

Time after Pentecost

August 1, 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 8/1	9:00	am	Worship
Monday	7.30	pm	AA meeting
Tuesday	5:00	pm	Tai Kwan Do
	7.30	pm	Executive Committee Meeting
Thursday	7:00	pm	Hymn singer rehearsal
Sunday 8/8	9:00	am	Outdoor Worship

ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH

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

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WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

This week (8/1)	
Jena Dietrich	Assistant Minister
Beverly Tyson	Lay Reader
Shawn Rogers	Greeter
Maggie Munz	Greeter
Beverly Tyson	Altar Guild
The Batten Family	Hymns

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Next week (8/8)	
Jane Detwiler	Assistant Minister
George Detwiler	Lay Reader
Shawn Rogers	Greeter
Maggie Munz	Greeter
Beverly Tyson	Altar Guild
Joe and Diane Sakal	Hymns

We thank you for your service.

Sunday, August 1st, 2021

INTRODUCTION

Apparently not satisfied by Jesus' feeding of thousands, some who were there press him for a sign of his power; perhaps it is daily manna they want. As always in John's gospel when people want a sign, Jesus offers himself. He is the bread come from heaven to give life to the world. He calls us to come to him and believe in him, and through that relationship to know the one who sent him.

PRELUDES

On Tannenberg- "God of our Life, All-Glorious Lord", Tune: Maria Theresa, Katholiches Gesangbuch, Arr.: Barbara Harbach
"The Heavenly Table" by James Southbridge
"A Summer Idyll" by Franklin Ritter

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

Aug 8: Outdoor worship and "Looking forward" visioning meeting. All are welcome.

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

What Feast of Love- ELW #487, vs. 1 & 2



Text: Delores Dufner, Music: English ballad

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: O God, eternal goodness, immeasurable love, you place your gifts before us; we eat and are satisfied. Fill us and this world in all its need with the life that comes only from you, 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: Exodus 16:2-4, 9-15

A food crisis becomes a faith crisis for the Israelites in the wilderness. The hungry people forget God's saving work in the exodus, and they wish for the food they had in Egypt. Nevertheless, God miraculously meets their needs, with manna for bread and quail for meat.

R: A reading from the book of Exodus:

The whole congregation of the Israelites complained against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness. The Israelites said to them, "If only we had died by the hand of the Lord in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the fleshpots and ate our fill of bread; for you have brought us out into this wilderness to kill this whole assembly with hunger."

Then the Lord said to Moses, "I am going to rain bread from heaven for you, and each day the people shall go out and gather enough for that day. In that way I will test them, whether they will follow my instruction or not."

Then Moses said to Aaron, "Say to the whole congregation of the Israelites, 'Draw near to the Lord, for he has heard your complaining.'" And as Aaron spoke to the whole congregation of the Israelites, they looked toward the wilderness, and the glory of the Lord appeared in the cloud. The Lord spoke to Moses and said, "I have heard the complaining of the Israelites; say to them, 'At twilight you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall have your fill of bread; then you shall know that I am the Lord your God.'"

In the evening quails came up and covered the camp; and in the morning there was a layer of dew around the camp. When the layer of dew lifted, there on the surface of the wilderness was a fine flaky substance, as fine as frost on the ground. When the Israelites saw it, they said to one another, "What is it?" For they did not know what it was. Moses said to them, "It is the bread that the Lord has given you to eat."

R: Word of God. Word of Life.

C: Thanks be to God.

Psalm: Psalm 78:23-29

God rained down manna from heaven; so mortals ate the bread of angels. (Ps. 78:24, 25)

R: So God commanded the clouds above and opened the doors of heaven,

C: raining down manna upon them to eat and giving them grain from heaven.

R: So mortals ate the bread of angels; God provided for them food enough.

C: The Lord caused the east wind to blow in the heavens and powerfully led out the south wind,

R: raining down flesh upon them like dust and flying birds like the sand of the seas,

C: letting them fall in the midst of the camp and round about the dwellings.

