

The Weekly News of Zion Lutheran Church

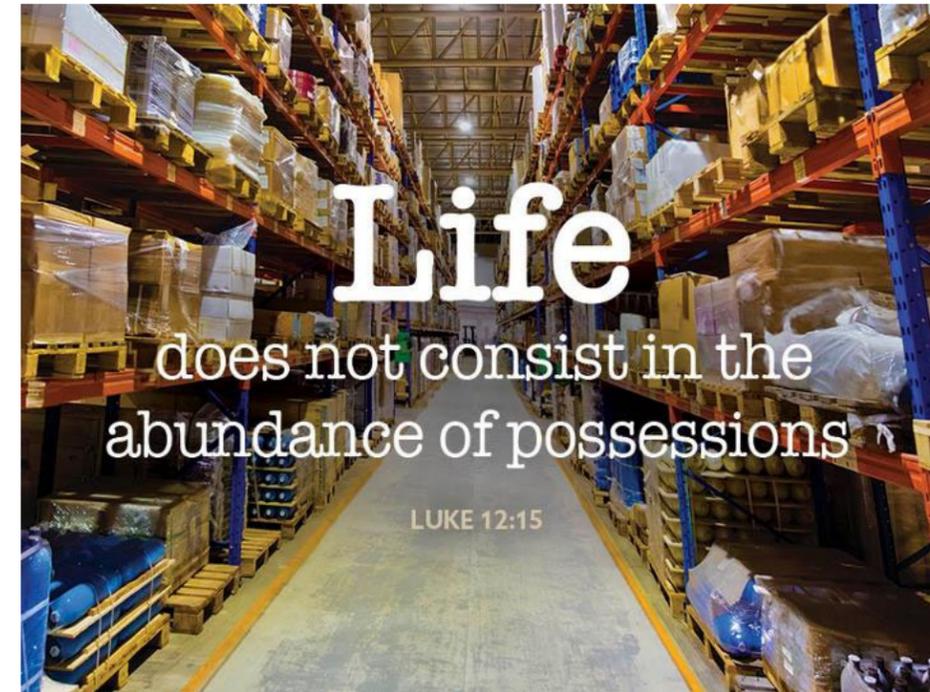
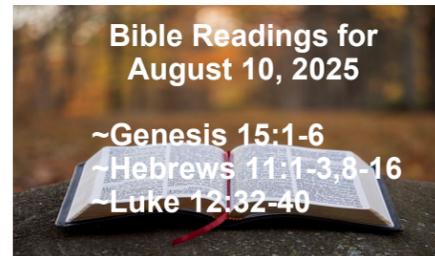
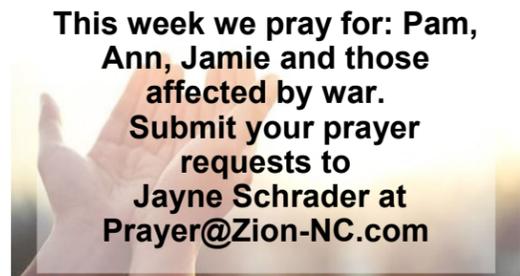
PM: The love of God abound in you; the grace of our Savior Jesus Christ fill your hearts; and the life of the Spirit \$ bless you and give you peace.

Amen.

Go in peace. Live by the Spirit.

Thanks be to God.

Postlude: *Shout to the Lord*



Today's Worship Leaders

Guest Minister: Rev. David Houdeschell
Assisting Minister: Beth Heller
Acolyte: LJ Brown
Accompanist: Carol McKimm
Audio/Visual Technicians: John Rhodes and Paul Bagocius
Chancel Guild: Corlene Coulter and Linda Smith
Child Care Attendant: Amelia Milek
Reader: Mark Denman
Trustees: Rob Frock and Scott Gross
Flowers by: Laura Thompson and Kay Reiss in memory of Arthur Reiss's birthday

August 10, 2025 Worship Leaders

Guest Minister: Rev. David Rice
Assisting Minister: Cindy Bagocius
Acolyte: Eli Haga
Accompanist: Carol McKimm
Audio/Visual Technicians: Kairi LePelley and Chris Thompson
Chancel Guild: Jane Fairman and Janet Slease
Child Care Attendant: Amelia Milek
Reader: Brian Milek
Trustees: John Long and Brian Milek
Flowers by: Randy Elsass in honor of Adia Elsass's High School Graduation

**August 3, 2025, Eighth Sunday after Pentecost
Blended Worship Service**



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Serving like Jesus*

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Congregation responses are in bold

Guest Minister (PM) - Rev. David Houdeschell

Announcements made prior to the start of our service

Prelude: *God Will Make a Way*

By: Don Moen

Please stand as you are able

We welcome Jesus into our presence as we
turn to follow the cross as it is processed through our worship space

