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The Eighth Sunday after Pentecost - July 31st, 2022

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Old Testament Reading: Ecclesiastes 1:2, 12-14, 2:18-26

Epistle Reading: Colossians 3:1-11

Gospel Reading: Luke 12:13-21

Sermon: “God’s Abundant Riches” Rev. Andrew Mussell

Hymns:

“My Faith Looks Up to Thee” LSB 702 (July Hymn of the Month)

“God of Grace and God of Glory” LSB 850

“All Depends on Our Possessing” LSB 732

“We Give Thee But Thine Own” LSB 781

“Gracious God, You Send Great Blessings” LSB 782

The Lutheran Church Missouri Synod belief about the Sacrament of the Altar:

(also called the Lord's Supper and Holy Communion)

What is the Sacrament of the Altar?

It is the true body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ [in, with, and] under the bread and wine, instituted by Christ himself for us Christians to eat and to drink. *(Matthew 26:26-29; Mark 14:22-25; Luke 22:19-20; 1 Corinthians 11:23-25)*

What is the benefit of such eating and drinking?

These words “given and shed for you for the forgiveness of sins” show us that in the Sacrament forgiveness of sin, life, and salvation are given to us in the sacrament through these words.

Who receives the sacrament worthily?

The person is truly worthy and well prepared who has faith in these words: “Given and shed for you for the forgiveness of sins.” But anyone who does not believe these words or doubts them is unworthy and unprepared, for the words “for you” require all hearts to believe. *(Martin Luther, Small Catechism).*

“We must never regard the sacrament as a harmful thing from which we should flee, but as a pure, wholesome, soothing medicine that aids you and gives life in both soul and body. For where the soul is healed, the body is helped as well. Why, then, do we act as if the sacrament were a poison that would kill us if we ate of it? Of course, it is true that those who despise the sacrament and lead unchristian lives receive it to their damnation... But those who feel their weakness, who are anxious to be rid of it and desire help, should regard and use the sacrament as a precious antidote against the poison in their systems. For here in the sacrament you are to receive from Christ's lips the forgiveness of sins, which contains and brings with it God's grace and Spirit with all his gifts, protection, defense, and power against death, the devil, and every trouble.” *Martin Luther Large Catechism*

FOR OUR GUESTS...

We are delighted to have all guests and visitors with us today! As we celebrate Holy Communion, if you have not yet been instructed in the faith, or if you hold to a faith different than the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod, it is out of love that we would, for the moment, invite you to refrain from partaking of this meal until we have had a chance to talk with you about our beliefs and practices. If you desire to learn more about our practice of the Lord's Supper, you are invited to be a part of Zion's *Welcome to Worship* class which is held twice a year. In the meantime, please feel free to come forward for a blessing, placing your arms across your chest to let the pastor know you would like to receive that blessing. As our pastors desire to faithfully love and care for you, please respect our position of love on this matter. In addition to the individual cups, we also offer the **Common Cup** during the administration of the Lord's Supper. **Non-Alcoholic White Wine** is also available in the center portion of each communion tray. **Gluten free wafers** are available. Please request a gluten-free wafer from the pastor.

IN YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK, please include:

- *Those who are in God's care, especially our shut-ins*
- *Also for Dolores Hoese, Eldoras Schuette, Jackie Mahlum, Joan Schwartz, Pastor Dan Heuer, Marge Hoese, Connie Dulas, Mary Hilgers, Ed Gless, Laura Guetzkow, Curt Lundeen, Ken Quaas, Helen Bunge, ReNaye Molnau, Delores Lenz.*
- *Blessings for those celebrating birthdays this week: 31-Dan Maetzold, Michael Oltrogge, Milan Stender; August 1-James Chapman, Joanne Hartwig, Madyson Hoese, Grady Jopp, Daryl Luecke, Missy Vogelpohl; 2-Joel Grimm, Jennifer Iverson, Don Menzel; 3-Amie Meuleners, Cathy Michaletz; 4-Leon Franke, Aurora Lambert, Ryan Nienow; 5-Tracy Shieler; 6-Megan Knutson.*
- *Blessings for those celebrating anniversaries this week: August 3-Vernon & Karen Raether (54); 4-Scott & Yvonne Hoese (43); 6-Leon & Joleen Guetzkow (56), Todd & Monica Wasser (39).*
- *Our missionaries: Pastor James May and Family (Lutherans in Africa), Seminarian Dale Krienke (Fort Wayne), Seminarian Mark Esser & his wife Paige (St. Louis).*



PRAYER MINISTRY– Zion's Prayer Chain is available for your use! To initiate a prayer, please call one of the following contact persons: Arleen Hoese (657-1049), Marlene Jopp (952-200-4495), or Sharon Buckentin (657-2549). You may also use prayer cards (found in church pews) to request prayers from prayer chain or during Sunday worship.

