

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

In our Hearts and Prayers: Carolyn Crenwelge, our homebound and shut-ins, our Fredericksburg community, our nation, and the military.

The Altar Flowers are given to the Glory of God today by Marlin and Laurie Hartmann in honor of their children: Barret and Kaitlyn, who are celebrating milestone birthdays in June.

Pastor Jonathan will be on vacation Monday – Thursday, June 30 – July 3. He is staying in town.

Christi will be on vacation Tuesday – Friday, July 1 – 4. She will still check the phone messages and emails randomly.

Parade Watch Party... You are invited to a Parade Watch Party hosted by WELCA. The party will be held on Friday, July 4th at 10am at the parsonage on Main Street. Please bring a lawn chair and a snack to share. Cold water will be provided. Come to the front of the parsonage.

Education Expeditions navigating the journey of aging – Tuesday, July 15 10am-1pm (lunch included) at Gillespie County AgriLife Extension Office, 38 Business Court. See more details on bulletin boards. Free Event – RSVP by 7/7

Thank you for your contributions of \$2,806 given last week. **Attendance:** 95

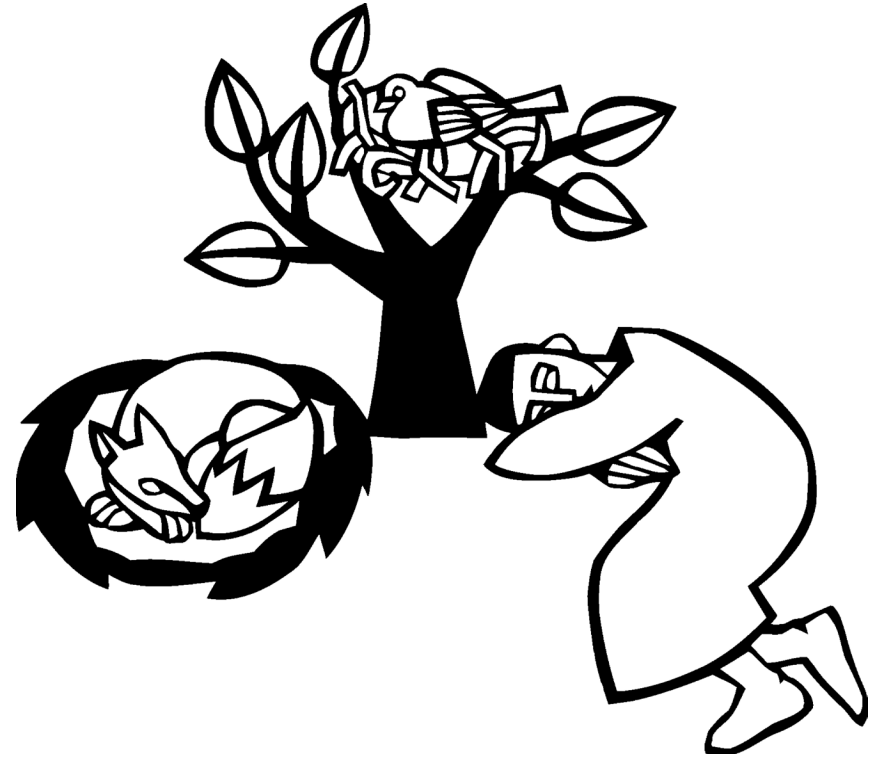
ASSISTANT & LECTOR – Margaret Solbrig

USHERS – Dwayne, Karen & Emily Beyer, Roger Dittmar (Acolyte – MinsheW)

MINISTRIES FOR THE WEEK

TODAY – June 29	10:15am	Adult SS – Adult SS Rm NO Youth Summer SS NO 5 th Sunday Potluck
MON – June 30	5:00pm	<i>Line Dancing – The Hub</i>
WED – July 2	8:00am	Men's Breakfast – Adult SS Rm NO WELCA Bible Study NO Parish Ed Mtg NO Property Mtg
FRI – July 4	10:00am 11-1:00pm	Parade Watch Party – Main Parsonage Porch Tour of Church (open to community)
SUN – July 6	9:00am	Worship with Communion (Live on YouTube at 9am & Radio Broadcast at 10:30am)
	10:15am	Adult SS – Adult SS Rm NO Youth Summer SS