Refiner's Fire

1. Pu - ri - fy my heart,
2. Pu - ri - fy my heart,
E B
let me be
cleansed from w...
gold and pre - cious sil - ver; Pu - ri - fy my heart,
in and make me ho - ly; Pu - ri - fy my heart,
F#m E
let me be as gold, pure gold.
cleansed from my sin deep with - in.
15 Re - fin - er's fire, my heart's one de - sire
F
is to be ho - ly,
set a - part for You, Lord. I choose to be
ho - ly, set a - part for You, my Mas - ter,
27 1. read - y to do Your will.
2. read - y to do Your will. D.S. al CUD.

all that I am, nev - er cease to
wor - ship You.
mf Shout to the Lord, all the earth, let us sing -
pow - er and maj - es - ty, praise to the King;
25 Moun - tains bow down and the seas will roar at the
26 sound of Your
31 CODA rit. f a tempo
name. I sing for joy at the work
of Your hands, for - ev - er I'll love You, for - ev -
er I'll stand, noth - ing com - pares to the prom -
ise I have in You,
45 mf noth - ing com - pares to the prom -
ise I have in You.
rit. mp

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PM: In the name of the Father, and of the $\text{\$}$ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

Baptized into Christ, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Merciful God,
you free us to love others, but we often neglect our neighbors and follow our own way.
You lead us by the Spirit of joy and peace, but we may choose to turn away from the abundant life you offer.
You surround us with patience, kindness, and generosity, but we sometimes 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.

You belong to Christ Jesus and you are God's children through faith.
 In the cross of $\text{\$}$ Christ, and through the power of the Holy Spirit, your sins are forgiven. Clothed with Christ, you are a new creation.
Amen.

Let us pray,
Benevolent God, you are the source, the guide, and the goal of our lives. Teach us to love what is worth loving, to reject what is offensive to you, and to treasure what is precious in your sight, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen.

Please be seated

A reading from Ecclesiastes:

(Ecclesiastes 1:2,12-14;2:18-23 Pew Bible,
New Testament, page 477)

The reading concludes with:
Word of God, Word of Life
Thanks be to God

Psalm 49:1-12

Hear this, all you peoples; give ear, all you who dwell in the world,
you of high degree and low, rich and poor together.

My mouth shall speak of wisdom, and my heart shall meditate on understanding.

I will incline my ear to a proverb and set forth my riddle upon the harp.

Why should I be afraid in evil days, when the wickedness of those at my heels surrounds me,
the wickedness of those who put their trust in their own prowess, and boast of their great riches?

One can never redeem another, or give to God the ransom for another's life;

for the ransom of a life is so great that there would never be enough to pay it,

in order to live forever and ever and never see the grave.

For we see that the wise die also; like the dull and stupid they perish and leave their wealth to those who come after them.

Their graves shall be their homes forever, their dwelling places from generation to generation, though they had named lands after themselves.

Even though honored, they cannot live forever; they are like the beasts that perish.

Open Our Eyes, Lord

Words and Music by
BOB CULL

Musical score for 'Open Our Eyes, Lord' by Bob Cull. The score is written in treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a 4/4 time signature. It consists of six staves of music with lyrics underneath. The lyrics are: 'O - pen our eyes, Lord, we want to see Je - sus, To reach out and touch Him, and say that we love Him. O - pen our ears, Lord, and help us to'.

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Shout to the Lord

Words and Mu:
DARLENE ZSCH

Musical score for 'Shout to the Lord' by Darlene Zsch. The score is written in treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a 4/4 time signature. It consists of ten staves of music with lyrics underneath. The lyrics are: 'My Je - sus, my Sav - ior, Lord, there is none like You; All of my days I want to praise the won - ders of Your might y love. My Com - fort, my Shel - ter, Tow - er of ref - uge and strength; Let ev - 'ry breath, all that I am, nev - er cease to wor - ship You. Shout to the Lord, all the earth, let us sing pow - er and maj - es - ty, praise to the King;'. The score includes various musical notations such as dynamics (mp, mf), accents, and fermatas.

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Please stand as you are able

PM: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.
Amen.

AM: Let us pray,
**Mothering God, 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. Amen.**

AM: Let us enthusiastically commit to our mission as we pray,
**Lord, my hope and strength comes from you. Open my eyes and heart to the person
you have designed me to be; a person who cares for the widows and orphans, feeds
the hungry, clothes the naked, frees the oppressed, and visits the sick and
imprisoned. Continue to give me and this congregation a vision to make a difference
in our community. Enliven me to spread the good news of your Son. I pray this all for
Jesus's sake. Amen.**

PM: The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.
The Lord look upon you with favor and \$ give you peace.
Amen.

*Turn to follow the cross as it processes through the Worship Space.
Then follow it out to join in God's work.*

lis - ten, O - pen our
eyes, Lord, we want to see
Je - sus.

