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Trinity IV—Saturday, July 12th, 5 p.m. & Sunday, July 13th, 9 a.m.
Divine Service, Setting Three, p. 184
Hymns: 683, 696, 619, 842, 805
Sermon: “Am I in the Place of God?”
Text: Genesis 50:15-21

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Welcome guests! We are glad that you are here and pray that you will be blessed through the hearing of Christ's Word. We invite you to sign the guest register in the narthex before you leave and to worship with us again!

Guests and the Lord's Supper—Out of faithfulness to our Lord's Word and in love for all those who desire to commune, we practice closed communion. Our altar is open to those baptized Christians who confess oneness with us in doctrine, are communicant members of our congregation or sister congregations of the Lutheran Church — Missouri Synod and are not under church discipline in another congregation. **If you are not a member of the Lutheran Church — Missouri Synod, please speak to Pastor Koch before approaching the altar.**

Saturday Attendance: 26	Communed: 25
Sunday Attendance: 48	Communed: 38

Weekly Amount Needed for Budget: \$4,664.65
Amount Received Last Week: \$3,911.73

THIS WEEK AT MT. ZION:

PRIVATE ABSOLUTION	SATURDAY	4:15-4:45 PM
	SUNDAY	8:15-8:45 AM
DIVINE SERVICE	SATURDAY	5:00 PM
	SUNDAY	9:00 AM
CHOSEN BIBLE CLASS	SUNDAY	10:20 AM

Guest Pastor – This weekend we welcome the Rev. Dr. Jason Soenksen from Concordia University Wisconsin to preach and lead us in divine service. We thank him for being here and for his Word and Sacrament ministry in Pastor Koch's absence. Pastor will be returning on Thursday.

Farewell and Godspeed – Please join us after Divine Service on Sunday as we wish God's blessings to Tim Krogen, who is moving to Florida. We thank God for Tim's time among us and for his faithful service as Usher. God be with you, Tim!

Bible Class will resume next week as we continue to make our way through Holy Week in the Chosen Video series.

If you are going to be out of town over the summer, be sure to include the worship of God in your plans. You can go to LutheranLiturgy.org to find a church that uses our historic Lutheran liturgy. Our Father's Lutheran Church has a service on Thursdays at 6:30 p.m. Luther Memorial in Shorewood has a service on Mondays at 7 p.m. And Peace in Sussex has a Wednesday service at 6:30 p.m. God grant you all a blessed summer in which you find your Sabbath rest in the gifts of Christ in His Word and Supper!

Bulletins and Flowers – There are many opportunities left in this calendar year to sponsor our bulletins or flowers. Please sign up on the forms in the hallway if you can help with either. Bulletins are \$10 and flowers are \$30.

Help Wanted – There are several job openings at churches in our area. Please see the hall bulletin board for details.

Focus on Stewardship - *Romans 8:18* – “*For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory that is to be revealed to us.*” It is very easy to get caught up in the present and lose track of our ultimate destiny in the Kingdom of God. St. Paul encourages us to keep eternity in mind. This certainly has an application to our support for the Gospel. If we keep our focus on “the glory to be revealed,” we will see our tithes and offerings in a new light.

Issues, Etc. - Recent topics include: Seeking Truth & Speaking Truth, The Worsening Pandemic of Gambling, A New Study on Christian Faith & Marriage, Eastern Mysticism in Public Schools, A Supreme Court Ruling on Children & Pornography and more. You can listen on-demand at issuesetc.org, Amazon Alexa, Google Home, Apple HomePod, TuneIn, the LPR mobile app and a podcast provider.

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About Today's Readings

“Be merciful, just as your Father also is merciful.”(Luke 6:36-42) The old Adam in us, however, wants to condemn and seek vengeance. But the Lord says, “Vengeance is Mine, I will repay.” (Romans 12:14-21) To condemn, to avenge yourself is to put yourself in the place of God. It is to fail to trust that He is just. Ultimately, it is to disbelieve that Jesus suffered the full vengeance for all wrongs. Only Christ is merciful as the Father is merciful. He is the one who overcame all evil with the good of His cross, forgiving even His executioners. Jesus is our Joseph, who comforts us with words of pardon and reconciliation. (Genesis 50:15-21) He is the One who does not condemn but gives life that runs over. Only through faith in Christ are we sons of the Father, being merciful, forgiving, doing good to our enemies. For in Christ we know that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed in us. (Romans 8:8-13)