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Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church

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**Evangelical Lutheran
Church in America**
God's work. Our hands.

IN CHRIST'S NAME, WELCOME!

We extend a warm welcome to our guests. Please know you are included in Christ's own invitation to receive God's promise and presence in the "for you" of Holy Communion. Thank you for filling out the bulletin insert especially if you have prayer concerns. We also use this page to welcome and invite newcomers and guests into the events and activities at Zion.

If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see everything has become new! All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ, and has given us the ministry of reconciliation. 2 Corinthians 5:17-18

We are Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church, committed to being a loving and welcoming community of faith in Jesus Christ. As a community of God we welcome all.

We rejoice in the manner in which diversity enriches, nurtures, and challenges the life and ministry we share in Christ. We embrace actions and attitudes within the Church that assure access to Word and Sacrament regardless of gender identity, sexual orientation, socio-economic or marital status, physical or mental capacities, age or race. We are a Reconciling in Christ community. All are welcome!



WORSHIP RESOURCES

Online Bulletin You can download today's and previous bulletins to your PDA to view during worship or at other times. Simply go to www.zelc.org/bulletins

Child Care Child care is available downstairs during worship for children 18 months-5 years.

Quiet Activity Bags Cloth bags with quiet activities are available for young children during worship. Our ushers would be happy to provide you with one.

Hearing Devices Please speak to an usher if you are in need of a hearing assistance device.

Worship Today

- 8:15 am Awakening Worship
- 10:30 am Worship

Church Events

- **Monday, September 4th**
 - * 9 am Yoga exercise class
 - * Offices closed-Labor Day
- **Tuesday, September 5th**
 - * 9 am LMS First Day of School
 - * 6:30-9 pm Ger/Am Chorus
- **Wednesday, September 6th**
 - * 7 am Men's Bible Study
 - * 9 am Yoga exercise class
 - * 9 am staff meeting
- **Thursday, September 7th**
 - * 6:30-8:30 pm Meditation Group
- **Friday, September 8th**
 - * 9 am Yoga exercise class
- **Sunday, September 10th**
 - * 8:15 am Awakening Worship
 - * 9:15 am Education Hour
 - * 10:30 am Worship

For more information on these and other events go to www.zelc.org

GATHERING

Welcome

Greeting

The grace of our Risen Lord Jesus Christ,
the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit
be with you all.
And also with you.

Kyrie

Assistant:

1. In peace, in peace... *(continued below)*
2. For the Reign of God... for the unity of all... *(continued below)*
3. For your people here... for the strength to live your Word... *(continued below)*

Congregation:

Let us pray to the Lord, have mer - cy,
Christ, have mer - cy, Lord, have
mer - - - cy.

Assistant:

4. Help, save, and de - fend us, _____ O

Congregation:

God. A - - - - men.

Hymn of Praise

Refrain:
Congregation:

Now the feast and cel - e - bra - tion,
all of cre - a - tion sings for joy
to the God of life and love and
free - dom: praise and glo - ry for - ev -
er - more!

Congregation or Congregation 1:

1. Now is the feast of the Lamb once
slain, whose blood has freed and u -
nit - ed us to be one great
to Refrain
peo - ple of God.



Congregation or Congregation 2:

2. Pow - er and rich - es, wis - dom and

might, all hon - or and glo - ry to Christ _____

_____ *to Refrain*

for - ev - er. _____

Congregation:

3. For God has come to dwell with us, —

— to make us peo - ple of God; to make

all things new. — *to Refrain*

⊕ CODA

Presider:

The Lord be with you.

Congregation:

And also with you.



Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

O God, we thank you for your Son, who chose the path of suffering for the sake of the world. Humble us by his example, point us to the path of obedience, and give us strength to follow your commands, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

WORD

First Lesson

Jeremiah 15:15-21

Jeremiah's delight in the word of the Lord is contradicted by the heaviness of God's hand upon him and God's seeming unfaithfulness. God's tough love to Jeremiah says that if he repents, he will be allowed to continue in his strenuous ministry. Jeremiah is strengthened by the simple words: "I am with you."