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ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH

Evangelical Lutheran Church in America
Fredericksburg, Texas

Third Sunday after Pentecost – June 29, 2025

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

(go to www.zion-lutheran.com/youtube)

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

Pastor – Rev. Jonathan Mollenkopf
Pianist – Sheri Robinson
Choir Director – Rhonda Behrends

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Zion Lutheran Church
3rd Sunday after Pentecost

June 29, 2025

P=Presider **R=Responses** *Please stand, as you are able

Our Mission Statement – *We Share the Joy. We Worship, Love and Serve.*

GATHERING

BELLS

WELCOME *(Please register your attendance in the books at the end of the row where you are seated, tear it out, and place it in the offering plate.)*

PRELUDE *“There Is a Balm in Gilead” ~ African-American Spiritual; Arr. John Innes*

***CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

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

R Amen

P Baptized into Christ, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P Merciful God,

R you free us to love others, but we neglect our neighbors and follow our own way. You lead us by the Spirit of joy and peace, but we turn away from the abundant life you offer. You surround us with patience, kindness, and generosity, but we grow weary in doing what is right. In your mercy, forgive us. Do not give up on us. Heal us, break our bonds, and show us the path of life. Amen

P You belong to Christ Jesus and you are God’s children through faith. In the cross of ☩ Christ, and through the power of the Holy Spirit, your sins are forgiven. Clothed with Christ, you are a new creation.

R Amen

***PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

A God, our loving parent, you gathered us to your table and we drank deeply of your grace. Send us out by your Spirit to love our neighbors as ourselves and proclaim your love in Jesus’ name.

R Amen

SENDING

***BENEDICTION**

P The love of God abound in you; the grace of our Savior Jesus Christ fill your hearts; and the life of the Spirit ☩ bless you and give you peace.

R Amen

***SENDING HYMN** *“I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light”* **HYMN NO. 815**

**I want to walk as a child of the light. I want to follow Jesus.
God set the stars to give light to the world.
The star of my life is Jesus.**

***Refrain: In him there is no darkness at all.
The night and the day are both alike.
The Lamb is the light of the city of God.
Shine in my heart, Lord Jesus.***

**I want to see the brightness of God. I want to look at Jesus.
Clear Sun of righteousness, shine on my path,
and show me the way to the Father. Refrain**

**I'm looking for the coming of Christ. I want to be with Jesus.
When we have run with patience the race,
we shall know the joy of Jesus. Refrain**

Text: Kathleen Thomerson, b. 1934; Text © 1970, 1975 Celebration.

***DISMISSAL**

A Go in peace. Live by the Spirit.

R Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

“My Life Flows On in Endless Song” by Robert Lowry

COMMUNION HYMN*"Lamb of God"***HYMNAL p. 208**

1 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
 2 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
 3 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;



you suf-fered death our lives to save: have mer-cy now, we pray.
 you set us free from guilt and grave: have mer-cy now, we pray.
 e - ter-nal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.

HYMN*"O Master, Let Me Walk with You"* (vs.1,2,4) **HYMN NO. 818**

**O Master, let me walk with you
 in lowly paths of service true;
 tell me your secret; help me bear
 the strain of toil, the fret of care.**

**Help me the slow of heart to move
 by some clear, winning word of love;
 teach me the wayward feet to stay,
 and guide them in the homeward way.**

**In hope that sends a shining ray
 far down the future's broad'ning way,
 in peace that only you can give;
 with you, O Master, let me live.**

Text: Washington Gladden, 1836-1918, alt.

