may pursue justice, seek peace, and protect life from its natural beginning to its natural end, let us pray to the Lord:

- C Lord, have mercy.**

- L** Almighty and everlasting God, deliver us from temptation and the powers of evil, that we may be faithful unto death and receive from Your hand the crown of everlasting life. Whether we live or die, we belong to You, and we pray You to comfort us with this promise, that we may join the company of the saints on the day You have appointed and enter into the heavenly places to worship at Your throne on high; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forevermore.

- 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

God of Grace and God of Glory

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1 God of grace and God of glo - ry, On Your peo - ple
 2 Lo, the hosts of e - vil round us Scorn the Christ, as -
 3 Cure Your chil - dren's war - ring mad - ness; Bend our pride to
 4 Save us from weak res - ig - na - tion To the e - vils



pour Your pow'r; Crown Your an - cient Church's sto - ry;
 sail His ways! From the fears that long have bound us
 Your con - trol; Shame our wan - ton, self - ish glad - ness,
 we de - plore; Let the gift of Your sal - va - tion



Bring its bud to glo - rious flow'r. Grant us wis - dom,
 Free our hearts to faith and praise. Grant us wis - dom,
 Rich in things and poor in soul. Grant us wis - dom,
 Be our glo - ry ev - er - more. Grant us wis - dom,



grant us cour - age For the fac - ing of this
grant us cour - age For the liv - ing of these
grant us cour - age Lest we miss Your king - dom's
grant us cour - age, Serv - ing You whom we a -



hour, For the fac - ing of this hour.
days, For the liv - ing of these days.
goal, Lest we miss Your king - dom's goal.
dore, Serv - ing You whom we a - dore.

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Prayer Requests – September 13, 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:

- ★ Harvey-he’s home and plans on going to work this week, Steve’s brother, Steve is a friend of LaRue Wolf’s.
- ★ Lois Brauer-received confirmation she does not have cancer.

For those who need healing:

- ★ *Those with cancer:* Austin Creech, Maynard Johnson, Molly Everett, Anna, 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 Crispen, 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 Jewish, Doug Thennis, Carol Kwolek, Cindy Fry, Bob Mountjoy, Cheryl Scherer, Joyce Cooper, Danny Stone, Jan Silva, Mary, Jan
- ★ Harvey-continued healing, Steve’s brother, Steve is a friend of LaRue Wolf.
- ★ Jack Scheidel-continued healing as he recovers from an appendectomy.
- ★ Ronald-healing from throat cancer and ease of treatments, friend of Fran Kaiser.
- ★ Mattie Mae King-continued healing from the strokes.
- ★ Susan and Mike-healing as they were in an auto accident last week, friends of Jackie Carbaugh.
- ★ Patricia-healing, Lois Brauer’s daughter.

- ★ Diane Petrofsky-healing and for good test results, Lois Brauer’s cousin.
- ★ Joan Turner-healing after a fall in her home.

For those facing or recovering from surgery:

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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 Jill, friend of Chuck & Fran Kaiser.
- ★ Family & friends of Jack, friend of Judy Christian who is a neighbor to LaRue.
- ★ Family & friends of Anne Fogarty’s son, friend of Lois Brauer.
- ★ Family & friends of Sun Hae, friend of the Brauer family.

★ Family & friends of Emily, friend of Judy who is a neighbor to LaRue.

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:*
- ★ *Healthy Pregnancy & Babies:* Krystal Mendez, Elizabeth Hintz, Val Brauer, Tara Anderson
- ★ *For God's peace, guidance and/or strength:* Cheyenne, Trevor
- ★ *For those needing a job or getting promotion, etc.:*
- ★ *For all those affected by the wildfires.*
- ★ *For all those affected by the hurricane.*
- ★ Jason Chavez-safety and protection from COVID and fires as he heads to Santa Clara University, friend of Linda Cruz.

Zion In Action

September 13, 2020

GIVE GOD THE GLORY FOR . . .

Worship Attendance Last Week: 59 / Communion: 40

8:00 am - 29 / 9:30 am - 30

Sunday Morning Christian Education: Not Gathering at This Time!

Sunday School: / Adult Classes:

Budget receipts: \$6,729.73

Weekly Average year to date: \$5,566.50

Designated Offering: \$240.00

ALTAR FLOWERS today are given by LaRue Wolf in honor of her grandson Benji's birthday and in memory of Iva Thennis.

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: **14** – Julie Gobbell, **15** – Jan Thennis, **16** – Amber Murphy, **17** – James Brauer, **18** – Eric Smith, Brittany Smith **19** – Will Stone

TUESDAY LADIES BIBLE STUDY – They have begun their Bible study on Tuesday mornings at 9:00 AM. All ladies are invited to attend. They will be meeting in the lawn area outside the conference room. Masks and social distancing will be required. There will be no refreshments so please bring your own water/coffee and snack if you would like.

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 8:00 and 9:30 AM. *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:

Zion Lutheran Church
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 6:30 AM, 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.

“LIFE QUOTES” from Lutherans For Life - “When discipline and correction are called for in the Christian family, it is always administered in love, given for the express purpose of benefitting the family as a whole—the household as a whole. By this the family is strengthened to better witness to the life they share by faith in Jesus. For by the grace of God and in the power of His Holy Spirit, the Christian family at work, worship, prayer, or play bears witness to the faith that is in them through their Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.” *Ron Schlegel, The Lutheran Laymen*

STEWARDSHIP - Romans 14:7 – *“For none of us lives to himself, and none of us dies to himself.”* We just don't belong to ourselves. We belong first of all to God, and, through Him, we belong to our neighbors. We are here to serve God in our service to one another. God has called you to this service through your vocation. As a Christian, you serve others in the church; as a neighbor, you serve others in society; and as a son or daughter, husband or wife, father or mother, you serve your family.

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.

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.

FOR YOUR SAFETY - If you are here in the evening for an event, please keep the doors locked while you are in the building. We have had someone enter the buildings and cause problems while rehearsals have taken place. It may help to keep the gate closed as well once everyone has arrived.

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.

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 Bryant Bickford at 916-616-9314 for early service and the office for late service if you are interested.

This Week at Zion September 13 - 20, 2020

SUNDAY – SEPTEMBER 13

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

MONDAY – SEPTEMBER 14

Board of Elders – Zoom Meeting	6:00 pm
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TUESDAY – SEPTEMBER 15

Tuesday Ladies Bible Study – Lawn Area	9:00 am
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WEDNESDAY – SEPTEMBER 16 ZION NEWS DUE

THURSDAY – SEPTEMBER 17

Thursday Bible Study – Zoom	10:00 am
Bulletin Crew – Conf Room	10:00 am

FRIDAY – SEPTEMBER 18

SATURDAY – SEPTEMBER 19

Ukrainians – Lawn Area	9:00 am
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SUNDAY – SEPTEMBER 20

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.