¹⁵O LORD, you know;
remember me and visit me,
and bring down retribution for me on my persecutors.
In your forbearance do not take me away;
know that on your account I suffer insult.
¹⁶Your words were found, and I ate them,
and your words became to me a joy
and the delight of my heart;
for I am called by your name,
O LORD, God of hosts.
¹⁷I did not sit in the company of merry-makers,
nor did I rejoice;
under the weight of your hand I sat alone,
for you had filled me with indignation.
¹⁸Why is my pain unceasing,
my wound incurable,
refusing to be healed?
Truly, you are to me like a deceitful brook,
like waters that fail.
¹⁹Therefore thus says the LORD:
If you turn back, I will take you back,
and you shall stand before me.
If you utter what is precious, and not what is worthless,
you shall serve as my mouth.
It is they who will turn to you,
not you who will turn to them.
²⁰And I will make you to this people
a fortified wall of bronze;
they will fight against you,
but they shall not prevail over you,
for I am with you
to save you and deliver you,
says the LORD.
²¹I will deliver you out of the hand of the wicked,
and redeem you from the grasp of the ruthless.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.



Psalm 26:1-8

Your love is before my eyes; I have walked faithfully with you. (Ps. 26:3)

Spoken responsively

- ¹Give judgment for me, O LORD, for I have lived with integrity;
I have trusted in the LORD and have not faltered.
- ²**Test me, O LORD, and try me;
examine my heart and my mind.**
- ³For your steadfast love is before my eyes;
I have walked faithfully with you.
- ⁴**I have not sat with the worthless,
nor do I consort with the deceitful.**
- ⁵I have hated the company of evildoers;
I will not sit down with the wicked.
- ⁶**I will wash my hands in innocence, O LORD,
that I may go in procession round your altar,**
- ⁷singing aloud a song of thanksgiving
and recounting all your wonderful deeds.
- ⁸**LORD, I love the house in which you dwell
and the place where your glory abides.**

Second Lesson

Romans 12:9-21
Paul presents benchmarks for faithful relationships with Christians and non-Christians. Love is the unflagging standard of our behavior. When we encounter evil, we do not resort to its tactics but seek to overcome it with good. While Christians cannot control the actions and attitudes of others, we seek to live at peace with all people.

- ⁹Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; ¹⁰love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honor. ¹¹Do not lag in zeal, be ardent in spirit, serve the Lord. ¹²Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer. ¹³Contribute to the needs of the saints; extend hospitality to strangers.
- ¹⁴Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. ¹⁵Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. ¹⁶Live in harmony with one another; do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly; do not claim to be wiser than you are. ¹⁷Do not repay anyone evil for evil, but take thought for what is noble in the sight of all. ¹⁸If it is possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all.
- ¹⁹Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave room for the wrath of God; for it is written, "Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord." ²⁰No, "if your enemies are hungry, feed them; if they are thirsty, give them something to drink; for by doing this you will heap burning coals on their heads." ²¹Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

This is the Word of the Lord.

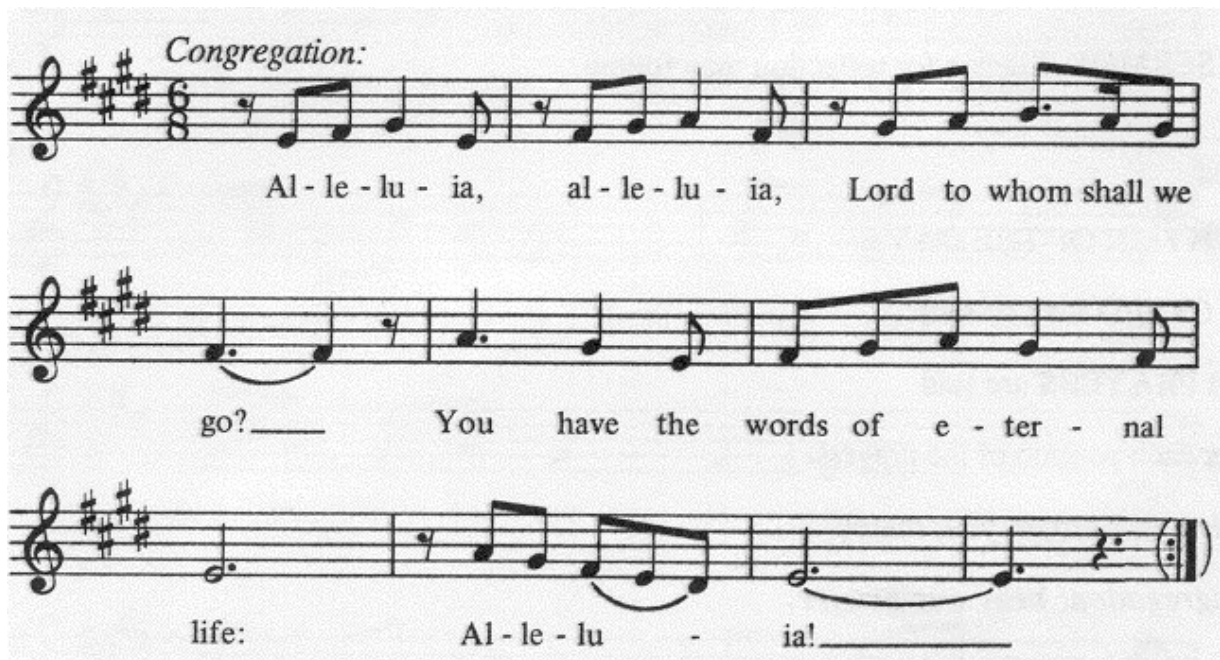
Thanks be to God.