2nd time to Coda

A reading from Colossians:

(Colossians 3:1-11, Pew Bible
New Testament, page 156)

The reading concludes with:
Word of God, Word of Life
Thanks be to God

O - pen our
eyes, Lord, we want to see
Je - sus, To reach out and
touch Him, and say that we
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53 CODA

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Please stand as you are able

The holy gospel according to St. Luke
Glory to you, O Lord

(Luke 12:13-21 Pew Bible,
New Testament, page 57)

The reading concludes with:
The Gospel of the Lord
Praise to you, O Christ

Please be seated

Children's Time with Pastor

Sermon

Please stand as you are able

Jesus, Lover of My Soul

Words and Music by
JOHN EZZY, DANIEL GRUL, and
STEPHEN McPHERSON

5 *mf* Je - sus, lov - er of my soul,
7 Je - sus, I will nev - er let You go.
112 9 You've tak - en me from the mir - y clay,
11 *f* set my feet up - on the rock, and now I know
13 I love You. I need You.
15 Though my world may fall, I'll nev - er let You go.
17 My Sav - ior, my clos - est friend, I will wor - ship You un -

All praise and glory are yours, Holy God, Word of God incarnate, Power of the Most High, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Let us enthusiastically pray as Jesus taught us,

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.

Risen One, you have gathered us around your table of grace along with these gifts we bring. Come among us again, breathe your life into us, and enliven us with this meal, that we may live as your risen body in the world.

Amen.

PM: The kingdom of God is set before you. Eat and rejoice.

Thanks be to God! Amen!

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on
us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the
sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

Please be seated

The Lord's Supper (Communion) at this congregation is practiced as an open table – all are welcome. Jesus said this is his body and blood given and shed for you; come receive the loving grace God provides for you.

Those who do not commune may come forward for a blessing, for all are loved by God. Children who commune at their home congregation are encouraged to commune here today too.

Gluten free wafers available. Request at time of receiving communion.

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PM: The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
Lift up your hearts.
We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PM: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by His glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r 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.

PM: 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.

With this bread and cup we remember your Word dwelling among us, full of grace and truth. We remember our new birth in his death and resurrection. We look with hope for his coming.
Come, Lord Jesus

Holy God, we long for your Spirit. Come among us. Bless this meal. May your Word take flesh in us. Awaken your people. Fill us with your Light. Bring the gift of peace on earth.
Come, Holy Spirit

2.
til the ver - y end.
22
Je - sus, lov - er of my soul,
Je - sus, I will nev - er let You go.
26
You've tak - en me from the mir - y clay,
28
set my feet up - on the rock, and now I know
30
I love You. I need You.
32
Though my world may fall, I'll nev - er let You go.
34
My Sav - lor, my clos - est friend,
36
I will wor - ship You un -
38
2.
til the ver - y end.

In His Time

Words and Music by
DIANE BAL

3 in tempo ♩ = 85

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1. In His
(2. In Your)

time, in His time;

He makes all things beau - ti - ful in His

time. (D.S.) Lord, please show me ev - 'ry

day As You're teach - ing me Your way, That You

do just what You say in Your time.

AM: In solidarity with all creation, we join our voice to the voice of the whole church and pray for the needs of the world.

A brief silence for personal prayer

Renew in your church a perspective of life beyond worldly pursuits. Build an enthusiasm to embrace life in Christ, so that Christ, the life of the world, is revealed to everyone. God of grace,
hear our prayer.

Revitalize and protect the treasures of wild places. Teach all people to value the earth, winds, waters, trees, and animals, the gifts that make life possible on this planet. God of grace,
hear our prayer.

Speak wisdom to any in positions of power, that they cease practices of divisiveness, insult, and oppression. Clothe all people in your image, and establish equity and peace. God of grace,
hear our prayer.

Reveal your loving presence in the lives of people suffering hunger and need, illness and grief, pain and fear. Give strength to those who give care, and equip them with compassion as they make your love known. God of grace,
hear our prayer.

Store up in this congregation a full measure of gratitude and generosity. Guide the work of treasurers and all who attend to financial matters. Support those whose work in our community is difficult and demanding; make us mindful of the toil that goes unnoticed. God of grace,
hear our prayer.

Bless this week's marriages and help us support their life together,
Amanda & Keith Haga and Cathy & Steve Harvey

Thank you for the life of our birthday siblings,
Marcia Miller

Receive our thanks for the lives of your saints who now rest from their labors. Give us wisdom through their witness and encourage us in love as we continue our lives in the world. God of grace,
hear our prayer.

Trusting in your lovingkindness, we place our prayer and hope in you, in the name of Jesus Christ.
Amen.

In Your time,

in Your time; You make all things beau - ti -

ful in Your time. Lord, my

life to You I bring; May each song I have to sing Be to

rit. You a love - ly thing in Your time.

The Offering of our tithes, gifts and sacrifices is gathered for the mission of Christ's church, including the care of those in need.

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AM: Let us enthusiastically pray our prayer of stewardship, Holy Lord,
I gladly return, for your work, a portion of your abundant provision to me. All that I have is yours alone, entrusted Lord, to my care. Amen.