

# Time after Pentecost

**July 4, 2021**

9:00 am

**Communion**



*278 Years Of  
"Joyously proclaiming the good news of God's love"*

**ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH**

SPRING CITY, PENNSYLVANIA

Founded in 1743

**THIS WEEK AT ZION**

Sunday 7/4	8.00 am	Bell choir
	9:00 am	Worship
Monday	7.30 pm	AA meeting
Tuesday	5:00 pm	Tai Kwan Do
Sunday 7/11	9:00 am	<i>Outdoor Worship (Rain date July 18<sup>th</sup>)</i>

ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH

**A Congregation of the Southeastern Pa. Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America**

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**WORSHIP ASSISTANTS**

<b>This week (7/4)</b>	
Jane Detwiler	Assistant Minister
Jena Dietrich	Lay Reader
Shawn Rogers	Greeter
Maggie Munz	Greeter
Beverly Tyson	Altar Guild
Steve Batten, Sue Batten, Deb Batten, Stacey Silvestri, & Megan Shaw	Hymns

**WORSHIP ASSISTANTS**

<b>Next week (7/11)</b>	
Bruce Wilson	Assistant Minister
Sharon Wilson	Lay Reader
Shawn Rogers	Greeter
Maggie Munz	Greeter
Beverly Tyson	Altar Guild
tbd	Hymns

**We thank you for your service.**

Sunday, July 4<sup>th</sup>, 2021

## INTRODUCTION

*Jesus does great deeds of power and gives his disciples authority over demons. Yet none of this power is unilateral; it all must be received by faith. Jesus asks his disciples to go out without money or supplies, so that they will be dependent on how others receive them. When we are sent from the assembly to witness and to heal, we are asked to be vulnerable, to be dependent on the reception of others. The Spirit always operates in the "between": between Jesus and his Abba, between Jesus and us, between you and me, between us and those to whom we are sent.*

## PRELUDES

On Tannenbergs- "Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise" Tune: Welsh Melody, Arr. by Richard Unfried

"God, Who Stretched the Spangled Heavens" Tune: The Southern Harmony, 1854 Arr. by Wilbur Held

"When We are Living" Tune: Mexican Traditional Arr. Emma Lou Diemer

## WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please keep the Hoshaw family in your prayers today as they mourn the passing of **Edna Hoshaw**. May God bless their family in this time of grief.

## GREETING

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

**C: And also with you.**

## Hymn

"We All Are One in Mission" ELW 576, Vs. 1 & 3

Text: Rusty Edwards, Music: Finnish folk tune

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: God of the covenant, in our baptism you call us to proclaim the coming of your kingdom. Give us the courage you gave the apostles, that we may faithfully witness to your love and peace in every circumstance of life, in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**C: Amen.**

## CONFESSION and FORGIVENESS

*All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.*

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,  
the God of manna, the God of miracles, the God of mercy.

**C: Amen.**

P: Drawn to Christ and seeking God's abundance,  
let us confess our sin.  
God, our provider,

**C: help us.**

**It is hard to believe there is enough to share.  
We question your ways when they differ from the ways  
of the world in which we live.  
We turn to our own understanding**

rather than trusting in you.  
We take offense at your teachings and your ways.  
Turn us again to you.  
Where else can we turn?  
Share with us the words of eternal life  
and feed us for life in the world.  
Amen.

P: Beloved people of God:  
in Jesus, the manna from heaven,  
you are fed and nourished.  
By Jesus, the worker of miracles,  
there is always more than enough.  
Through Jesus, ☩ the bread of life,  
you are shown God's mercy:  
you are forgiven and loved into abundant life.

**C: Amen.**

### Hymn of Praise

### Glory to You, God

Text: Susan Palo Cherwien © 1995 Augsburg Fortress

*Please be seated*

### First Reading: 2 Samuel 5:1-5, 9-10

*Already king over Judah, the southern kingdom, David here is anointed king over Israel, the northern kingdom, as well. Captured by David, Jerusalem is chosen as the political and religious center for the new combined territory. It is known ever after as "the city of David."*

R: A reading from the book of 2 Samuel:

All the tribes of Israel came to David at Hebron, and said, "Look, we are your bone and flesh. For some time, while Saul was king over us, it was you who led out Israel and brought it in. The Lord said to you: It is you who shall be shepherd of my people Israel, you who shall be ruler over Israel." So all the elders of Israel came to the king at Hebron; and King David made a covenant with them at Hebron before the Lord, and they anointed David king over Israel. David was thirty years old when he began to reign, and he reigned forty years. At Hebron he reigned over Judah seven years and six months; and at Jerusalem he reigned over all Israel and Judah thirty-three years.