Children's Message

All children are welcome to join Pastor Steve at the communion rail.



Gospel Verse



The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the sixteenth chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

The Holy Gospel

Matthew 16:21-28

After Peter confesses that Jesus is "the Messiah, the Son of the living God" (16:16), Jesus reveals the ultimate purpose of his ministry. These words prove hard to accept, even for a disciple whom Jesus has called a "rock."

²¹From that time on, [after Peter confessed that Jesus was the Messiah,] Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and undergo great suffering at the hands of the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised. ²²And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, "God forbid it, Lord! This must never happen to you." ²³But he turned and said to Peter, "Get behind me, Satan! You are a stumbling block to me; for you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things."

²⁴Then Jesus told his disciples, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. ²⁵For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it. ²⁶For what will it profit them if they gain the whole world but forfeit their life? Or what will they give in return for their life?

²⁷"For the Son of Man is to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay everyone for what has been done. ²⁸Truly I tell you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

Pastor Steve Klemz

A brief silence for reflection.



Apostles' Creed

*I believe in God,
the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.*

*I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.*

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

The Prayers

IN OUR PRAYERS:

That God's grace be sufficient for Dorothy Nielsen and Millie Erdman. We ask for strength of healing with Rod Schroeder, Lacy Foulks, Cindy Haverkost. We pray for Autumn Kieber-Emmons, Jessica Supiano, Taylor Haverkost, and all mothers with child. We pray for the care of your good creation. We pray for those in need of our prayers: Duane, Jamie, Nolan & family, Leo, Carla, Oliver Tibbitts, Becky, Kollins, Kennady, Laurie DeKorver, Fritz & Barbara Reed, Lori Davidson & Kevin, Jamie, Patty Dahlin, Sue & husband, Beth, Kevin, Doris, Laura, Amy, Cheryl, Matt, Marsha McBride, Anna, Rob & Sharon, Marilyn Wood, Deena & Vlodney, Chuck, Henri Schrecengost, Mary Ann, Susie, Susie, Mike, Christian, Mary; For seminary education with Lisa Mensinger and Juan de Dios Lopez. For all military personnel and their families. We pray for Paul, Kent, Christian and Bryce our brothers in Christ in prison. Prayers to guide the leaders of our nation with wisdom. For those who suffer famine, especially in South Sudan.

Each petition concludes, "**God of compassion**", and the people prayerfully respond, "**receive our prayer.**"

Prayer requests can be submitted using the bulletin insert or anytime during the week via email to the church office (office@zelc.org) or Pastor Steve (pastor@zelc.org).



The Sharing of the Peace

John 20 More than a greeting, we participate in Christ's gift of community.

The Peace of the Lord be with you. ***And also with you.***

The ministers and congregation signal their unity with each other in the family of Christ by sharing a moment of greeting with each other saying, "Peace be with you" and are seated when finished exchanging the peace.

Gathering of the Gifts



MEAL

Thank you for filling in the hospitality page (bulletin insert). It serves as an instrument for pastoral care, especially with the requested prayers. Please place the page in the offering plate.

If you give online, feel free to pick up a 'giving bookmark' found in the pew and place it in the offering plate.

If you would like to give online, please go to <http://www.zelc.org/giving> or scan the code to the left.


Offertory Prayer

Let us pray.

God of life, you give us these gifts of the earth, these resources of our life and our labor. Take them, offered in great thanksgiving, and use them to set a table that will heal the whole creation; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Light.

Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving



Presider: Congregation:

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Presider: Congregation: Presider:

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord. Let us give

Congregation:

thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give God thanks and praise.



Proper Preface

It is indeed right and salutary.....we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Sanctus

Introduction when preface is spoken.

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho-ly are you, God of pow-er and might; Heav-en and earth are filled with your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est! Bless - ed is the One who comes in your name. Ho - san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est!

Thanksgiving at the Table

Before the Lord's Supper is shared, the presiding minister leads us into Thanksgiving. With the whole creation, we join the angels' song.

Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

Let us pray as Jesus taught us:

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come,

your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.



Invitation to Communion

All are welcome. Speak to us, O Lord, in the breaking of the bread, and make us one with you. **Thanks be to God.**

Lamb of God

Congregation:

Lamb of God, you

take a-way the sin of the world:
 break the chains of ha-tred and fear:
 are the way of jus-tice and peace:
 are the way of mer-cy and love:

Congregation:

have mer - cy on us,

mer - cy on us, mer - cy on us.

Final time

Congregation or Assistant:

us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the

world: grant us peace, grant us peace, / *rit.* grant us peace.

Holy Communion

In Christ's body and blood given to us, God forgives us and nourishes us for mission. We sing as the bread is broken and as the meal is shared. We ask God to send us in witness to the world.

To receive Holy Communion, please come down the center aisle. You are welcome to kneel or stand at the communion rail.

Newcomers & Visitors: You are welcome to join us for Holy Communion. The wine may be received by dipping the bread in the cup, or eating the bread and drinking from the cup. Individual cups are available for those who desire. Grape juice is clear, individual cups of wine are red. Gluten free wafers are available upon request.

If you would like to receive a blessing for yourself and/or your child, simply come forward with your hands folded, and the person serving the bread will offer you a blessing.

Communion Hymns

"Will You Come and Follow Me"
 "Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus"
 "Blest Be the Tie That Binds"

Hymn No. 798
 Hymn No. 802
 Hymn No. 656

After all have received, please remain seated until the Benediction.



Table Blessing	The body and the blood of our Lord Jesus Christ keep us in God's great grace. Amen.	
Post Communion Prayer	Holy and compassionate God, in bread and wine you give us gifts that form us to be humble and courageous. May your words come to life in our serving and in our witness, that we might speak a living voice of healing and justice to all the world, through Jesus Christ, our rock and our redeemer. Amen.	
Announcements		
Affirmation of Christian Vocation	Sisters and brothers, both your work and your rest are in God. Will you endeavor to pattern your life on the Lord Jesus Christ, in gratitude to God and in service to others, at morning and evening, at work and at play, all the days of your life? <i>I will, and I ask God to help me.</i> Almighty God, by the power of the Spirit you have knit these your servants into the one body of your Son, Jesus Christ. Look with favor upon them in their commitment to serve in Christ's name. Give them courage, patience, and vision; and strengthen us all in our Christian vocation of witness to the world and of service to others; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.	
Benediction	God, creator of all things, speaking reformation into being; Jesus Christ, savior of the world, raising the dead; Holy Spirit, living voice, calling and enlightening the church: Almighty God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever. Amen.	
Sending Hymn	<i>"Rise, O Church, like Christ Arisen"</i>	<i>Hymn No. 548</i>
Dismissal	Go in peace. Sound the good news. <i>Thanks be to God.</i>	
Postlude	<i>"How Lovely Shines the Morning Star"</i>	<i>Paul Manz</i>



SERMON NOTES:



October 6-7, 2017
Early Bird Registration is Open

REGISTER NOW

**"God and Human Suffering:
Conversations on 21st
Century Genetics and Our Shared Future"**

A Faith and Science Workshop on
Ethical Issues in Human Germ-line Editing

Lessons for next Sunday, September 10, 2017
Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

- ♦ Ezekiel 33:7-11
- ♦ Romans 13:8-14
- ♦ Matthew 18:15-20

Small Groups & Bible Studies:

Women's Small Group, Alyce Gross,

Shepherd. Meets the first and third Mondays at 7pm in various homes. We are using the book 'Grounded' by Diana Butler Bass for our discussion. Contact Alyce at adgross1@msn.com.

Men's Bible Study—meets each Wednesday morning at 7:00am downstairs. Come have breakfast with us and discuss God's Word! We are studying the lesser known books of the bible; currently it is Revelations.

