

Zion Lutheran Church

Sunday Worship

Organ Led 8:00 a.m.

Worship Band 9:30 a.m.

Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost – September 20, 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.

WE ARE DELIGHTED AND BLESSED to have you worship with us today!

ALL WORSHIPERS are asked to please fill out the information sheet in the bulletin.

❖SILENT PRAYER BEFORE WORSHIP❖

Gracious Lord, You have called us in our Baptism to work faithfully in Your vineyard. Give us open ears to hear Your calling and willing hearts to respond in eager obedience. Fill us with the joy of our salvation as we pray for those still in need of Your presence. Grant to us a growing faith that would bring us ever closer to You. We pray in the name of the One who commands us to call You "Father," and sends us forth to do Your will. Amen!

Sing, Sing, Sing

Chorus

Sing, sing, sing, and make music with the heavens

We will sing, sing, sing, grateful that you hear us

When we shout your praise, lift high the name of Jesus (repeat)

What's not to love about you, Heaven and earth adore you
Kings and kingdoms bow down, Son of God You are the One
You are the One We're living for

Chorus

You are the love that frees us, You are the light that leads us
Like a fire burning, Son of God You are the One
You are the One We're living for

Chorus

We will sing, sing, sing. (Three times)

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We Believe

In this time of desperation, when all we know is doubt and fear
There is only One Foundation, we believe, we believe.
In this broken generation, when all is dark You help us see
There is only One Salvation, we believe, we believe.

Chorus

*We believe in God the Father, We believe in Jesus Christ
We believe in the Holy Spirit, And He's given us new life
We believe in the crucifixion, We believe that He conquered death
We believe in the resurrection, and He's comin' back again, we believe.*

So, let our faith be more than anthems, greater than the songs we sing
And in our weakness and temptations, we believe, we believe!

Chorus

Let the lost be found and the dead be raised! In the here and now, let love
invade!
Let the church live loud, our God will see we believe, we believe!
And the gates of hell will not prevail! For the power of God, has torn the veil!
Now we know Your love will never fail! We believe, we believe!

We believe in God the Father, we believe in Jesus Christ
We believe in the Holy Spirit, and He's given us new life
We believe in the crucifixion, we believe that He conquered death
We believe in the resurrection, and He's comin' back
He's comin' back again! He's comin' back again!
We believe, we believe...

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Holy Scripture

Matthew 18:1-5

¹At that time the disciples came to Jesus, saying, “Who is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven?” ²And calling to him a child, he put him in the midst of them ³and said, “Truly, I say to you, unless you turn and become like children, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven. ⁴Whoever humbles himself like this

child is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven.

⁵“Whoever receives one such child in my name receives me . . .”

Children’s Message

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

Our Sin and God’s Forgiveness

(We give all our sins and failures to God. He forgives us fully and freely through Jesus Christ.)

“If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.” 1 John 1:8-9

All Of Creation

Separated, until the veil was torn
The moment that Hope was born
And guilt was pardoned once and for all
Captivated, but no longer bound by chains
Left at an empty grave
The sinner and the Sacred resolved

Chorus

*And all of creation sing with me now
Lift up your voice and lay your burden down
And all of creation sing with me now
Fill up the heavens let His glory resound*

Time has faded, and we see Him face to face
Every doubt erased, forever we will worship the King

Chorus

Oh-Oh Oh, Oh Oh Oh, Oh Oh, Oh-Oh Oh, Oh Oh Oh, Oh Oh,
Oh-Oh Oh, Oh Oh Oh, the reason we breathe,
Is to sing of His glory, and for all He has done
Praise the Father, praise the Son, and the Spirit in One

Double Chorus

And every knee will bow, oh and every tongue
Praise the Father, praise the Son,
And the Spirit in One...

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Apostles' Creed

**☩ I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.**

**And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried.
He descended into hell.
The third day He rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life † everlasting. Amen.**

Sermon

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

Bringing Our Offering

Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows generously will also reap generously. Each should give what he has decided in his heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. 2 Corinthians 9:6-7

Please send a representative from your family up with your completed yellow information sheet and any offerings as an act of worship in response to Christ's abundant kindness toward us.

(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** In peace, let us pray to the Lord and offer to Him the requests and prayers of a people confident of His promise to hear and answer us with mercy.

