



18<sup>th</sup> Sunday After Pentecost, Oct. 12, 2025  
10 a.m. *Worship at Zion's Lutheran Church*

**Welcome Friends and Guests:** It's a miracle! Multiple miracles! The waters of holy baptism have healed us. The body and blood of Jesus in holy communion have made us clean. We have died with Christ and been raised with him. For all this we have returned to offer thanks. From this place we are sent on our way rejoicing to share the good news.

**Serving this Sunday:**

Worship – Pastor Lisa Rygiel, Mike McNeil & John Strecker-Baseler  
Musicians – Connie Pallone & Sharon Sorenson  
Ushers – Mary McKenna & Cherie Holder  
Communion – Steve & Carol Hanson

**Worship:** In boundless diversity, we all are made in God's image! If you are visiting or new to our faith family, please sign our guest book and feel free to learn more about us. *Come back and worship each Sunday at 10 a.m.*

**Communion:** We celebrate open communion. This is Christ's table, all are welcome. You may come forward for the sacraments or cross your arms across your chest for a blessing. Our bread is gluten free and both wine and white grape juice (center of communion tray) are available.

**Fellowship:** Please join us after worship today in the Fellowship Hall for food and fellowship. All are welcome.

**Other Information:** Large print bulletins are available from the ushers. Restrooms are in the Fellowship Hall adjoining the sanctuary; our ushers can direct you. For pastoral care, call Pastor Lisa at 719-846-7785 or send an email: [zionsluth@gmail.com](mailto:zionsluth@gmail.com). Additional information about Zion's can be found on our website at: [zionsluth.org](http://zionsluth.org).



***Zion's Lutheran is a Reconciling in Christ (RIC) community.***

*~Gathering~*

*The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.*

**Gathering of Prayers & Call to Worship**

Children of God: welcome! **Welcome to this place of love and grace,**

Welcome to this place of hope and perseverance. **God invites all of us to be a part of the beloved community,**

God invites all of us to share in the good news: **We are welcome, just as we are. We are loved, just as we are.**

In gratitude for all of this, let us worship God.

**Greeting**

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

**And also, with you.**

**Gathering Hymn:** #617 We Come to You for Healing Lord

**Confession & Forgiveness**

Even when we are faithless, Christ remains faithful. Trusting in grace, let us confess our sins. God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another. Most merciful God, **we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. 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. 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.**

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the ☩ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

## **Kyrie**

*Refrain*



Ky-ri - e e - lei - son, on our world and on our way.



Ky-ri - e e - lei - son, ev-'ry day.



1 For peace in the world, for the health of the church, for the  
2 That we may live out your im - passioned re - sponse to the  
3 For peace in our hearts, . . . for peace in our homes, . . for  
4 For your Spir - it to guide; that you cen - ter our lives in the



u - ni - ty of all; for  
hun - gry and the poor; that  
friends and fam - i - ly; for  
wa - ter and the word; that you



this ho - ly house, for all who wor-ship and praise,  
we may live out . . . . truth and jus - tice and grace,  
life and for love, . . . . for our work and our play,  
nour-ish our souls . . . with your bod - y and blood,



*Refrain*  
let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.

## **Prayer of the Day**

Almighty and most merciful God, your bountiful goodness fills all creation. Keep us safe from all that may hurt us, that, whole and well in body and spirit, we may with grateful hearts accomplish all that you would have us do, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

~Word~

*God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.*

**First Reading:** 2 Kings 5:1-3, 7-15c

<sup>1</sup> Naaman, commander of the army of the king of Aram, was a great man and in high favor with his master because by him the Lord had given victory to Aram. The man, though a mighty warrior, suffered from a skin disease. <sup>2</sup> Now the Arameans on one of their raids had taken a young girl captive from the land of Israel, and she served Naaman's wife. <sup>3</sup> She said to her mistress, "If only my lord were with the prophet who is in Samaria! He would cure him of his skin disease."

<sup>7</sup> When the king of Israel read the letter, he tore his clothes and said, "Am I God, to give death or life, that this man sends word to me to cure a man of his skin disease? Just look and see how he is trying to pick a quarrel with me."