David occupied the stronghold, and named it the city of David. David built the city all around from the Millo inward. And David became greater and greater, for the Lord, the God of hosts, was with him.

R: Word of God. Word of Life.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

### Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 12:2-10

*Christians do not boast of their own accomplishments. Rather, Christian boasting focuses attention on how the power of Christ is present in our lives, especially in times of weakness and vulnerability. No matter what our circumstances in life, Christ's grace is sufficient for us.*

R: A reading from the book of 2 Corinthians:

I know a person in Christ who fourteen years ago was caught up to the third heaven whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows. And I know that such a person whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows was caught up into Paradise and heard things that are not to be told, that no mortal is permitted to repeat. On behalf of such a one I will boast, but on my own behalf I will not boast, except of my weaknesses. But if I wish to boast, I will not be a fool, for I will be speaking the truth. But I refrain from it, so that no one may think better of me than what is seen in me or heard from me, even considering the exceptional character of the revelations.

Therefore, to keep me from being too elated, a thorn was given me in the flesh, a messenger of Satan to torment me, to keep me from being too elated. Three times I appealed to the Lord about this, that it would leave me, but he said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness." So, I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may dwell in me. Therefore I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and calamities for the sake of Christ; for whenever I am weak, then I am strong.

R: Word of God. Word of Life.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand*

**ACCLAMATION**

**"Halle, Halle, Hallelujah"**

**ELW #172**

Music: Caribbean traditional; arr. Mark Sedio, b. 1954, © Public Domain, Arr. © Augsburg Fortress

**Gospel: Mark 6:1-13**

*At home and abroad, Jesus and his disciples encounter resistance as they seek to proclaim God's word and relieve affliction.*

P: The Holy Gospel according to Mark

**C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

[Jesus] came to his hometown, and his disciples followed him. On the sabbath he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were astounded. They said, "Where did this man get all this? What is this wisdom that has been given to him? What deeds of power are being done by his hands! Is not this the carpenter, the son of Mary and brother of James and Joses and Judas and Simon, and are not his sisters here with us?" And they took offense at him. Then Jesus said to them, "Prophets are not without honor, except in their hometown, and among their own kin, and in their own house." And he could do no deed of power there, except that he laid his hands on a few sick people and cured them. And he was amazed at their unbelief.

Then he went about among the villages teaching. He called the twelve and began to send them out two by two, and gave them authority over the unclean spirits. He ordered them to take nothing for their journey except a staff; no bread, no bag, no money in their belts; but to wear sandals and not to put on two tunics. He said to them, "Wherever you enter a house, stay there until you leave the place. If any place will not welcome you and they refuse to hear you, as you leave, shake off the dust that is on your feet as a testimony against them." So they went out and proclaimed that all should repent. They cast out many demons, and anointed with oil many who were sick and cured them.

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

**C: Praise to you, O Christ**

*Please be seated*

## **THE CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

**MESSAGE by Pastor Tina Mackie**

*Please stand*

## **PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

*You can add names to the prayer list by contacting the church office. After three weeks names will be removed from the prayer of intercession unless resubmitted. These people will still be in our private prayers.*

A: Let us come before the triune God in prayer, responding to each petition with words from today's psalm. "Show us your mercy."

A: God of salvation, we pray for churches around the world: sustain those churches that experience persecution or harassment; and give wisdom to churches in free societies, that we might live according to your word.

Hear our prayer, O holy God:

**C: Show us your mercy.**

A: God of creation, we pray for your earth: protect the natural beauty in our national and local parks and forests; and guide the decisions of all who care for and work on the land.

Hear our prayer, O omnipotent God:

**C: Show us your mercy.**

A: God of righteousness, we pray for the nations: bestow your peace throughout the world; raise up prophets to speak truth to power; uphold those who work for human rights; and protect the poor and the refugee. On this Fourth of July, we ask that you bless the United States: free us from prejudices, and grant to our elected leaders a passion for justice and a will to serve all the people. Protect from danger those who celebrate this day.