"Healer of Our Every Ill" by Marty Haugen***GATHERING HYMN***"Be Thou My Vision"***HYMN NO. 793**

**Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;
 naught be all else to me, save that thou art:
 thou my best thought both by day and by night,
 waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.**

**Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true word;
 I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord.
 Thou my soul's shelter, and thou my high tow'r,
 raise thou me heav'nward, O Pow'r of my pow'r.**

**Riches I heed not, nor vain, empty praise,
 thou mine inheritance, now and always:
 thou and thou only, the first in my heart,
 great God of heaven, my treasure thou art.**

**Light of my soul, after victory won,
 may I reach heaven's joys, O heaven's Sun!
 Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
 still be my vision, O Ruler of all.**

Text: Irish, 8th cent.; vers. Eleanor H. Hull, 1860-1935, alt.; tr. Mary E. Byrne, 1880-1931

***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.**

***HYMN OF PRAISE** (sung twice) "Shout to the Lord"

HYMN NO. 821

**My Jesus, my Savior,
Lord, there is none like you.
All of my days I want to praise
the wonders of your mighty love.
My comfort, my shelter,
tower of refuge and strength;
let ev'ry breath, all that I am
never cease to worship you.**

**Shout to the Lord, all the earth, let us sing
power and majesty, praise to the King.
Mountains bow down and the seas will roar
at the sound of your name.
I sing for joy at the work of your hands;
forever I'll love you, forever I'll stand.
Nothing compares to the promise I have in you.**

REPEAT

Text: Darlene Zschech, b. 1965
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***PRAYER OF THE DAY**

P Let us pray. Sovereign God, ruler of all hearts, you call us to obey you, and you favor us with true freedom. Keep us faithful to the ways of your Son, that, leaving behind all that hinders us, we may steadfastly follow your paths, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

R Amen

SPECIAL MUSIC

"I've Been Changed"
by Mosie Lister

Women's Chorus

***THE GREAT THANKSGIVING** (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.....join their unending hymn:

(Sung)

HYMNAL p. 207 (Holy, Holy...)



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,



heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san - na in the high - est.



Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -



san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

***THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE**

***THE LORDS 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

***DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION**

Lord, your summons echoes true when you but call my name.

Let me turn and follow you and never be the same.

In your company I'll go where your love and footsteps show.

Thus I'll move and live and grow in you and you in me.

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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

***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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

MEAL

OFFERING (*Select a favorite hymn, and we'll sing one verse*)

***OFFERING SONG** "*Praise God, from Whom All Blessings...*" **HYMN NO. 884**

**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. Amen**

Text: Thomas Ken, 1637-1711

WORD

FIRST READING

1 Kings 19:15-16, 19-21

¹⁵Then the Lord said to him, "Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus; when you arrive, you shall anoint Hazael as king over Aram. ¹⁶Also you shall anoint Jehu son of Nimshi as king over Israel, and you shall anoint Elisha son of Shaphat of Abel-meholah as prophet in your place.

¹⁹So he set out from there and found Elisha son of Shaphat, who was plowing. There were twelve yoke of oxen ahead of him, and he was with the twelfth. Elijah passed by him and threw his mantle over him. ²⁰He left the oxen, ran after Elijah, and said, "Let me kiss my father and my mother, and then I will follow you." Then Elijah said to him, "Go back again, for what have I done to you?" ²¹He returned from following him, took the yoke of oxen, and slaughtered them; using the equipment from the oxen, he boiled their flesh and gave it to the people, and they ate. Then he set out and followed Elijah and became his servant.

A The Word of the Lord.

R Thanks be to God.

PSALM 16 (*Read responsively*)

A Protect me, O God, for in you I take refuge.

R I say to the Lord, "You are my Lord; I have no good apart from you."

A As for the holy ones in the land, they are the noble ones in whom is all my delight.

R Those who choose another god multiply their sorrows; their drink offerings of blood I will not pour out or take their names upon my lips.