That the tender mercy of Christ would open our eyes to acknowledge our extreme neediness and lowliness as children before Him, would comfort us with the Good News that He has taken care of us in our need and exalted us with Him, and would turn our own attention to those in greatest need in our midst, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

- L** That the Father would protect all mothers with child, especially Krystal, Liz, Val, and Tara; that all He would guard all military personnel, especially Danny, Howie, and Blake, as they guard us; that persecuted Christians in Nigeria, in China, in Iran, and throughout the world would be delivered from evil; and that all believers in Christ the world over would be bold to share their faith, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

- L** That the Word of Christ may be the foundation of the home, that husband and wife may be united in this faith and hope, and that their children may hear and be nurtured in this Word by faithful parents, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

- L** Hear the prayers of Your people, O Lord, and grant to us all things good and wholesome and keep from us all things harmful. Give us contentment, that trusting in Your mercy we may delight in Your saving will where the last are made first by Your generosity and grace; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C Amen.

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.**

The Lord's Blessing

I Walk By Faith

I Walk by faith. Each step by faith. To live by faith. I put my trust in You.

(Repeat)

Every step I take, is a step of faith. No weapon formed against me shall prosper.

And every prayer I make, is a prayer of faith

If my God is for me, who can be against me. (Repeat All)

I Walk by faith. Each step by faith. To live by faith. I put my trust in You.

I put my trust in You.

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Prayer Requests – September 20, 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.
- ★ Jeff Crepps-his most recent PET scan showed that he is in remission, Darlene Owen’s son-in-law.
- ★ Steve-for good test results, friend of LaRue Wolf.
- ★ Alison-test show the growths on her brain have not changed in size, friend of Lois Brauer.
- ★ Jason Chavez-he tested negative for COVID, friend of Linda Cruz.

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 Judish, Doug Thennis, Carol Kwolek, Cindy Fry, Bob Mountjoy, Cheryl Scherer, Joyce Cooper, Danny Stone, Jan Silva, Mary, Jan
- ★ 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.
- ★ Mr. Chavez-healing from COVID, father of a friend of Linda Cruz.

For those facing or recovering from surgery:

- ★ Michelle Fischer-recovering from surgery.
- ★ Katie Van Kempen-facing gallbladder surgery on 9/29, LaRue Wolf’s granddaughter.
- ★ Diane-recovering from a procedure, Lois Brauer’s cousin.

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 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:* especially Gary Cruz, Linda's brother who is on the front lines of the fires.
- ★ *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 20, 2020

Serving the Lord among us today. . .

Pastor- Colter Knippa

Shut-In Ministry - Ernie Berg

8:00 AM

Elder –

Ushers –

Acolyte –

Readers –

Communion Assistant –

Altar Guild – Patsy Barton

Children's Message – Pastor Colter

Musician – Diane Foster

9:30 AM

Elder –

Ushers –

Acolyte –

Readers –

Communion Assist. –

Altar Guild –

Children's Message – Pastor Colter

Musician – Praise Band

GIVE GOD THE GLORY FOR . . .

Worship Attendance Last Week: **63** / Communion: **16**

8:00 am - **34** / 9:30 am - **29**

Sunday Morning Christian Education: Not Gathering at This Time!

Sunday School: / Adult Classes:

Budget receipts: **\$4,399.99**

Weekly Average year to date: **\$5,534.10**

Designated Offering: **\$105.00**

ALTAR FLOWERS today are given by Julene Cornejo in honor of Matt & Eliana's anniversary and by Danny & Jamie Stone in honor Will's birthday and in memory of Colleen Smith's birthday.

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: **20** – Craig Fischer, Jacob Kaiser, **22** – Tyler Russo, **23** – Nicole Filbert, Nate Kerns, Clinton Ramstad, **24** – Cindy Fry, Robert Mountjoy, **25** – Pam Pfliger

We will continue **WORSHIPPING 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:

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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 6:30 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 - “The Adoption Creed: ‘Not flesh of my flesh, nor bone of my bone, but still miraculously my own; never forget for a single minute, you didn’t grow under my heart, but in it.’”

STEWARDSHIP - Matthew 20:9 – *“And when those hired about the eleventh hour came, each of them received a denarius.”* Behold the generosity of God! He gives out of His grace, not what we deserve to receive. Living a godly life means living in imitation of God, and His generosity is surely one of the foundations of God’s being.

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.

Next Sunday's Servants – September 27, 2020

8:00 AM

- Elder** –
- Ushers** –
- Acolyte** –
- Readers** –
- Communion Assistant** –
- Altar Guild** –
- Children's Message** – Pastor Colter
- Musician** – Diane Foster

9:30 AM

- Elder** –
- Ushers** –
- Acolyte** –
- Readers** –
- Communion Assist.** –
- Altar Guild** – Diane Hintz, Linda Cruz & Joanne Hintz
- Children's Message** – Pastor Colter
- Musician** – Praise Band

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.

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.