

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

In our Hearts and Prayers: Carolyn Crenwelge, our homebound and in senior living, our FBG community, our nation, and the military.

The Altar Flowers are given to the Glory of God by Dan and Judy McGookey in honor of their son Audi, for his 40th Birthday on June 30.

Save Your empty Kleenex boxes, empty paper towel cardboard rolls, and empty salt boxes for Family Craft Night on 7/30. You can leave those items in the wagon in the Atrium.

In late August or early September, we will have a sermon series called "Since you asked..." If there is something about the Bible or other topics you would like to hear preached about, let us know. Please submit your requests for sermon topics via email or by writing it on one of the index cards in the pews and putting in the offering plate.

Portals of Prayer for July–Sept can be picked up in the Atrium or Narthex.

Calling All Veterans: If you are a veteran, please let Christi know. She's updating the membership records. You can text her at 830-285-3483.

Thank you for your contributions of \$1,546. **Attendance:** 72

ASSISTANT & LECTOR – Rhonda Behrends & Briana Reitenga

USHERS – Darlene Hartmann, Jeff & Dawn Bourgeois, Arleen Crenwelge, Arthur Haun, Kris Kneese, Audrey Mayer (Acolyte – usher)

MINISTRIES FOR THE WEEK

TODAY June 28 10:15am Adult Sunday School – Adult SS Rm
Youth SS Resumes Aug 16 at 10:15am

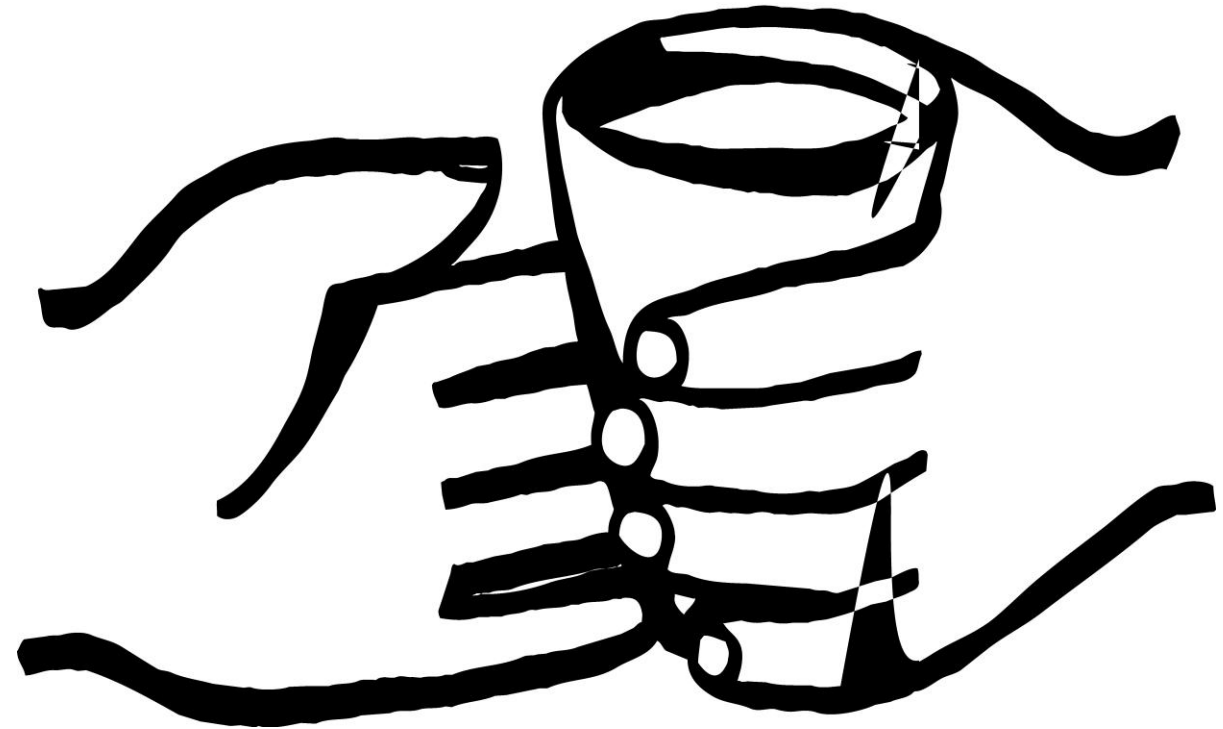
MON – June 29 10-12:00pm *ELCA Innovation Lab – Fell Hall*