<sup>8</sup> But when Elisha the man of God heard that the king of Israel had torn his clothes, he sent a message to the king, "Why have you torn your clothes? Let him come to me, that he may learn that there is a prophet in Israel." <sup>9</sup> So Naaman came with his horses and chariots and halted at the entrance of Elisha's house.

<sup>10</sup> Elisha sent a messenger to him, saying, "Go, wash in the Jordan seven times, and your flesh shall be restored, and you shall be clean." <sup>11</sup> But Naaman became angry and went away, saying, "I thought that for me he would surely come out and stand and call on the name of the Lord his God and would wave his hand over the spot and cure the skin disease!"

<sup>12</sup> Are not Abana and Pharpar, the rivers of Damascus, better than all the waters of Israel? Could I not wash in them and be clean?" He turned and went away in a rage. <sup>13</sup> But his servants approached and said to him, "Father, if the prophet had commanded you to do something difficult, would you not have done it? How much more, when all he said to you was, 'Wash, and be clean'?"

<sup>14</sup> So he went down and immersed himself seven times in the Jordan, according to the word of the man of God; his flesh was restored like the flesh of a young boy, and he was clean.

<sup>15a, b, c</sup> Then he returned to the man of God, he and all his company; he came and stood before him and said, "Now I know that there is no God in all the earth except in Israel."

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

**Responsive Reading:** Psalm 111

<sup>1</sup> Hallelujah! I will give thanks to the Lord  
with my whole heart, in the assembly of the upright, in the congregation.

<sup>2</sup> **Great are your works, O Lord, pondered by all who delight in them.**

<sup>3</sup> Majesty and splendor mark your deeds, and your righteousness endures forever.

<sup>4</sup> **You cause your wonders to be remembered; you are gracious and full of compassion.**

<sup>5</sup>You give food to those who fear you, remembering forever your covenant.

<sup>6</sup>**You have shown your people the power of your works in giving them the lands of the nations.**

<sup>7</sup>The works of your hands are faithfulness and justice;  
all of your precepts are sure.

<sup>8</sup>**They stand fast forever and ever,  
because they are done in truth and equity.**

<sup>9</sup>You sent redemption to your people and commanded  
your covenant forever; holy and awesome is your name.

<sup>10</sup>**The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom; all who practice this  
have a good understanding. God's praise endures forever.**

### **Second Reading: 2 Timothy 2:8-15**

<sup>8</sup>Remember Jesus Christ, raised from the dead, a descendant of David — that is my gospel, <sup>9</sup>for which I suffer hardship, even to the point of being chained like a criminal. But the word of God is not chained. <sup>10</sup>Therefore I endure everything for the sake of the elect, so that they may also obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus, with eternal glory. <sup>11</sup>The saying is sure:

If we have died with him, we will also live with him;

<sup>12</sup>if we endure, we will also reign with him;

if we deny him, he will also deny us;

