

Zion Lutheran Church

Fredericksburg, Texas

Second Sunday after Pentecost

June 19, 2022

P=Presider **R=Responses**

BELLS

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS *(Please register your attendance in the books at the end of the row where you are seated, and fill out a prayer request card and place it in the offering basket as you desire.)*

(Please prepare your heart and mind for worship)

PRE-WORSHIP MUSIC

(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 Merciful God,

R we confess that we have not followed your path but have chosen our own way. Instead of putting others before ourselves, we long to take the best seats at the table. When met by those in need, we have too often passed by on the other side. Set us again on the path of life. Save us from ourselves and free us to love our neighbors. Amen

P Hear the good news! God does not deal with us according to our sins but delights in granting pardon and mercy. 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

(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

A Life-giving God, through this meal you have bandaged our wounds and fed us with your mercy. Now send us forth to live for others, both friend and stranger, that all may come to know your love. This we pray in the name of Jesus.

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 *"Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"* **HYMN NO. 807**

**Come, thou Fount of ev'ry blessing,
tune my heart to sing thy grace; streams of mercy, never ceasing,
call for songs of loudest praise. While the hope of endless glory
fills my heart with joy and love, teach me ever to adore thee;
may I still thy goodness prove.**

**Here I raise my Ebenezer: "Hither by thy help I've come";
and I hope, by thy good pleasure, safely to arrive at home.
Jesus sought me when a stranger, wand'ring from the fold of God;
he, to rescue me from danger, interposed his precious blood.**

**Oh, to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be;
let that grace now like a fetter bind my wand'ring heart to thee.
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it; prone to leave the God I love.
Here's my heart, oh, take and seal it; seal it for thy courts above.**

Text: Robert Robinson, 1735-1790, alt.

DISMISSAL

A Go in peace. Love your neighbor!

R Thanks be to God!

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.

HYMN*"For the Fruit of All Creation"***HYMN NO. 679**

**For the fruit of all creation, thanks be to God.
For these gifts to ev'ry nation, thanks be to God.
For the plowing, sowing, reaping,
silent growth while we are sleeping,
future needs in earth's safekeeping, thanks be to God.**

**In the just reward of labor, God's will is done.
In the help we give our neighbor, God's will is done.
In our worldwide task of caring for the hungry and despairing,
in the harvests we are sharing, God's will is done.**

**For the harvests of the Spirit, thanks be to God.
For the good we all inherit, thanks be to God.
For the wonders that astound us,
for the truths that still confound us,
most of all, that love has found us, thanks be to God.**

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GATHERING*(Please remain standing as you are able)***GATHERING HYMN***"God Is Here!"***HYMN NO. 526**

**God is here! As we your people meet to offer praise and prayer,
may we find in fuller measure what it is in Christ we share.
Here, as in the world around us, all our varied skills and arts
wait the coming of the Spirit into open minds and hearts.**

**Here are symbols to remind us of our lifelong need of grace;
here are table, font, and pulpit; here the cross has central place.
Here in honesty of preaching, here in silence, as in speech,
here, in newness and renewal, God the Spirit comes to each.**

**Here our children find a welcome in the Shepherd's flock and fold;
here as bread and wine are taken, Christ sustains us as of old.
Here the servants of the Servant seek in worship to explore
what it means in daily living to believe and to adore.**

**Lord of all, of church and kingdom, in an age of change and doubt,
keep us faithful to the gospel; help us work your purpose out.
Here, in this day's dedication, all we have to give, receive;
we, who cannot live without you, we adore you! We believe!**

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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 (Spoken)**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 (*Spoken*)

HYMNAL p. 149

A This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia.

R Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God. Power and riches and wisdom and strength, and honor and blessing and glory are his. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia. Sing with all the people of God and join in the hymn of all creation: Blessing and honor and glory and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen. This is the feast of victory for our God, for the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign. Alleluia. Alleluia.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

R And also with you.

