

Time after Pentecost

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

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

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WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

This week (7/11)	
Bruce Wilson	Assistant Minister
Sharon Wilson	Lay Reader
Shawn Rogers	Greeter
Maggie Munz	Greeter
Beverly Tyson	Altar Guild
The Batten family	Hymns

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Steve Moore	Assistant Minister
Anna Moore	Lay Reader
Shawn Rogers	Greeter
Maggie Munz	Greeter
Beverly Tyson	Altar Guild
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We thank you for your service.

Sunday, July 11th, 2021

INTRODUCTION

The ark of the covenant, long a symbol of God's presence with Israel, is brought into Jerusalem by David. The entrance of the ark into this new capital city is marked by great rejoicing, and David himself is the chief dancer. John the Baptist also speaks truth to power, and Herod has him killed. In Herod's fear that Jesus is John returned from the dead, we may hear hope for the oppressed: all the prophets killed through the ages are alive in Jesus. We are called to witness to justice in company with them, and to proclaim God's saving love.

PRELUDES

"Come, Now is the Time to Worship" by Brian Doerksen, Arr. Carol Tomquist

"Above All" by Paul Baloche and Lenny LeBlanc, Arr. by Mark Hayes

"Draw Me Close" by Kelly Carpenter, Arr. by Mark Hayes

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

Congratulations to Ralph and Karen Finkbiner on the birth of their granddaughter, "**Cheyenne Louise Finkbiner**", born on July 3rd. Congratulations to the parents, Erin and Cameron Finkbiner on the latest addition to their family.

Doris Bauman's memorial service will be held on Saturday, July 10, at 11 am in the church. All are welcome. Refreshments in the fellowship hall.

Please keep the **Weiss family** in your prayers today as they mourn the passing of '**Chloe Sharp**', their beloved 13 year old daughter/niece.

Chloes service information and obituary:

<https://sgsfuneralhome.com/tribute/details/2517/Chloe-Sharp/obituary.html#tribute-start>

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

Just a Closer walk With Thee

ELW #697 vs. 1 & 3



Text and Music: North American traditional

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: O God, from you come all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works. Give to us, your servants, that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts may be set to obey your commandments; and also that we, being defended from the fear of our enemies, may live in peace and quietness, through 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 6:1-5, 12b-19

The ark of the covenant, long a symbol of God's presence with Israel, is brought into Jerusalem by David. The entrance of the ark into this new capital city is marked by great rejoicing, and David himself is the chief dancer.

R: A reading from the book of 2 Samuel:

David again gathered all the chosen men of Israel, thirty thousand. David and all the people with him set out and went from Baale-judah, to bring up from there the ark of God, which is called by the name of the Lord of hosts who is enthroned on the cherubim. They carried the ark of God on a new cart, and brought it out of the house of Abinadab, which was on the hill. Uzzah and Ahio, the sons of Abinadab, were driving the new cart with the ark of God; and Ahio went in front of the ark. David and all the house of Israel were dancing before the Lord with all their might, with songs and lyres and

harps and tambourines and castanets and cymbals.

So David went and brought up the ark of God from the house of Obed-edom to the city of David with rejoicing; and when those who bore the ark of the Lord had gone six paces, he sacrificed an ox and a fatling. David danced before the Lord with all his might; David was girded with a linen ephod. So David and all the house of Israel brought up the ark of the Lord with shouting, and with the sound of the trumpet.

As the ark of the Lord came into the city of David, Michal daughter of Saul looked out of the window, and saw King David leaping and dancing before the Lord; and she despised him in her heart.

They brought in the ark of the Lord, and set it in its place, inside the tent that David had pitched for it; and David offered burnt offerings and offerings of well-being before the Lord. When David had finished offering the burnt offerings and the offerings of well-being, he blessed the people in the name of the Lord of hosts, and distributed food among all the people, the whole multitude of Israel, both men and women, to each a cake of bread, a portion of meat, and a cake of raisins. Then all the people went back to their homes.

R: Word of God. Word of Life.

C: Thanks be to God.

Psalm: Psalm 24

Lift up your heads, O gates, that the King of glory may come in. (Ps. 24:7)

R: The earth is the Lord's and all that is in it, the world and those who dwell therein.

C: For the Lord has founded it upon the seas and established it upon the rivers.

R: Who may ascend the mountain of the Lord, and who may stand in God's holy place?

C: Those of innocent hands and purity of heart, who do not swear on God's being, nor do they pledge by what is false.

R: They shall receive blessing from the Lord and righteousness from the God of their salvation.

C: Such is the generation of those who seek you, O Lord, of those who seek your face, O God of Jacob.

R: Lift up your heads, O gates; and be lifted up, O everlasting doors, that the King of glory may come in.

C: Who is this King of glory? The Lord, strong and mighty, the Lord, mighty in battle!

R: Lift up your heads, O gates; and be lifted up, O everlasting doors, that the King of glory may come in. Who is this King of glory? Truly, the Lord of hosts is the King of glory.

Please stand

ACCLAMATION

“Halle, Halle, Hallelujah”

ELW #172

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

Gospel: Mark 6:14-29

As Jesus and his disciples begin to attract attention, Mark recalls the story of John the Baptist's martyrdom. Like John, Jesus and his disciples will also suffer at the hands of those opposed to the gospel of salvation.

