Zíon Lutheran Church

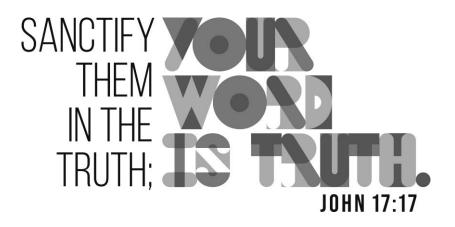
Lutheran Church-Míssourí Synod 3644 Bolívar Ave, North Híghlands CA 95660 916-332-4001

Pastor - Colter Knippa, KnippaC@ZionLutheranNH.org

Office - ZionNHSec@gmail.com

Web Page - ZionLutheranNH.org

May 12, 2024



Zion Lutheran Church

Sundays with Zion

Worship 9:30 a.m.

Sunday Bible Hour 11:00 a.m.

Seventh Sunday of Easter - May 12, 2024

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

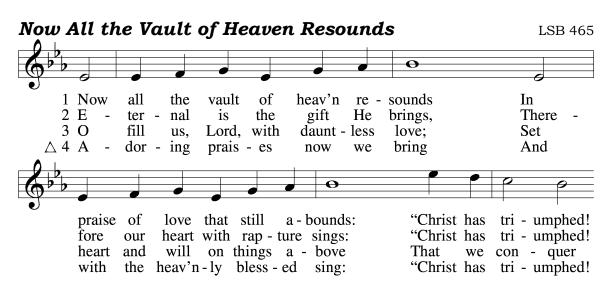
WE ARE DELIGHTED AND BLESSED to have you worship with us today!

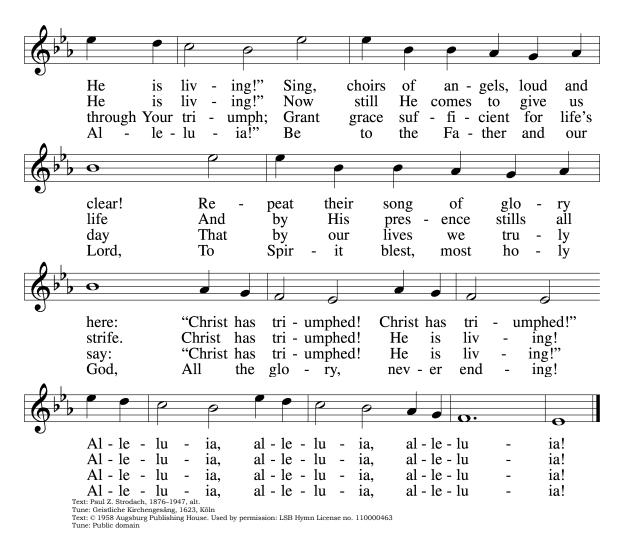
ALL WORSHIPERS are asked to please fill out the information sheet in the bulletin. Before we begin, you are also invited to pray and to read the Scripture for today's worship.

PRAYER AS WE GATHER

O Lord, our Creator, Redeemer, and Comforter, as You gather us together to worship You in spirit and in truth, prepare us to receive the preaching of Your Word and all Your lifegiving gifts such that we would repent of our sins, believe in Jesus Christ as our only Rescuer, and grow in caring service for all. Hear us for His sake. Amen.

Stand





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

Invocation

Matthew 28:19

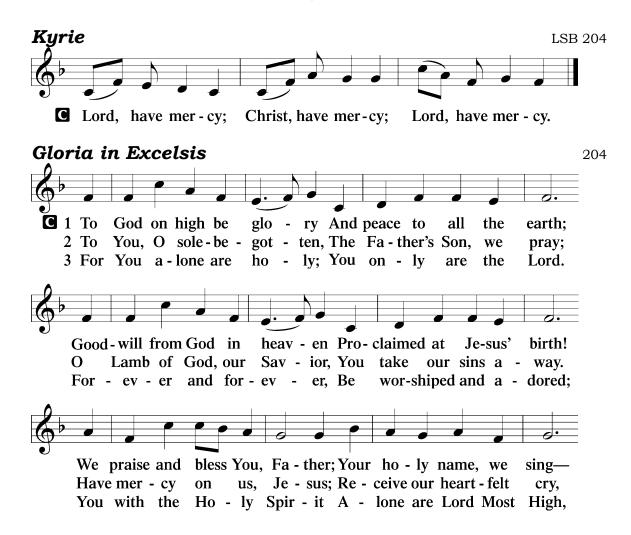
- In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- **C** Amen.
- **P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- **G** who made heaven and earth.

