

Zion Lutheran Church

Fredericksburg, Texas

Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

August 8, 2021

P=Presider **R=Responses**

BELLS

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

(Please prepare your heart and mind for worship)

PRE-WORSHIP MUSIC

“Liebestraum/Great Is Thy Faithfulness”

by Franz Liszt/Thomas Chisholm & William Runyun; Arr. D. Kartsonakis

(Please stand, kneel or remain seated)

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P In the name of the Father, and of the ☩ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

R Amen

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

P Dear God,

R we confess that we do not trust your abundance, and we deny your presence in our lives. We place our hope in ourselves and rely on our own efforts. We fail to believe that you provide enough for all. We abuse your good creation for our own benefit. We sin in thought, word, and deed. By your grace, forgive us; through your love, renew us; and in your Spirit, lead us; so that we may live and serve you in newness of life. Amen

P Let us live now in hope because God’s love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit. 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.

R Amen

BENEDICTION

P The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and ☩ give you peace.

R Amen

SENDING HYMN “I Know That My Redeemer...” (vs.1,2,5,8) **HYMN NO. 619**

**I know that my Redeemer lives!
What comfort this sweet sentence gives!
He lives, he lives, who once was dead;
he lives, my ever-living head!**

**He lives triumphant from the grave;
he lives eternally to save;
he lives exalted, throned above;
he lives to rule his church in love.**

**He lives to bless me with his love;
he lives to plead for me above;
he lives my hungry soul to feed;
he lives to help in time of need.**

**He lives, all glory to his name!
He lives, my Savior, still the same;
what joy this blest assurance gives:
I know that my Redeemer lives!**

Text: Samuel Medley, 1738-1799, alt.

DISMISSAL

A Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

R Thanks be to God.

“Come and Dine” by C.C. Widmeyer & S.H. Bolton

HYMN

“Amazing Grace...”

HYMN NO. 779

**Amazing grace! how sweet the sound that saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost, but now am found; was blind, but now I see.**

**'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,
and grace my fears relieved;
how precious did that grace appear the hour I first believed!**

**Through many dangers, toils, and snares I have already come;
'tis grace has brought me safe thus far,
and grace will lead me home.**

**The Lord has promised good to me; his word my hope secures;
he will my shield and portion be as long as life endures.**

**When we've been there ten thousand years,
bright shining as the sun,
we've no less days to sing God's praise than when we'd first begun.**

Text: John Newton, 1725-1807, alt., sts. 1-4; anonymous, st. 5

“Fill My Cup, Lord” by Richard Blanchard

(Please stand as you are able)

BLESSING AFTER COMMUNION

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

R **Amen**

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P 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.

R **Amen**

GATHERING

(Please stand as you are able)

GATHERING HYMN “My Song Is Love Unknown” (vs.1,2,6) HYMN NO. 343

**My song is love unknown, my Savior's love to me,
love to the loveless shown that they might lovely be.**

**Oh, who am I that for my sake
my Lord should take frail flesh and die?**

**He came from his blest throne salvation to bestow;
the world that was his own would not its Savior know.**

**But, oh, my friend, my friend indeed,
who at my need his life did spend!**

**Here might I stay and sing—no story so divine!
Never was love, dear King, never was grief like thine.**

**This is my friend, in whose sweet praise
I all my days could gladly spend!**

Text: Samuel Crossman, 1624-1683, alt.

GREETING

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

R **And also with you.**

KYRIE (*Responses Sung*)

HYMNAL p. 147

A In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

R Lord, have mercy.

A For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

R Lord, have mercy.

A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

R Lord, have mercy.

A For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

R Lord, have mercy.

A Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

R Amen

HYMN OF PRAISE “*Now the Feast and Celebration*”

HYMN NO. 167

***Refrain: Now the feast and celebration,
all of creation sings for joy
to the God of life and love and freedom;
praise and glory forevermore!***

**Now is the feast of the Lamb once slain,
whose blood has freed and united us
to be one great people of God. *Refrain***

**Power and riches, wisdom and might,
all honor and glory to Christ forever. *Refrain***

**For God has come to dwell with us, to make us people of God;
to make all things new. *Refrain***

Text: Marty Haugen b. 1950; Text © 1990 GIA Publications, Inc

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

R And also with you.

P Let us pray. Gracious God, your blessed Son came down from heaven to be the true bread that gives life to the world. Give us this bread always, that he may live in us and we in him, and that, strengthened by this food, we may live as his body in the world, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

R Amen

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

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 for the 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 for the remembrance of me.