P: The Holy Gospel according to Mark

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

King Herod heard of [the disciples' preaching,] for Jesus' name had become known. Some were saying, "John the baptizer has been raised from the dead; and for this reason these powers are at work in him." But others said, "It is Elijah." And others said, "It is a prophet, like one of the prophets of old." But when Herod heard of it, he said, "John, whom I beheaded, has been raised."

For Herod himself had sent men who arrested John, bound him, and put him in prison on account of Herodias, his brother Philip's wife, because Herod had married her. For John had been telling Herod, "It is not lawful for you to have your brother's wife." And Herodias had a grudge against him, and wanted to kill him. But she could not, for Herod feared John, knowing that he was a righteous and holy man, and he protected him.

When he heard him, he was greatly perplexed; and yet he liked to listen to him. But an opportunity came when Herod on his birthday gave a banquet for his courtiers and officers and for the leaders of Galilee. When his daughter Herodias came in and danced, she pleased Herod and his guests; and the king said to the girl, "Ask me for whatever you wish, and I will give it." And he solemnly swore to her, "Whatever you ask me, I will give you, even half of my kingdom." She went out and said to her mother, "What should I ask for?" She replied, "The head of John the baptizer." Immediately she rushed back to the king and requested, "I want you to give me at once the head of John the Baptist on a platter." The king was deeply grieved; yet out of regard for his oaths and for the guests, he did not want to refuse her. Immediately the king sent a soldier of the guard with orders to bring John's head. He went and beheaded him in the prison, brought his head on a platter, and gave it to the girl. Then the girl gave it to her mother. When his disciples heard about it, they came and took his body, and laid it in a tomb.

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ

Please be seated

THE CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Lord of the Dance - sung by Lori Hoshaw

19th Century Shaker tune, adapted by Sydney Carter, 1963

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 the words “Hear us and help us.”

A: O God, bless the church throughout the world. Uphold bishops, pastors, deacons, chaplains, and leaders of monastic communities. Protect from danger and contagion everyone who attends church camps throughout the summer, and provide meaningful worship for the campers.

That we might nurture one another in baptismal life, O God,

C: hear us and help us.

A: Bless the earth. Moderate the intense heat, give shade and breezes to all, and send necessary rain to nourish the crops. Preserve farm laborers as they work each day under the sun.

That your creation will survive and thrive, O God,

C: hear us and help us.

A: Bless the leaders of nations. Crush the might of tyrants. Train those in power to care for all the oppressed in their land. Lead wealthier countries to share the COVID vaccine with poorer nations. Protect whistle-blowers and journalists, and form us into persons without prejudice against others.

That the nations might know peace and justice, O God,

C: hear us and help us.

A: Bless all who live without power or status. Free the poor, especially youths, from every form of enslavement. Grant security and self-determination to indigenous peoples around the globe.

That all people might live in dignity, O God,

C: hear us and help us.

A: Bless all who are sick or suffering. Comfort the survivors of disaster or gun violence. Protect us from the Delta variant of the coronavirus. Visit all who are imprisoned, and accompany all persons who are facing capital punishment. Receive our prayers for . . . especially **Bill Bull, Ralph Finkbiner, Machiko, Richard and Sarah Kuehner**. Surround them with your unwavering presence.

That all people might experience wellbeing, O God,

C: hear us and help us.

P: Bless each of us, that throughout this week we may pray and work in your name. Bless the Finkbiner family as they celebrate the birth of their granddaughter, “**Cheyenne Louise Finkbiner**”. Receive now our silent prayers.

That each of us might live as your adopted child, O God,

C: hear us and help us.

P: We bless you for all who have died in the faith, especially for Benedict of Nursia, and for those we remember before you, especially **Chloe Sharp, Kevin Spitko, Edna Hoshaw, Roxanne Robinson and Doris Bauman**. At the end, fulfill your promise to us of life together in your presence.

That we might be gathered up with all the saints in Christ,

C: hear us and help us.

P: Receive these prayers, merciful God, for the sake of 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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I will listen to what the Lord God is saying; for you speak peace to your faithful people and to those who turn their hearts to you. – Psalm 85:8

Doctors have long known that our mental and spiritual attitudes have a direct impact on our physical health. Through prayer and meditation we can discover the peace that God promises to give us, and this can assist us in attaining optimal health.

Please be seated

OFFERING with Special music

"The Lord's Prayer"- Tony Mandik- Trumpet by Albert Hay Malotte, Arr. by David Winkler

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 Let Streams of Living Justice ELW- #710 Vs. 1 & 3
Text: William Whitla, Music: Gustav Holst

DISMISSAL

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

C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

"Glorious Day (Living He Loved Me)" by Mark Hall and Michael Bleecker, Arr. Carol Tornquist



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“With love and pride to my son Craig Clark on his birthday. Love Mom”

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BIBLE READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday	Amos 7:7-15	The sign of the plumb line
Tuesday	2 Samuel 6:6-12	Uzzah touches the ark
Wednesday	Luke 1:57-80	The birth of John the Baptist
Thursday	2 Samuel 6:16-23	Michal's contempt for David
Friday	Ephesians 1:3-14	Chosen to live in praise of God
Saturday	Psalms 85:8-13	Listen to what the Lord is saying