LAST WEEK'S OFFERING —Operating Fund (Church, School, LHS, Missions): General Fund: \$ 17,085; Building Fund \$375; Help A Neighbor: \$50.

GIVING OPTIONS



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Goal: \$15,345

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Looking for more?

Sunday Adult Bible Class: in between services in the church basement.

Connected in Christ—Join us as we read through the Bible. Contact the office to be added to the email list. You will receive two emails a week; one with the weekly reading list and a weekly video devotion. Plus a Facebook group to keep us connected.

Connected in Christ



Weekly Wisdom

Life Thoughts: July 31 – Pentecost VIII (Proper 13) – Why settle for “my body, my choice?” Death used as a solution like in abortion or assisted suicide offers pride, pleasure, property, and popularity, but all these only end up in vanity (Ecclesiastes 1:2). The real wealth that eyes don’t always see and money cannot ever buy comes from believing our bodies, hearts, and lives belong to the Father and Savior who made each one for His own (Psalm 100:3). Let God give life!

Stewardship Thoughts: July 31 – Proper 13 Luke 12:15 – “**And he said to them, “Take care, and be on your guard against all covetousness, for one’s life does not consist in the abundance of his possessions.”**” Coveting is the opposite of being content with what God has given us. And the cure for coveting is twofold: thankfulness to God and generosity toward God’s purposes. So be on guard against all covetousness. Acknowledge that your Father has given you all you need, and therefore be free and confident in directing the mammon of this world toward godly purposes.

Lutheran Hour Broadcast—Time change—Please note starting Sunday, August 7th, the Lutheran Hour will be broadcast on KDUZ at 9:00 a.m.

Directory UPDATE - If you ordered photos they are available in the Zion office for pick up. In your mailbox in the narthex you will find your directory listing. Please make any changes to your phone numbers, addresses, names etc. and place in the bin marked Directory Update. If you have not submitted a picture or would like too please e-mail them to the church office at church.office@zionmayer.org

If there is information displayed on your directory listing that you do not want published please make sure to cross it out. The online/app portion of our directory will be available in early August. The print edition of the directory will not be available until Pastor Gless returns from his sabbatical.

ZION EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mini-Sabbatical- Pastor Gless will be on vacation from June 19-July 4, and then he will be on a mini-sabbatical from July 5-August 15. During this time, if you are in need of pastoral care, please contact Pastor Mussell, Pastor Colgrove, or the congregational office. If you have questions regarding the mini-sabbatical, please contact any member of the mini-sabbatical accountability team: Eric Boersma, Wanda Honebrink, Brad Quaas, Ryan Schuette. Please continue to be in prayer for Pastor Gless and his family, as well as all of our faculty and staff and their families and our entire congregation that God would defend us all from the evil foe and keep us united in Jesus Christ.

Church Elevator—The elevator is out of order. The parts to repair the elevator will not be available until the middle of August. Sorry for the inconvenience.

Friends for Life Food Shelf - We will be collecting the following items for the Friends For Life food shelf from now until the end of August. Canned chicken, spaghetti pasta and sauce, baby wipes and diapers sizes 4,5 & 6. Please put in the assigned box in the narthex.

Open House Bridal Shower - All are invited to a bridal shower for Alissa Thaemert on August 13th starting at 10:00 a.m. in the church basement.



Care to the Inactive Members of our Congregation:

The Board of Elders has been working to provide care for the inactive members of our congregation. It goes without saying that we all would like to have each of these beloved children of God back in our midst in the Divine Worship Services at Zion. As Christians, we know that what is of utmost importance is for us all to be fed and nourished by God's Word and Sacrament in the Divine Worship Service as God comes to us with His gifts of grace and mercy. The following list of names are people who are currently listed as inactive members of our congregation, and the Board of Elders has been unable to reach them. If you happen to know any of these people listed, would you please let them know to contact one of the members of the Board of Elders so that we may follow up with them? We will leave this list of names in the news bulletin for several weeks. However, if we do not hear anything, we will need to release them from membership. Please understand that this is not our desire. Our heartfelt desire is to give all saints of Zion care in the name of Christ, but we have been unable to do so. So, please help us to provide such care so that we may proceed accordingly in the name of Christ Jesus and His holy Word. To be connected with the Board of Elders, please contact Brad Quaas (Chair of the Board of Elders) at 612-636-9080 or Ryan Schuette (Vice-Chair of the Board of Elders) at 952-457-5034. Thank you. Please see list on page 6.