Hear our prayer, O sovereign God:

**C: Show us your mercy.**

A: God of compassion, we pray for the sick and suffering: for the victims of disasters; for all indigenous peoples around the globe; for those deprived of their freedom; for those facing the Delta COVID contagion; and for those who are sick especially **Chloe Sharp, Fawn Keenan, Ralph Finkbiner, Machiko, Richard and Sarah Kuehner**. Surround them with your unwavering presence.

Hear our prayer, O ever-present God:

**C: Show us your mercy.**

P: God of faithfulness, we pray for ourselves: be with each of us on our many journeys, and graciously receive our personal petitions.

Hear our prayer, O saving God:

**C: Show us your mercy.**

P: God of eternal love, we thank you for all your saints, those who have served their nation, and those who ministered beyond national boundaries. At the end of all things, bring us all into the kingdom of your presence.

Hear our prayer, O glorious God:

**C: Show us your mercy.**

P: Into your hands, O God, we commend ourselves, our nation, and all for whom we pray, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**C: Amen.**

### **THE PASSING OF THE PEACE**

P: The peace of the Lord be with you all.

**C: And also with you.**

*Let us share the peace with one another*

### **OFFERING INVITATION**

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*“Three times I appealed to the Lord about this [my weakness], that it would leave me, but he said to me, ‘My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness.’” – 2 Corinthians 12:8-9*

Paul never reveals his “weakness,” but he does tell us that God’s grace is sufficient for him, and his power is made perfect in weakness. If you are differently abled or live with a chronic condition, don’t despair. God’s love and power and purpose flow through you.

*Please be seated*

**OFFERING with Special music**



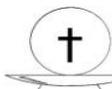
**"Abide with Me" sung by the Battens**

### **OFFERING PRAYER**

A: Jesus, Bread of life, you have set this table with your very self, and called us to the feast of plenty. Gather what has been sown among us, and strengthen us in this meal. Make us to be what we receive here, your body for the life of the world.

**C: Amen.**

*Please stand*



### **SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION**



*Believing in the real presence of Christ, this church practices communion hospitality. All baptized persons are welcome to participate in the Lord’s Supper. Parent(s)/Grandparent(s) will place their hands on untutored young people for a blessing given by the Pastor. The response when receiving the bread and wine could be: “Amen” or “I believe.” (Grape juice and Gluten Free wafers are available)*

### **GREAT THANKSGIVING**

P: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

P: Lift up your hearts.

**C: We lift them to the Lord.**

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C: It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

### **Hymn: Holy, Holy, Holy Lord**

P: 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.

**C: We praise you, O God.**

P: Generations bless your faithfulness; through the water, by night and day, across the wilderness, out of exile, into the future.

**C: We bless you, O Lord.**

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

**C: We thank you, O God.**

P: In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this in remembrance of me.

P: Lord, remember us in Your Kingdom and teach us to pray,

**C: 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**

P: The risen Christ invites us to this table. Come, eat and be satisfied.

**C: Amen.**

### **SHARING IN COMMUNION**

P: This is the Body of Christ given for you

**C: I believe or Amen** (Congregation will eat the wafer)

P: This is the Blood of Christ given for you

**C: I believe or Amen** (Congregation will drink the wine)

### **POST COMMUNION BLESSING**

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen us and keep us in His grace.

**C: Amen.**

### **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

A: Jesus, Bread of life, we have received from your table more than we could ever ask. As you have nourished us in this meal, now strengthen us to love the world with your own life. In your name we pray.

**C: Amen.**

### BLESSING

P: The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us, ☩ be upon you now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

### THE SENDING HYMN "Spirit of Gentleness"- ELW #396 Vs. 1 & 4

*Text and Music: James K. Manley*

### DISMISSAL

A: Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

### POSTLUDE

**"The Church of Christ, In Every Age"** Tune: William Knapp, Arr. J. Bert Carlson



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### BIBLE READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday	Ezekiel 2:1-3:11	The call of Ezekiel
Tuesday	2 Samuel 4:1-12	The murder of Ishbosheth
Wednesday	John 7:1-9	Unbelief of Jesus' brothers
Thursday	2 Samuel 9:1-13	David's kindness to Mephibosheth
Friday	Acts 9:1-19	The call of Saul
Saturday	Psalms 48	God shall be our guide forever