R Amen

THE LORD’S PRAYER

R 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

HOLY COMMUNION

(Please be seated)

DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION

COMMUNION HYMN

“*Lamb of God*”

HYMNAL p. 154



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on



us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have



mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the



sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Lord in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

PEACE

P The peace of Christ be with you always.

R And also with you.

RESPONSE

(Please be seated)

OFFERING

“Thy Loving Kindness” by Hugh Mitchell; based on Psalm 63:3-4

(Please stand as you are able)

DIALOGUE *(Spoken)*

P The Lord be with you.

R And also with you.

P Lift up your hearts.

R We lift them to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

R It is right to give God thanks and praise.

P It is indeed right, our duty and our joy...

(Sung)

HYMN NO. 191 (Holy, Holy...)

R Holy, holy, holy are you, God of power and might; Heaven and earth are filled with your glory. Hosanna in the highest! Blessed is the One who comes in your name. Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest!

Text and Music: Marty Haugen, 1990, GIA Publications, Inc.

(Please be seated)

SPECIAL MUSIC

“Kids of the Kingdom”

KOTK

WORD

FIRST READING

1 Kings 19:4-8

First Kings chapter 18 describes the contest between Elijah and the prophets of Baal. The contest proves that the LORD is God, and afterward Elijah orders the killing of the Baal prophets. Angered by the deaths of her prophets, Queen Jezebel threatens to kill Elijah. This reading finds Elijah fleeing, fatigued, and in utter despair.

⁴ But he himself went a day's journey into the wilderness, and came and sat down under a solitary broom tree. He asked that he might die: "It is enough; now, O LORD, take away my life, for I am no better than my ancestors." ⁵ Then he lay down under the broom tree and fell asleep. Suddenly an angel touched him and said to him, "Get up and eat." ⁶ He looked, and there at his head was a cake baked on hot stones, and a jar of water. He ate and drank, and lay down again. ⁷ The angel of the LORD came a second time, touched him, and said, "Get up and eat, otherwise the journey will be too much for you." ⁸ He got up, and ate and drank; then he went in the strength of that food forty days and forty nights to Horeb the mount of God.

L The Word of the Lord.

R Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING **Ephesians 4:25-32, 5:1-2**

Christians are called to be imitators of God. This does not mean Christians are perfect. Rather, the Spirit is at work in our lives so that our actions and attitudes genuinely reflect the love and forgiveness we have received through Christ and his death.

²⁵ So then, putting away falsehood, let all of us speak the truth to our neighbors, for we are members of one another. ²⁶ Be angry but do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, ²⁷ and do not make room for the devil. ²⁸ Thieves must give up stealing; rather let them labor and work honestly with their own hands, so as to have something to share with the needy. ²⁹ Let no evil talk come out of your mouths, but only what is useful for building up, as there is need, so that your words may give grace to those who hear. ³⁰ And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with which you were marked with a seal for the day of redemption. ³¹ Put away from you all bitterness and wrath and anger and wrangling and slander, together with all malice, ³² and be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ has forgiven you.

^{5:1} Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children, ² and live in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

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L The Word of the Lord.
R **Thanks be to God.**

(Please stand as you are able)

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION “Thy Word”

Thy Word is a lamp un-to — my feet and a light un-to my path.

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P The holy gospel according to St. John, the 6th Chapter.
R **Glory to you, O Lord.**

GOSPEL **John 6:35-40**

After feeding more than five thousand people in the wilderness, Jesus teaches them regarding the true significance of this remarkable sign.

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. ³⁶ But I said to you that you have seen me and yet do not believe. ³⁷ Everything that the Father gives me will come to me, and anyone who comes to me I will never drive away; ³⁸ for I have come down from heaven, not to do my own will, but the will of him who sent me. ³⁹ And this is the will of him who sent me, that I should lose nothing of all that he has given me, but raise it up on the last day. ⁴⁰ This is indeed the will of my Father, that all who see the Son and believe in him may have eternal life; and I will raise them up on the last day.”