WED – July 1
8:00am Men's Breakfast – Adult SS Rm
9:00am WELCA Bible Study – Conf Rm
6:00pm Parish Ed Mtg – Library
NO Property Mtg

SAT – July 4 10:00am **Parade** (*the Parsonage Balcony or Porch are available*)

SUN – July 5
9:00am **Worship with Communion**
10:15am Adult Sunday School – Adult SS Rm
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ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH

Evangelical Lutheran Church in America
Fredericksburg, Texas

Fifth Sunday after Pentecost – June 28, 2026

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

OUR MISSION STATEMENT

We exist to share the Joy of Jesus by providing multiple opportunities for all people to encounter God through diverse worship, authentic love and intentional acts of service. We Share the Joy. We Worship, Love and Serve.

GATHERING

BELLS AND WELCOME

PRELUDE

"Fill My Cup, Lord" by Richard Blanchard

CALL TO WORSHIP

A We meet in the name of God, Creator of the universe,

R Source of true humanity, Father of all.

A We meet in the name of Jesus, Word made flesh,

R Savior of fallen humanity, Lover of all.

A We meet in the name of the Holy Spirit, Lord and Giver of life,

R Midwife of new humanity, Inspirer of all.

A Come then, eternal God

R Be present here, Befriend us here, Renew us here. Amen.

*GATHERING HYMN

"Gather Us In" (vs.1,2,3)

HYMN NO. 532

**Here in this place the new light is streaming,
now is the darkness vanished away;
see in this space our fears and our dreamings
brought here to you in the light of this day.
Gather us in, the lost and forsaken,
gather us in, the blind and the lame;
call to us now, and we shall awaken,
we shall arise at the sound of our name.**

**We are the young, our lives are a myst'ry,
we are the old who yearn for your face;
we have been sung throughout all of hist'ry,
called to be light to the whole human race.
Gather us in, the rich and the haughty,
gather us in, the proud and the strong;
give us a heart, so meek and so lowly,
give us the courage to enter the song.**

***SENDING HYMN** *"Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing"* **HYMN NO. 545**

**Lord, dismiss us with your blessing,
fill our hearts with joy and peace;
let us each, your love possessing,
triumph in redeeming grace.
Oh, refresh us; oh, refresh us,
trav'ling through this wilderness.**

**Thanks we give and adoration
for your gospel's joyful sound.
May the fruits of your salvation
in our hearts and lives abound.
Ever faithful, ever faithful
to your truth may we be found.**

**Savior, when your love shall call us
from our struggling pilgrim way,
let no fear of death appall us,
glad your summons to obey.
May we ever, may we ever
reign with you in endless day.**

Text: attr. John Fawcett, 1740-1817, sts. 1-2, alt.; Godfrey Thring, 1823-1903, st. 3, alt.

*DISMISSAL

A Heaven has come near. Go, share the good news!

R Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

"My Life Flows On in Endless Song" by Robert Lowry

HYMN

“Go, My Children, with My Blessing”

HYMN NO. 543

**“Go, my children, with my blessing, never alone.
Waking, sleeping, I am with you, you are my own.
In my love’s baptismal river
I have made you mine forever.
Go, my children, with my blessing, you are my own.”**

**“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

“Without Him” by Mylon R. LeFevre

***PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

A Compassionate God, through the gifts of bread and wine our hearts are filled with the abundance of your love. Strengthen us that we, through this holy meal, may share your love freely, as you have shared with us. We ask this in the name of Jesus, through the Spirit nourishing us now and forever.

R Amen.

SENDING

***BENEDICTION**

P Creator, Redeemer, Sustainer, † one God, bless, heal, and hold you today and always.

R Amen.

**Here we will take the wine and the water,
here we will take the bread of new birth,
here you shall call your sons and your daughters,
call us anew to be salt for the earth.
Give us to drink the wine of compassion,
give us to eat the bread that is you;
nourish us well, and teach us to fashion
lives that are holy and hearts that are true.**

Text: Marty Haugen, b. 1950; Text © 1982 GIA Publications, Inc. All rights reserved.

***CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, whose compassion endures forever.

R Amen.

P Let us confess our sin to God.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P Compassionate God,

R we confess to you all our sins. Our burden is heavy, and we cannot free ourselves. In your mercy, call us back to you. Your yoke is easy and your burden is light. Restore us to dwell in your peace. In Christ’s name we pray, Amen.