Zion Whereabouts Unknown/Inactive Members

Emma Bailey	Samuel Fleischman	Matthew Johnson	Jeffrey Pike Jr.
Kevin Berg	James Gillund	Morrison Johnson	Laura Pike
Patricia Berg	Kathy Gillund	Phoebe Johnson	Summer Pike
Alyece Bina	Kyle Gillund	Veronica Johnson	Anthony Polzin
Tamara Boll	Courtney Grams	Melissa Jones	Ashley Polzin
Matthew Bottner	Dawn Grams	Shirley Klein	Tamara Polzin
Mackenzie Brueggemeier	Erin Grams	Erik Klevann	Alyson Rinsem
Madison Brueggemeier	Paul Grams	Jay Klevann	Jase Rinsem
Pamela Brueggemeier	Rebecca Grams	Russell Klevann	Megan Rinsem
Tara Chanen	Dustin Grimm	Susan Klevann	Jason Roth
Ryan Christoffer	Kristin Gross	Wynne Klevann	Lisa Schermann
Tracy Christoffer	James Hagen	David Kolstad	Derek Schuettpelz
Victoria Christoffer	Aaron Halverson-Johnson	Holly Kolstad	Jordan Schuettpelz
Liam Collins	Inga Halverson-Johnson	Wayne Kolstad	Steve Schuettpelz
Laurel Cooper	Jude Halverson-Johnson	Steve Luebke	Dustin Sievert
Ronnie Cooper	LaJean Henning	Drease McKinney	Matthew Snegosky
Justin Craig	Jayson Heuer	Kayla McKinney	Ashley Stangret
Jared Duske	Cameron Hinrichs	Lori McKinney	Natalie Strehlke
Cody Ellig	Liliana Hinrichs	Aurora Moorehouse	Ashley Thaumert
Dawn Ellig	Sara Hinrichs	Brittany Moorehouse	Doug Thaumert
Madelyn Ellig	Caila Hlavka	Ethan Moorehouse	Joshua Thaumert
Todd Ellig	Nicole Hlavka	Tyler Nelson	Rachel Thunberg
Shawn Farber	Aaron Hoese	Jenny Olson	Levi Tiell
Chase Feltmann	Clay Hoese	Jim Olson	Roxanne Tiell
Kayla Feltmann	Andrea Houser	Brianna Oman	Dory Venero
Daniel Fleischman	Breana Houser	Dawn Oman	Jay Venero
Grace Fleischman	Dru Houser	Jacob Oman	Mickey Venero
Madeline Fleischman	Justin Houser	Michael Oman	Treighton Wemhoff
Paul Fleischman	Wayne Houser	Erin Peterman	

ZION SCHOOL NEWS...

"Sharing Hope, Teaching Christ!"...

Zion's website www.zionmayer.org

SALT SALES – If you are in need of salt, please use the salt sheets in the narthex, or call the school office, 952-657-2339. Thank you for your support!

Job Postings:

Kitchen Assistant:

Zion Lutheran School in Mayer is seeking a part-time Kitchen Assistant. This is a two-three hour per school day position (10:45-12:45 or 1:30). The position of Kitchen Assistant is responsible for helping set up for lunch, serving lunch, washing dishes, and other clean up. Interested candidates should contact Josh Baumann at 952.657.2339 or joshua.baumann@zionmayer.org.

Teacher Aide:

Zion Lutheran School in Mayer is seeking a part-time teacher aide. This part-time position would involve around 25-30 hours a week. A full job description is available in the school office. Interested candidates should fill out an application and submit to joshua.baumann@zionmayer.org. Any questions can be directed to Mr. Joshua Baumann at 952.657.2339.

Extended Care Director:

Zion Lutheran School in Mayer is seeking a part-time Extended Care Director. The prospective candidate should be passionate about children and growing the program. The position of Extended Care Director is responsible for supervising students before and after school, recruiting and scheduling workers, planning and shopping for snacks, recording hours of attendance, etc. A full job description is available in the school office. Depending on hours worked, there is a possibility of a tuition discount if the director's children attend Zion. Interested candidates should fill out an application and submit with their resume to joshua.baumann@zionmayer.org. Any questions can be directed to Mr. Joshua Baumann at 952.657.2339.

Pick up your Zion Lutheran School Cookbook today! The Cookbook features over 200 taste-tempting favorite recipes from Zion Lutheran School's students and staff. Orders can now be placed - \$20 for 1 book; additional books are \$15. These can make great gifts. The order form is in the back of church and cookbooks can be picked up in the school office.