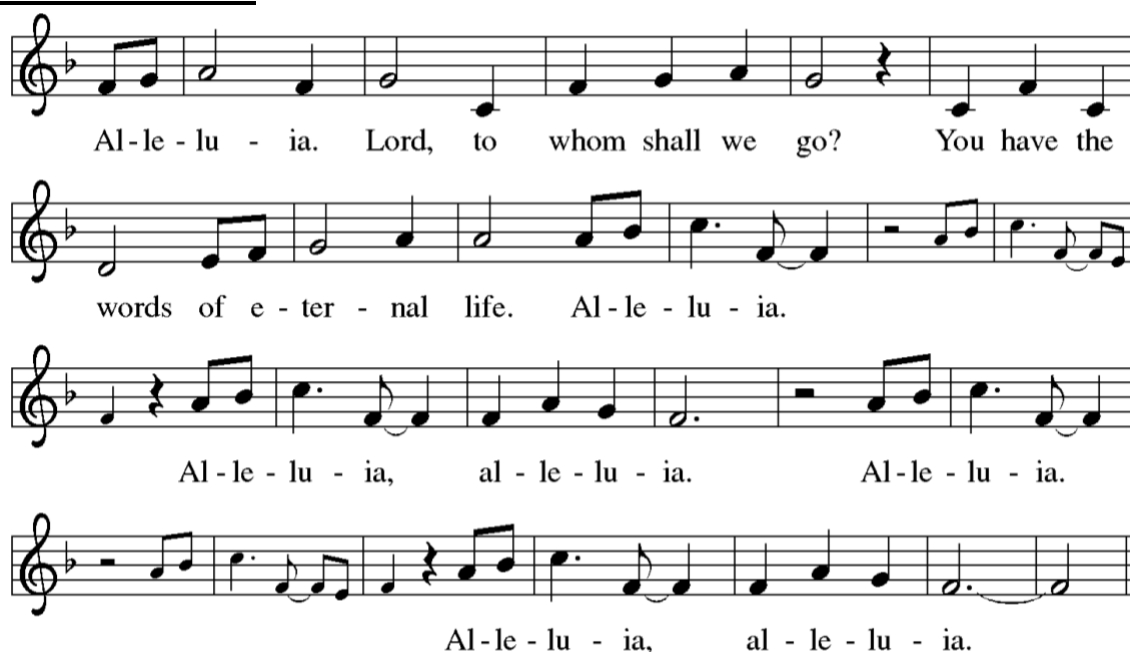
<sup>13</sup>if we are faithless, he remains faithful — he cannot deny himself.

<sup>14</sup>Remind them of this and warn them before the Lord that they are to avoid  
wrangling over words, which does no good but only ruins those who are listening.

<sup>15</sup>Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved by him, a worker who  
has no need to be ashamed, rightly explaining the word of truth.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

### **Gospel Acclamation**



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the  
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

**Gospel:** Luke 17:11-19

The holy gospel according to Luke chapter 17. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>11</sup>On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. <sup>12</sup>As he entered a village, ten men with a skin disease approached him. Keeping their distance, <sup>13</sup>they called out, saying, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!" <sup>14</sup>When he saw them, he said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went, they were made clean. <sup>15</sup>Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. <sup>16</sup>He prostrated himself at Jesus's feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. <sup>17</sup>Then Jesus asked, "Were not ten made clean? So where are the other nine?" <sup>18</sup>Did none of them return to give glory to God except this foreigner?" <sup>19</sup>Then he said to him, "Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well."

The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

**Children's Message:** Mary McKenna

**Sermon:** Pastor Lisa Rygiel

**Hymn of the Day:** #955 Come to the Water of Life

**The 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.**

**Prayers of the People**

Gracious God, you lead your people to faith. Remind the church that your word flows into the world. By your Spirit, teach the church to share the word of God for the sake of the world.

God of grace, **receive our prayer.**

Creating God, you provided cleansing and healing waters for Naaman. Water the earth's lands in parched places. Restore clean water to all communities and guide the work of those who advocate for safe and abundant water supplies.

God of grace, **receive our prayer.**

Righteous One, you bring justice and wholeness throughout the world, and your righteousness endures forever. By your spirit, guide leaders of all nations and lands to right relationship with you and one another.

God of grace, **receive our prayer.**

Merciful God, you know the needs of your people. Show mercy to those suffering in the world. Comfort those in need of your healing Today, we also pray for...

God of grace, **receive our prayer.**

Life-giving God, you free us by your word. Help us, by your Spirit, to be transformed to live your word of freedom honestly and uprightly in our teaching, preaching, and serving.

God of grace, **receive our prayer.**

Holy God, thank you for the witness of those who have died in faith. Guide us to trust in the baptismal promise of resurrection in Christ.

