

ZION EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH
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"Faith in what God gives"

"Grounded in Christ: Sent to be a blessing"

PRELUDE

GARY HILLQUIST

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING HYMN: 526 "God is Here" (verses 1, 3, and 4)

God is here! As we your people meet to offer praise and prayer,
May we find in fuller measure what it is in Christ we share.
Here, as in the world around us, all our varied skills and arts
wait the coming of the Spirit into open minds and hearts.

Here our children find a welcome in the Shepherd's flock and fold;
here as bread and wine are taken, Christ sustains us as of old.
Here the servants of the Servant seek in worship to explore
what it means in daily living to believe and to adore.

Lord of all, of church and kingdom, in an age of change and doubt,
keep us faithful to the gospel; help us work your purpose out.
Here, in this day's dedication, all we have to give, receive;
we, who cannot live without you, we adore you! We believe!

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Generous God, you offer enough for us to flourish and yet we often see what we lack rather than the abundance you give. Forgive us for our lack of gratitude and help us to see and live from the abundance of your love, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen

WORD

(We turn our attention to hearing God's Word)

CHILDREN'S SERMON

DEACON MARLENE

VERSE OF THE MONTH

L Let us remember together the witness of scripture.

C "Create in me a clean heart, O God, and put a new and right spirit within me." (Psalm 51:10)

FIRST LESSON: Exodus 16:1-18

L Word of God. Word of Life.

C Thanks be to God

GOspel VERSE: "Alleluia"

Alleluia, Alleluia, hear the words of Jesus

Alleluia, Alleluia, word of life.

Alleluia, Alleluia, learn the way of wisdom

Alleluia, Alleluia, give glory to God, all glory to God!

GOspel LESSON: John 6:47-51

P The Gospel according to John 6:47-51

C Glory to you, O Lord.

(After the lesson)

C Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY: 765 "Lord of All Hopefulness"

1. Lord of all hopefulness, Lord of all joy,
Whose trust, ever child-like, no cares can destroy,
Be there at our waking, and give us, we pray,
Your bliss in our hearts, Lord, at the break of the day.
2. Lord of all eagerness, Lord of all faith,
Whose strong hands were skilled at the plane and the lathe,
Be there at our labors, and give us, we pray,
Your strength in our hearts, Lord, at the noon of the day.
3. Lord of all kindness, Lord of all grace,
Your hands swift to welcome, your arms to embrace,
Be there at our homing, and give us, we pray,
Your love in our hearts, Lord, at the eve of the day.
4. Lord of all gentleness, Lord of all calm,
Whose voice is contentment, whose presence is balm,
Be there at our sleeping, and give us, we pray,
Your peace in our hearts, Lord, at the end of the day.

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

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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.

THE PRAYERS

THE LORD'S PRAYER

C 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.
Lead us not into temptation,
But deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, the power,
and the glory,
forever and forever. Amen

BENEDICTION

P The God who has given you everything in Christ,
give you faith to see all that you have
and the faith to use it all for God's work,
in the name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

C Amen

POSTLUDE

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