

Zion Lutheran Church

Fredericksburg, Texas

Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost September 25, 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) *"How Great Thou Art"* by Stuart K. Hine; Arr. Sheri Robinson

(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.

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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 *"Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty"* **HYMN NO. 413**

**Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty!
Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee.
Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty!
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!**

**Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore thee,
casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;
cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee,
which wert and art, and evermore shalt be.**

**Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide thee,
though the eye of sinfulness thy glory may not see,
only thou art holy; there is none beside thee,
perfect in pow'r, in love and purity.**

**Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
All thy works shall praise thy name in earth and sky and sea.
Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty!
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!**

Text: Reginald Heber, 1783-1826, alt.

DISMISSAL

A Go in peace, with Christ beside you.

R Thanks be to God.

(10:30) *"I Have Come from the Darkness"* by Marian Wood Chaplin

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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) *"Without Him"* by Mylon R. LeFevre
"Speak to My Heart" by B.B. McKinney

(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 Dear friends, together let us acknowledge our failure to love this world as Jesus does.

R **Amen**

P God of mercy and forgiveness,

R **we confess that sin still has a hold on us. We have harmed your good creation. We have failed to do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with you. Turn us in a new direction. Show us the path that leads to life. Be our refuge and strength on the journey, through Jesus Christ, our redeemer and friend. Amen**

P Beloved of God: your sins are forgiven † and you are made whole. God points the way to new life in Christ, who meets us on the road. 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 *"For All the Saints"* (vs. 1,3,6,7) **HYMN NO. 422**

**For all the saints who from their labors rest,
 who thee by faith before the world confessed,
 thy name, O Jesus, be forever blest. Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**Oh, blest communion, fellowship divine,
 we feebly struggle, they in glory shine;
 yet all are one in thee, for all are thine. Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**But then there breaks a yet more glorious day:
 the saints triumphant rise in bright array;
 the King of glory passes on his way. Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast,
 through gates of pearl streams in the countless host,
 singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost: Alleluia! Alleluia!**

Text: William W. How, 1823-1897

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 *(from the Greek word "Lord" – Sung at both)*

HYMN NO. 157

A In peace, in peace, let us pray to the Lord.

R **Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.**

A For the reign of God, and for peace throughout the world, for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

R **Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.**

A For your people here who have come to give you praise, for the strength to live your word, let us pray to the Lord.

R **Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.**

A Help, save, and defend us, O God.

R **Amen**

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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**

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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) *“Holy, Holy”* by Jimmy Owens

(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, rich in mercy, you look with compassion on this troubled world. Feed us with your grace, and grant us the treasure that comes only from you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

R Amen

(Please be seated)

SPECIAL MUSIC (8:00) *“All Because of God’s Amazing Grace”* **Rhonda Behrends**

(10:30) *“All Because of God’s Amazing Grace”* **Chancel Choir**

by Stephen Adams

FIRST READING

Amos 6:1a, 4-7

^{1a}Woe to those who are at ease in Zion and for those who feel secure on Mount Samaria. ⁴Woe to those who lie on beds of ivory and lounge on their couches and eat lambs from the flock and calves from the stall, ⁵who sing idle songs to the sound of the harp and like David improvise on instruments of music, ⁶who drink wine from bowls and anoint themselves with the finest oils but are not grieved over the ruin of Joseph! ⁷Therefore they shall now be the first to go into exile, and the revelry of the loungers shall pass away.

L The Word of the Lord.

R Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING

1 Timothy 6:6-19

⁶Of course, there is great gain in godliness combined with contentment, ⁷for we brought nothing into the world, so that we can take nothing out of it, ⁸but if we have food and clothing, we will be content with these. ⁹But those who want to be rich fall into temptation and are trapped by many senseless and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. ¹⁰For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil, and in their eagerness to be rich some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pains. ¹¹But as for you, man of God, shun all this; pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance, gentleness. ¹²Fight the good fight of the faith; take hold of the eternal life to which you were called and for which you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses. ¹³In the presence of God, who gives life to all things, and of Christ Jesus, who in his testimony before Pontius Pilate made the good confession, I charge you ¹⁴to keep the commandment without spot or blame until the manifestation of our Lord Jesus Christ, ¹⁵which he will bring about at the right time—he who is the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords.

¹⁶ It is he alone who has immortality and dwells in unapproachable light, whom no one has ever seen or can see; to him be honor and eternal dominion. Amen. ¹⁷ As for those who in the present age are rich, command them not to be haughty or to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches but rather on God, who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment. ¹⁸ They are to do good, to be rich in good works, generous, and ready to share, ¹⁹ thus storing up for themselves the treasure of a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of the life that really is life.

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 16th Chapter.

R Glory to you, O Lord.