God of grace, **receive our prayer.**

We offer our prayers, O God, trusting in your everlasting grace and mercy, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

### **Peace**

The spirit-filled peace of Christ be with you always! **And, also with you.**

~Meal~

*God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.*

### **Offering**

*An offering is gathered for missions of the church. You can give using check or cash (mail to 510 Pine Street), or online at:*

*[https://tithe.ly/give\\_new/www/#/tithely/give-one-time/1334741](https://tithe.ly/give_new/www/#/tithely/give-one-time/1334741)*

**Offertory:** #840 Now That We All Our God, vs. 1

### **Offering Prayer**

Merciful God, as grains of wheat scattered upon the hills were gathered together to become one bread, so let your church be gathered together from the ends of the earth into your kingdom, for yours is the glory through Jesus Christ, now and forever. **Amen.**

### **Great Prayer of Thanksgiving**

The Lord be with you. **And also, with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**

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

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy...and join their unending hymn:

## Holy, Holy, Holy

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,  
heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry, full of your glo-ry. Ho -  
san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high -  
est. Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -  
san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

## Thanksgiving at the Table

Holy God, you alone are holy, you alone are God. The universe declares your praise: beyond the stars; beneath the sea; within each cell; with every breath. **We praise you, O God.**

Generations bless your faithfulness: through the water; by night and day; across the wilderness; out of exile; into the future. **We bless you, O God.**

We give you thanks for your dear Son: at the heart of human life; near to those who suffer; beside the sinner; among the poor; with us now. **We thank you, O God.**

In the night in which he was betrayed...we proclaim the mystery of faith: **Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

We pray for the gift of your Spirit: in our gathering; within this meal; among your people; throughout the world. Blessing, praise, and thanks to you, holy God, through Christ Jesus, by your Spirit, in your church, without end. **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.**



## **Invitation to Communion**

*God's love is wide. God's table is big. No one is excluded.*

*Taste and see that the Lord is Good.*

*Our bread is gluten free & both wine and white grape juice are available.*

*God comes to us in worship and song. God also comes to us in silence and stillness.*

*Please use the time before and after you commune for silent contemplation.*

**Communion Hymn: #785 When Peace like a River**

## **Song of Thanksgiving**



☐ Thank the Lord and sing his praise; tell ev-'ry-one what he has done.



Let ev-'ry-one who seeks the Lord re-joice and proud-ly bear his name.



He re-calls his prom-is-es and leads his peo-ple forth in joy



with shouts of thanks-giv-ing. Al-le-lu-ia. Al-le-lu-ia.

## **Communion Prayer**

**Gracious God, in this meal you have drawn us to your heart and nourished us at your table with food and drink, the body and blood of Christ. Now send us forth to be your people in the world, and to proclaim your truth this day and evermore, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

*~Sending~*

*God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.*

## **Announcements & Special Blessings**

### **Benediction**

Jesus said to the leper, "Get up and go on your way. Your faith has made you well." Let us all claim Jesus' healing and liberation in our lives. Get up and go on your way! In Jesus' name, ☩ your faith has made you whole. And all God's people say: **Amen.**

**Sending Hymn: #822 Oh, Sing to the Lord**

### **Dismissal**

Go in peace, Christ is with you. **Thanks be to God.**

## ~Announcements~

- **Fellowship:** Join us after worship today for food and fellowship. All are welcome!
- **Church Council:** The next Zion's church council meeting is after worship today downstairs in the Fellowship Hall. All are welcome to attend.
- **The Way Ministry:** At 1 p.m. each Sunday, Zion's welcomes the Way ministry to our fenced lower yard as they offer food and worship to the unhoused and others in need.
- **Children's Choir:** Children's Choir resumes at 3 p.m. each Sunday, through Nov. 30, in the Fellowship Hall. (Please note that this is an hour later than originally announced.)
- **Yoga:** At 5:30 p.m. each Friday, join Cora Gardiner for evening yoga in the Fellowship Hall.
- **Weekly Christian Education Studies:** Our next study sessions are at 10 a.m. on Thursday, Oct. 8, (repeated at 12:30 on Saturday, Oct. 11), Pastor Lisa is leading a Study entitled *By What Authority: Rethinking Early Christian History*.
- **Thanksgiving:** Zion's will serve its traditional community dinner on Thanksgiving Day. Everyone who receives 5-Loaves meals will get a Thanksgiving meal automatically. People who do not want a Thanksgiving meal, or who need extra meals that day, may let us know by calling Zion's Lutheran at (719) 846-7785 or send an email to [5loaveszions@gmail.com](mailto:5loaveszions@gmail.com). If you know someone who should be added to the Thanksgiving and/or 5-Loaves lists, please let Jo Moss or Norine Hazen know.

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