

Zion Lutheran Church

Fredericksburg, Texas

Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

July 2, 2023

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

"God Bless the U.S.A." by Lee Greenwood

"America the Beautiful" by Samuel A. Ward & Katharine Lee Bates

(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 sinned. We have hurt our community. We have squandered your blessings. We have hoarded your bounty. In the name of Jesus, forgive us and grant us your mercy.

P Righteous God,

R we confess that we have sinned. We have failed to be honest. We have spoken falsely. In the name of Jesus, forgive us and grant us your mercy.

P God is a cup of cold water when we thirst. God offers boundless grace when we fail. Claim the gift of God's 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

"America the Beautiful" by Samuel A. Ward & Katharine Lee Bates

(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 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 "Savior, Again to Your Dear..." (vs.1&2) **HYMN NO. 534**

**Savior, again to your dear name we raise
with one accord our parting hymn of praise;
once more we bless you ere our worship cease,
then, lowly bending, wait your word of peace.**

**Grant us your peace upon our homeward way;
with you began, with you shall end the day;
guard all the lips from sin, the hearts from shame,
that in this house have called upon your name.**

Text: John Ellerton, 1826-1893, alt.

HYMN

"God Bless America"

**God bless America, Land that I love.
Stand beside her, and guide her,
Through the night with a light from above.
From the mountains, to the prairies,
To the oceans white with foam,
God bless America, my home, sweet home!
God bless America, my home, sweet home!**

composed by Irving Berlin

COMMUNION SONG*"Lamb of God (Your Only Son)"***HYMN NO. 336**

1 Your on - ly Son, no sin to hide, but you have
 2 Your gift of love we cru - ci - fied. We laughed and
 3 I was so lost, I should have died, but you have



sent him from your side to walk up - on this guilt - y
 scorned him as he died. The hum - ble king we named a
 brought me to your side to be led by your staff and



sod and to be - come the Lamb of God.
 fraud and sac - ri - ficed the Lamb of God. O Lamb of
 rod and to be called a lamb of God.



God, sweet Lamb of God, I love the ho - ly Lamb of God. Oh, wash me



in your pre - cious blood, my Je - sus Christ, the Lamb of God.

"Lamb of God" Words and Music by Twila Paris ©1985 Mountain Spring Music and Straight Way Music, both administered by EMI Christian Music Publishing CCLI License #11089474

HYMN*"Go, My Children, With My Blessing" (vs.2&3)* **HYMN NO. 543**

**"Go, my children, sins forgiven, at peace and pure.
 Here you learned how much I love you, what I can cure.**

**Here you heard my dear Son's story,
 here you touched him, saw his glory.**

Go, my children, sins forgiven, at peace and pure."

**"Go, my children, fed and nourished, closer to me.
 Grow in love and love by serving, joyful and free.**

**Here my Spirit's power filled you,
 here my tender comfort stilled you.**

Go, my children, fed and nourished, joyful and free."

Text: Jaroslav J. Vajda, b. 1919, alt.; Text © 1983 Concordia Publishing House.

GATHERING*(Please stand as you are able)***GATHERING HYMN***Patriotic Medley*

"My Country, 'Tis of Thee" Lyrics: Samuel F. Smith; Music: *Thesaurus Musicus*, 1744

**My country, 'tis of thee, Sweet land of liberty, Of thee I sing;
 Land where my fathers died, Land of the pilgrims' pride,
 From ev'ry mountainside Let freedom ring!**

**Our fathers' God, to Thee, Author of Liberty, To Thee we sing;
 Long may our land be bright With freedom's holy light;
 Protect us by Thy might, Great God, our King!**

"Mine Eyes Have Seen the Glory" Lyrics: Julia Ward Howe; Music: American Folk Song, 19th Century

**Mine eyes have seen the glory of the coming of the Lord;
 He is trampling out the vintage
 where the grapes of wrath are stored;**

**He hath loosed the fateful lightning of His terrible swift sword;
 His truth is marching on.**

**Refrain: Glory, glory! Hallelujah! Glory, glory! Hallelujah!
 Glory, glory! Hallelujah! His truth is marching on.**

**He has sounded forth the trumpet that shall never sound retreat;
 He is sifting out the hearts of men before His judgment seat;
 O be swift, my soul, to answer Him; be jubilant, my feet!
 Our God is marching on. Refrain**