Psalm 124:8

P Alleluia! Christ is Risen and Ascended!

C He reigns with grace forever! Alleluia!

Service of the Word





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.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- And also with you.
- **P** Let us pray.

O King of glory, Lord of hosts, uplifted in triumph far above all heavens, leave us not without consolation but send us the Spirit of truth whom You promised from the Father; for You live and reign with Him and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Sit

Christ Our Hope in Life and Death

What is our hope in life and death? Christ alone, Christ alone. What is our only confidence? That our souls to him belong.

Who holds our days within his hand? What comes, apart from his command? And what will keep us to the end? The love of Christ, in which we stand.

Chorus

O sing hallelujah! Our hope springs eternal; O sing hallelujah! Now and ever we confess Christ our hope in life and death.

What truth can calm the troubled soul? God is good, God is good. Where is his grace and goodness known? In our great Redeemer's blood. Who holds our faith when fears arise? Who stands above the stormy trial? Who sends the waves that bring us nigh Unto the shore, the rock of Christ? *Chorus*

Unto the grave, what shall we sing? "Christ, he lives; Christ, he lives!" And what reward will heaven bring? Everlasting life with him.

There* we will rise to meet the Lord, Then sin and death will be destroyed, And we will feast in endless joy, When Christ is ours forevermore. Chorus x2

Now and ever we confess Christ our hope in life and death

* on the last day Jesus, the King of heaven, will come to us who are in the grave bringing everlasting life by raising us bodily to share in restored life with Him forever

CCLI Song # 7147502; Jordan Kauflin | Keith Getty | Matt Boswell | Matt Papa | Matthew Merker; © 2020 Getty Music Hymns and Songs (Admin. by Music Services, Inc.); Getty

usic Publishing (Admin. by Music Services, Inc.); Jordan Kauflin Music (Admin. by Music Services, Inc.); Love Your Enemies Publishing (Admin. by Music Services, Inc.); Matthew Merker Music (Admin. by Music Services, Inc.); Matthew

First Reading

Acts 1:12-26

¹²Then [the apostles] returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a Sabbath day's journey away. ¹³And when they had entered, they went up to the upper room, where they were staying, Peter and John and James and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James the son of Alphaeus and Simon the Zealot and Judas the son of James. ¹⁴All these with one accord were devoting themselves to prayer, together with the women and Mary the mother of Jesus, and his brothers.

¹⁵In those days Peter stood up among the brothers (the company of persons was in all about 120) and said, ¹⁶"Brothers, the Scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit spoke beforehand by the mouth of David concerning Judas, who became a guide to those who arrested Jesus. ¹⁷For he was numbered among us and was allotted his share in this ministry." ¹⁸(Now this man bought a field with the reward of his wickedness, and falling headlong he burst open in the middle and all his bowels gushed out. ¹⁹And it became known to all the inhabitants of Jerusalem, so that the field was called in their own language Akeldama, that is, Field of Blood.) ²⁰"For it is written in the Book of Psalms,

"'May his camp become desolate, and let there be no one to dwell in it';

and

"'Let another take his office.'

²¹So one of the men who have accompanied us during all the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, ²²beginning from the baptism of John until the day when he was taken up from us—one of these men must become with us a witness to his resurrection." ²³And they put forward two, Joseph called Barsabbas, who was also called Justus, and Matthias. ²⁴And they prayed and said, "You, Lord, who know the hearts of all, show which one of these two you have chosen ²⁵to take the place in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas turned aside to go to his own place." ²⁶And they cast lots for them, and the lot fell on Matthias, and he was numbered with the eleven apostles.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

G Thanks be to God.