R: So the people ate and were well filled, for God gave them what they craved.

Please stand

ACCLAMATION

“Halle, Halle, Hallelujah”

ELW #172

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

Gospel: John 6:24-35

Many of the five thousand people Jesus fed in the wilderness continued to follow him throughout the countryside. Jesus challenges them to consider the real nature of their quest.

P: The Holy Gospel according to John

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

When the crowd saw that neither Jesus nor his disciples were [beside the sea,] they themselves got into the boats and went to Capernaum looking for Jesus.

When they found him on the other side of the sea, they said to him, “Rabbi, when did you come here?” Jesus answered them, “Very truly, I tell you, you are looking for me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves. Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For it is on him that God the Father has set his seal.” Then they said to him, “What must we do to perform the works of God?” Jesus answered them, “This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent.” So they said to him, “What sign are you going to give us then, so that we may see it and believe you? What work are you performing? Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, ‘He gave them bread from heaven to eat.’” Then Jesus said to them, “Very truly, I tell you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.” They said to him, “Sir, give us this bread always.”

Jesus said to them, “I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.”

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: Rooted in Christ and sustained by the Spirit, we offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all of creation.

A: You call your church to be the body of Christ. Awaken all the baptized to the gifts you provide for carrying out the work of ministry. Where the church is divided, knit us together and restore the unity of the faith. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

A: You command the clouds above and cause the wind to blow in the heavens. Watch over deserts and wilderness places. Regenerate rainforests, defend species at risk of extinction, and strengthen the work of conservation organizations. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

A: You summon leaders to respond to the needs of your people. Instill those who govern with patience when confronted with grievances and perseverance in seeking what promotes the well-being of the community. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

A: You draw near to those who cry out for help. Feed those who are hungry, reassure those who are despairing, and accompany those who are imprisoned. Rain down the true bread from heaven that gives life to the world. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

A: You receive all who come seeking a sign of grace. Make this congregation a place of hospitality for those accustomed to rejection. To those who have felt excluded here or elsewhere, prepare us to welcome them in the name of Christ.

C: Your mercy is great.

A: You receive all who come seeking a sign of grace. Hear our prayers for **Anne** Carroll, **Bill** Bull, **Ralph** Finkbiner, **Machiko**, **Richard** and **Sarah** Kuehner. Surround them with your unwavering presence. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

P: You provide food that endures for eternal life. Sustain us each day with the bread of life until we are gathered with all the saints and feast together at your heavenly banquet. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

P: Confident of your love for each of us, we pray for ourselves, that we be strengthened in our inner being, and that you receive our prayers. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

P: We lift these and all our prayers to you, O God, trusting in your mercy, 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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John 6:35 – Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty."

In the Lord's Prayer we ask God to "Give us today our daily bread." Jesus reminds us that he is the true bread that feeds our lives and souls. Daily we partake of Jesus through prayer and Scripture, and as often as we may through Holy Communion.

Please be seated

OFFERING with Special music



Christopher Kirk- Drums, Lori Hoshaw, Accompanist-, "Manna from Heaven"

by Paul Marino and Jeremy Johnson Arr. by David Schipps and Carol Tornquist

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.

COMMUNION HYMNS

"I Received the Living God"

ELW #477- All Verses



Text and Music: Anonymous

"All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly"

ELW #461- All Verses

Text: Sylvia G. Dunstan , Music: W. Moore, Columbian Harmony"

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

Blest Be the Tie That Binds ELW #656 , Vs. 1, 2, & 4

Text: John Fawcett , Music: Johann G. Nægeli



DISMISSAL

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

C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

"Happy the Soul Who Dwells on God" by Richard Blake



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BIBLE READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday	Isaiah 25:6-10a	A feast on the mountain
Tuesday	Numbers 11:16-23	God sends quail
Wednesday	Mark 8:1-10	Jesus feeds the 4000
Thursday	Deuteronomy 8:1-20	You will eat your fill
Friday	Philippians 4:10-20	Christian generosity
Saturday	Psalms 111	God gives food