

ZION EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH
330 GRISWOLD STREET, ELGIN, IL 60123

September 26, 2021 10:45 AM

"God's commitment to connect heaven and earth"

"Grounded in Christ: Sent to be a blessing"

PRELUDE

JEFF GROSSER

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING HYMN: 654 "The Church's One Foundation" (verses 1, 2, 4, and 5)

1. The church's one foundation is Jesus Christ, her Lord;
she is his new creation by water and the word.
From heav'n he came and sought her to be his holy bride;
with his own blood he bought her, and for her life he died.
2. Elect from ev'ry nation, yet one o'er all the earth;
her charter of salvation: one Lord, one faith, one birth.
One holy name she blesses, partakes one holy food,
and to one hope she presses with ev'ry grace endued.
4. Through toil and tribulation and tumult of her war,
she waits the consummation of peace forevermore;
till with the vision glorious her longing eyes are blest,
and the great church victorious shall be the church at rest.
5. Yet she on earth has union with God, the Three in One,
and mystic sweet communion with those whose rest is won.
O blessed heav'nly chorus! Lord, save us by your grace,
that we, like saints before us, may see you face to face.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Generous God, you provide all that we have and call for us to then use it all as you desire. So when we fall short and need your Spirit, we long for your hand to shape and mold us in the way of Jesus. As we worship today, be present for us, and offer yourself as gift to us so that we leave renewed and transformed to do your will, in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen

WORD

CHILDREN'S SERMON

INTERN ALLISON

VERSE OF THE MONTH

L Let us remember together the witness of scripture.

C "God blessed the seventh day and hallowed it, because on it God rested from all the work that he had done in creation." (Genesis 2:3)

FIRST LESSON: Genesis 27:1-4, 15-23; 28:10-17

L Word of God. Word of Life.

C Thanks be to God

GOSPEL VERSE: 172 "Halle, Halle, Halle"

Halle, halle, hallelujah.

Halle, halle, hallelujah.

Halle, halle, hallelujah.

Hallelujah. Hallelujah.

GOSPEL LESSON: John 1:43-51

P The Gospel according to John 1:43-51

C Glory to you, O Lord.

(After the lesson)

C Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY: 588 "There's a Wideness in God's Mercy"

1. There's a wideness in God's mercy, like the wideness of the sea;
there's a kindness in God's justice which is more than liberty.

There is no place where earth's sorrows are more felt than up in heaven.

There is no place where earth's failings have such kindly judgment given.

2. There is welcome for the sinner, and a promised grace made good;
there is mercy with the Savior; there is healing in his blood.

There is grace enough for thousands of new worlds as great as this;

there is room for fresh creations in that upper home of bliss.

3. For the love of God is broader than the measures of the mind;
and the heart of the Eternal is most wonderfully kind.

But we make this love too narrow by false limits of our own;

and we magnify its strictness with a zeal God will not own.

4. 'Tis not all we owe to Jesus; it is something more than all:
greater good because of evil, larger mercy through the fall.

Make our love, O God, more faithful; let us take you at your word,

and our lives will be thanksgiving for the goodness of the Lord.

APOSTLES CREED

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,
and 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.
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**

THE PRAYERS

OFFERING

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OFFERTORY PRAYER

A Let us pray.

C **God of mercy and grace, the eyes of all wait upon you, and you open your hand in blessing. Fill us with good things at your table, that we may come to the help of all in need through Jesus Christ, our redeemer and Lord. Amen.**

GREAT THANKSGIVING

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Lift up your hearts.

C **We lift them to the Lord.**

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

DISTRIBUTION

*All are welcome to come forward to receive communion. Communion will be served by household.
Hand sanitizing stations are available throughout the sanctuary.*

THE LORD'S PRAYER

COMMUNION HYMN: 483 "Here Is Bread"

**Here is Bread, here is wine, Christ is with us, He is with us.
Break the bread, taste the wine, Christ is with us here.**

Refrain:

**In this bread there is healing, In this cup there's life forever.
In this moment, by the Spirit, Christ is with us here.**

**Here is grace, here is peace, Christ is with us, He is with us.
Know His grace, find His peace, feast on Jesus here. (Refrain)**

**Here we are, joined in one, Christ is with us, He is with us.
We'll proclaim till He comes Jesus crucified. (Refrain)**

BLESSING AFTER COMMUNION:

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen us and keep us in God's grace.

C Amen

DISMISSAL HYMN: 821 "Shout to the Lord" (Sing Twice)

**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 every 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.**

BENEDICTION

P The God who has given all things,
fill you with faith and all you need,
to share Christ's love with all you meet,
in the name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

DISMISSAL

A Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C We will! Thanks be to God.