Epistle

1 John 5:9–15

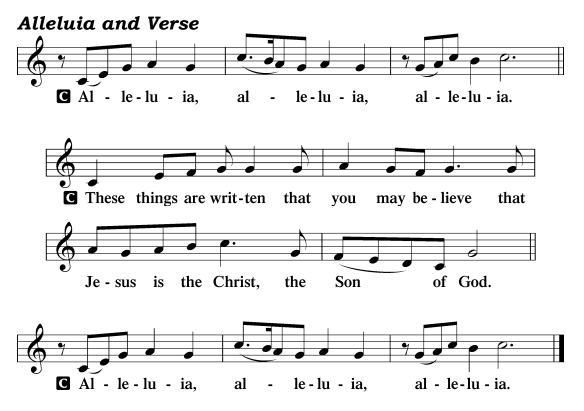
⁹If we receive the testimony of men, the testimony of God is greater, for this is the testimony of God that he has borne concerning his Son. ¹⁰Whoever believes in the Son of God has the testimony in himself. Whoever does not believe God has made him a liar, because he has not believed in the testimony that God has borne concerning his Son. ¹¹And this is the testimony, that God gave us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. ¹²Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have the Son of God does not have life.

¹³I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God that you may know that you have eternal life. ¹⁴And this is the confidence that we have toward him, that if we ask anything according to his will he hears us. ¹⁵And if we know that he hears us in whatever we ask, we know that we have the requests that we have asked of him.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

G Thanks be to God.

Stand



Holy Gospel

John 17:11b-19

- **P** The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the seventeenth chapter.
- Glory to You, O Lord.

[Jesus said:] "Holy Father, keep them in your name, which you have given me, that they may be one, even as we are one. ¹²While I was with them, I kept them in your name, which you have given me. I have guarded them, and not one of them has been lost except the son of destruction, that the Scripture might be fulfilled. ¹³But now I am coming to you, and these things I speak in the world, that they may have my joy fulfilled in themselves. ¹⁴I have given them your word, and the world has hated them because they are not of the world, just as I am not of the world. ¹⁵I do not ask that you take them out of the world, but that you keep them from the evil one. ¹⁶They are not of the world, just as I am not of the world. ¹⁷Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth. ¹⁸As you sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world. ¹⁹And for their sake I consecrate myself, that they also may be sanctified in truth."

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

Sit

Children's Message

Children are invited to the front for a brief teaching especially for them.

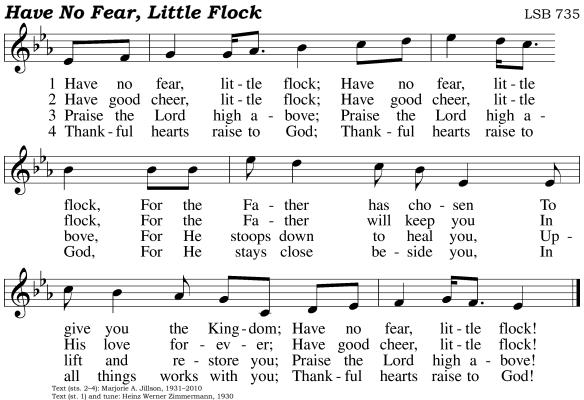
Stand

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.



Text and tune: © 1973 Concordia Publishing House. Used by permission: LSB Hymn License no. 110000463

Sit

Sermon

Response to the Word

Stand

Confession and Absolution

- **P** 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.

Kneel (Silence for reflection on our need for forgiveness)

- **P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
- 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 Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- **C** Amen.

Sit

Offering

Please leave a yellow information sheet for your household in the plate that is passed with any offerings you may have 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)

LSB 644 sts. 1-5



Prayers of the People

Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people [**L**] according to their needs:

Almighty Father, through Your Son You gave Your Word to Your children on earth.

C Guard and strengthen those who are hated by the world because they are not of the world, that not one of us would be lost.

L Father of our Lord, Jesus Christ, as You sent Your Son into the world and He sent His apostles, so now also send us, that the world may know Your name and the salvation that comes by it.

C Grant us strong and courageous hearts and never-failing hope, that we may wait steadfastly for You and Your final deliverance.

Lord of all nations, since it is Your will that we pray for all in authority, we believe with confidence that You hear our prayers for our president, governor, Congress, legislature and judges.

C Make known to them the testimony of the truth, that they may be wise and effective in their offices.

- **L** Eternal Father, You have testified that eternal life is given in Your Son and that whoever has Him has life. You promise also that You will hear whatever we ask according to Your will.
- Comfort and help the sick and the distressed. Heal them and give life to all those who hold Your Son in faithful hearts.