P Let us pray. O Lord God, we bring before you the cries of a sorrowing world. In your mercy set us free from the chains that bind us, and defend us from everything that is evil, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

R Amen

(Please be seated)

SPECIAL MUSIC “Walking Free” by Micah Tyler; arr. by Judy McGookey **Judy McGookey**

WORD

FIRST READING **Isaiah 65:1-9**

The prophet announces God’s impatience. The people’s self-absorption is idolatry, and images of practices that displease God fill this reading. Like a vintner who crushes the grape to release the wine, God will use Israel’s exile to establish a new community of the faithful.

I was ready to be sought out by those who did not ask, to be found by those who did not seek me. I said, “Here I am, here I am,” to a nation that did not call on my name. ²I held out my hands all day long to a rebellious people, who walk in a way that is not good, following their own devices; ³a people who provoke me to my face continually, sacrificing in gardens and offering incense on bricks; ⁴who sit inside tombs and spend the night in secret places; who eat the flesh of pigs, with broth of abominable things in their vessels; ⁵who say, “Keep to yourself; do not come near me, for I am too holy for you.” These are a smoke in my nostrils, a fire that burns all day long. ⁶See, it is written before me: I will not keep silent, but I will repay;

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

*All are welcome to share the body and blood of Jesus that are present in the bread and wine of communion. If you do not wish to participate, you may still come forward for a blessing. As you come forward, please have your hands open to receive a wafer (the body of Christ). **If you desire a gluten free wafer and/or white grape juice, please hold up two fingers to the server.***

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

God of grace,
hear our prayer.

PEACE

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

R And also with you.

RESPONSE

(Please be seated)

OFFERING

(Please stand as you are able)

OFFERING SONG "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye heav'nly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.**

Text: Thomas Ken, 1637-1711

(Please remain standing 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...

(Spoken at 8am & Sung at 10:30am)

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.

I will indeed repay into their laps ⁷their iniquities and their ancestors' iniquities together, says the LORD; because they offered incense on the mountains and reviled me on the hills, I will measure into their laps full payment for their actions. ⁸Thus says the LORD: As the wine is found in the cluster, and they say, "Do not destroy it, for there is a blessing in it," so I will do for my servants' sake and not destroy them all. ⁹I will bring forth descendants from Jacob and from Judah inheritors of my mountains; my chosen shall inherit it, and my servants shall settle there.

L The Word of the Lord.

R Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING

Galatians 3:23-29

For Paul, baptism is a powerful bond that unites people not only with God but with other believers. Those who call themselves children of God experience a transformation that removes prejudices of race, social class, or gender in favor of true unity in Christ.

²³Now before faith came, we were imprisoned and guarded under the law until faith would be revealed. ²⁴Therefore the law was our disciplinarian until Christ came, so that we might be reckoned as righteous by faith. ²⁵But now that faith has come, we are no longer subject to a disciplinarian, ²⁶for in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith. ²⁷As many of you as were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. ²⁸There is no longer Jew or Greek; there is no longer slave or free; there is no longer male and female, for all of you are one in Christ Jesus. ²⁹And if you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham's offspring, heirs according to the promise.

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.



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. Luke, the 8th Chapter.
R **Glory to you, O Lord.**

GOSPEL Luke 8:26-39

Jesus' mission includes foreigners and his authority extends to the casting out of demons. Some who witness Jesus' work are seized with confusion and fear, but the man who was healed is commissioned to give testimony to God's mercy and power.

²⁶ Then they arrived at the region of the Gerasenes, which is opposite Galilee. ²⁷ As he stepped out on shore, a man from the city who had demons met him. For a long time he had not worn any clothes, and he did not live in a house but in the tombs. ²⁸ When he saw Jesus, he cried out and fell down before him, shouting, "What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg you, do not torment me," ²⁹ for Jesus had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. (For many times it had seized him; he was kept under guard and bound with chains and shackles, but he would break the bonds and be driven by the demon into the wilds.) ³⁰ Jesus then asked him, "What is your name?" He said, "Legion," for many demons had entered him. ³¹ They begged him not to order them to go back into the abyss. ³² Now there on the hillside a large herd of swine was feeding, and the demons begged Jesus to let them enter these. So he gave them permission. ³³ Then the demons came out of the man and entered the swine, and the herd stampeded down the steep bank into the lake and was drowned. ³⁴ When the swineherds saw what had happened, they ran off and told it in the city and in the country. ³⁵ Then people came out to see what had happened, and when they came to Jesus, they found the man from whom the demons had gone sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind. And they became frightened. ³⁶ Those who had seen it told them how the one who had been possessed by demons had been healed. ³⁷ Then the whole throng of people of the surrounding region of the Gerasenes asked Jesus to leave them, for they were seized with great fear. So he got into the boat and returned. ³⁸ The man from whom the demons had gone out begged that he might be with him, but Jesus sent him away, saying, ³⁹ "Return to your home, and declare how much God has done for you." So he went away, proclaiming throughout the city how much Jesus had done for him.