Adult Bible Study—Pastor Steve leads this class which meets in the atrium, 9:15-10:15. Starting September 10th at 9:30 AM: "But I say to you, Love your enemies..." Matthew 5:44. All are welcome.

Lydia Circle—meets the third Wednesday of each month at 11am in the church library. All are welcome. The group will study the weekly lectionary.

Sunday Lectionary Bible Study—An open forum on the lessons of the day, with a focus on the Gospel, will be held in the lounge from 9:15--10:15. Whether there is a leader or not, discussing scripture is one way to help it become the living word. All are welcome.

Men's Small Group, Peter Staks, Shepherd
2nd & 4th Tuesday of each month at 7pm at various homes. peter@wardleycompanies.com. This group is studying "The NAG Hammadi Scriptures", an updated translation of the gnostic texts.

Pub Theology—Different Brews + Different

Views Meeting on Thursday, Sept. 14th at 7 PM at Hoppers Grill & Brew, Midvale. 21 & up join us for good conversation about God + Love + Faith. Check us out at [MeetUp.com](https://www.meetup.com/SLCPubTheology) [SLCPubTheology](https://www.meetup.com/SLCPubTheology)



CONNECTING THROUGH GRACE: YOUR TIME & TALENTS NEEDED

Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms. 1 Peter 4:10
There are many ways to help out at ZELC. Contact info is given or signup sheets can be found at www.zelc.org or in the main hall.

- Greeters Needed! Please use the sign-up sheet outside the church library to pick the Sundays that work with your schedule and be a greeter at Zion! It's a great way to meet congregational members you may not yet know.
- Primary Children's Hospital—want to serve a meal to the families of patients? 4 people are needed. Please contact the church office for more details on ways to participate in this great service.
- Ushers Needed! This is a vital role in welcoming people to worship with us. Interested? Please contact the church office .

CONNECTING THROUGH GRACE: FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also. Matt 6:21

- Yearly Operating Budget 2017: \$447,462
- Weekly Operating Budget: \$8,605
- Last Week's Offerings: \$3,040.00 = 35% of weekly
- Total Received this year: \$253,928.00 = 84.3% Yearly Budget
- August 27, 2017: 10:00 AM—128

YOUTH NEWS:

September 10th, during the coffee hour, Zion youth will be in the atrium sharing their summer experience at Blue Theology in California. We hope you will stop by so that we can share more!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday school begins next Sunday, September 10th at 9:15 AM. We will begin the hour with all parents and adults meeting in the Atrium and all students, preschool through 12th grade, meeting in the Terrace room. Adults will update contact information, review this year's calendar, and receive other details pertaining to Sunday school.

Join us for a national day of prayer! **September 10th is World Suicide Prevention Day.** This weekend, the National Action Alliance for Suicide Prevention [invites faith communities](http://actionallianceforsuicideprevention.org/faithhopelife) across the nation to pray for those whose lives have been touched by suicide. <http://actionallianceforsuicideprevention.org/faithhopelife>

Olivia Rose Golf Tournament, September 17th at Stansbury Park Golf Course. See the sign-up sheet in the narthex and invite your golfing friends — it's a fundraiser for our VBS Music Camp!

Action Forum—Sunday, September 17th at Noon English Professor GaeLyn Henderson, UVU, will present Recognizing Propaganda; Understanding the Dangers of Misinformation.

To celebrate David Chamberlin's 30 years of service at Zion, come to a **"Friends of David" Recital**. Organists and musicians from all over Salt Lake will come to Zion to honor David on September 23rd at 7:00 PM. Free will offering will support the organ fund.

UPCOMING EVENTS

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DIFFERENT BREWS + DIFFERENT VIEWS

PUB THEOLOGY

FAITH + HOPE + LOVE + BEER

21+ Join us in good conversation about God + Love + Faith

7:00 PM + Thursday, Sept 14th + Hoppers in Midvale

Get Connected on Meetup.com "SLC Pub Theology"

TODAY'S WORSHIP

Pastor Steve Klemz—Preacher & Presiding Minister
David Chamberlin - Organist | Diane Gardner - Interim Music Director
Susan Swidnicki - Children's Choir Director
Carrie Hinderaker + Bruce & Lois Stewart, Altar Guild

8:15 AM Awakening Worship
Rachel Kibler, Cantor

10:30 AM Worship
Rachel Kibler, Assisting Minister
Doug Graham, Chuck Schmitt, John Krehbiel, + volunteer, Ushers
Verna Hanson, Greeter

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