Additional prayers are offered at this time

- L Holy Father, accept the prayers we offer through Your Son, our Savior, and keep us forever in Your name and Word, that we may be one just as You are one.
- **C** Sanctify us in the truth; Your Word is truth.
- L Heavenly Father, Your Son in His incarnation took on our human flesh and was born of the Virgin Mary. He submitted to His mother, honoring and obeying her, so fulfilling the commandment where we have not. On this Mother's Day, graciously accept our thanksgiving for our mothers, whom You have given to us.
- C Teach us to honor them aright loving, obeying and giving thanks for them, as is fitting in Your sight. Strengthen all women with child, and give them safe delivery. Comfort all women who long to have children but cannot, that they may find their consolation in You and Your unfailing love; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Stand

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.

Benediction

P Alleluia! Christ is Risen and Ascended!

G He reigns with grace forever! Alleluia!

- 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.

O Church Arise

O Church, arise, and put your armor on; Hear the call of Christ our captain. For now the weak can say that they are strong in the strength that God has given.

With shield of faith and belt of truth, we'll stand against the devil's lies. An army bold, whose battle cry is love, reaching out to those in darkness.

Our call to war, to love the captive soul, but to rage against the captor; And with the sword that makes the wounded whole, Matthew 6:9-13

Numbers 6:23-26

we will fight with faith and valor.

When faced with trials on every side, we know the outcome is secure. And Christ will have the prize for which He died: an inheritance of nations.

Chorus

Arise, shine for your light has come. Arise, shine for the Risen Son Lift your eyes, we are His radiant bride, arise, o church arise!

Come, see the cross, where love and mercy meet, as the Son of God is stricken; Then see His foes lie crushed beneath His feet, for the Conqueror has risen!

And as the stone is rolled away, and Christ emerges from the grave, This victory march continues till the day, ev'ry eye and heart shall see Him.

So Spirit, come, put strength in every stride;

give grace for every hurdle.

That we may run with faith to win the prize

of a servant good and faithful.

As saints of old, still line the way,

retelling triumphs of His grace,

We hear their calls, and hunger for the day,

when with Christ we stand in Glory. Chorus

CCLI Song # 7065980 Chris Tomlin | Keith Getty | Kristyn Getty | Stuart Townend © 2016 S. D. G. Publishing (Admin. by Capitol CMG Publishing) sixsteps Songs (Admin. by Capitol CMG Publishing) Thankyou Music (Admin. by Capitol CMG Publishing) Worship Together Music (Admin. by Capitol CMG Publishing)

Getty Music Publishing (Admin. by Music Services, Inc.) For use solely with the SongSelect® Terms of Use. All rights reserved. www.ccli.com CCLI License # 1155989

Acknowledgments

Unless otherwise indicated, Scripture quotations are from the ESV® Bible (The Holy Bible, English Standard Version®), copyright © 2001 by Crossway, a publishing ministry of Good News Publishers. Used by permission. All rights reserved. Created by Lutheran Service Builder © 2024 Concordia Publishing House.

\bullet The VISION of Zion Lutheran Church \bullet

In response to God's amazing grace and love Zion Lutheran Church is a place of refuge where children, youth and adults are:

GROUNDED in God's unchanging Word,

REACHING OUT with the Good News of Jesus Christ locally and globally,

ACCEPTING others in the same loving way God has accepted us,

CHANGING into committed Christ followers, and

EMPOWERED to be Christ's hands and feet joyfully serving others.

Our Core Values

We Believe:

- We are saved by Grace through Faith in Jesus Christ. (Eph. 2: 8-9; Rom. 3:22-24; Titus 3:4-7)
- Jesus is the Way, the Truth & the Life! No one comes to the Father except through Him! (John 14:6; Acts 4:12)
- Scripture is the Word of God. It is without error and our only source for life and faith! (2 Tim. 3:16; John 20:31; 2 Peter 1:20-21)
- Baptism & the Lord's Supper are the means by which God touches our lives with His grace. (Rom 6:1-7; 1 Peter 3:21; Matt 26:26-28; 1 Cor 11:23-26)
- God has chosen us to proclaim the Gospel to our community and world. (Matt. 28:18-20; Acts 1:8; 1 Peter 3:15)
- In the power of God working through the Holy Spirit & Prayer. (John 14:26; Acts 4:31; Mark 11:24; Phil 4:6-7)
- We desire to remain a loving (1Cor 13; 1John 4:7-11), caring family of God.
- We cherish our Lutheran heritage.