P Jesus says, “Come to me, all you who are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest.” In the name of God, Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit, your sins are forgiven. Rest in God’s love.

R Amen.

***HYMN OF PRAISE**

“O Living Breath of God”

HYMN NO. 407

Text: Osvaldo Catena, 1920-1986; tr. Gerhard M. Cartford, b. 1923; Tr. © 1998 Augsburg Fortress

**O living Breath of God, wind at the beginning upon the waters;
O living Breath of God, bearing the creation to wondrous birth;
Come now, and fill our spirits; pour out your gifts abundant.
O living Breath of God, Holy Spirit, breathe in us as we pray.**

**O living Breath of God, by whose pow’r the Son came to birth among us;
O living Breath of God, who to the creation gives life anew;
Come now, and fill our spirits; pour out your gifts abundant.
O living Breath of God, Holy Spirit, breathe in us as we pray.**

**O living Breath of God, bearing us to life through baptismal waters;
O living Breath of God, sighing with creation for freedom’s birth;
Come now, and fill our spirits; pour out your gifts abundant.
O living Breath of God, Holy Spirit, breathe in us as we pray.**

***APOSTOLIC GREETING AND PRAYER OF THE DAY**

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.

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.

SPECIAL MUSIC *“Singing Above All” Rhonda Behrends & Missy Roberts*
words and music by Paul Baloche and Lenny LeBlanc

FIRST READING Jeremiah 28:5-9

⁵Then 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, ⁶and 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. ⁷But listen now to this word that I speak in your hearing and in the hearing of all the people. ⁸The prophets who preceded you and me from ancient times prophesied war, famine, and pestilence against many countries and great kingdoms. ⁹As 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.

PSALM 89:1-4, 15-18 *(Read responsively)*

L I will sing of your steadfast love, O LORD, forever;
with my mouth I will proclaim your faithfulness to all generations.

**R I declare that your steadfast love is established forever;
your faithfulness is as firm as the heavens.**

L You said, “I have made a covenant with my chosen one;
I have sworn to my servant David:

**R ‘I will establish your descendants forever
and build your throne for all generations.’ ”**

L Happy are the people who know the festal shout,
who walk, O LORD, in the light of your countenance;

**R they exult in your name all day long
and extol your righteousness.**

L For you are the glory of their strength; by your favor our horn is exalted.

**R For our shield belongs to the LORD,
our king to the Holy One of Israel.**

***WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

***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

***DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION**

White grape juice is in the cups in the center of the tray.

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.

MEAL

OFFERING

"There's a Sweet, Sweet Spirit" by Doris Akers

***OFFERING SONG** *"Spirit of the Living God"* Text & Music: Daniel Iverson **W&P NO. 129**

**Spirit of the living God, fall fresh on me,
Spirit of the living God, fall fresh on me.
Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me.
Spirit of the living God, fall fresh on me.**

*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...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.

SECOND READING

Romans 6:12-23

¹²Therefore do not let sin reign in your mortal bodies, so that you obey their desires. ¹³No 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. ¹⁴For sin will have no dominion over you, since you are not under law but under grace. ¹⁵What then? Should we sin because we are not under law but under grace? By no means! ¹⁶Do 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? ¹⁷But 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 ¹⁸and that you, having been set free from sin, have become enslaved to righteousness. ¹⁹I 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. ²⁰When you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. ²¹So what fruit did you then gain from the things of which you now are ashamed? The end of those things is death. ²²But 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. ²³For 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.

*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. 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.**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SERMON *Rev. Jonathan Mollenkopf*

***HYMN OF THE DAY** *"Lord, Speak to Us..."* **HYMN NO. 676**

**Lord, speak to us, that we may speak
in living echoes of your tone;
as you have sought, so let us seek
your straying children, lost and lone.**

**Oh, lead us, Lord, that we may lead
the wand'ring and the wav'ring feet;
oh, feed us, Lord, that we may feed
your hung'ring ones with manna sweet.**

**Oh, teach us, Lord, that we may teach
the precious truths which you impart;
and wing our words, that they may reach
the hidden depths of many a heart.**

**Oh, fill us with your fullness, Lord,
until our very hearts o'erflow
in kindling thought and glowing word,
your love to tell, your praise to show.**

Text: Frances R. Havergal, 1836-1879, 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**

A God of grace,
R **hear our prayer.**

***PEACE**

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.
R **And also with you.**

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