

Zion Lutheran Church

Fredericksburg, Texas

Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

August 28, 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.)*

P Let us pray.

R Gracious and loving God, we give you thanks for the faithful shepherds you have sent to Zion over the many years in this place. Thank you for their ministry done in your name. Bless their memory among us. We now wait in expectation for a new pastor. Wherever they may be, tend their heart, giving them courage to preach your Word, knowledge of your vision for the future, and the will to model consistent and godly living. Guard their family, that they may experience a healthy transition to our congregation. Bless them and us with genuine friendship. And bless the congregation that is left behind with a sense of your comfort and leading. Good and faithful God, prepare us for our new pastor. Set our hearts aright, encourage our faith, heal our divisions. Show us how to let go of what has gone before and, with open and eager hearts, take hold of what is coming. We pray all in the name of our Savior and Lord, Jesus Christ. Amen

(Please prepare your heart and mind for worship)

PRE-WORSHIP MUSIC

(10:30) "My Tribute" by Andraé Crouch; Arr. Dino 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.

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 Wherever you go, may God go with you: may he go before you to show you the way...behind you to encourage you...beside you to befriend you...above you to watch over...and within you to give you peace. -In the name of our Creator, Redeemer, and Friend.

R Amen

SENDING HYMN

"I Love to Tell the Story"

HYMN NO. 661

**I love to tell the story of unseen things above,
of Jesus and his glory, of Jesus and his love.
I love to tell the story, because I know it's true;
it satisfies my longings as nothing else would do.**

***Refrain: I love to tell the story; 'twill be my theme in glory
to tell the old, old story of Jesus and his love.***

**I love to tell the story: how pleasant to repeat
what seems, each time I tell it, more wonderfully sweet!
I love to tell the story, for some have never heard
the message of salvation from God's own holy word. *Refrain***

**I love to tell the story, for those who know it best
seem hungering and thirsting to hear it like the rest.
And when, in scenes of glory, I sing the new, new song,
I'll sing the old, old story that I have loved so long. *Refrain***

Text: Katherine Hankey, 1834-1911

DISMISSAL

A We share the joy of Christ!

R We worship, love and serve!

(10:30) "He Keeps Me Singing" by Luther B. Bridgers

COMMUNION HYMN

"Lamb of God"



1. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world;
2. Lamb of God, you break the chains of ha-tred and fear;
3. Lamb of God, you are the way of jus-tice and peace:
4. Lamb of God, you are the way of mer-cy and love:



have mer-cy on us, mer-cy on us, mer-cy on us.



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world:



grant us peace, grant us peace, grant us peace.

Text: ICET; Additional text and music by Marty Haugen, ©1990

(10:30) "If That Isn't Love" by Dottie Rambo

(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**

P God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

R **Amen**

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**

GATHERING

(Please remain standing as you are able)

GATHERING HYMN

"O Holy Spirit, Root of Life"

HYMN NO. 399

**O Holy Spirit, root of life, creator, cleanser of all things:
anoint our wounds, awaken us
with lustrous movement of your wings.**

**Eternal vigor, Saving One, you free us by your living Word,
becoming flesh to wear our pain, and all creation is restored.**

**O holy Wisdom, soaring pow'r, encompass us with wings unfurled,
and carry us, encircling all above, below, and through the world.**

Text: Jean Janzen, b. 1933; based on Hildegard of Bingen, 1098-1179
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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.**

PSALM 112 *(Spoken responsively)*

A Praise the LORD! Happy are those who fear the LORD,
who greatly delight in his commandments.

**R Their descendants will be mighty in the land;
the generation of the upright will be blessed.**

A Wealth and riches are in their houses,
and their righteousness endures forever.

**R They rise in the darkness as a light for the upright;
they are gracious, merciful, and righteous.**

A It is well with those who deal generously and lend,
who conduct their affairs with justice.

**R For the righteous will never be moved;
they will be remembered forever.**

A They are not afraid of evil tidings; their hearts are firm, secure in the LORD.

**R Their hearts are steady; they will not be afraid;
in the end they will look in triumph on their foes.**

A They have distributed freely; they have given to the poor;
their righteousness endures forever; their horn is exalted in honor.

**R The wicked see it and are angry; they gnash their teeth and
melt away; the desire of the wicked comes to nothing.**

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***

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.*

PEACE

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

R And also with you.

RESPONSE

(Please be seated)

OFFERING

(10:30) *"I Will Serve Thee"* by William J. Gaither and Gloria Gaither

(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.

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

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

R And also with you.

P Let us pray. O God, you resist those who are proud and give grace to those who are humble. Give us the humility of your Son, that we may embody the generosity of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

R Amen

(Please be seated)

SPECIAL MUSIC (10:30)

Ray Salinas

FIRST READING

Proverbs 25:6-7

⁶ Do not put yourself forward in the king's presence
or stand in the place of the great,

⁷ for it is better to be told, "Come up here,"
than to be put lower in the presence of a noble.

L The Word of the Lord.

R Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING

Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16

Let mutual affection continue. ² Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it. ³ Remember those who are in prison, as though you were in prison with them, those who are being tortured, as though you yourselves were being tortured.^[a] ⁴ Let marriage be held in honor by all, and let the marriage bed be kept undefiled, for God will judge the sexually immoral and adulterers. ⁵ Keep your lives free from the love of money, and be content with what you have, for he himself has said, "I will never leave you or forsake you." ⁶ So we can say with confidence, "The Lord is my helper; I will not be afraid. What can anyone do to me?" ⁷ Remember your leaders, those who spoke the word of God to you; consider the outcome of their way of life, and imitate their faith. ⁸ Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever. ¹⁵ Through him, then, let us continually offer a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that confess his name. ¹⁶ Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.

L The Word of the Lord.

R Thanks be to God.

(Please stand as you are able)

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION "Lord, Listen to Your..." **HYMN NO. 752**

**Lord, listen to your children praying,
Lord, send your Spirit in this place;
Lord, listen to your children praying,
send us love, send us pow'r, send us grace.**

Text: Ken Medema, b. 1943; Text © 1973 Hope Publishing Company, Carol Stream, IL 60188

P The holy gospel according to St. Luke, the 14th Chapter.

R **Glory to you, O Lord.**

GOSPEL **Luke 14:1, 7-14**

On one occasion when Jesus was going to the house of a leader of the Pharisees to eat a meal on the Sabbath, they were watching him closely. ⁷When he noticed how the guests chose the places of honor, he told them a parable. ⁸"When you are invited by someone to a wedding banquet, do not sit down at the place of honor, in case someone more distinguished than you has been invited by your host, ⁹and the host who invited both of you may come and say to you, 'Give this person your place,' and then in disgrace you would start to take the lowest place. ¹⁰But when you are invited, go and sit down at the lowest place, so that when your host comes, he may say to you, 'Friend, move up higher'; then you will be honored in the presence of all who sit at the table with you. ¹¹For all who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted." ¹²He said also to the one who had invited him, "When you give a luncheon or a dinner, do not invite your friends or your brothers and sisters or your relatives or rich neighbors, in case they may invite you in return, and you would be repaid. ¹³But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind. ¹⁴And you will be blessed because they cannot repay you, for you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous."

P The gospel of the Lord.

R **Praise to you, O Christ.**

(Please be seated)

SERMON

Pastor Kay Johnson

(Please stand as you are able)

HYMN OF THE DAY "For the Beauty..." (vs.1,2,4,5) **HYMN NO. 879**

**For the beauty of the earth, for the beauty of the skies,
for the love which from our birth over and around us lies:**

**Refrain: Christ, our God, to thee we raise
this our sacrifice of praise.**

**For the wonder of each hour of the day and of the night,
hill and vale and tree and flow'r,
sun and moon and stars of light: Refrain**

**For the joy of human love, brother, sister, parent, child,
friends on earth and friends above;
for all gentle thoughts and mild: Refrain**

**For each perfect gift of thine, peace on earth and joy in heav'n;
for thyself, best gift divine, to our world so freely giv'n: Refrain**

Text: Folliott S. Pierpoint, 1835-1917, 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**

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

In our Hearts and Prayers: our homebound and shut-ins, all other nursing home residents, our Fredericksburg community, our nation, and the military.

The Altar Flowers are given to the Glory of God in memory of loved ones.

The Special Concern for August is the New Horizons.

The Worship Committee would like to thank Janalee Hannemann for donating the quilts/shawls on the back pew for anyone who may get chilled during the services. Please return them at the end of the service.

The Youth of Zion will be collecting school supplies for the NEEDS COUNCIL during AUGUST. Please leave any items you purchase in the BUS in the Atrium.

The Gillespie Literacy Council invites you to volunteer as a tutor for adults studying basic literacy, citizenship, or GED. The new tutor training is August 23, 2022 at 4pm at Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish Hall, 302 East College. It will last about an hour. No prior teaching or tutoring experience is required—only your desire to help others with the English language. If you are unable to attend or for more information, please call Barbara Sultemeier at 830-998-2610.

Pastor Kay Johnson will be onsite Fridays, Saturdays, and Sundays. Her cell phone is 210-559-1034, please leave a message with your name and number. IF YOU WOULD LIKE A VISIT FROM HER, PLEASE CALL THE CHURCH OFFICE.

A council member is available in the church office every Tuesday from 9am-noon, if you would like to share your thoughts, concerns or ideas.

Thank you for your Contributions of \$1,956 given last week.

Attendance: 8am – 23 & 10:30am – 47

WORSHIP ASSISTANT & LECTOR: Sandy Schmitzinsky

USHERS 8AM – Linvill & Connie Crenwelge, Roger Dittmar, Virginia Soell

USHERS 10:30AM – Dwayne, Karen & Emily Beyer, Doris Schneider

MINISTRIES FOR THE WEEK

TUES – Aug 30	9-12pm	Council member available to talk – church office
SUN – Sept 4	8:00am	Worship with Communion (No slideshow)
	9-9:15am	Coffee & Donuts
	9:15am	Sunday School – Fell Hall
	9:15am	Adult SS – Sewing Rm
	10:30am	Worship w/Comm. (Broadcast KNAF & Live on YouTube)



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Transitional Pastor – Rev. Kay Johnson

Pianist – Sheri Robinson; Music Director – Ray Salinas

Pianist @ 8:00am – Betty Scrogin

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