GOSPEL Luke 16:19-31

¹⁹ “There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. ²⁰ And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, ²¹ who longed to satisfy his hunger with what fell from the rich man’s table; even the dogs would come and lick his sores. ²² The poor man died and was carried away by the angels to be with Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried. ²³ In Hades, where he was being tormented, he lifted up his eyes and saw Abraham far away with Lazarus by his side. ²⁴ He called out, ‘Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue, for I am in agony in these flames.’ ²⁵ But Abraham said, ‘Child, remember that during your lifetime you received your good things and Lazarus in like manner evil things, but now he is comforted here, and you are in agony. ²⁶ Besides all this, between you and us a great chasm has been fixed, so that those who might want to pass from here to you cannot do so, and no one can cross from there to us.’ ²⁷ He said, ‘Then I beg you, father, to send him to my father’s house— ²⁸ for I have five brothers—that he may warn them, so that they will not also come into this place of torment.’ ²⁹ Abraham replied, ‘They have Moses and the prophets; they should listen to them.’ ³⁰ He said, ‘No, father Abraham, but if someone from the dead goes to them, they will repent.’ ³¹ He said to him, ‘If they do not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced even if someone rises from the dead.’ ”

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 “Blest Are They” (vs.1,3,4) **HYMN NO. 728**

**Blest are they, the poor in spirit; theirs is the kingdom of God.
Blest are they, full of sorrow; they shall be consoled.**

**Refrain: Rejoice and be glad! Blessed are you, holy are you!
Rejoice and be glad! Yours is the kingdom of God!**

**Blest are they who show mercy; mercy shall be theirs.
Blest are they, the pure of heart; they shall see God. Refrain**

**Blest are they who seek peace; they are the children of God.
Blest are they who suffer in faith; the glory of God is theirs.**

Refrain

Text & Music: David Hass, b. 1957

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

God of grace,
hear our prayer.

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

In our Hearts and Prayers: Marjorie Garretson, Melinda Hierholzer, Stan Sauer, 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 celebration of Glenn Koennecke's birthday by Gina, Ethan and Eric Koennecke.

The Special Concern for September is Palabra de Vida.

The Zion WELCA will be collecting school supplies for Lutheran World Relief during September. Please leave any items you purchase in the BUS in the Atrium.

Diane Mayer will begin leading line dancing classes on Monday, Sept 26 at 5:30-6:15pm in the Fellowship Hall. All men and women are invited to join. The class is open to the community as well. A free will offering basket will be available to help defray the cost of utilities.

Representatives from the North American Lutheran Church (NALC) will be at Zion on Thursday, September 29 at 6pm in the Sanctuary for an informational meeting and Q&A.

The Oct – Dec Portals of Prayer are available for pick up in the Atrium and Narthex.

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.

Thank you for your Contributions of \$2,733 given last week.

Attendance: 8am – 22 & 10:30am – 75

WORSHIP ASSISTANT & LECTOR: Robert Menking

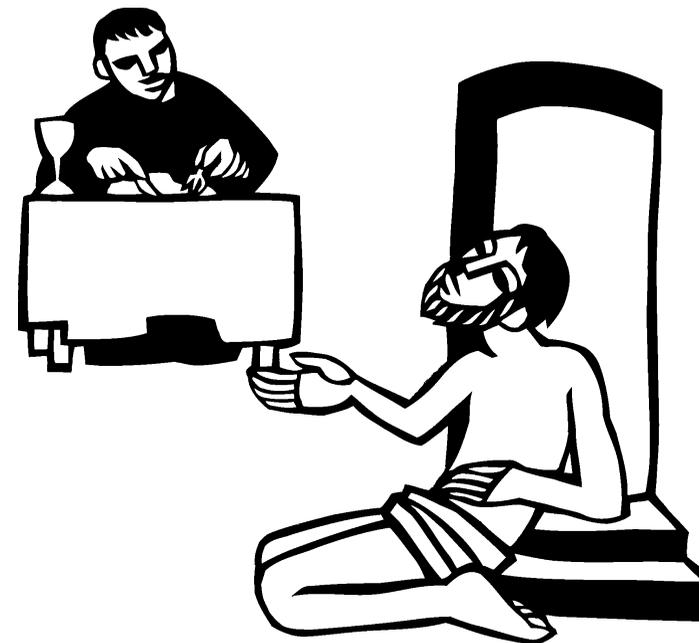
USHERS 8AM – Linvill & Connie Crenwelge, Roger Dittmar, Virginia Soell

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

MINISTRIES FOR THE WEEK

MON – Sept 26	5:30-6:15pm	Line Dancing – Fell Hall
TUES – Sept 27	9-12pm	Council member available to talk – church office
	5:30-6:20pm	Chancel Choir – Fell Hall
WED – Sept 28	9:00am	Laborers of Love – Arhelger House
THURS – Sept 29	6:00pm	Informational Mtg about NALC – Sanctuary
SUN – Oct 2	8:00am	Worship with Communion
	9-9:15am	Coffee & Donuts
	9:15am	SS – Fell Hall / Adult SS – Sewing Rm
	10:30am	Worship with Communion

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Broadcast on KNAF (910AM) at 10:30AM

Video on Zion's YouTube Channel at 10:30AM

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Transitional Pastor – Rev. Kay Johnson

Pianist – Sheri Robinson

Pianist @ 8:00am – Betty Scrogin

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