A The Lord is my chosen portion and my cup; you hold my lot.

R The boundary lines have fallen for me in pleasant places; I have a goodly heritage.

A I bless the Lord, who gives me counsel; in the night also my heart instructs me.

R I keep the Lord always before me; because he is at my right hand, I shall not be moved.

A Therefore my heart is glad, and my soul rejoices; my body also rests secure.

R For you do not give me up to Sheol or let your faithful one see the Pit.

A You show me the path of life.

In your presence there is fullness of joy;
in your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

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SECOND READING**Galatians 5:1, 13-25**

¹ For freedom Christ has set us free. Stand firm, therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery.

¹³ For you were called to freedom, brothers and sisters, only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for self-indulgence, but through love become enslaved to one another. ¹⁴ For the whole law is summed up in a single commandment, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." ¹⁵ If, however, you bite and devour one another, take care that you are not consumed by one another. ¹⁶ Live by the Spirit, I say, and do not gratify the desires of the flesh. ¹⁷ For what the flesh desires is opposed to the Spirit, and what the Spirit desires is opposed to the flesh, for these are opposed to each other, to prevent you from doing what you want. ¹⁸ But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not subject to the law. ¹⁹ Now the works of the flesh are obvious: sexual immorality, impurity, debauchery, ²⁰ idolatry, sorcery, enmities, strife, jealousy, anger, quarrels, dissensions, factions, ²¹ envy, drunkenness, carousing, and things like these. I am warning you, as I warned you before: those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God. ²² By contrast, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, ²³ gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against such things. ²⁴ And those who belong to Christ have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. ²⁵ If we live by the Spirit, let us also be guided by the Spirit.

A The word of the Lord.

R Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION*HYMNAL p.205**

Al - le-lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav - ing word.



Let it burn like fire with - in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

P The holy gospel according to St. Luke, the 9th Chapter.

R Glory to you, O Lord.

GOSPEL*Luke 9:51-62**

⁵¹ When the days drew near for him to be taken up, he set his face to go to Jerusalem. ⁵² And he sent messengers ahead of him. On their way they entered a village of the Samaritans to prepare for his arrival, ⁵³ but they did not receive him because his face was set toward Jerusalem. ⁵⁴ When his disciples James and John saw this, they said, "Lord, do you want us to command fire to come down from heaven and consume them?" ⁵⁵ But he turned and rebuked them. ⁵⁶ Then they went on to another village. ⁵⁷ As they were going along the road, someone said to him, "I will follow you wherever you go." ⁵⁸ And Jesus said to him, "Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests, but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head." ⁵⁹ To another he said, "Follow me." But he said, "Lord, first let me go and bury my father." ⁶⁰ And Jesus said to him, "Let the dead bury their own dead, but as for you, go and proclaim the kingdom of God." ⁶¹ Another said, "I will follow you, Lord, but let me first say farewell to those at my home." ⁶² And Jesus said to him, "No one who puts a hand to the plow and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God."

P The gospel of the Lord.

R Praise to you, O Christ.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**SERMON***Pastor Jonathan Mollenkopf*

***HYMN OF THE DAY** "Will You Come and Follow Me"

HYMN NO. 798

"Will you come and follow me if I but call your name?

Will you go where you don't know and never be the same?

**Will you let my love be shown, will you let my name be known,
will you let my life be grown in you and you in me?**

"Will you leave yourself behind if I but call your name?

Will you care for cruel and kind and never be the same?

**Will you risk the hostile stare, should your life attract or scare?
Will you let me answer pray'r in you and you in me?**

"Will you let the blinded see if I but call your name?

Will you set the pris'ners free and never be the same?

**Will you kiss the leper clean, and do such as this unseen,
and admit to what I mean in you and you in me?**

"Will you love the you you hide if I but call your name?

Will you quell the fear inside and never be the same?

**Will you use the faith you've found to reshape the world around,
through my sight and touch and sound in you and you in me?"**