"The Star Spangled Banner" Lyrics: Francis Scott Key; Music: John Stafford Smith

**O say, can you see, by the dawn's early light,
 What so proudly we hailed at the twilight's last gleaming,
 Whose broad stripes and bright stars, through the perilous fight,
 O'er the ramparts we watched, were so gallantly streaming?
 And the rockets' red glare, the bombs bursting in air,
 Gave proof through the night that our flag was still there.
 O say, does that star-spangled banner yet wave
 O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave?**

GREETING

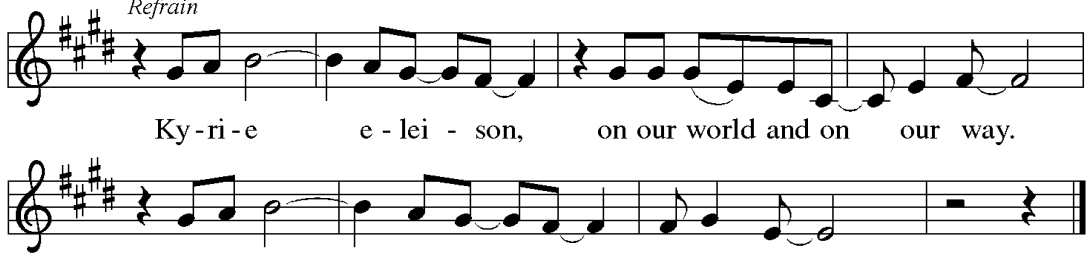
P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

R **And also with you.**

KYRIE (Congregation sings the refrain)

HYMNAL p. 184

C *Refrain*



Ky-ri-e e-lei-son, on our world and on our way.
Ky-ri-e e-lei-son, ev-'ry day.

A For peace in the world, for the health of the church, for the unity of all;
for this holy house, for all who worship and praise,
let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.

Refrain

A That we may live out your impassioned response to the hungry and the poor;
that we may live out...truth and justice and grace,
let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.

Refrain

HYMN OF PRAISE

"Listen! You Nations"

Refrain:

***Listen! you nations of the world: listen to the Word of the Lord.
Announce it from coast to coast; declare it to distant islands.***

**The Lord who scattered Israel will gather his people again;
and he will keep watch over them as a shepherd watches his flock.**

Refrain

**With shouts of joy they will come, their faces radiantly happy,
for the Lord is so gen'rous to them;
he showers his people with gifts. *Refrain***

**Young women will dance for joy,
and men young and old will make merry.
Like a garden refreshed by the rain,
they will never be in want again.**

Break into shouts of great joy: Jacob is free again!

Teach nations to sing the song: "The Lord has saved his people!"

Text: John W. Arthur, b. 1922; Text © 1972 Contemporary Worship 5: Services of the Word, admin. Augsburg Fortress

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

P When we eat this bread, we share in the body of Christ. When we drink this cup, we share in the blood of Christ. These are the gifts of God for the people of God. Welcome to the table of the Lord.

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

"This Land Is Your Land" by Woody Guthrie

(Please stand as you are able)

OFFERING SONG

"A Fragrant Offering"

A fra-grant of - fer-ing, a lov-ing sac-ri-fice, the life of
Je-sus Christ, for us, your child-ren, giv-en. And eve-ry bless-ing
which you have giv-en us, we share with oth-ers as our of-fer-ing to
you. With thank-ful hearts may it be fra-grant, God, to you.

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(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...

(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.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

R And also with you.

P Let us pray. O God, you direct our lives by your grace, and your words of justice and mercy reshape the world. Mold us into a people who welcome your word and serve one another, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

R Amen

(Please be seated)

SPECIAL MUSIC *"This is My Song"* **Diane Mayer & Julia Seidensticker**

by Jean Sibelius; words by Lloyd Stone; arr. by Sheri Robinson

FIRST READING

Jeremiah 28:5-9

⁵ Then the prophet Jeremiah spoke to the prophet Hananiah in the presence of the priests and all the people who were standing in the house of the LORD, ⁶ and the prophet Jeremiah said, "Amen! May the LORD do so; may the LORD fulfill the words that you have prophesied and bring back to this place from Babylon the vessels of the house of the LORD and all the exiles. ⁷ But listen now to this word that I speak in your hearing and in the hearing of all the people. ⁸ The prophets who preceded you and me from ancient times prophesied war, famine, and pestilence against many countries and great kingdoms. ⁹ As for the prophet who prophesies peace, when the word of that prophet comes true, then it will be known that the LORD has truly sent the prophet."

L The Word of the Lord.

R Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING

Romans 6:12-23

¹² Therefore do not let sin reign in your mortal bodies, so that you obey their desires. ¹³ No longer present your members to sin as instruments of unrighteousness, but present yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life, and present your members to God as instruments of righteousness. ¹⁴ For sin will have no dominion over you, since you are not under law but under grace. ¹⁵ What then? Should we sin because we are not under law but under grace? By no means! ¹⁶ Do you not know that, if you present yourselves to anyone as obedient slaves, you are slaves of the one whom you obey, either of sin, which leads to death, or of obedience, which leads to righteousness? ¹⁷ But thanks be to God that you who were slaves of sin have become obedient from the heart to the form of teaching to which you were entrusted ¹⁸ and that you, having been set free from sin, have become enslaved to righteousness.

¹⁹ I am speaking in human terms because of your limitations. For just as you once presented your members as slaves to impurity and lawlessness, leading to even more lawlessness, so now present your members as slaves to righteousness, leading to sanctification. ²⁰ When you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. ²¹ So what fruit did you then gain from the things of which you now are ashamed? The end of those things is death. ²² But now that you have been freed from sin and enslaved to God, the fruit you have leads to sanctification, and the end is eternal life. ²³ For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

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

(Please stand as you are able)

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION “*Lord, Listen To Your Children...*” **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. Matthew, the 10th Chapter.
R **Glory to you, O Lord.**

GOSPEL **Matthew 10:40-42**

⁴⁰ “Whoever welcomes you welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me. ⁴¹ Whoever welcomes a prophet in the name of a prophet will receive a prophet’s reward, and whoever welcomes a righteous person in the name of a righteous person will receive the reward of the righteous, ⁴² and whoever gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones in the name of a disciple—truly I tell you, none of these will lose their reward.”

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

(Please be seated)

SERMON

Rev. Kay Johnson

(Please stand as you are able)

HYMN OF THE DAY “*Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus*” (vs.1&4) **HYMN NO. 802**

**Let us ever walk with Jesus, follow his example pure,
through a world that would deceive us and to sin our spirits lure.
Onward in his footsteps treading, trav'lers here, our home above,
full of faith and hope and love, let us do our Savior's bidding.
Faithful Lord, with me abide; I shall follow where you guide.**

Let us also live with Jesus.

**He has risen from the dead that to life we may awaken.
Jesus, you are now our head, we are your own living members;
where you live, there we shall be in your presence constantly,
living there with you forever.**

Jesus, let me faithful be; life eternal grant to me.

Text: Sigismund von Birken, 1626-1681; tr. *Lutheran Book of Worship*, alt.; Text © 1978 *Lutheran Book of Worship*

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, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

DISMISSAL

A We share the joy of Christ.

R **We worship, love and serve.**

"This Is My Country" by Al Jacobs & Don Raye

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

In our Hearts and Prayers: Kathy Haley, Donna Ploch (friend of Margaret Solbrig), Wild Ride Ministries (the GCMA Church of the Week), our homebound and shut-ins, our Fredericksburg community, our nation, and the military.

The July Special Concern is the Grace Center of Fredericksburg. The goal for The Grace Center of Fredericksburg is to raise the funds necessary to build a shelter where those who have been impacted by domestic violence can seek shelter from their abuser.

Parade Watching Party – Zion's WELCA is sponsoring a 4th of July parade watching party on the front porch of the parsonage Tuesday, July 4 at 10am. Please bring a folding chair, water, and a snack to share.

Zion WELCA will not have Bible Study on Wednesday, July 5.

Christi is taking next week off. The office will be closed Monday & Tuesday, open 8-12 on Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday.

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

Sunday School Rally Day will be Sunday, August 20 at 10:15am!

Thank you for your Contributions of \$1,774 given last week. **Attend:** 9am – 62

ASSISTANT & LECTOR – Greg Oehler & Mary Wilson

USHERS – Wilfred Crenwelge, Arleen Crenwelge, Darlene Hartmann
Ron & Aleks Gant, Arthur Haun, Audrey Mayer

MINISTRIES FOR THE WEEK

MON – July 3	NO Line Dancing Office Closed
TUES – July 4	10:00am 4th of July Parade Watching Party – Parsonage Office Closed
WED – July 5	8:00am Men's Breakfast – Sewing Rm NO WELCA Bible Study NO Property Committee Mtg
SUN – July 9	9:00am Worship with Communion (Live on YouTube at 9am & Radio Broadcast at 10:30am) 10:15am Adult SS – Sewing Rm (continues during summer) NO Youth SS (Rally Day is August 20!)



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Video on Zion's YouTube Channel at 9:00AM

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

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Transitional Pastor – Rev. Kay Johnson

Pianist – Sheri Robinson

Choir Director – Rhonda Behrends

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