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

(Please be seated)

SERMON

Pastor Kay Johnson

HYMN OF THE DAY "Spirit of Gentleness" **HYMN NO. 396**

***Refrain: Spirit, Spirit of gentleness,
blow through the wilderness calling and free;
Spirit, Spirit of restlessness,
stir me from placidness, wind, wind on the sea.***

**You moved on the waters, you called to the deep,
then you coaxed up the mountains from the valleys of sleep;
and over the eons you called to each thing:**

"Awake from your slumbers and rise on your wings." Refrain

**You swept through the desert, you stung with the sand,
and you goaded your people with a law and a land;
and when they were blinded with idols and lies,
then you spoke through your prophets to open their eyes. Refrain**

**You sang in a stable, you cried from a hill,
then you whispered in silence when the whole world was still;
and down in the city you called once again,
when you blew through your people on the rush of the wind.**

Refrain

**You call from tomorrow, you break ancient schemes.
From the bondage of sorrow all the captives dream dreams;
our women see visions, our men clear their eyes.
With bold new decisions your people arise. Refrain**

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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 families in Uvalde, our Fredericksburg community, our nation, and the military.

Please sign an attendance slip in the black books at the end of the pew and place them in the offering plate.

The Altar Flowers are given to the Glory of God by Marlin and Laurie Hartmann in honor of Barret and Kaitlyn Hartmann's Birthdays in June, and all fathers for Father's Day.

Happy Father's Day to all those who give fatherly care. The Father's Day pens are given by the Evangelism Committee.

You are invited to the **Fellowship Lunch today at 11:45am** at Backwoods BBQ. Doris Ernst is the coordinator.

The Special Concern for June is the Gillespie Literacy Council. Sharing our language is a priceless gift. You can make a big difference in someone's life right here in our community.

Parade Party at Zion... WELCA of Zion are hosting a parade viewing party on the porches of the parsonage on Monday, July 4. Bring a lawn chair and snack to share. Bottles of cold water will be provided. The parade starts at 10am. See you there in your patriotic colors.

The Portals of Prayer for July – Sept are available in the Narthex and Atrium.

Thank you for your Contributions of \$1,171 given last week.

Attendance: 8am – 25 & 10:30am – 33

WORSHIP ASSISTANT & LECTOR – Margaret Solbrig

USHERS 8AM – Glenn & Gina Koennecke, Bill & Ann Armentrout, Yvonne Klaerner; **USHERS 10:30AM** – Marlin & Laurie Hartmann, Margie Eckhardt

MINISTRIES FOR THE WEEK

TODAY – June 19	11:45am	Fellowship Lunch – Backwoods BBQ
MON – June 20	12:00pm	Research Committee Mtg – Sewing Rm
	2:00pm	CPR Class – Conf Rm
WED – June 22	8:30am	Laborers of Love – Arhelger House
FRI – June 24	5:00pm	Wedding Rehearsal
SAT – June 25	6:00pm	Wedding
SUN – June 26	8:00am	Worship with Communion
	9-9:15am	Coffee & Donuts
		NO Summer Sunday School
	10:30am	Worship with Communion (Broadcast KNAF & Live on YouTube)



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Transitional Pastor – Rev. Kay Johnson

Pianist – Sheri Robinson; Director of Music – Ray Salinas

Organist @ 8:00am – Ray Salinas

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