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

(Please be seated)

SERMON

“Eat and Live”

Rev. Ron Windecker

HYMN OF THE DAY “O Living Bread from Heaven”

HYMN NO. 542

**O living Bread from heaven, how well you feed your guest!
The gifts that you have given have filled my heart with rest.
O wondrous food of blessing! O cup that heals our woes!
My heart, this gift possessing, in thankful song o'er flows.**

**My Savior, you have led me within your holiest place,
and here yourself have fed me with treasures of your grace;
for you have freely given what earth could never buy,
the bread of life from heaven, that now I shall not die.**

**You gave me all I wanted; this food can death destroy.
And you have freely granted the cup of endless joy.
My Lord, I do not merit the favor you have shown;
and all my soul and spirit bow down before your throne.**

**Oh, grant me then, well-strengthened
with heav'nly food, while here
my course on earth is lengthened, to serve you, free from fear;
and bring me home to praise you where none can peace destroy,
where I will ever raise you glad songs in endless joy.**

Text: Johann Rist, 1607-1667; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827-1878, alt.

THE APOSTLES' CREED

A Let us confess our faith, the faith in which we baptize, in the words of the Apostles' Creed.

R **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**

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

In our Hearts and Prayers: our homebound and shut-ins, all other nursing home residents, The Family of Kathlyn Haun, Claribel Hannemann, Ashley Klaerner (son of Dorothy Moellering), Jerome Lindig, Margaret Wilke, our Fredericksburg community, our government, our nation, and the military.

August's Special Concern is Lutheran World Relief. LWR began in 1945 to meet the needs of an estimated one-fifth of the world's Lutherans that were left homeless and devastated after World War II. Today LWR operates in East and West Africa, Latin America, Asia and the Middle East tackling poverty and disasters by partnering with local leaders and communities. Our ladies do their part by making quilts, personal care and school kits that are sent around the world to those who lack the bare essentials to stay warm and clean. Psalm 136 says "Give thanks to the Lord, because he is good; his love is eternal." **Contributions are used for shipping and postage.** We have much to share.

Sunday School Rally Day is Sunday, August 22 at 9:15am in the Fellowship Hall for ALL ages! This year's theme is A.S.A.P.....can you guess what that stands for?

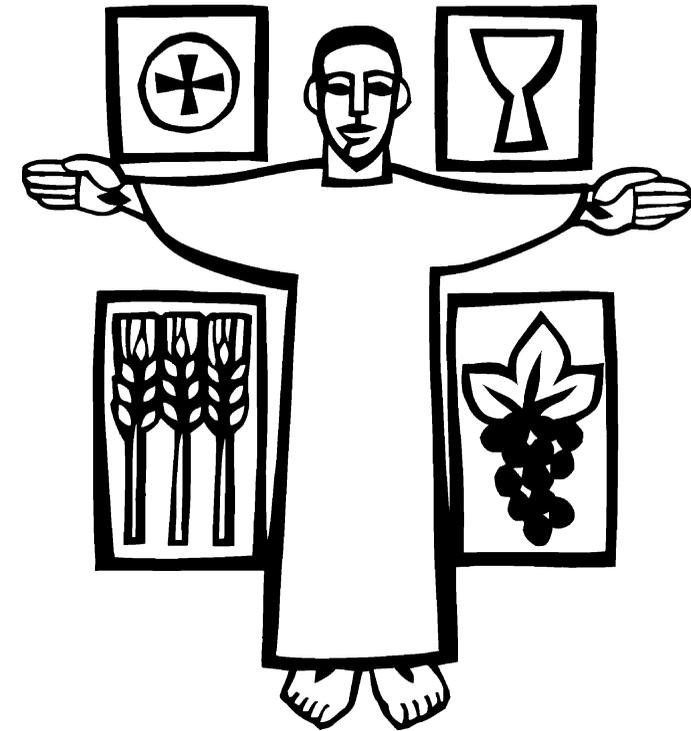
Thank you for your General Fund Contributions of \$5,511 and your Special Contributions of \$390 given this past week. **Attendance:** 57

WORSHIP ASSISTANT & LECTOR – Sandy Schmitzinsky

USHERS – Margie Eckhardt, Marlin & Laurie Hartmann, Jim O'Neal, Perry Strackbein, John Weaver

MINISTRIES FOR THE WEEK

MON – Aug 9	9:00am	Staff Mtg
TUES – Aug 10	9:30am	Deanery Mtg via Zoom
WED – Aug 11	8:30am 6:00pm	Laborers of Love – Arhelger House Council Mtg – Conf Rm
SUN – Aug 15	9:15-10:00am 10:30am 10:30am 10:30am	Choir Practice – Sanctuary In-Person Worship with Communion Service Broadcast on KNAF Service Live on YouTube www.zion-lutheran.com/youtube



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